



## The Grapevine

## Beltane



## Summer Is On Its Way

This Sunday is the eve of Beltane - this festival day marks the beginning of summer - and our Labour weekend was a wonderful hint of the summer to come.

Beltane is an old Celtic name, meaning bright fire or fire of Bel – the name of the Solar force, whose feast marks the start of summer – the time of milk & honey. Beltane morning in the Northern Hemisphere is often called May Day - and is directly opposite the seasonal festival of Samhain and Halloween on the wheel of the year.

This coming weekend children across Aotearoa will celebrate Halloween, despite Halloween having its meaning, energies and traditions deeply embedded in the season of Autumn Festival.

I encourage families to explore the meanings behind the festivals and activities we engage in and find rhythms and rituals which sit right for your family.



With the coming of summer and feelings of holiday anticipation and relaxing into the sun become abundant - each year during this last term I have come to understand how important it is to ensure students feel well supported by the consistent expectation and structure of school life. These expectations and boundaries support the student to have a successful and smooth end of year. With the rising temperatures and anticipation of summer festivities it is important to remember to support students to arrive at school ready to learn and prepared.

For older students this looks like students having needed equipment for lessons on their person. Another way of supporting students is to ensure appropriate dress as per the dress code and season. For Lower School children this means them always having their wide brimmed sun-hat when outside. For all of us this also looks like having enough sleep and arriving at school well fed and ready to think about learning.



## *He pito kōrero!*

### **Kīwaha o te wiki – kīwaha of the week**

Ehara i te hanga (ehh har dar ee teh har ngar)

it's not something insignificant, it's no ordinary thing, it's pretty amazing - used as an expression to comment on something that is impressive.

Hina: Kia ora e Mata. The written piece that I submitted for the Huia Publishers Award has made the finals!

Mata: Ka pai you! Ehara i te hanga e hoa!

*He pito kōrero is a space dedicated to celebrating and promoting Te Reo me ōna Tikanga Māori*



## **Waiata Mai Is Back**

**Thursdays – 12:30 – 1:00 pm - in the Library!**

Ngā mihi hīkaka ki a koutou ngā manu tioriori o Taikura!

Waiata mai has started. Every Thursday in our Whare pukapuka – The library. If you want to learn some of the waiata that your tamariki sing at school, nau mai, haere mai te katoa....all are welcome!

Ngā mihi ki a koutou ngā kōpara e kō!

Nā Troy Gardiner

## **Te Tāhuhu o Taikura**

As part of Te Tāhuhu o Taikura we have identified expected behaviours for each of our values. As part of the embedding of this programme we are going to focus on a different expected behaviour each week. We will share our weekly focus in our Grapevine for the coming week so that families can participate and support also.

## **Te Tāhuhu o Taikura - Focus for Week 1 and 2**

Our teaching focus this week will be **Respect/Whakaute**, specifically: **Be Ready To Learn**

## **Upcoming Events**

November 1	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Class 3 Parent Evening - Class 3
November 2	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Class 1 Parent Evening - Class 1
November 2	7:30 pm - 9:00 pm	Class 8 Parent Evening - TH Room 2.7
November 8	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Class 9 Parent Evening - TH Room 2.8
November 14	5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	School Board Meeting - School Hall
November 20	10:00 am - 3:00 pm	School Fete

## Curriculum Corner

A celebration of creativity in the Woodwork Room over the years.



**Millie McGuinness - leather tote bag**

**Liam Rousteau with the box ukulele**



**Titoki Foote, Zakir Zaini and friends with handmade wooden saws.**



**Blanket box by Gemma Watson**





**Lucy Allison with her folding table**



**The humble stool with epoxy inlay  
by Pippa van Duin**



**Anyone for a game of chess?  
by Joshua Dipper**

**Retro chair from past Student Lara Watson**



## Tamaki Shimaoka Installations

Its that time of the year again, the weather is getting decidedly summerish and the inside of the car is getting noticeably sandy, November is around the corner and we can almost hear the bells of Christmas, but wait, let's not get ahead of ourselves, the lights and presents are nice and all, but for us here at Taikura, there is something much closer: The Fete

I'm Tamaki Shimaoka, in my last year in Class 12, and the Fete has been quite special to me, especially in recent years. I have gone through this school since kindy, starting at Mangarau Kindergarten, and my parents have had the crystal stall there for as long as I can remember, but 2018 is the year that I particularly started looking forward to this time of year.

That was the year that I made my first ever 3D street painting installation as my Class 8 project. For those that remember, it was always on the hardcourt, behind the stage, on the opposite end of the field. Since then, every year, when it neared the end of the school year (because High School finishes a while before the Lower School ) I would start thinking about what sort of illusion I would make that year. Then in the long sunny evenings, I would stay after school to grid up the concrete and prepare for the weekend. It really was a highlight of my year, especially at the end of the day, happily exhausted with my camera full of photos of another epic artwork ready to wash away in the next rainfall...

Of course, we all know in Hawkes Bay, what's worse than rain is a drought. And we had a hefty one on its way, a metaphorical one, but a devastating one nonetheless. It was the greatest drought of the arts that we had ever seen, two years of just event cancellation after event cancellation, and just as I was working up my skill to go bigger. So naturally when things finally did open up, I was raring to go. In the last few months, I have made three public 3D ground mural installations, one in an art gallery, one in a newly opened plaza, and a third at night in the middle of a traffic light intersection (and yes, it was legal and I got paid!), and perhaps you saw that I made it onto the news! (You may still be able to find the online version if you google my name) For those of you who were able to see my work in person, thank you so much. Because the work I do is ephemeral, they quite literally only exist in your memories now, so thank you for preserving them, and to those of you who did not get to see them, maybe the editor will be kind enough to include some images.

But the Fete this year is very special for me. This may be the last time I make a 3D installation at the Taikura Fete, so of course I intend to make it count. But for this I NEED YOUR HELP.

As a struggling student I am looking for sponsors for this year's installation at the Fete, so if you are a business owner who would like to support me or if you are a very generous person, I would be very grateful. Please contact me on: **021 084 43835** or DM me on Instagram: **@izola\_hill\_**. Email: **tamakishimaoka@gmail.com** (this works as well). I will naturally include your logo, name or brand in my installation.

Tamaki Shimaoka  
Class 12



School hard court

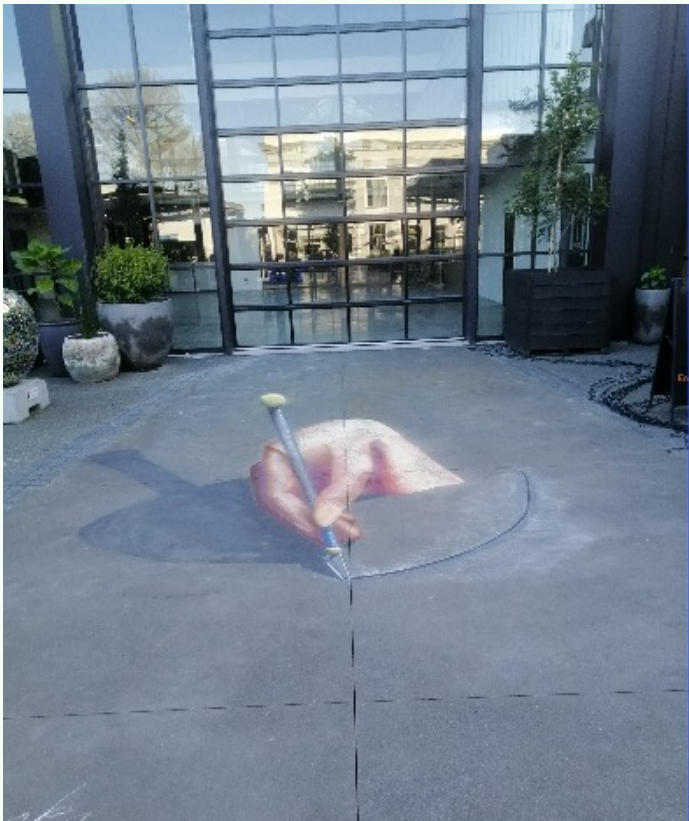




School hard court



Nuit Blanche/ White Night, Napier for the Arts Festival  
Middle of the intersection of Hastings and Tennyson



Fringe in the 'Stings Festival The new Tribune space



As an honorary guest artist. Year 12 local art competition at the Russell Street



## Hastings Group Riding

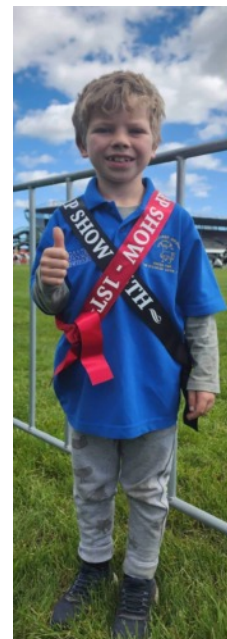
This year Vincent from Class 2, has been attending the Hastings Group Riding for the Disabled once a week. This amazing therapy helps children, at all sorts of levels of challenges, how to focus and be confident and kind with the horses that they ride and handle. This can assist with physical, emotional, and learning challenges.

Every year the A&P Show committee put on a series of classes for the Napier and Hastings RDA's; to come together to show off their riders and their horses. It is judged by a genuine equestrian sports judge, and everyone gets a ribbon!

It's a fabulous day, made possible with a lot of hard work from the coaches and amazing volunteers. All of the riders come away very proud of their achievements!

Vincent did amazingly well, with a first for Best Rider, a 2nd for Best Skills and a 7th for Best Mount.

Well done Vincent!



## "Bee" Safe Wear Shoes And Slap On A Hat!

Our main field always attracts the buzz of our friendly little workers of the flowers. To ensure the children are safe from harm please check that they have suitable shoes on at all times. This is up to parents and staff to enforce. If you see one of our children on the field without shoes on, please ask them to go and put some on. And *te ra* (*the sun*) is out in force so please make sure you wear your hats too.



## Handy Hints: Dress Code

Please ensure your child wears the appropriate clothing to school, which means the following:

1. Clothing is not to be ripped or torn
2. Tops must cover the midriff, shoulders and chest
3. Clothing will fit properly and not expose underwear and not to be transparent.
4. Shorts, dresses and skirts should be mid-thigh (when sitting) or longer.

## Slow Cookers

Don't wait for winter to realise you can't find your slow cooker! These were left after the winter warmer. If you own one of these, please come and collect it from the school office as soon as possible, thank you.



# URGENT UPDATE TO **Absence Notifications**

This term we will be moving to app and answer phone absence notifications only, eliminating the need for us to maintain a mobile phone in the office, and lessening the workload for staff having to check multiple devices and sources of information. Many thanks for your understanding and cooperation. Please find instructions on how to download the school app below.

## **School App**

If you have not already done so, **we encourage you to download our SchoolApp into your smart phone.** You will find school contacts, newsletters, a link to our website, term dates, absentee notifications and our calendar which is filled with upcoming events, meetings, camps and trips. Subscribe to class alert groups and you will receive notifications such as class camp school arrival times and meeting reminders straight to your phone. So much useful information!

1. Go to the **App Store** or **Google Play Store** on your mobile device
2. Search **SchoolAppsNZ**
3. Download the **App**
4. Open the **App**
5. When it asks to send notifications – click allow.
6. When it asks to search your **School** – type your **School Name** in the search bar
7. Lastly, subscribe to the Alert Groups you would like to receive alerts for.



### **Junior High School Water Polo Training/Games**

#### **Term 4 2022**

**Where:** Hawkes Bay Regional Aquatic Centre, 42 Percival Road, Hastings

**When:** Tuesday Night's – Training and Games from 7pm to 8pm  
1<sup>st</sup> Nov / 8<sup>th</sup> Nov / 15<sup>th</sup> Nov / 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov / 29<sup>th</sup> Nov / 6<sup>th</sup> Dec

**Cost:** \$52.00 per player

**Fee to be paid to Hawkes Bay Water Polo Association**

**Account:** 06-0645-0647776-00

**Reference:** "Name" and "High School"

**Payment must be received prior to first game**

**All players from Year 9 and 10 are welcome**

**Coaches, gear all supplied. Bring googles if you have them**

**Individuals Welcome!**

**Limited Numbers – Please register your interest early.**

**We will have a new High School League starting in 2023!**

**Register via our website <https://www.hbwaterpolo.net.nz/> before 3<sup>rd</sup> October**





*When human beings meet together seeking the spirit with unity of purpose then they will also find their way to each other.*  
Rudolf Steiner

## Taikura Fete Sunday 20 November 2022

Ka pai to all the whānau who have already made a commitment to help on the day. If you are not already rostered, please put your hand up for something during the next week.

### Class Food Stalls

Each class is allocated one food item at the Real Food Market. This is where the bulk of the income from the Fete is generated. Your class is responsible for sourcing ingredients, following recipes, preparing food in a safe environment and storing food hygienically in advance of the Fete. Roster links to all liaison parents have been emailed out and these should have reached you by now. Get in quick to secure your preferred time slot. Contact Jess directly on 0210 299 3576 with any food related questions.

### Children's Activities

Kia ora to our awesome Taikura community. We're busy gearing up for the Fete, excited to be running the children's activities, a big part of what makes our Fete such a special event.

- **Thank you for every parent that has said, 'yes, I can'.**

We do still have a few spots left, and to make them all run we need a few more wonderful parents who are willing and able!

We are very keen to find someone to champion Candle Dipping and at least another parent to do the afternoon spot. We would greatly appreciate someone who has experience with this to help with the first time slot especially, to show other parents/students the magic of making beautiful candles.

We also have spots left for the Photo Booth and Clay Play, a morning spot in Jousting, and afternoon spots in Crystal Panning and the Art Spinner.

For anyone who is uncertain, we are happy to answer questions and all supplies have been organised.

**Elsbeth** (02108431387) and **Amber** (0212163781) look forward to hearing from you!

## Children's Shop

The fete is just around the corner and we still need some items for the children's shop.

For those who don't know the children's shop is a beautiful grotto that only children can enter, they can purchase several items for a couple of beans each.

We aim for about 400 quality items in total. I have listed some ideas below and also a link to a Pinterest page that has been created. Try to stay away from "hanging items" due to the tangled nature of such things. Would be great to get more gender-neutral craft ideas.

- felt pocket babies
- cork sail boats
- felt purses
- wool babies
- felt birds & felt mice
- bumble bees on a stick
- wool butterflies
- covered match boxes with seeds or treasures (gemstones) or needle felted wee creatures.
- felt badges (flower shapes or animals etc)
- wire bubble blowers
- Felt gnomes
- Origami creations
- wool in a little bottle creating a rainbow in a bottle.
- rainbow window stars
- mini booklets
- Walnut shell insects - painted shell with added legs or eyes to create insects.
- felt or crochet flowers on a hair clip

<https://www.pinterest.nz/jessicafrederiq/childrens-shop-ideas/>

## Magic Beans

All Children's Activities at the Fete will require one or more Magic Beans. They will be available for purchase from Monday 14 November to Friday 18 November ONLY at the school gate from 2:45-3:20pm at a special discounted rate to acknowledge all the time and energy that our school community puts into creating the fete. Magic Beans will then be available for purchase at \$1 each on Fete day.

### School community discount:

\$10 = 12 Magic Beans in a bag (saving \$4)

\$20 = 28 Magic Beans in a bag (saving \$10)

\$30 = 42 Magic Beans in a bag (saving \$14)

Bags are \$2 each by themselves, you may opt to not get a bag (subtract \$2) or purchase extra bags.

**CASH ONLY SALES** - please have correct amount if possible - Thank you



# Important Dates Term Four

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>
HB Anniversary/Labour Weekend	Friday 21 – Monday 24 October
School Board Meeting	Monday 14 November
Fete	Sunday 20 November
Lower School parent teacher interviews	Monday 21 – Friday 25 November
Teacher Only Day – School only	Friday 25 November
Class 12 Cushion Concert	11:00am Friday 2 December
Class 12 Graduation Dinner	Friday 2 December
Last day of school for Classes 10, 11 and 12	3:00pm Friday 2 December
Last day of school for Classes 8 and 9	3:00pm Thursday 8 December
Teacher Only Day – School only	Friday 9 December
Last day of Term 4	12:30pm finish Friday 16 December
Carol Evening	7:00pm Friday 16 December
Office closes	4:00pm Tuesday 20 December



**Help support the Class 12 Geography students with Taikura's first pumpkin growing competition.**

This event will take place on the Autumn harvest festival afternoon

**How to enter:** Free Giant Atlantic pumpkin seed packs will be handed out at school. You can also pick up a packet of seeds from the office. A very big thank you to Liam for these wonderful seeds!

There are three categories to enter on the day. Competitors can enter as many categories as they like however they need to provide a separate pumpkin per entry.

**A gold coin donation is asked per entry**

If you are wishing to enter the largest grown pumpkin category you will need to grow your own pumpkin with the provided seeds.

**We highly encourage the pumpkins that are entered to be homegrown. However, we do understand that If you do not have the space or time to grow your own you can purchase your own pumpkin for the carved or best dressed category.**

#### **Categories**

Biggest Homegrown Pumpkin  
Best dressed pumpkin  
Most creatively carved pumpkin.

**Contestants' pumpkins will be grouped and judged based on the age groups below.  
Fun prizes will be available!**

#### **Groups**

Lower school students ( Classes 5 and up)  
High school ( Classes 8 through to 12)  
Staff & Community



## Introductory Talks at the Rudolf Steiner Centre

401 Whitehead Road from 1:45 pm to 2:30 pm

- The previous talks have given an insight to the early childhood years and the Lower School.
- The next three talks will look at the High School years.

### "The journey to the Self"

The years from fourteen to twenty

#### Talk 3: 2 November 2022

The metamorphosis of the twelve senses from birth to age twenty one.

- The talks will be held by Hans and Ineke van Florenstein Mulder.
- All parents and teachers are warmly welcomed.

The talks are free of charge, koha in support of the Rudolf Steiner Centre would be appreciated.

## Reiki Course 29 October

Reiki is a natural energy healing. Reiki level 1 for opening a connection to healing energy is to be held on Saturday 29 October. For enquiries, Shu. Email: [shushimawalker@gmail.com](mailto:shushimawalker@gmail.com) or text 0210549035

## Study Opportunities At Taruna

### The Art of Well-Being Continued

This course is designed for those that have previously studied at Taruna and are looking for another opportunity to be nourished in body and soul. This programme is also connected to the 'Art of Heart' and its central theme is that of companionship. This course has a long weekend format. The **Art of Wellbeing Continued** is scheduled for Thursday 17 November afternoon until Sunday 20 November lunchtime. Treat yourself - we would love to welcome you to Taruna again. For more information or to register call 068777174 or email [info@taruna.ac.nz](mailto:info@taruna.ac.nz)

### Enrolling now for study in 2023

Taruna offers a number of both personal and professional development opportunities across a number of disciplines including teaching, nursing and art. The courses are a range of formats: part-time seminar based study or shorter introductory courses. A typical learning day will be a balance of practical activities, lectures, artistic sessions, discussion groups, study and self-reflection. Visit [www.taruna.ac.nz](http://www.taruna.ac.nz) or call 06 8777174 to see which courses might suit you.

## Hawke's Bay Arts Festival

This Sunday, as part of Hawke's Bay Arts Festival, come witness The Revelator, an experience of music and original theatre devised by Rosheen FitzGerald, starring Tanja Maioha, with music by Arahi and a full band. Sunday 30 October, 7.30pm at Toitoti. [Tickets](#) from Hawke's Bay Arts Festival or Hastings iSite.

## Fellow Regenerative Gardeners

Here is a wonderful opportunity for a Foraging Workshop at home in Hastings on Saturday 29 October from 2:00 - 4:00 pm, with a deeply knowledgeable, compassionate and enthusiastic workshop holder:

Going back to the essence, embracing nature and its abundance, how to nurture ourselves at first glance - <https://fb.me/e/1Y5halrmY>

Ngā Mihi Nui  
Florian Roger

27th October  
November 10th  
6pm-7.15pm

**MONDAY 4.30PM-5.30PM**  
**KEIRUNGA GARDENS**  
**ART CENTRE**

Donnelly St  
Havelock North



**TEEN ART CLASS**  
**13 YEARS- 18 YEARS**

**7 WEEK TERM STARTING MONDAY 31ST OCTOBER**  
**FINISHES MONDAY 12TH DECEMBER**  
**\$154 FOR THE COURSE**

**ART ACTIVITIES: PAINTING, DRAWING, CLAY,**  
**PASTEL ALSO SELF-DIRECTED ART AND MORE....**

**LOCATION: QUILTERS COTTAGE KEIRUNGA**  
**GARDENS ART CENTRE.**

**Book: [art@amandasowersby.co.nz](mailto:art@amandasowersby.co.nz)**

**Amanda also offers one on one**  
**Anthroposophical Artistic Therapy for**  
**children, teens and adults.**

## **RestOra Workshop**

### **with Amanda Sowersby**



**Restorative Yoga/  
Meditation/Sound Healing/  
Gently Guided Colour Artwork  
& Herbal Tea**

**Sunday 30th October**  
**3pm-5pm \$45 Alma Studio**  
**Joll Rd, Havelock North**

**Book: [www.almastudio.co.nz](http://www.almastudio.co.nz) (Click on Events)**