



### Advent Season Approaches



#### As Advent is fast approaching.....

We invite parents to come and join us in Class One on Thursday 17 November to take some time out of your busy day to prepare for the coming Advent time.

During the evening time will be used to explore the themes of Advent.

How this season lands in our respective whānau, with dedicated time to planning and creating something for your home for the first Advent Sunday - 27 November 2022.

Come and enjoy a quiet moment of contemplation over a warm drink and creating something for your home.

**Thursday 17 November 2022**

**Evening 7:00 - 9:00pm**

**Venue: Class One**

Please register by midday Monday with [kelly.sutton@taikura.school.nz](mailto:kelly.sutton@taikura.school.nz) or [sue.hull@taikura.school.nz](mailto:sue.hull@taikura.school.nz)

Due to the preparation of materials needed for this event, late registrations or arrivals on the night in this instance - will not be able to be accommodated.

We look forward to welcoming you.

Kelly Sutton - Deputy Principal



## *He pito kōrero!*

**“Kua rongu kōrero koe...? Did you hear...?”**

Kia ora e te whānau! Have you heard that Auntie's Gardens based at Waipatu Marae, are running a wānanga about how to plant the 'tipu' grown from the kumara! It's on the Tuesday 15 and Wednesday 16 of November, from 5:00 – 7:00pm. Tipu will be available for sale at the end, that could be grown in your own maara! Take your whānau and kai for afterwards!

**Kīwaha o te wiki...Kīwaha of the week!**

Tino kino te pai (tee nor key nor teh pie)  
The best, too much, that's great!

**Rangi:** Kia ora e Tama! Have you seen this new book 'Te Wehenga' by Mat Tait. It's an awesome retelling of the creation story of Rangi and Papa!

**Tama:** Whuu...the illustrations are awesome too eh! Tino kino te pai e hoa!

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



### **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 3 and 4**

Our teaching focus this week will be **Respect/Whakaute**, specifically: **Clean Up After Yourself**

### **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

### **Outstanding Sports Uniforms**

There are still quite a few outstanding winter sports uniforms.

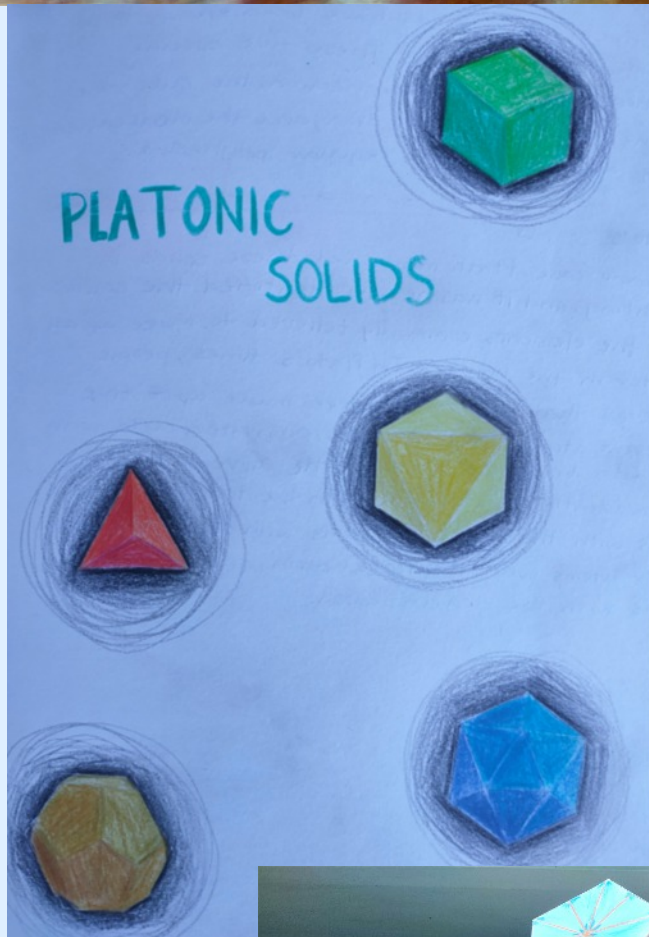
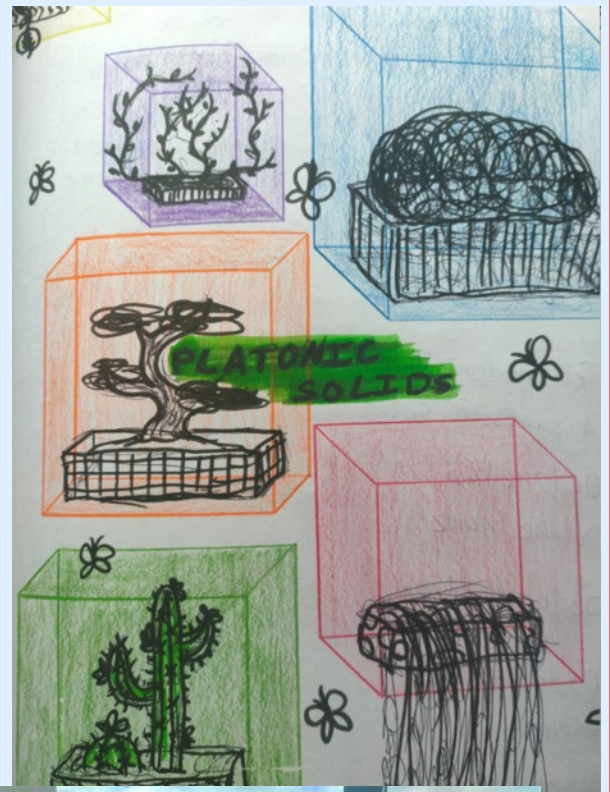
Can these please be returned to the school office **washed** and in a **named bag** ASAP.

Janet Osborne - Sports Coordinator



## Curriculum Corner

This is a sample of some of Class 8 Platonic Main Lesson work



# Mā te whiritahi, kā whakātutuki ai ngā pūmanawa ā tāngata Together weaving the realisation of potential.

## Dear Parents of Classes 1 - 5

During the week of Monday 21 - Thursday 24 November, there will be parent teacher interviews for students from Classes 1 - 5.

We will be using the same booking site as in previous years.

**School Interviews - Home:** <http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz>

Due to the end of year busy-ness, each class teacher has selected interview dates which best suit their class schedule. Some teachers may offer interview times on the Friday, **TEACHER ONLY DAY**. When booking please pay special attention to the teacher's individual interview schedules noting the date, day and time of sessions booked.

We encourage you to book on-line. Parents who do not have access to a computer can phone Adrienne to book an appointment.

Bookings **OPEN Friday 4 November at 10:00 am** - bookings will close Friday 18 November at 3:00 pm  
Interviews are 15 minutes long.

*We are very aware that your time is important. It is respectful practice to ensure our interviews run on schedule. Interview times - start and finish as scheduled. If you are late, extra time is not added to the end of the interview slot. We are working to improve the punctuality of our meetings, and we thank you in advance for your support in this.*

Warm wishes Kelly

### Booking Your Interview

When you login you will see each class teacher, has a range of times on various days, available for interviews. We trust that the many options available will make it possible for all families to attend.

On-line bookings are open and will **close on Friday 18 November**. Please book at your convenience and note that late bookings will **not** be accepted after the closure date..

How to Book:

1. Log onto the following website: <http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz>
2. Enter the following code into the 'event code': **uwy46** (lower case)
3. You will then be guided by the website.

### Upcoming Events

November 14	5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	School Board Meeting - School Hall
November 17	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Advent Preparation - Parent Evening - Class 1
November 20	10:00 am - 3:00 pm	School Fete
November 21 - 25	3:30 pm - 8:00 pm	LOWER SCHOOL <b>CLASSES 1-5 ONLY</b> Interviews
November 25	ALL DAY	Teacher Only Day - <b>SCHOOL ONLY</b>





*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 have been shared with all liaison parents and these should have reached you by now. Get in quick to secure your preferred time slot. Contact Jess Scott 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 and are 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 have a few spots left, and to make them all run we need a few more wonderful parents who are willing and able!

Please get in contact if you can supervise a children's activity for the afternoon from 1:00 -3:00 pm. We are looking for parents to hold the Photo Booth, Crystal panning and the Art Spinner. For anyone who is uncertain, we are happy to answer questions and all supplies have been organised. Elspeth (02108431387) and Amber (0212163781) look forward to hearing from you!

### **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 pm - 3:20 pm.

School Community Bean sales for 2022 will be:

\$10 for 12 beans + bag (saving \$4)

**\$20 for 28 beans + bag (saving \$10)**

\$30 for 42 beans + bag (saving \$14)

This is to acknowledge the work that our community puts in to creating the fete. Magic Beans will be available for purchase at \$1.00 each on the day. Please note our beans have been given a fresh coat of a new colour, and any old blue beans you may still have will not be accepted as legal tender.

### Funds raised

Fete funds raised are gifted directly to the School Board, however the committee, along with management and staff, is involved in decisions as to where the funds could be best spent. Fete funds are not spent on salaries, topping up donations or attendance dues, or servicing debt. Our primary goal is that the funds benefit children and students directly and in the long term. In recent years fete funds have been used to build our all-weather hockey/tennis turf, a shade area outside the turf and created a beautiful, functional and natural playground for the Lower School. This year funds raised will go towards a playground/equipment area for our senior students. The parent and community mahi contributed at the fete is visible and benefits our students daily, and you should all be very proud of these building achievements. We are very grateful, particularly to those who always go the extra mile!

### Poster

A Taikura Fête 2022 poster is included in this Grapevine. Please print this poster, if you are able, and put it up in your workplace, staff room, sports club, yoga studio, etc. Let's spread the word in this last week, inviting the community to our wonderful fête!





# Taīkura Fête

Rudolf Steiner School

Sunday  
20 November

10am - 3pm



 Follow us on facebook for updates and prizes!



## CellPhones And Earbuds at Taikura

Our rule of no cellphone and earbud use on school grounds supports student wellbeing and encourages the human being to be present when in the company of another.

The holding of this boundary is a cooperative endeavor that requires ongoing monitoring and support by parents and teachers. Below is a flow-chart of our procedure should a student choose to use their cellphone and/or earbuds while at school. **For your information a description of the school's response to phone/earbud use follows:**

### Cellphone and Earbud Infringements - School Response

#### First Infringement:

Cellphone or earbuds used while at school -

Items confiscated and sent to the school office - collected at the end of the day.

Letter home notifying whānau of infringement

#### Second Infringement:

Cellphone or earbuds used while at school -

Items confiscated and sent to the school office - collected at the end of the day.

Letter home notifying whānau of infringement

#### Third Infringement:

Cellphone or earbuds used while at school -

Items confiscated and sent to the school office - collected at the end of the day.

Letter home notifying whānau of infringement and request made student either leaves phone and/or buds at home or drops them into school office.

## 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.





## Violin - Fiddle Style Lessons

I am offering violin /fiddle style lessons from the beginning of February 2023. The cost is \$100.00 per term with fiddle provided. If you are interested please call Chris Bacchus on 878 6883 or email: [chrisbacchus@gmail.com](mailto:chrisbacchus@gmail.com)

## Mallows Driver Training

For all stages of learning to drive you will benefit immensely from taking some driving lessons by being more fully informed and so prepared for your driving test and future on road safety. Feel free to text or call **Martin** on **021 183 0862** for further inquiries.

## Slow Cooker

Are you missing a kitchen appliance? This slow cooker was left after the winter warmer. If this is belongs to you PLEASE collect it from the main office.



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Starting in February 2023 Taruna College is offering an 18-month programme for registered nurses.

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- Effective self-care along with strategies that support sustainability in day-to-day life and professional practice.

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# Art Classes with Amanda Sowersby

CHILDREN, TEEN & ADULT CLASSES,  
GROUPS, PRIVATE EVENTS, HOLIDAY ART,  
ONE ON ONE ARTISTIC THERAPY  
SESSIONS.



*"We are all stars wrapped in skin the light you are seeking is always within".*

Amanda Sowersby is an Artist and Anthroposophical Artistic Therapist, specialising in healing art styles and traditional art in painting, wet on wet watercolour, acrylic, oil painting, drawing, charcoal, pastel, clay and more....

Amanda's intention for her classes and workshops is to create a safe, loving environment where people can shine through their artistic abilities.

Amanda hosts small to large art groups and also offers one on one Artistic Therapy sessions and private art events for children and adults.



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**Amanda Sowersby & Aaron Gregory**



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