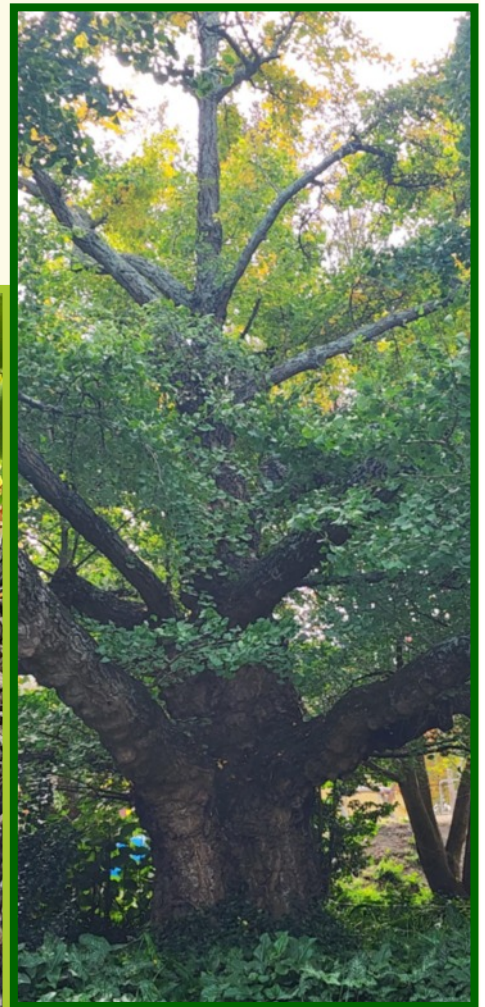




Our Beautiful Autumn Gingko Tree

A distinct and beautiful tree, its unique, fan-shaped leaves turn a stunning yellow in Autumn. With its gnarly trunk and wide spread limbs it is a one of many impressive trees in our school garden.





He pito kōrero!

Kīwaha o te wiki – Kīwaha of the week.

Ko tāua anō tāua (cor ta euw ah ar nor ta euw ah)
You and I are one and the same!

Tamati: Mōrena e Rangī! I've got the same 'Nōku' top, and that's my favourite hoodie!

Rangī: Ko tāua anō tāua 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 Term 2

Our teaching focus this week will be **Perseverance/Manawanui**, specifically:

Check Work Thoroughly

Waiata Mai Is Back - Thursdays – 12:30 – 1:00 pm - in the Whare Te Manukura

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

Waiata mai has started. Every Thursday in our Whare Te Manukura. 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

Congratulations

Congratulations to Zak McGavock and Kaito Wallis on being selected for the Under 16 Hawkes Bay Hockey representative team and Chris Deed being selected for the under 18 Hawkes Bay Hockey representative team. Well done!

Upcoming Events

May 23	10:30 am - 1:00 pm	Careers Expo Classes 11 and 12
May 25	STRIKE ACTION	CLASS 10 ONLY - NO SCHOOL
May 31	7:30 pm -10:00 pm	The Mikado Production - School Drama Club
June 1	3:00 pm - 9:00 pm	High School Interview Evening
June 2	7:30 pm -10:00 pm	The Mikado Production - School Drama Club
June 5	School Closed	King's Birthday
June 7	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	HS Introduction Evening Parents and Students of Classes 6 and 7
June 12	5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	School Board Meeting

EOTC

It is with great sadness that we send our condolences to the families, friends and staff of the students involved in the recent tragic incident during a caving expedition. Our thoughts are with them all during this difficult time.

As we come to terms with this terrible loss, we must also take a moment to reflect on the importance of preparing and planning for school camps and other outdoor activities. While we cannot always predict what will happen, we can take steps to ensure the safety of our students and staff.

One critical aspect of preparing for these events is communication. It is vital that parents and caregivers keep the school updated with any changes to their contact information or emergency procedures. This information can make all the difference in an emergency situation.

Additionally, schools must follow the relevant policy and procedures for every outdoor activity, as outlined in the Education Outside The Classroom (EOTC) policy. These procedures outline the necessary measures for assessing risks, developing safety plans, and ensuring the adequate training of staff and students.

Currently our EOTC policy and procedures are open for review and I encourage all parents, caregivers, and staff to review the EOTC policy and procedures carefully to better understand the measures we have in place to protect the safety of our students and staff during outdoor adventures. All our school policies can be found at www.schooldocs.co.nz. Simply search for our school and enter the username: **taikurasteiner** and password: **heartwood**

Let us commit to continuing to do everything we can to create safe and secure environments for our students and staff during EOTC activities.

Gee Reisima - EOTC coordinator

Relationships And Sexuality Education Consultation

The community relationships and sexuality education consultation will occur in person on Thursday 25 May at 10.50am in the Meeting room in the office building.

[Our Navigating the Journey Guide for parents](#): This resource has been written to support parents who want to better understand the Navigating the Journey relationships and sexuality education programmes.

- **Year 1-10 Guide** - This resource provides background information for sexuality education and an overview of the Navigating the Journey resource suite.

[A Guide For The Year 1 – 10 Resources PDF](#)

- Please have a look at these before you come along and bring any questions you have.

Gee Reisima - Wellness Coordinator

Lost Property

These items have been left or found around the school. Please see Adrienne in the office to claim.



High School Parent And Student Teacher Interviews

We would like to warmly invite High School parents and students to attend Parent Teacher Interviews on Thursday 1 June 2023 in the School Hall. These interviews provide you with an opportunity to discuss your student's progress and can be a good time to set clear goals for the second half of the year. If issues arise which require further discussion than time allows please follow this up at another time by making an appointment with the appropriate staff member.

An observation made of past interviews, both in the High School and the Lower School is the lack of engagement in the more practical subjects by parents during these events. At Taikura we value the breadth of our curriculum and focus on maintaining that breadth all the way through to Class 12. Outside of the core subjects, the areas of Movement (Gym and Eurythmy), Craft (Handwork and Woodwork), Music and Language (Maori) play a pivotal role in not only the development of physical skills but also in supporting the internal development of our students through the various stages. When we as colleagues have our child and class studies the perceptive observations from these specialist teachers are extremely important and provide valuable insights. How a student moves, both with others and individually, their skills in a practical setting, their reaction and engagement to language, culture and music all provide strong pictures into the child's social, emotional and academic progress and development. The pictures shared of students in these practical subjects support and reflect what is happening in the more academic based subject areas. Often in a formal lesson, where students are sitting at a desk it can be challenging to gain a full picture of a child.

We encourage you all to take the time to meet with as many of the specialist teachers as possible to gain as full a picture of your child's progress and development.

As well as those staff who teach your student you may wish to make an appoint to meet with any of the following staff regarding your student's learning:

David Urieli, Gee Reisima, Ruby Mackwell, Morag Wilson, Sarah Millington, Clayton Gibson - Sponsor

Anne Hilton – Academic Dean

Sanne Coulthard – Learning Support Coordinator/SENCO

Paula Rose – Careers, Trades Academy, Gateway and STAR

Gee Reisima – EOTC (Education outside the Classroom) and/or Health & Wellbeing

Pippa Caccioppoli – Principal

Interview times are seven minutes long and will start at 3.30pm and run until 9pm. Bookings open now and will close on Tuesday 30 May at 9am.

How to Book:

Log onto the following website: www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

Use the 'Make a Booking' tab

Enter the following code into the 'event code': **6u6wr**

You will then be guided by the website

Taikura High School Drama Club Together with Class 8 and members of Class 7

proudly present



The Mikado by Gilbert and Sullivan

**Wednesday 31 May and Friday 2 June at 7:30 pm
In the school hall.**

Tickets \$10 (School Students, 19 years and under \$5)

We are acutely aware that these are tough times, with huge cost of living increases and the recent cyclone and floods.

But putting on a production like this has costs, so we have kept ticket prices below that of any productions the director has seen at any of the Hawkes Bay Schools.

If we make any profit this will go to the H3 group which pays for therapies for Taikura Students.

School Photographs Update

All parents have been emailed their child's unique Key Code to go online to view and purchase 2023 School Photos. *****FREE DELIVERY EXPIRES Midnight Sunday 28 May ***** Please check you TRASH or SPAM folder if you think you may not have received the email.

Why Is Photolife Emailing KEYCODES This Year?

- Easier and more efficient for Parents
- No administration needed by School Office or Teachers in handing out codes
- Emails sent by a "real person" so any queries emailed back from parents are resolved quickly by PhotoLife

Parent Queries – Please contact: enquiries@photolife.co.nz

Career Information

Students and Whānau are welcome to attend the 2023 New Zealand Careers Expo. Come along and learn about exciting career and educational opportunities. Ask questions, have a kōrerorero and take that first step or that next step on your career pathway.

- **Event:** NZ Careers Expo
- **Date:** 23 May 2023, Tuesday
- **Time:** 5:00 pm -7:00 pm
- **Venue:** Pettigrew Green Arena - 480 Gloucester Street Taradale

For more information please contact Paula in the Careers Office paula.rose@taikura.school.nz

Taikura Friday Market

Fridays at 3:00pm

Remember to bring gold coins and small notes this Friday

- Stalls will be ready to go at 3:00pm in the courtyard outside Classes 1 and 2.
- If it's wet weather, you'll find them setup in the foyer.



Part Time Kaiako Position Available (Fixed Term) - Taikura Kindergarten

Taikura Kindergarten is looking for a fixed-term, part time ECE kaiako with current NZ practising certificate. The position is for three days a week in Terms 3 and 4 2023 (school term time only).

We are a well-established Steiner kindergarten affiliated with Taikura Rudolf Steiner School. Knowledge of our Special Character, and the ability to engage in co-teaching is essential. Please apply with your CV and covering letter to dancia.hensel@taikura.school.nz, closing date is Friday 2 June.

Anthroposophical Massage Therapy

Anthroposophical Massage therapy (rhythmical Einreibung/Oiling) for Adults & children at Sylvia's **NURTURE SPACE** in Hastings. Please contact Sylvia Lane 021 024 178 25

Lower School Teacher Aide

We are seeking a Lower School Teacher Aide. This fixed-term position is working with teachers and students Monday to Friday (term time only). Hours will be negotiable. For expressions of interest and a copy of the position description please email suzan.bart@taikura.school.nz

Host Family Needed

Hello, my name is Lucy Wedekind. I am 15 years old and I'm currently in Class 9 at the "Freie Waldorfschule Marburg" in Germany. I am planning to attend Taikura Rudolf Steiner school at the start of the next year in February 2024 for 2 Terms.

Due to unforeseen circumstances the plan for me to stay with my family who live locally is not possible so I am now looking for a host Family who I can stay with for this time.

Although I've grown up in Germany, I have dual citizenship as my father is a New Zealander. I enjoy all sports and my passion is gymnastics, which I would like to continue if possible.

- Full board, and all school and personal expenses will be paid.
- If you are interested, please contact my parents.; Paul and Annette Durrant-Wedekind.

We look forward to hearing from you. durrant-wedekind@web.de

Lucy