



To carry spirit light into world-winter-night  
My heart is ardently impelled,  
That shining seeds of soul  
Take root in grounds of worlds  
And Word Divine through senses' darkness  
Resounds, transfiguring all life.

*Rudolf Steiner's Calendar of the Soul  
Southern Hemisphere - Winter Solstice  
Week 37*



## Matariki Ahunga nui - The abundance of Matariki

At this time of year, when Matariki rises again in the night sky, the first sightings, the reading of this cluster of whetū and what they foretold for the year ahead, and the releasing of those that had passed on to become part of the myriad of whētū, was an auspicious time for all!

Our theme for this year's book week is Matariki Ahunga nui - Matariki of the plentiful. This whakataukī (proverb) refers to the abundance of kai, feasting and celebrating at this time of the year. Books are a great source of food for the heart, mind and soul, a world that can open the imagination for all to celebrate.

### Book Week Timetable

*Hard copy timetables will be sent home with Lower School students next week.*

Solve the story quotes - students find quotes from stories written around the school - they work to identify which teacher the stories/books quotes belong to, and take their answers to our School Librarian, Paula.				
Lunchtime read alouds - Library Story Tent and Whare Book Nooks; cosy up and read in a book nook				
Monday 26 June	Tuesday 27 June	Wednesday 28 June	Thursday 29 June	Friday 30 June
<b>BEFORE SCHOOL,</b> Monday from 8.30am	<i>Story tent daily!</i>	<i>Story tent daily!</i>	<i>Story tent daily!</i>	<i>Story tent daily!</i> <b>BEFORE SCHOOL,</b> Friday from 8.30am
Bring in your pre-loved books and receive tokens to buy even more books at our pre-loved book swap on Friday!  Pūrākau in the whare	Stories in German upstairs in the reading corner/classroom  Pūrākau in the whare	  Pūrākau in the whare	Stories in German upstairs in the reading corner/classroom	Pre-loved book sale – use your tokens to choose 'new' books (Or bring some spare change 50c, \$1, \$2) Character Parade Come along dressed as your favourite book character.  <i>Jólabókaflóðid</i>

## REMINDERS: This Coming Monday

**Monday 26 June** - bring in your pre-loved books and get your book tokens which can be swapped for pre-loved books at our Book Exchange on Friday!

**Friday 3 June** - bring in your book tokens and/or spare change to spend at the Book Exchange.

Prices will be 50 cents, \$1.00 and \$2.00



## ***He Pito Kōrero!***

### ***Mānawatia a Matariki!***

Mānawa maiea te putanga o Matariki  
Mānawa maiea te Ariki o te rangi  
Mānawa maiea te mātahi o te tau

*Hail the appearance of Matariki  
Hail the Lord of the sky  
Hail the New Year!*

Over this period of time, as we head into the rising of Matariki, the classes have been learning a new karakia to acknowledge the appearance of this cluster of whetū. This karakia was sourced from Dr Rangi Matamua, in his book 'Matariki: The Star of the Year'. This pukapuka is a wealth of knowledge that many of us here at school, use as a reference point when talking about the whetū with our tamariki.

This week the Waka Ama Club, that several of our staff and students belong to had a waiata session at the Ātea-a-Rangi. Before having our kaitahi, we recited a kaikōhau, which is a karakia to bless our kai and to acknowledge our dreams and hopes for the coming year. This is a great way to celebrate Matariki, sharing kai with your friends and whānau and the aspirations you may have for the coming year! Below are the kupu for this kaikōhau with a link, so you can hear what this sounds like.

[Learn kaikōhau - Te Rangaihi Reo Māori \(reomaori.co.nz\)](https://reomaori.co.nz/)

### **Kaikōhau**

Nau mai ngā hua  
Nau mai ngā pai  
Nau mai kia nui  
Kia hāwere ai

*Welcome all things that have grown  
Welcome all things that are good  
May they be plentiful and abundant*

*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 Weeks 9 and 10 Term 2**

Our teaching focus this week will be **Perseverance/Manawanui**

### **Ask Questions**

# Taikura Book Flood - Friday Eve 30 June 2023

For over 70 years, the people of Iceland have celebrated their passion for books with a unique tradition called Jólábókaflóðið – Christmas book flood, in English, and pronounced **Jola-boka-flod** (with the 'J' sounding like the 'Y' in 'yoghurt').



In winter there is nothing better than snuggling down by the fire with a good book and a warm drink. Here at school we have a group of teachers who love books and are currently in the midst of book week preparations. This year's theme is Matariki.

Some years ago now we came across the Icelandic tradition of Jolabokaflod (which translates as 'Yule Book Flood'), where every person in the home is gifted a book on Christmas Eve. After opening their books everyone then goes to bed and reads for the night. Bliss! A whimsical and enticing idea. As Jolabokaflod happens in the middle of the Icelandic winter, we thought it fitting to include this tradition here at Taikura into our book week which is held in the last week of Term Two - our mid-winter solstice

term. The eve of the holidays is a perfect time for a child to receive a book - pre-loved, one from your own childhood or new, and the beginning of the holidays celebrated with a night of extra long reading. Book week gives us the opportunity to celebrate our love of books and reading with each other and to share the books and stories from our childhood with our children and grandchildren.

Kelly Sutton

## **Waiata Mai**      **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

## **Wet Weather**

Just a reminder that with this changeable weather also comes changes in temperature. For everyone to stay well and in good health, it is important for us to have layers of clothing which can be taken off or added too. The wet and cold days, with the warm snaps here and there, are fertile ground for winter colds. There are times when children do not have the right or sufficient amounts of gear to cope with these weather changes throughout the day.



The children love playing in the rain and where possible we encourage them to venture out as the rain often creates a new and interesting play environment, but they are only able to go outside if they have appropriate wet-weather gear. This includes a hooded long length rain coat which goes past their bottom, and gumboots, which are also essential wet-play gear. We encourage gum-boots for outdoors and slippers for indoors. During these winter terms it is really helpful for your child if you can ensure they have all the appropriate clothing for these changeable days.

**There is no such thing as BAD WEATHER - Just Bad Gear**



*Class 12 2023 presents*

# *Antigone*



*Wednesday 28 and Thursday 29 June at 7pm  
in the School Hall*

## Introducing - Noel Bryant - IRTL B

Kia ora koutou,



My name is Noel Bryant and I am an Itinerant Resource Teacher of Learning and Behaviour. Heretaunga was my place of growing up and now I am settled here after spending a few decades in Auckland.

I am part of a team who work across sixty four schools in the Hastings and Central Hawkes Bay Districts. My role is to support schools to develop systems that address Learning and Behaviour needs. This involves working with teachers, students, whānau and other agencies to implement appropriate educational interventions within an inclusive learning environment. Schools can access this service through a referral system that requests specific support.

In recent times I have been working in Taikura on restorative practices, classroom behaviour management, school community relationships and also with individuals and groups.

The current global situation challenges us even more to help each other with our needs and I am very much enjoying working with such a dedicated team of teachers.

Ngā mihi nui.

Nā, Noel.

## Netball Holiday Programme

**HAWKES BAY NETBALL**

# JULY HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

**HASTINGS** - TUES 11th, WED 12th & THUR 13th (Yr 1-6)  
Final Day (Thursday) - Mini Tournament

**CHB** - TUES 11th & WED 12th (Yr 5-8 ONLY)  
Final Day (Wednesday) - Mini Tournament

**9am - 3pm**  
**\$155 - 3 days, \$110 - 2 days, \$55 - 1 day**  
(includes Ball and Swim)

Registrations close Thursday 6th July  
To register visit - [www.hawkesbaynetball.co.nz](http://www.hawkesbaynetball.co.nz)

## Upcoming Events

June 28 and 29  
June 26 - 30  
July 24

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm  
All Week  
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Class 12 Play - "Antigone" by Sophocles - Koha Entry  
Theme - "Matariki Ahunga nui"  
School Board Meeting - Meeting Room



# Children's Holiday Art workshop with Amanda Sowersby

CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY ART WORKSHOP

AGE 6-13 YEARS.

TUESDAY 4TH JULY 9.30-12.30PM

HELD AT KEIRUNGA ART CENTRE

\$50



***Children's one day holiday workshop with clay modelling, drawing & painting, with a morning tea break. This will be fun and a creative experience.***

***Spaces will be limited for this one.***

Amanda Sowersby is a qualified Artist and Artistic Therapist & Yoga teacher, specialising in healing art and traditional art styles. Amanda's intention for her workshops is to create a safe, loving environment where people can shine through their artistic abilities.

email: [bookings@artandalchemy.co.nz](mailto:bookings@artandalchemy.co.nz)



Amanda Sowersby Art & Artistic Therapy

## **Auckland Delivery Required**

If you are heading to Auckland in the next few weeks and would be willing to take a dehumidifier and air purifier with you for my grandson Theo Lee (Peter Lee's Grandson) I would very much appreciate it. I can deliver them to you, and Corin will collect them from you in Auckland. Happy to give a Koha for your kindness.

Please contact: Char 020 401 44606

# Children's Art Class Term 3

WITH AMANDA SOWERSBY  
MONDAY 3.30PM-4.45 PM  
KEIRUNGA GARDENS  
ART CENTRE



CHILDREN'S ART CLASSES  
6 YEARS-12 YEARS

9 WEEK TERM STARTING MONDAY 24TH JULY  
FINISHES MONDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER  
\$196 FOR THE COURSE. (PAYMENT OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE)

THIS IS A BEAUTIFUL PEACEFUL CHILDREN'S ART GROUP, WE  
HAVE SPACE FOR A FEW MORE CHILDREN EAGER TO CREATE TO  
JOIN OUR GROUP.  
ART ACTIVITIES: PAINTING, DRAWING, CLAY, PASTEL AND MORE....

LOCATION: THE COTTAGE KEIRUNGA GARDENS ART CENTRE,  
HAVELOCK NORTH

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

## **Selene Starter Kit - Homeopathy**

Get started using homeopathy with the Selene Starter Kit. Angela Hair from Concordia Health will teach the remedies and how to use them. You will have twelve useful homeopathic remedies at home to use on multiple occasions - falls, fright, croup, injuries. Steiner Centre Thursday 29 June 7:00 pm. \$50 cash for a kit and the course. RSVP to Angela 0274436737



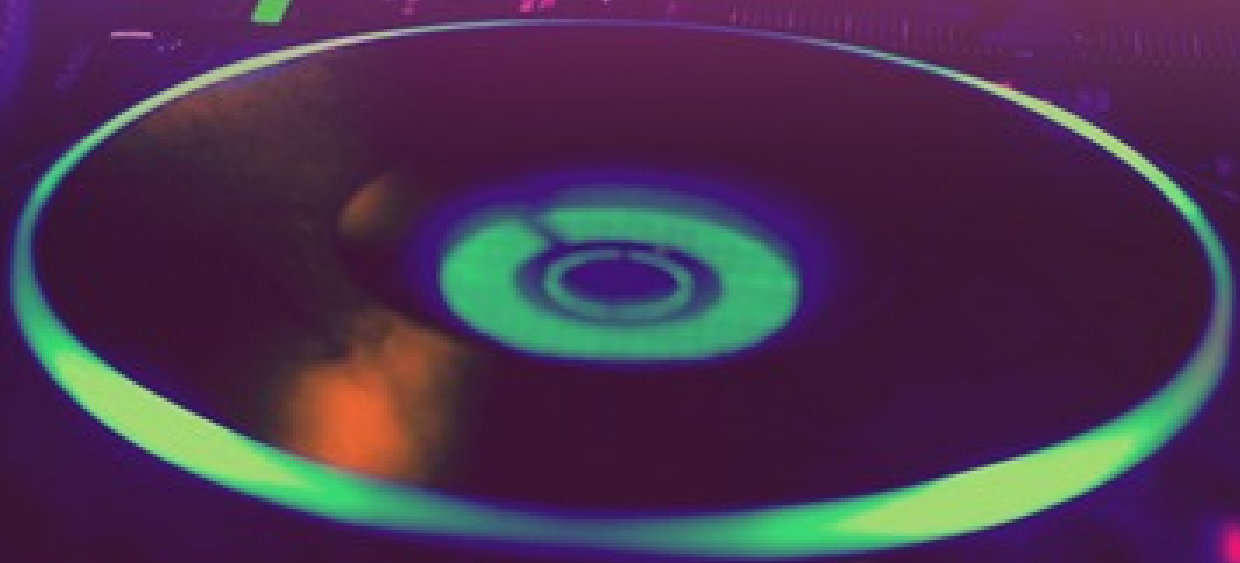
**CLASS 8,7&6**

# **DANCE NIGHT**

**28th JULY 6:30pm - 8:30pm**

**TAIKURA SCHOOL HALL**

**THEME: NEON DJ: DALE WALLIS**



**\$5.00 entry fee to be paid at the door**

**Food will be available for purchase**

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