



A Special Visit

On Tuesday last week Class Ten had the privilege of listening to a conversation between Minnijean Trickey and her daughter Spirit Trickey Tawfiq. Minnijean was one of the “Little Rock Nine”; African American students who in 1957, attended a previously segregated school in Arkansas.

They attended the school after the Supreme Court decision, Brown vs The Board of Education, which found segregated schools to be unconstitutional. Minnijean conveyed the daily reality of the racism these nine students suffered and we were in awe of her strength of character as a 16 year girl faced with adults and students threatening and physically assaulting her.

Her overriding message was one of activism; to not be a silent observer but to stand for what we believe to be ethically right.

*Morag Wilson
Anna Jenkins*





He Pito Kōrero!

**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 the last two weeks the above has been one of two karakia that we have been reciting as a way to acknowledge the appearance of Matariki and the significance of this cluster for us all.

In the school foyer at present, there is a hīnaki (eel trap) that has been suspended from the ceiling. The dreams and aspirations of our tamariki for their whānau, te hāpori (community), or te taiao (the environment), will be collected and placed in our hīnaki. Next week they will be burnt in a special fire while a karakia is recited, and the ashes will be placed in a vessel made of uku (clay), that will be buried in the maara of Te Manukura, with a ponga. The burying of the ash with a tree is symbolic of the ritual that was carried out to bring these dreams and aspirations to fruition.

Hiwaiterangi is the youngest in this group of stars and its name is connected to the promise of a prosperous season. It is to Hiwa that Māori would send their dreams and desires for the year in the hope that they would be realised. This tradition is like the notion of wishing upon a whetū, or a New Year's resolution.

E tū Hiwa-i-te-rangi
Ko ngā manako nui
Kua puta ai ko ngā wawata
Ki te whaiao, ki te ao mārama
Koia!
*Behold Hiwa-a-te-rangi
Of the many desires
Bring forth our wishes
And make them come true
Indeed!*

Mānawatia a Matariki!
Nā, Matua Troy.



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



Curriculum Corner -

Class 11 reading to Class Two - Children's books made by last year's Class 12



Lost Property

A reminder to please check our Lost Property cupboard under the external hall stairs before the end of term. Anything left behind will be donated to charity during the school holidays.



Community Survey

We would like to gather some feedback from our parent body about our school. What do you and your tamariki/rangatahi enjoy most about Taikura? What do you value/connect with most about the various aspects of our Special Character? What areas could we strengthen? This is the **third set** of our questions: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RM8597Q>

We encourage you all to participate, either via the links, emailing us directly, or dropping in handwritten notes, whatever works for you! For those who have not yet got to it, here is the link to the first set of questions: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DCQVX99>
And the link to the second set: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8FXWLD9>

Please don't hesitate to contact us office@taikura.school.nz or by phone 06 8787 363 if you would like a hard copy, or an emailed version of the survey.

Upcoming Events

Matariki Public Holiday - Tomorrow, Friday 28 June - SCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN CLOSED

Class 12 play performance - Wednesday 3 July & Thursday 4 July at 7:00pm

Class 6 & 7 Dance Night - Friday 5 July from 5:00 - 6:30pm

Class 8 & 9 Dance Night - Friday 5 July from 7:00 - 8:30pm

Last day of Term Two - Friday 5 July school & kindergarten finish at 3:00pm

First day of Term Three - Monday 22 July

School Board Meeting - Monday 29 July at 5:00pm in our Whare Te Manukura

Friday Market

Weekly at 3:00pm in the courtyard outside Class 1 & 2

Term 3 Roster:

Week 1, 26 July

Class 11 + Class 6

Week 2, 2 August

Class 1 + Playgroup

Week 3, 9 August

Class 2 + Class 3

Week 4, 16 August

Class 4 + Class 5

Week 5, 23 August

Mid Term Break

Week 6, 30 August

Kereru Kindergarten

Week 7, 6 September

Class 8 + Class 9

Week 8, 13 September

Taikura Kindergarten + Class 7

Week 9, 20 September

Class 10 (double stream)

Week 10, 27 September

Community Canteen



Friday Market reminders and helpful tips:

- Afternoon tea items need to be made at home and not store bought.
- Please follow the school lunch box policy.
- Pizza and iced cakes are always popular.
- Label your items if allergy specific (GF / DF / NF etc).
- Stalls need to have a 50c option and maximum pricing of \$2.

Does your class have something else to offer alongside baked goods at the Friday Markets?

This could be:

- seedlings and plants
- craft items
- takeaway meals
- organise a sausage sizzle
- student art

Get in touch with your ideas!

CLASS 12 2024

ONE FLEW OVER

THE CUCKOO'S NEST

-KEN KESEY-



*She wants the patients to live her way, by her rules. He's made a bet to get the best of the nurse.
Neither one is about to give up.*

Class 12 play performance in the School Hall, 7:00pm Wednesday 3 July and Thursday 4 July. Koha entry.

Suitable only for Class Eight and older due to **ADULT THEMES, LANGUAGE AND PHOTSENSITIVE LIGHTING**



CLASS 9,8,7&6

DANCE NIGHT

FRIDAY 5th JULY

TAIKURA SCHOOL HALL

Classes 6&7 from 5pm - 6.30pm

Classes 8&9 from 7pm - 8.30pm

STUDENTS MUST BE PICKED UP FROM HALL FOYER

THEME : NEON DJ : DALE WALLIS

\$5.00 entry fee to be paid at the door
Food and drinks on sale

TAIKURA RUDOLF STEINER SCHOOL HOCKEY 1st XI TEAM FUNDRAISING

Eurythmy Aotearoa

'The Developing Child'

Speaker: Dr Richard Drexel

This talk organised by
Eurythmy Aotearoa Eurythmy Training
and is open to all who are interested gaining
deeper insight and understanding
of the child in their development.

Those who have attended Dr Drexel's lectures
know that they are informative and full of life!

We look forward to seeing you there.

Entrance \$20

Friday 5th July - 7pm.
Anthroposophical Centre
Cnr Nelson Street and Whitehead Rd

Carer wanted

Is there a kind and caring person who would like 2-6 hours paid work (cash an option, above minimum rate) a week supporting my adult son Andrew, who has Aspergers syndrome.

Tasks will be:

- Cleaning his small one bedroom house once a week.
- Cooking nutritious meals.
- Keeping an eye on him and interacting with him while you are there.
- If he is willing, take him out and about. Travel expenses available.

The priority is connecting and interacting with him from a caring heart. His sister, Tania, lives on the same property so would be there to guide you. Please phone: 0210553921 or email: romillyjoy@gmail.com

Winter Festival

7.30pm Saturday, 29th June 2024

Rudolf Steiner Centre Hastings

Winter has started and we are entering that yearly period that will be our darkest, externally, for the year. It is in this dark time that we become increasingly aware of the light. The light that now after the purifying influence of Michael lives within us. The Guardian Angel Gabriel is the cosmic spirit at this time. But working through the Earth are the forces of Uriel and the time of St John which come to rest in our thoughts.

This recognition of a spiritual community working in harmony with each other can become an inspiration for us here on the Earth.

David Urieli, teacher at Taikura, will share with us stories of his time growing up in a camphill community.



Open from 7pm

Programme

Introduction and welcome 7.30

Craft activity; Tissue paper transparency

Soul Calendar verses

Verse 39 spoken by John J

Talk; David Urieli

Discussion and conversation

Close with Poem; We give thanks for the blessing of Winter

Festival group; John Jackson, Robyn Hewetson & David Urieli.