



Class 11 Ski Week

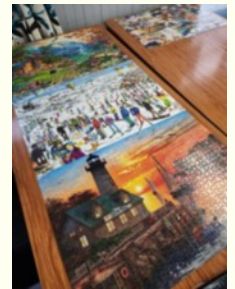
For the past 15 years, I have had the privilege of taking our Class 11 students through the wonderful experience of our annual ski week. Each year has brought its unique blend of challenges (no snow last year), triumphs (four days of incredible skiing), and unforgettable memories. However, this year was truly unprecedented. For the first time ever, we found ourselves unable to ski due to too much snow! While this was a first for our ski week, it has made our current climate change pattern and the unpredictability of the weather very clear.



With our ski plans on hold, we embraced the opportunity to explore other activities and bond as a group. One surprise was the class' remarkable talent for puzzles. The students (mainly a core group of Nico, Liam, Ashley, Alistair and Josh) managed to complete four intricate puzzles. The only puzzle that stumped them was a particularly tricky "Where's Wally" puzzle, which left everyone scratching their heads, and only a few dedicated puzzlers tried to complete it. Other students developed their lying faces by playing cheat (Maddy, Pippa, Lucy, Sonne, Mika and Imogen) and other strategy/luck card games (Izzy, Kate and Imogen). The late night 'what am I' game will

be in my memory bank for quite a while!

In the spirit of a friendly Steiner competition, we had a mystery cooking competition (no recipes allowed). This was fiercely contested, with the students displaying their culinary prowess. It was a joy to see their creativity and enthusiasm in the kitchen, they all produced delicious dishes that surprised everyone and impressed us all. Also in true Steiner fashion every group won a category, with the overall winner being the crepes, which I believe were Lucy and Kate's creation.



On Wednesday, we awoke to a winter wonderland at camp, with fresh snow covering the ground. The students seized the opportunity to engage in the timeless joy of snowball fights, which Yudi embraced wholeheartedly, making large snowballs and crafting a charming snow person, even though the carrot did get stolen, and we never found out who in the class destroyed it!

We spent a lot of time at Hanmer Springs pools. Sitting in the warm pools while snow gently fell around us was a magical experience. It provided a perfect blend of relaxation, and fun (snow ball fights with the lifeguards).

By Thursday, the weather warnings had finally lifted, and the roads were open. We headed to Kaikoura to watch the seal pups, we marvelled at their cuteness and enjoyed seeing the stormy coast and snow covered mountains.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to Anne Hilton, who joined us at the last hour, stepping in to support our adventure. I appreciate you dropping your plans for the week to come with us and I am thankful for your help especially during lights out.

As I reflect on this year's 'ski' week, I am reminded once again of the importance of embracing the unexpected, finding joy in each other's company, and experiencing the natural world's beauty.

Gee Reisima



Community Survey - final set of questions - surveys close tomorrow

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 **final set** of our questions:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TTGVZ9V>

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 are the links to the first three sets of questions:

1. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DCQVX99>
2. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8FXWLD9>
3. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RM8597Q>

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.

First XI Hockey Team Fundraiser

Taikura Rudolf Steiner School First XI Hockey Team are selling delicious Kai Pai Pies and Savouries to help fundraise to attend the Lower North Island Secondary Boys' Cup tournament in Gisborne. Funds raised will go toward supporting our players and their families with associated winter tournament costs and expenses. By supporting our fundraiser you are investing in our team! Thank you for supporting Taikura Rudolf Steiner School First XI Hockey Team.

There is a great range of flavours to choose from, fill your freezer with these yummy award-winning pies and savouries just in time for the colder months.

By running our product sales campaign online, it makes it super easy for everyone, share the link with family and friends and they can arrange to collect their products from you at the end of the fundraiser.

Simply follow this link: <https://taikurarudolfsteinerschoolpies.raiseit.co.nz/taikuraofficehockeyfundraiser>

Pick-up day will be at school on Thursday 5 September 2024. Thank you for supporting us with this fundraiser.

Anne Hilton & the Taikura First XI Hockey Team

Upcoming Events

Winter Warmer - TONIGHT from 6:00pm

Class 4 Parent Evening - Monday 12 August at 6:00pm

Liaison Parent Meeting - Wednesday 14 August at 6:00pm in our Whare Te Manukura

Class 2 Parent Evening - Wednesday 14 August at 6:30pm

Class 10 play performance - Thursday 15 August at 7:00pm

Lower School Cross Country - Monday 19 August from 1:30pm

High School Elective Evening - Wednesday 21 August at 6:30pm

Class One Parent Evening - Wednesday 21 August at 6:30pm

Mid-Term Break - Friday 23 and Monday 26 August

Friday market

Term 3 Roster:

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

Kererū 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!



Tomorrow, 9 August, Class 2 will be holding a Sausage Sizzle as part of the Friday Market.

Perfect for a cold winter afternoon, remember to bring your gold coins!

Concerns and Complaints Policy

Taikura Rudolf Steiner School has a responsibility to provide a safe environment for students, staff, and the school community under the Education and Training Act 2020 and Health and Safety at Work Act 2015. Concerns or complaints can be about an employee of the school, a board member, a parent or caregiver, a student, or any other person or matter within the responsibility of the school. Concerns or complaints can be raised by staff members, parents, caregivers, students, the wider school community, and members of the public.

We meet our legal and ethical obligations when responding to concerns and complaints, including meeting the principles of natural justice and protecting the safety and wellbeing of all involved. We:

- promote a school culture where it is safe to raise concerns
- treat people fairly and seek to protect their mana and dignity
- ensure that those involved have the opportunity to be heard
- ensure that decision-makers are unbiased and outcomes are not predetermined
- include cultural considerations as part of our decision-making
- maintain privacy and confidentiality
- take steps to resolve the matter
- implement measures to prevent further concerns or complaints of the same nature
- keep good documentation.

Privacy and communication

At Taikura Rudolf Steiner School, we expect all parties involved to respect privacy and confidentiality. This includes not publicly sharing information about the matter (e.g. on social media).

We follow our privacy policies at all times when responding to concerns and complaints. This includes:

- limiting access to information about concerns and complaints to those who need to know
- maintaining confidentiality to help prevent victimisation
- informing all participants in advance if a school meeting or phone call is to be recorded, and telling everyone how the recording will be used.

Subject to privacy, confidentiality, and any other ethical and legal requirements, we keep people involved informed about our concerns and complaints procedures, including expected time frames and confirmation of when the matter is closed. We inform the person who raised the matter of any actions we take, as appropriate, while protecting the privacy of all involved. It is likely that we will inform any person complained about at an early stage to ensure fairness and meet the requirements of natural justice. It may not be possible or appropriate for the school to advise the person who raised a concern or complaint of a final outcome.

We expect everyone involved to allow the school to follow our procedure and not communicate with each other until next steps are agreed and/or notified. This applies at all times, both in and out of school. If the matter is serious or sensitive, it may also be appropriate for the school to limit communication about the matter.

Unreasonable concerns and complaints

Taikura Rudolf Steiner School considers all reasonable and legitimate concerns and complaints in good faith. However, we may determine that a concern or complaint is unreasonable and it is not appropriate for the school to take action. If required, the school may take legal advice or involve an external agency or mediator to help resolve the matter.

COMMUNITY NOTICES



Mother & Child Art Workshop 7th September 1.15pm-3.30pm Keirunga Arts Venue

Guided by Amanda Sowersby a local qualified Artist & Artistic Therapist.

Contact Amanda
amanda@artandalchemy.co.nz
0211449168



Experience the magic of a unique bonding workshop designed for mothers and children to unleash their creativity together. You will be guided through the art activities, exploring the wonders of pastel techniques and clay modelling, deepening your connection together while expressing your artistic visions. Held amongst the tranquil beauty of Keirunga Gardens within The Homestead,.

All art supplies and afternoon tea will be provided.

Join us for a memorable activity in this serene setting. \$50 per duo
Location: The Homestead Keirunga Arts Venue, Havelock North

Spring painting Workshop

Flower painting on canvas workshop
Saturday 31st August 10am-12.30pm

A fun and creative workshop painting flowers with acrylic paint for all creative abilities.

Held at Historic Homestead, Keirunga Arts & Crafts Venue, Havelock North

creative nz
ART & CRAFTS VENUE, KEIRUNGA GARDENS, HAVELOCK NORTH

ECSTATIC DANCE DJ ORA

WITH SPECIAL GUESTS KELLY WHITEWOOD OFFERING A CACAO CEREMONY & AARON GREGORY- SOUND BATH

STARTS AT	FRIDAY	TICKET PRICE
6.30PM	30TH	\$40
UNTIL 8.30PM	AUGUST	PER PERSON
	2024	

LOCATION: 'THE HOMESTEAD' KEIRUNGA ARTS VENUE, HAVELOCK NORTH
[HTTPS://EVENTS.HUMANITIX.COM/ECSTATIC-DANCE-NRE9EH5L/TICKETS](https://events.humanitix.com/ecstatic-dance-nre9eh5l/tickets)
ENQUIRIES: BOOKINGS@ARTANDALCHEMY.CO.NZ



'Get inspired' 3 week Adult Art course. Held at Keirunga Arts Venue

Guided by Amanda Sowersby a local qualified Artist & Artistic Therapist.

Contact Amanda
email: bookings@artandalchemy.co.nz
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This is a three week art course. Each week we will do a different art exercise to get your creative juices flowing, and gain new art skills in drawing, pastel, charcoal, painting and clay modelling.

Dates: Thursday 10-12pm 29th August, 5th September, 12th September.

This course is for beginners or for anyone, even the experienced artist wanting to get inspired!
Tea, coffee & art materials provided is provided. Cost \$120

Plant Milk Needed

Our Community Canteen is urgently in need of PLANT MILK! Please let us know, if you come across donation opportunities or inexpensive sources. Thanks a lot! Please mail to: canteen@taikura.school.nz

Mentor Wanted for Class 8 Student

Tara Theyer-Durham is looking for a nail specialist to mentor her for her Class 8 project. If you are a nail technician/specialist and happy to mentor Tara, or you know of someone please contact us (Tara or Melissa (her Mum)) on 0211493024 or email brignall.theyerm@gmail.com. Thank you for the consideration. Melissa

Wheelchair needed

We would like to add a wheelchair to our collection of resources at school. If you, or anyone you know have a spare wheelchair for donation or sale, please contact Suzan in the office office@taikura.school.nz

Employment Opportunity at Hapi

We need an experienced MARKET GARDENER to manage a small established organic market garden. The role includes: regular plantings to ensure consistent supply, seed raising, maintaining fertility through making & applying composts, liquid manures, biodynamic preps, timely management of pests and disease, harvesting for the cafe & ensuring crops are stored appropriately, general maintenance of maara infrastructure & irrigation, liaising with cafe & supporting cafe operations as required, daily record keeping, ensuring compliance with organic certifiers, health and safety regulations. The role also includes managing garden hands and volunteers who come to help in the gardens.

Please apply directly to Gretta if you are interested and we can have a korero :) 021 720239

Rites of Passage

The Rites of Passage Foundation programmes focus on fostering connection and positive growth, enhancing well-being, supporting young people to actualise their goals and strengthening family relationships, through intergenerational, community-led, nature-based rites of passage. Our programmes weave nature connection, story telling, physical challenges, games, ceremony, and creative arts to create an immersive, transformational rites of passage experience. For more information visit <https://www.ropf.org.nz>



TIDES

rites of passage

5-day residential programme in Golden Bay for girls age 14-17 years and their mothers, marking the transition from childhood into young adulthood through intergenerational and community-led rites of passage

1 - 5 OCTOBER 2024 & 14 - 18 JANUARY 2025

Contact Siti for more information:
contact@tides.net.nz
or 027 860 1517



Tracks
Inspiring young men

rites of passage

5-day residential programme in Golden Bay for boys age 14+ years and their fathers, marking the transition from childhood into young adulthood through intergenerational and community-led rites of passage

8 - 12 OCTOBER 2024 & 21 - 25 JANUARY 2025

Contact Adge for more information:
info@tracks.net.nz
or 027 309 8871

An Introduction to the Art of Curative Eurythmy

We invite you to explore over 3 weekends with us, the importance of this movement therapy and to impart some of the insights behind this as a modern means of healing and the self management of imbalances in our well being.

Rudolf Steiner gave a series of 8 Lectures on Curative Eurythmy in 1921/1922 which will form the foundation of our course.

Drs. Helen Proctor, Richard Drexel, Matthias Seidel and Rene' de Monchy will be giving lectures based on the Anthroposophical Medical model. The eurythmy will be introduced by Richard Drexel, Helen Proctor & Jonathan White.

Some prior knowledge of Eurythmy is highly recommended & would be an advantage but is not a prerequisite.

Dates and Locations:

- **6th-8th Sept 2024.** Fri 6pm start, Sat full day, Sun 12pm finish. Taruna. 33 Te Mata Peak Rd, Havelock North.
- **15th - 17th Nov 2024.** Fri 6pm start, Sat full day, Sun 12pm finish. Rudolf Steiner House. 104 Michaels Ave, Ellerslie, Auckland.
- **28th Feb and 1st-2nd March 2025.** Taruna. 33 Te Mata Peak Rd, Havelock North. (times to be confirmed)

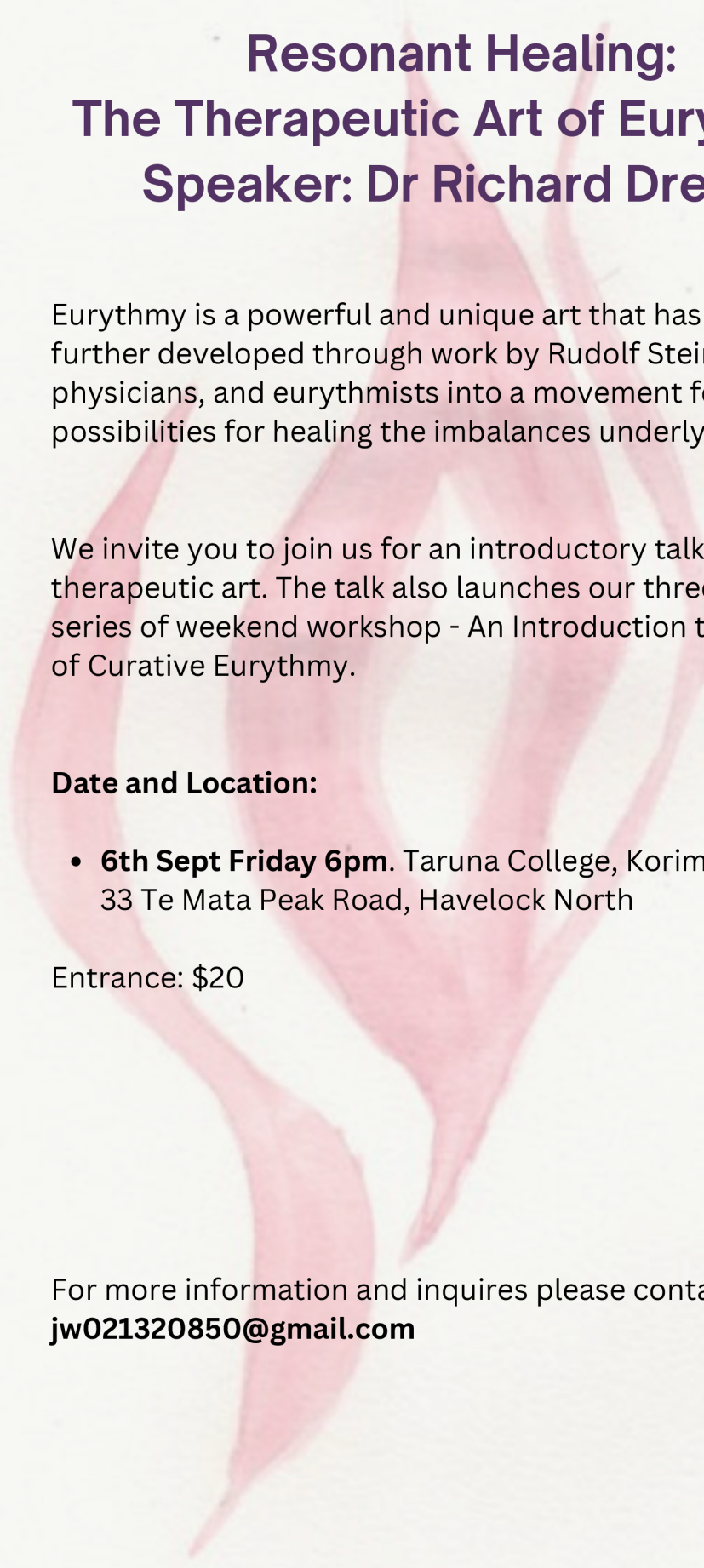
Course Fees:

Individual Weekend Course: \$285

Attendance for all 3 weekends: \$599

For registration and inquiries, please contact
jw021320850@gmail.com

We look forward to your participation with interest.
Helen, Richard & Jonathan



Resonant Healing: The Therapeutic Art of Eurythmy

Speaker: Dr Richard Drexel

Eurythmy is a powerful and unique art that has been further developed through work by Rudolf Steiner, physicians, and eurythmists into a movement form with possibilities for healing the imbalances underlying illness.

We invite you to join us for an introductory talk on this therapeutic art. The talk also launches our three part series of weekend workshop - An Introduction to the Art of Curative Eurythmy.

Date and Location:

- **6th Sept Friday 6pm.** Taruna College, Korimako Hall, 33 Te Mata Peak Road, Havelock North

Entrance: \$20

For more information and inquiries please contact
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