Taikura Rudolf Steiner School





H3 Therapies Evening Reflection

12 June 2025



Now that wintry weather is here it is especially comforting to have had an evening of warmth, learning and community. Last Thursday evening my family and I went along to the evening exploring "The Importance of Warmth and the Lower Senses". I almost didn't go as I wasn't feeling up to getting out of my comfort zone. I envisioned being coerced into trying out strange therapies in a steamy room filled with people. However, I was very glad I did go.

We were welcomed by the smiling faces of the H3 team and we caught up with other Taikura parents while we sipped on a hot spiced apple drink (the kids opted for hot chocolate) before learning about warmth and the therapies on offer at school. It was helpful for me as the less involved parent to get a better picture of some of the special aspects of the school. It's always hard to get a clear picture from the kids about what they get up to, but they were very excited to walk me through the processes and introduce the special people who provide therapies at the school.

Meeting the therapists and participating in the activities helped me better understand how cool it is that our kids get to grow and develop at such a special place – and it cut through the 'weirdness' of it.

Huge thanks to all the therapists and the H3 group for putting on the evening of warmth and fun.

Sean *Class 3 Dad*











He Pito Kõrero



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

> Hail the rise of Matariki Hail the Lord of the sky Hail the New Year!

Ngā mihi o te tau hou Māori ki a koutou katoa!

The karakia above is attributed to Professor Pou Temara, that celebrates this kāhui whetū, that is now visible in the very early morning. In the first line of the karakia, the word 'Mānawa' means to celebrate, exult and welcome. The word 'maiea' means to rise, and 'te putanga o Matariki means the appearance of Matariki

It is a karakia that the teachers will recite every morning until the end of term at our morning circle, as we endeavour to enliven the appearance of Matariki amongst our ākonga and in our kura.

Kua whetūrangitia koe....

This whakataukī (proverb) in this context means, "Return and take your place amongst the stars along with your ancestors that adorn the sky". At Taikura to acknowledge and celebrate Matariki, we are having an early morning gathering, making whetū -stars, in remembrance of those who have passed on and placing these on the tree outside the library. This will happen in our library, followed by breakfast of hearty porridge, frybread and a hot drink in Te Manukura. This will be held **Thursday 19 June at 6.15 a.m.** There will be a cost of \$5 per person, to cover the cost of kai and materials. For catering purposes and to provide sufficient materials, it is important that people who want to attend this event notify the office. The deadline for this is the Tuesday 17 June.



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



Curriculum Corner - Class 11 Handwork

Frances' bag is made from recycled denim, patchwork fabric scraps, and old lace doilies. She then beautifully embellished the bag with hand- embroidered sun flowers.









Alistair's jacket is made from recycled black jeans. He used the jean seams as a feature running down the arm and back of the jacket, and lined the inside with leftover fabric donated to the school.

Stella's waistcoat is also made from old denim scraps and lining from an old dress. Pieced together in a patchwork design, she embellished the outside with embroidery and a leather name tag.





Sibling Trio Represents School in Chamber Music Contest

Ashley, Amelia, and Jakob Diedericks, took part in the NZCT Chamber Music Contest. Performing together as The Diedericks Trio.

- Ashley played the viola
- Amelia played the cello
- Jakob played the violin

The trio performed two well-known pieces:

"Can't Help Falling in Love" by Elvis Presley, arranged by Morgan Abernathey and "A Thousand Years" by Christina Perri and David Hodges



The three prepared and rehearsed the music on their own. Their performance reflected their ability to work together as a group and was a testament to their musical talent.

Well done to Ashley, Amelia, and Jakob for representing our school in this event.

Class 12 Play Performance

Class 12 presents Radium Girls...

Radium Girls is a play based on the true story of young women who worked in the U.S. Radium Corporation in New Jersey, painting watch dials with radium-based paint in the 1920s and 30s. The play follows Grace Fryer as she and her co-workers continue to work, ignorant of the dangers to their health. Only later to discover they are suffering from horrific side effects. Grace fights hard in court to bring those responsible for the irreversible damage caused, to justice.



School App

If you have not already done so, **we encourage you to download our School App 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!

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Upcoming Events School Board meeting - Monday 16 June at 5:00pm Kererū Kindergarten Lantern Walk - Wednesday 18 June at 5:30pm Matariki Whetū Stars of Remembrance - Thursday 19 June at 6:15am Matariki Public Holiday - School & Kindergartens CLOSED - Friday 20 June Class 12 Play Performance 'Radium Girls' - Wednesday 25 & Thursday 26 June at 7:00pm Mid Winter Festival - Thursday 17 July Class 11 Quiz Night Fundraiser - Wednesday 23 July School Dance - Friday 25 July SING! Choral Workshop - Sunday 3 August at 2:00pm Vox Humana Choral Performance - Sunday 3 August at 5:30pm Taikura Fete - Sunday 16 November

1st XI Hockey Team Fundraisers







TOURNAMENT WEEK

Our school's 1st XI Hockey Team got accepted by NZ Hockey for the Mixed Tournament in Dunedin... That's amazing, but a LONG way to go, especially for 20! We are offering beautiful products to our school community to help fundraise our Tournament week. Thank you so much for considering to support us!

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My name is Ashton and I am an ex-student of Taikura. I am selling firewood to raise funds for my rowing, and passion of photography.

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New Learning Community Hub: Napier & Hastings

The Community Partnerships team at the Ministry of Education is pleased to be partnering with the Multicultural Association of Hawke's Bay (MCAHB) to launch a Learning Community Hub in both Napier and Hastings.

The LCH is a programme designed to support ethnic parents in better understanding the New Zealand education system, so they can fully participate and be strong partners in their children's learning journey.

The programme consists of multiple sessions, each focused on a topic of interest to the community and parents.

This will be the first Learning Community Hub in Hawke's Bay, with four sessions planned, alternating between Napier and Hastings to ensure it is accessible to parents in both cities. Interpreting can be provided, if needed.

The first session will take place on Saturday, 7 June in Hastings.

Please see the full schedule below :

- Session 1: June 7, 2025, 2:00 PM–4:00 PM, Lv 1, 215 Railway Road, Hastings
- Session 2: June 21, 2025, 2:00 PM–4:00 PM, 77 Tait Drive, Napier
- Session 3: July 5, 2025, 2:00 PM-4:00 PM, Lv 1, 215 Railway Road, Hastings
- · Session 4: July 19, 2025, 2:00 PM-4:00 PM, 77 Tait Drive, Napier

Interested families can register via the link : https://www.mcahb.org.nz/upcoming-events.html

Parenting & Pottery Community Workshop

Parenting Topic: Helping to find calm as parents

Pottery Workshop: Hand-build a pair of coffee mugs

Date: Saturday 14th June Time: 2-4:00pm Location: Anthroposophical Centre 500 Nelson Street



\$60 pp limited spaces (2x spots left!) email: britaberahama@gmail.com

