Taikura Rudolf Steiner School





Pippa's Pānui

26 June 2025

The healthy social life is found When in the mirror of the human soul The whole community finds its reflection And when, in the community The virtue of each one is living

For the last four weeks Mrs Frigerio and I have had the pleasure of working with Class 12 on the production of their play Radium Girls by DW Gregory. Performing in a play requires a great amount of generosity of spirit from all involved in the production and the success comes down to how well everyone works cohesively together. Our students support each other during production planning and during performances both on and off the stage. Within school students are supported in preparing for their performance by staff with direction, technical skills, costume expertise and speech work. Around them they have whānau who rehearse lines, help with hair and make-up and engage as an audience.

This term there have been many examples of this generosity of spirit and success resulting from individuals working cohesively together. Last week a group of students, parents and staff from across our kindergarten and school gathered on a beautiful frosty morning for our Remembrance Tree celebration for Matariki and parents and staff worked together on activities and a delicious breakfast for all who attended. Matariki provides an opportunity to reflect on those who have passed on but who, during their life, contributed much to Taikura and there are many to whom we are truly grateful.

Our festivals at school and kindergarten in recent weeks are places where wonderful experiences are created for our children through the efforts of many working positively together with sharing of stories, music, song, speech and kai in spaces which have been carefully prepared.

Working together to support our students in their developmental journey is our core focus. This term began with parent teacher interviews for both our Lower School and High School students, an opportunity to check in on progress so far and to collectively set learning goals for the coming term. Building a shared picture of our educational journey at Taikura is a key part of the various parent and information evenings which have also happened this term across the school and kindergarten. The additional supports that we are able to offer our students at Taikura to access the curriculum and strengthen individual development were beautifully shared at the H3 Therapies Evening earlier this term.

Weekly this generosity of spirit and working together is evident in our Friday markets, our liaison parents, our school canteen, in the playground, in sports team practices and games and in classrooms. We are fortunate in the commitment of our governors who generously volunteer their time within their respective board and trust hui as well as in the many subcommittees which support the governance mahi.

Working cohesively together also extends nationally into our mahi with our fellow Steiner Waldorf kura around the country. Our teachers within the school and kindergarten are meeting termly with colleagues in other Steiner Waldorf schools, deepening their shared pictures of Steiner Waldorf education. The Steiner Waldorf principals are regularly and consistently working together to strengthen our education across areas of teacher development, special character understanding, assessment, administration, leadership and curriculum.

As the curtains close on the second term of our year, we would like to acknowledge the generosity of spirit which has enabled so many rich experiences for our students, community and staff and we look forward to many more during the second half of the year.

Wishing everyone a wonderful and restoring holiday break.

Pippa Caccioppoli Tumuaki/Principal



He Pito Kõrero

Ka ara mai a Matariki ka ara mai a Puanga, ka mānawatia a Puanga, ka mānawatia a Matariki.

Matariki rises, Puanga rises, celebrate Puanga, celebrate Matariki.

Over the last 3 weeks at Taikura there have been an array of activities throughout the classes and community, that have acknowledged and celebrated the rising of Matariki. As we come to the end of te wāhanga tuarua – Term Two, I hope the holidays are a restful time for you all, a time to breathe out, slow down, and reconnect.

Here are some of photos of Class 7's visit to the Ātea-a-rangi – The Star Compass, at Waitangi Regional Park. They were fortunate to be one of several kura who took part in activities to acknowledge Matariki and te taiao – the natural environment!



Entering Te Waher Whet $\bar{\mathrm{u}}$ - The Star Dome



Checking out 3,000,000 years old fossils!



Zaiden & Rani planting harakeke

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



Waiata Mai Every Thursday 12:25 - 12:55pm!

Ngā mihi hīkaka ki a koutou ngā manu tioriori o Taikura! Every Thursday in our whare, Te Manukura, you can learn some of the many waiata that your tamariki sing at kura! Nau mai, haere mai te katoa...all are welcome!

Ngā mihi ki a koutou ngā kōpara e kō! Nā Troy Gardiner

Curriculum Corner - Class Three

Last week Class three undertook a Matariki study for their Main Lesson. We split into groups and read about a specific star. Once in our groups we designed a poster and gave our classmates a presentation.



Mānawa maiea te putanga o Matariki Mānawa maiea te ariki o te rangi Mānawa maiea te Mātahi o te tau

Matariki Waka Ama Race

Over 300 paddlers competed in the Matariki Waka Ama Regatta at Te Awa o Mokotūāraro last weekend. Our U19 girls and our U16 mixed teams competed in the 10km Novice Race. For our U19 girls team, this was their first taste of long-distance racing, so it was full of new experiences. Half of our U16 mixed crew had competed in a long-distance race in Lake Taupō last year, but this race was different in that they had to negotiate the narrow confines of the three rivers and all the challenges of shifting tides and currents. This team had the support of Linda Hill-Rennie as steerer and Lewis, who is an U19 paddler from Hastings Boys High School. There were 18 waka in their race so the confined nature of the start line was interesting and eventful. I was really proud of the way that both teams held their form and technique throughout the whole race, and it will hold them in good stead as they set their sights on future targets.

A big thank you to Linda Hill-Rennie who steered the U16 mixed team around the course, Matua Troy who was there in support, parents who came to watch and Tupai who stayed to the very end of the day and helped with the pack up.

Clayton Gibson









Friday Market



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.

Term Three Roster

Week 1, 18 July

1st XI Hockey

Week 2, 25 July

Taikura Kindergarten

Week 3, 1 Aug

Classes 10 + 12

Week 4, 8 Aug

Classes 1 + 11

Week 5, 15 Aug

Mid-Term Break

Week 6, 22 Aug

Kererū Kindergarten

Week 7, 29 Aug

Classes 4 + 5

Week 8, 5 Sep

Playgroup + Class 9

Week 9, 12 Sep

Classes 2 + 3

Week 10, 19 Sep

Classes 6 + 7

Upcoming Events

Class 12 Play Performance 'Radium Girls' - TONIGHT at 7:00pm

Mid Winter Festival - Thursday 17 July

Class 11 Quiz Night Fundraiser - Wednesday 23 July

School Dance - Friday 25 July

Winter Warmer - Thursday 31 July

SING! Choral Workshop - Sunday 3 August at 2:00pm

Vox Humana Choral Performance - Sunday 3 August at 5:30pm

Hockey Fun Day Fundraiser - Saturday 9 August 10:00am

Taikura Fete - Sunday 16 November



Lost Property

A reminder to please check the lost property cupboard under the external hall stairs before the end of term. Any items not collected will be donated to charity during the school holidays.

Winter Warmer

Save the date! (please note date change)

Thursday 31 July



Please save the date of Sunday 16 November for our Fête!

The Fête Committee has started preparations and is feeling positive and excited for a wonderful 2025 event that raises funds for our kura and showcases the school's special character and kaupapa.

For those new to the school – the Fête is an annual Taikura highlight and a fixture on the Hawke's Bay event calendar. A festive mix of entertainment, food, games, magical children's activities and stalls make for a special day and an important fundraising activity for our school. Each class takes responsibility for different aspects of the Fête, and we ask all parents and whānau to contribute their time and efforts.



We are seeking new members for our core team, in particular coordinators for food, and entertainment. If you would like to find out more about what is involved, please email us at taikurafete@gmail.com

It's time to get crafting!







Winter is the perfect time to work away making crafts for the Fête's Children's Shop! Remember to make at least 10 of each item. These can be delivered to the school office at any time between now and Fete day!

Dance Night

We would like to invite parents and friends to the adult dance. This is open to anyone in the community. Classes 5-9 will be dancing the early evening away, but the new venture is for a community get-together for parents and friends to come along and have some social time together. It is a cheap evening out with a \$5.00 entry fee, and if you would like a muffin or hot drink, these will be available for sale in the school foyer. Even though this is aimed at Lower School parents, all parents are welcome. All proceeds go towards tournament week for the 1st XI hockey team.

Anne Hilton Sports Facilitator & Hockey Coach





Community Notices

Creating Light for St John's Tide

The Christian Community at Rangimarie would like to invite you to join us for our St John's celebrations over the next four Sundays (29 June, 6, 13, and 20 July). Join us at 11:00am for a short story for children, followed by the children's service.

At 11.30 we will begin with candle dipping for young and old. Every Sunday your candle can grow some more, and when it is ready to shine on the last Sunday, it can be taken home in a little lantern.

Children younger than school age will need to have their own adult helping them. Please bring something to share for morning tea, and any winter songs we can sing while dipping.

Where: Rangimarie 617 Heretaunga Street East, Hastings

Any questions contact Sabina on 021 0830 7141 or sab.bacs@gmail.com

Accommodation Needed

Kia Ora whānau, I am starting the one year Rudolf Steiner training at Taruna this year. My two girls children (age 13 &10) and myself, are looking for a place to stay from Saturday 5 to Thursday 10 July. If you need a house sitter we can do. Or if you have a self contained sleep out that would be wonderful. Or, we are happy to share a room and can contribute towards power and food. My children will be at friends places while I'm at the course.

Please contact me on 021-2604992

Tara Lamb

ART ALCHEMY THERAPY

Amanda Sowersby

ONE DAY ONLY **ART & YOGA WORKSHOP** FOR CHILDREN 6 YEARS-12 YEARS



Keirunga Arts Venue, Havelock North 9:30am - 2:30pm

Bookings & payments are a must.

Tuesday 1st July We will start the day with yoga, story telling, morning tea-drawing & painting, lunch, nature walk, clay Email: bookings@artandalchemy.co.nz

Elemental Beings

In-person and Online 9 Week Course Starting 15th July, 2025

This course invites us to renew our earthly companions and co-workers.

Elementals are everywhere, in all creation and in us.

Who are these tireless workers, what are their natures and their roles and where do they come from?

We have forgotten the Elemental Beings we once knew, but since the turn of the millennium many new connections are being made and communications reported.

Tuesdays 09.00am - 10.00am, Talk series \$170 Tuesdays 10.35am - 11.45am, Guided Art Experiences \$60 Online Course: live + video recordings and notes

> Contact Cleone Armon for more details: candsarmon@gmail.com 0224 895 674

CACAO SOUNDBATH Saturday 28.06.25 HASTINGS

at The Yoga Space, Hastings booking: www.theyogaspacehastings.com



with composer / conductor / music educator

Judy Clingan AM and Waldorf Wayfarers singers from Australia, Taiwan, Japan and India

SUNDAY 3rd AUGUST 2025 2.00 - 4.00PM

TAIKURA STEINER SCHOOL HALL

505 Nelson St North, Hastings \$20, \$10 concession - cash or card at door

For everyone who loves singing!

Enquiries and bookings 0410 617 427 or judithclingan@me.com

VOX HUMANA

WALDORF WAVEARERS SINGERS FROM AUSTRALIA, TAIWAN, INDIA AND JAPAN PRESENT

CONTEMPORARY AUSTRALIAN CHORAL MUSIC

WITH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA DIRECTED BY JUDITH CLINGAN AM

FEATURING A NEW WORK OF MUSIC THEATRE THE PROPHET WORDS KAHLIL GIBRAN | MUSIC JUDITH CLINGAN

> SUNDAY 3 AUGUST 5.30PM TAIKURA STEINER SCHOOL HALL | 505 NELSON STREET NORTH HASTINGS

\$30 FULL | \$20 ADULT CONCESSION | \$10 UPPER SCHOOL STUDENTS | LOWER SCHOOL STUDENTS FREE CASH OR CARD AT DOOR | ENQUIRIES 0410 617 427

TARUNA COLLEGE

Winter Craft Warmers

Crafts that foster creativity and connection 26th July from 9am to 1pm Cost \$125 includes morning tea: some materials extra, payable to tutors (see below) For more information and to enrol see our website www.lecture.com



Wool Felting with Sabine Laakman

Bring wool fleece to life using a felting needle and wool. This is a beginner's introductory workshop and no previous experience needed. Material costs, extra \$20.

Gilded Letter with Rebecca from Panoply Studios

Paint and embellish your own gilded letter with signwriter, calligrapher and artist Rebecca from Panoply Studio. Students will leave with a completed letter in carnival style. Material costs extra \$35.

Flax Weaving: Mahi Raranga with Te Kaahurangi Maioha

In this workshop you will be introduced to mahi raranga/ flax weaving through the tikanga/ protocols pertaining to its application. You will leave the workshop with a completed woven taonga - a kete or creative art piece.

Design & Print a Tea-Towel or

Apron with Lisa Feyen

Come and play with block printing on fabric, as you design and carve your block, ink it up and print on fabric. Fabric inks in a range of colours, tools, and some fabric for practice will be available. A block for carving and your choice of a plain cotton t-towel or apron is also supplied. Material costs, extra \$15.

Pottery with Britt Aberahama

In this relaxed and creative workshop you'll hand-build a coffee cup or a vase using simple clay techniques. You'll shape, design and choose your glaze colour, and your pieces will be returned to you once fired. All tools and aprons provided. Material costs, extra \$25. TARUNA

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Enlivening the Earth Introductory Biodynamics Weekend Workshop

11 -13 July: starting Friday afternoon, finishing Sunday afternoon Cost: \$ 350



Are you interested in growing good food, working with mother nature and weaving a spiritual understanding into the very practical work of farming and gardening? Are you curious about holistic farming, gardening, food, and nutrition - and how to incorporate good growing practices at your place in Aotearoa?

Then we welcome you to come and take part in this introductory Biodynamics workshop. We will explore topics that include:

- · the foundations of biodynamics
- growing nutrient-dense food
- · themes of spirituality, connection, and planetary rhythms
- an exploration of biodynamics within a medical frame.

We will also build understanding of:

- biodynamic preparations including stirring and spreading 500
- how to utilise the rhythms of the biodynamic farming and gardening calendar
- how the inner life of the gardener or farmer also needs to be cultivated.

Biodynamics is a holistic approach that views the farm or garden as a living organism, emphasising the interconnectedness of all living things. It incorporates cosmic principles, biodiversity and unique homeopathic preparations to enhance soil health and overall farm or garden vitality.

This workshop is designed for everyone:

- wanting biodynamic regenerative practice in their own farm or garden
- interested in wellness for land and people
- wishing to increase their perceptive powers of land, soil and life
- already a biodynamic practitioner wanting to experience the wider context and community of biodynamics.

Your workshop facilitators:

<u>Monique</u> <u>Macfarlane</u> - biodynamic practitioner and educator, who makes biodynamics relatable <u>Rachel Pomeroy</u> - biodynamic teacher and star watcher.

Earlybird price - \$320 if registered by 10 June

Gratitude to the Kete Ora Trust for generous sponsorship of this workshop.

For further information and registrations please contact <u>info@taruna.ac.nz</u> or see our website <u>www.taruna.ac.nz</u> or call +64 6 8777174