Taikura Rudolf Steiner School

The Grapevine

Winter Warmer



24 July 2025

Next Thursday 31 July from 6:00pm the school grounds are open and kai is available for your purchase. Come and listen to live music, wander through Scannell's, buy dinner and enjoy company in community.

Near or just after 7:00pm, the gong will sound, this signifies it is time to make your way to the gym for the annual shadow play. This year's production has never been performed before at Taikura.

This is a family evening and children must be accompanied by their parents or caregivers. Teachers will not be supervising or responsible for any tamariki. No buildings will be open, other than toilets and the gym for the evening performance.

If they haven't been already, Liaison Parents will be in contact soon with opportunities for whānau to contribute to the creation of this evening.

At all stages of the planning and preparation we have worked to keep labour demands and costs to a minimum. We are conscious of the current cost of living and the stressors on family life. It is our intention to create an evening that whānau and tamariki enjoy. Please only contribute as much as you are able and know this evening is completely voluntary both in participation and contribution.



Click on the link below for the 2024 highlights reel:

https://shorturl.at/m1d9Y



Winter Warmer Lantern Walk - for Classes 1 - 5 whanau

Lower School children are encouraged to bring their lanterns on this evening. By lantern light they make their way through the lantern walk created in Scannel's Garden by students. Class 7 creates this lantern walk for the younger children, sourcing and providing the props and decorations, and volunteers from Class 6 walk the students through.

To support both their mahi and the experience of the younger children we ask that children are accompanied by parents on the walk.

Winter Warmer Kai Tokens

We will be selling small wooden tokens with which you can purchase your kai.

All food items will be payable **by token only.** Tokens are available to purchase by **CASH ONLY.** The minimum purchase is 2 tokens. Tokens are available in \$5, \$10 and \$20 lots.

The token purchase station will be situated near the library.



Winter Warmer Kai Menu

Sausage Sizzle - 1 token

Soup and Bun - various flavours of deliciousness - 2 tokens

Baked Potato - 2 tokens

Nachos - 2 tokens

Mulled Drink - 1 token

Juice - 2 cups for 1 token

Apple Crumble with Custard - 2 tokens

Slices and sweet treats - 1 token

Popcorn - 1 token

Marshmallows for toasting on the fire - 2 bags of 5 - 1 token



If marshmallows are being toasted parents are responsible for their own children's safety.

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He Pito Kõrero

Tēnā koutou e te whānau!

Last week, classes, staff and the community had the opportunity to walk the Spiral that was a part of our acknowledgement of Te Ihu o Hinetakurua – Winter Solstice. At the start and end of the spiral were placed two kōhatu, that represented Hinetakurua and Hineraumati - the winter and summer deities, who are the wives of Tamanuiterā – the Sun. In te ao Māori according to our purākau, Tamanuiterā has two wives, Hinetakurua who resides in the moana, and Hineraumati who resides on the whenua. Tamanuiterā travels from one wahine to the other, and at this point he has been with Hinetakurua on the waters, hence the colder, wet weather. He is now making the long journey back to Hineraumati. Below are the kōhatu that were part of our journey as we walked the Spiral.





Kīwaha o te wiki – Kīwaha of the week.

Kei konā katoa (kay cor nah car tor ah)
that's the one! right on! she's/he's got it! it's his/her strong point! it's her/his forte!
An idiom used to praise someone's ability. kīwaha that is used to praise/congratulate someone or something.

Hemi: Kia ora e hoa. Did you hear Anahera practising her karanga?

Mana: Sure did. Kei konā katoa!

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

School Policy Reviews - Term Three

This term SchoolDocs is reviewing the following policies: **Child Protection, Abuse Recognition and Reporting, Food and Nutrition, Safety Checking , Police Vetting, Missing Student Procedure.** In order to participate in these reviews we encourage you to visit our SchoolDocs site (username: taikurasteiner, password: heartwood). Along the top of the page you will see a tab labelled 'Current Review' where you will find a table with links to the policies currently under review.

- Follow the link
- Read the policy
- Click the blue 'start your review' button at the top of the page. A new screen will appear.
- Select your role (board member, staff member, parent/whānau) from the drop-down list.
- Enter you name (optional).
- Submit your ratings and comments.

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!

- 1. Go to the **App Store** or **Google Play Store** on your mobile device
- 2. Search SchoolAppsNZ
- 3. Download the App
- 4. Open the App
- 5. When it asks to send notifications click allow.
- 6. When it asks to search your **School** type your **School Name** in the search bar
- 7. Lastly, subscribe to the Alert Groups you would like to receive alerts for.



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

School Board Meeting - Monday 11 August at 5:00pm

Class 10 Play Performance - Wednesday 13 August at 7:00pm

Teacher Only Day - School Only - Thursday 14 August

Mid-Term Break - Friday 15 August & Monday 18 August

Taikura Fete - Sunday 16 November





Knitted Kindy Slippers

Taikura Kindergarten is selling hand knitted woollen Kindy Slippers as a year-round fundraiser.

Sizes available

2-3yrs = \$12

3-4yrs and 4-5yrs = \$15

5-6yrs and 6-7yrs = \$18

Custom orders for older children and adults are welcome. Slippers will be sold at tomorrow's Friday Market, 25 July. Please contact Victoria 022 1037862 for any queries.



Community Notices

Rangimarie Christian Community

The *Rangimarie* Flat is now ready for a tenant. The flat is fully furnished. If you know of anyone who may be interested in sharing our house and gardens, please contact Lesley 021 065 8065 or Corrie 027 368 0242 or Sabina 021 083 07141

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



FUN-FAMILY HOCKEY DAY AND SIT-DOWN FLEAMARKET

AT TAIKURA ON THE SCHOOL TURF



6 aside for six minutes teams made up on the day preferable with a mixture of adults and children. 12.00 pm until 3 pm. This will be accompanied with a sitdown flea market where students and adults can purchase a piece of ground for \$10.00 to sell second-hand toys, old books, trinkets etc.

There will be a sausage sizzle and drinks for sale. Teams will have a number of games with quick swaps. Bibs for team Identification will be supplied and some hockey sticks available.

This is a fun event to promote hockey in school. No ability is needed, novices to experienced, all are welcome. Come and enjoy a fun day for the school community and support the first XI hockey team at the same time as they fundraise to travel to tournament week.

TAIKURA RUDOLF STEINER SCHOOL HOCKEY 1st XI TEAM FUNDRAISING





Sing! Choral Workshop

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