



## Class 12 Projects

11 September 2025

For students and families who are new to Taikura the Class 12 Projects provide a wonderful insight into our graduating students as they near the end of their 12 year journey. For those who have been before you will know what a joy it is to listen to our young people share their experiences and ideas.

In Class 12 students undertake a project which is based on their interests and in which they immerse themselves for nearly a whole year. These projects combine a practical and artistic element with research and students present a theoretical document of 3000-5000 words, an artistic display and a public presentation to an audience. These projects are part of the New Zealand Certificate in Steiner Education at Level 3 and students are assessed on each of the three components.

On **Friday 12 September**, following our Spring Festival, **from 10.30am until 3.30pm** the Class 12 Project Displays will be open for the community to view in the School Hall. This is an opportunity for you all to see what the students have undertaken over the year, read their documents and speak to the students directly about their projects. Asking the students questions about that they have been working on, why and what they have learnt is helpful preparation for the question segment the following day.

On **Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 September** you are warmly invited to attend the Project Presentations. Each student delivers their presentation and then there is time for the audience to ask questions. These are formal presentations which will take place in the **Hall**.

While we encourage all in the community, from Kindergarten to High School, parents and students, past and present to attend these presentations it is an expectation that all of Class 11 attend in preparation for the following year and it can be helpful for Class 11 parents to attend as well.

On the next page is published a list of students, their project topics and the times of each of the presentations.

We look forward to seeing you during these three days as we acknowledge our senior students who are nearing the end of their journey at Taikura.

*Pippa Caccioppoli*

### Upcoming Events

**Class 4 Parent Hui** - Thursday 11 September, 6:00pm - 7:30pm

**Spring Festival (School)** - Friday 12 September, 9:30am

**Spring Festival (Kererū Kindergarten)** - Friday 12 September, 11:30am

**Class 12 Project Displays & Speeches** - Friday 12 September and weekend of 13 & 14 September

**Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori** - 15 to 19 September

**Spring Festival (Taikura Kindergarten)** - Wednesday 17 September

**Last day of Term 3** - Friday 19 September

**Taikura Fete** - Sunday 16 November

## Class 12 Projects

Kia ora koutou,

The Class 12 Project Displays will once again be open to the community after the Spring Festival on Friday 12 September from 10.30am. This is a lovely time to connect with the students before their speech, and discuss their chosen topic and learning.

The Class 12 Speeches will be delivered the following day, Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 September, and this is a wonderful occasion in which to support our young people and listen to their journey over the last few months. The speech topics are always diverse and to watch the students stand and speak for 15/20 minutes on a topic offers an insight into our education. We would love to see our community there supporting our students through an important milestone.

I hope to see you there,

Morag Wilson

Class 12 Project teacher

## Class 12 Project Speech Timetable

Please note the change to some of the students' speech times from what was in Grapevine on 28 August

### Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Time	Name	Project Topic
8:30 am	Summer Cleaver	The Importance of Friendship
9:00 am	Ashley Diedericks	Leadership in Extreme Sports
9:30 am	Imogen MacKenzie Mapel	Self Regulation of your Nervous System
10:00 am	Sonne Allison	Night Photography

### Morning Tea

11:00 am	Kate Caccioppoli	Exploring Silk
11:30 am	Isabelle Caccioppoli	Four Seasons of the Apple Journey
12:00 pm	Tabitha Mouat	Influential Art Mediums Across History

### Lunch

2:00 pm	Pippa van Duin	The Process of Making Wine
2:30 pm	Iris Moriarty	Conservation Photography
3.00 pm	Yudi Porter	Airsoft

### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Time	Name	Project Topic
8:30 am	Mika Moenchmeier	Self -Landing Rockets on a Budget
9:00 am	Lucy Allison	The Perfect Cocktail
9:30 am	Nico Theyer - Durham	How Animals Affect Native Vegetation
10:00 am	Liam Rousteau	Making a Short Film



## *He Pito Kōrero*

E kōrihi ana ngā mihi o ngā Pīpīwharaua ki a tātou katoa, kua tae mai te wā o Koanga!

Last week in the surrounding areas of Ngaruawahia, the many marae and other accommodation were filled with the 1000's that attended the inaugural Koroneihana celebrations for the new Māori Queen – Nga wai hono i te pō! One of our ākonga was part of the Ngāti Kahungunu contingent, and this is the kōrero that she shared with me.

*Ko Puketapu te maunga  
Ngaruroro te awa  
Ko Tāiktimu te waka  
Ko Ōmahu te marae  
Ko Melanie tōku whaea  
Ko Coby tōku matua  
Ko Halo Nuku taku ingoa.*

*We were part of a 100 strong group that represented Ngāti Kahungunu. A couple of months leading up to the Koroneihana, our group would practice every Tuesday and Saturday. Our mahi kāenga – homework, was to learn kupu of the waiata and haka prior to our practices, so we could focus on singing and actions for our bracket of waiata. We travelled to Kirikiriroa on Thursday, and on the Friday, we had a dress rehearsal before our performance. The stage was cramped with so many of us, and I was feeling both nervous and excited to be part of this. It was a big experience being part of this group. I was proud to be there, and I would like to go to the Koroneihana again!*

*Nā, Halo Nuku.*



Ngāti Kahungunu Kapa Haka at the Koroneihana!

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



## Spring Festival - Friday 12 September

**Ka tangi te pīpīwharau, ko te karere a Mahuru**

*When the cuckoo cries, that is the herald of spring*

**Tēnā koutou e te whānau whānui o Taikura!**

*Kua rongo koutou te karanga a te Pīpīwharau?*

*He tohu tērā mā tātou...kei te hoki mai a Tamanuiterā ki uta, kua tae mai te Koanga!*

*Nau mai haere mai te katoa, ki tō tātou ahurei hei whakanui i a Koanga!*

*Have you heard the call of the Pīpīwharau? It is a sign for us all that Tamanuiterā is returning and Spring has arrived!*



The children and staff warmly invite you to our Spring Festival on Friday 12 September at 9:30am.

We are looking forward to singing, dancing and spending time together. We hope all whānau who attend take the time to visit the Class 12 Projects on display in the hall from 10:30am.

On the morning:

- Parents are invited to the gym at 9:30am
- At 9:30am classes will arrive into the gym
- Welcome
- Whakataka te hau
- Waiata: Taikura e
- Maypole dancing
- Community Waiata: Here comes the sun
- Community dance
- Mummers play
- Community Waiata: Pipi Manu E

**Pipi Manu E**

♩=60 A D A A D A D A

1 Pi - pi pi - pi ma - nu e Pi - pi-wha-ra-u ro - a E pi pi - pi a - na e Mo

4 E D A A D

2 pā pā mā mā wha - rau - roa Kei whea kei koe e pa e

6 E A D E A

3 Kei whea kei koe e ma e Ki-mi a - tu ki-mi mai kei whea kei ko - ru a e

9 A D A D A D A

4 Pi - pi pi - pi ma - nu e pi - pi-wha-ra-u ro - a E pi pi - pi a - na e Mo

12 E D A E D A

5 pā pā mā mā wha - rau - roa Mo pā pā mā mā wha - rau - roa

14 Spoken (Pitch rough guide)

6 Ku - i ku - i whi - o ko-ro - whi ti ko-ro - whi ti Kui Kui a



## Plant Stall at the Fete



Calling All Green Thumbs!

Help us grow a stunning Plant Stall for the upcoming school fete!

Between now and November, we'd love everyone to get planting and potting up:

- Veggies
- Herbs
- Flowers
- Houseplant cuttings
- Special gems from your garden (or a friend's!)

Every little plant counts! Get the kids involved — it's a great way to learn, grow, and give back.

## 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!

## 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.



## Homestay Families Required for 2026

We have International students attending Taikura next year who are looking for homestay families. If you would be interested in finding out more about hosting a student please contact Janet Osborne [international.admin@taikura.school.nz](mailto:international.admin@taikura.school.nz)



## Pianist Needed

Sadly our long standing pianist for Eurythmy, Denise Buczynski is unwell and will not be returning to Taikura. We are grateful for her contributions and wish her all the very best for her recovery. This means we are looking for a pianist to accompany some Eurythmy Lessons for the Lower school. Please email [nives.frigerio@taikura.school.nz](mailto:nives.frigerio@taikura.school.nz) if this is something which would be of interest to you. Remuneration by agreement.

## Community Notices

### Supportive Therapies Workshop

Taruna College in Havelock North is excited to be offering a Supportive Therapies workshop **1st - 3rd November 2025**

This three day practical workshop is for nurses, therapists and caregivers. We are offering a unique focus on care and intervention strategies that support the whole human being. Participants will engage in learning processes that include creating healing plans and experiencing hands-on external applications. The aim is to build confidence in using supportive therapies in safe and effective ways, underpinned by clear rationale and therapeutic principles.

Cost: \$550 all materials, refreshments and lunch provided

For more information & to register, follow our link: <https://www.taruna.ac.nz/courses-and-workshops/therapies-for-care-and-recovery/>



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### Supportive Therapies

**1 - 3 November 2025**



As a nurse, therapist or caregiver we invite you to register for this three-day workshop focussed on practical, effective care and intervention strategies. Come and be a part of widening the circle of those offering supportive therapies in the community. Through our learning process, healing plants and external treatments will become familiar to you, preparing you to assess and safely work with the therapies based on a sound rationale. In addition we introduce

- biography work
- the inner path of the nurse or therapist
- casework to help with individualised care across various situations and settings, and
- an anthroposophic approach to therapy.

Cost: \$550 all materials, refreshments and lunch included  
Tutors: Deborah Bednarek RN MN ANS and Michelle Vette RN MN ANS

We welcome your registration by visiting our website: [www.taruna.ac.nz](https://www.taruna.ac.nz) or contact us on 06 8777174



**MONDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER 9.30AM-2.30PM**

# **SPRING HOLIDAY ART WORKSHOP WITH YOGA**

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**JOIN US FOR ANOTHER FUNCREATIVE TERM,  
GROUPS ARE SMALL, PLACES ARE LIMITED.**

## **AFTERSCHOOL ART CLASS TERM 4 2025 WITH AMANDA SOWERSEBY**



**MONDAY 13TH OCTOBER -15TH DECEMBER  
3.30PM-4.30PM & 4.45PM-5.45PM  
8 WEEK TERM  
(NO CLASSES 27<sup>TH</sup> OCT & 3<sup>RD</sup> NOV)  
WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> OCT-10<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER  
9 WEEK TERM  
AGES 6-14 YEARS**

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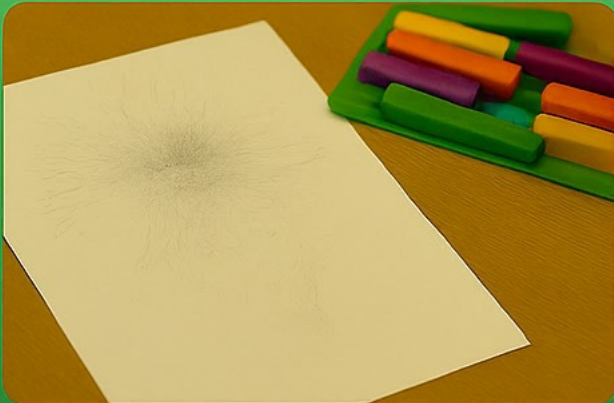


# CREATIVE SPRING ART SERIES

October 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th

Thursday mornings, 10am–12pm

Commitment is for 4 weeks – \$135, including  
all art materials.



- Watercolour flower painting
- Acrylic painting on canvas
- Observational drawing & sketching
- Pastel. watercolour

No art experience needed. Beginners welcome,  
all levels of art experience welcome.

Enquiries: [amanda@artandalchemy.co.nz](mailto:amanda@artandalchemy.co.nz)

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all levels of art experience are welcome.