

# Taikura Rudolf Steiner School



25 August 2016

## The Grapevine



As I continue on my journey into Steiner education, I am privileged enough to be teaching Main Lesson for the next few weeks. With my background in science and chemistry teaching, being able to take on the Class 9 'Sugar Transformation: An introduction to organic chemistry' Main Lesson, has meant that I can apply my knowledge and experience in a new and exciting context (to me) at Taikura. What a great way to 'walk the talk'. It has also made me delve deeply into the pedagogical and philosophical thinking behind what we are trying to deliver as class teachers. This, in turn, helps me to understand what it is teachers new to our school need in terms of support and how we can develop our teaching practice in this place, in line with Education Council requirements.

An added bonus is the joy I experience from interacting with teenagers. They may not feel quite the same joy, but I am entertained, challenged, entranced, and intrigued all within in the space of minutes, sometimes, and this after only three days.

Our High School curriculum is designed to get our students thinking. It is our job as teachers to get our young people building a bridge between their inner being and the outer world. This transition to adulthood is a time of intellectual development and the pursuit of worthy ideals. In a world driven by transactional matters – including learning and assessment, particularly in High Schools – what a joy it is for me as an educator to view what I have taught many times in the past through a completely different set of lenses with a transformation focus. The view is incredible.

Congratulations to our 'Get to Go' team who placed second a local event of an adventure race nature, and took out the top prize in the problem solving section. I am looking forward to watching our 1st XI hockey team in their final match this week. I watched this team last week and was quite impressed at their rapid analysis of situations and their quick decision making. I see our Taikura High School students achieving great things in so many aspects of life. They are good thinkers, communicators and team players.

This is what our world needs – thinkers and problem solvers. To be part of an educational community enabling this for our young people is very exciting. I look forward to the rest of my lessons over the next few weeks.

Nga mihi

Carmel Spencer  
Principal

## Mid Term Break:

School is closed on Friday 26 for Mid Term Break. The office will be open from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm. Enjoy the long weekend!

## Mark your Calendar!

Aug 26		<b>Mid Term Break - school closed.</b> The office will be open 9:00 - 12:00
Sept 7	7:00 - 9:30 pm	High School Options Classes 10, 11 & 12 Taikura House
Sept 9	8.45 (9:00 am start)	Parent Group: Ben Warren - Nutritionist of BePure on Nutrition and Well being
Sept 14	7:00 pm	Class 12 Parent Evening Taikura House
Sept 15	7:00 - 8:30 pm	'Men in Steiner' At the school Library
Sept 17 & 18	TBC	Class 12 projects - In the School Hall. Programme to come
Sept 23	7:00 - 9:30 pm	Parent Group: Herman Veluwenkamp - astrological influences in Biodynamics
Oct 17	5:00 pm	BOT meeting

# SCHOOL NOTICES

## Thank you all!

Thank you to my colleagues, all the children, friends and community who cradled us in their loving arms of kindness, support and thoughtfulness. It has helped Liam and I through this time of grief.

Sam Mason and Liam McPherson

## Congratulations to:

Lara Watson of Class 7 CG who has been selected to represent Hawkes Bay in the under 13 Hawkes Bay soccer team.

Well done to all the teams who competed in the Town and Country hockey tournament on Tuesday. All teams played extremely well, with two of the teams taking out first place in their grade. Two students were given a mention as great sporting ambassadors for our school on the day, they were Mark Gilbert and Rupert Brown. Big thanks To Elliot Ryan, Jacob Grupp and Ben Watson for their coaching and umpiring skills on the day.



High School netball has finished for the season. Congratulations to the Senior B team winning their grade last Saturday, Well done girls!

## Class Four fundraising for Hastings Riding for the Disabled:

**Buy a Gingerbread Horse at all Friday Markets in August!**

Please help Class Four to support our local Riding for Disabled Centre. They are baking and decorating Gingerbread Horses to sell at Friday Markets for all of August, all proceeds going to Hastings RDA.

## Congratulations to former students:

Graduates from Victoria University of Wellington:

I have great pleasure in announcing the success of the following former pupils who have graduated from Victoria University between June 2015 and May 2016. We acknowledge and celebrate the students' wonderful success.

Maximilian L Beech - Bachelor of Arts

Brook S Keats - Master of Science

Gwena Gilbert - Bachelor of Archictural Studies and Master of Architecture (Professional)

Thomas M Stonehouse - Bachelor of Design Innovation

Taikura is very proud of the students achievements.



## Class 11 Gymnastic Performance: Pirate Theme

# SCHOOL NOTICES

## Have your say in the future direction of Te Reo and Tikanga Māori at Taikura:

E te wiri kōkō, e te wiri kākā, te hapori whānui o Taikura, tēnā koutou katoa! *The flock of tuī, the flock of kākā, the wide community of Taikura, greetings!*

In support of the He Reo Puawai Curriculum document drafted for Steiner Schools in Aotearoa, a survey is being carried out by a group of parents to gather information and recommendations towards developing a Te Reo Strategy for Taikura. If you, or anyone in your whanau (including students), would like to complete a survey, please contact Te Kaahurangi Maioha: [thekaahurangi@hotmail.com](mailto:thekaahurangi@hotmail.com) or Kura Rutherford [kura.rutherford@gmail.com](mailto:kura.rutherford@gmail.com) as soon as possible. Submissions will need to be received by September 2 2016.

## Taikura Parents Group - All School Community Welcome:

Please come along and enjoy the opportunity to meet other parents and staff from our school in a relaxed and supportive environment - and if you have young ones don't worry as all meetings are baby/toddler friendly.

Gatherings are held at the Hastings Taikura Kindergarten community space a couple of Friday mornings a month. Guest speakers begin at 9am with tea and coffee available from 8.45am.

Our next meetings scheduled are:

**Sep 9** - BePure's approach to wellness - Ben Warren is unfortunately unable to make this date so his assistant will kindly fill in for him talking on Nutrition and Well-being.

**Sept 23** - Herman Veluwenkamp - "what are astrological influences in Biodynamic agriculture"

Questions and suggestions to Filipa Hope 0274513445 or [filipahope@gmail.com](mailto:filipahope@gmail.com)

## Absence / Sign-Out Permission Slip:

Please feel free to cut this off and use for any absence.

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# SCHOOL NOTICES



Taikura Kindergarten  
Introduces an evening



## Men in Steiner

Thursday 15  
September in the  
Library 7:00-  
8:30pm

Do you have concerns? Questions? There is sound reasoning behind the methods used in Steiner Education. Learn why at Steiner, we do the things we do and associating these skills to everyday life. Q&A with Clayton Gibson, a teacher from Taikura School to get the ins and outs of Steiner education.

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## On Becoming Human:

An exploration of some of the ways we can become better people, better humans.

Four Ideals of our Time:

Monday 3 October: HAPPINESS    Monday 10 October: CLEVERNESS and EDUCATION

Monday 17 October: HATING EVIL    Monday 24 October: PUNISHING CRIME

Parliament the Courts, journalists from newspapers, television and radio. People in public life often assume that the above four ideals are appropriate goals for regulating public affairs. Are they right? Are they helpful? Or do they perpetuate our current social and political problems? One thing is certain, many people believe they are basic to understanding human life today.

These four themed conversations are an exploration of modern life and attitudes today.

The aim is to find out why these themes are so important in modern life. Can we update them so we can make further progress?

Chris Bacchus 8786883

Entry Koha of \$10.00 or so!

Rudolf Steiner Centre, Nelson Street, Hastings

7:30 pm start.

## Kairos Centre Term 3 and 4 Courses 2016

The Heart of Art: Strengthening the heart chakra through inner contemplation

A Practical Course: Painting the tree through the seasons, dynamic line drawing (working with the four elements), veiling form drawing.

ENQUIRE NOW FOR 2017. Introductory year will run on Tuesday 8.50 am - 12.15 pm 7 weeks through the school term

Astrology for you, Astrology for Antroposophists

September 17 and 18 9.00 am - 4.00 pm

Costs: \$85 per day, \$160 2 days

Contact Margaret Mary Farr

Ph/txt 0272484193. manawastudio@gmail.com

Facebook: Kairos Artistic Endeavours

Understanding The Agricultural Course

Part One: October 14,15,16

Part Two: November 25,26,27

Costs \$235. Friday 6 and 8

Sat and Sun 9.00 am - 4.00 pm

## TUESDAY MORNING ART CLASS FOR ADULTS

Pursue your own creative journey. Learn and become confident in different art techniques. This term: exploring your inner life through stories. 10-12 am. Try out lesson any time \$18 subsequent commitment for 9 lessons \$172, basic art materials included.

## NEW: EVA'S AFTER SCHOOL ART CLASS FOR CHILDREN NOW ON MONDAYS

Explore new art techniques, look at interesting images, listen to a story.

Children 8-13 years. \$15 per session - commitment for a term. From 3:00 - 4:10 pm

Both at the Steiner Centre 500 Nelson St. Hastings. Contact Eva Urieli <[evaurieli@gmail.com](mailto:evaurieli@gmail.com)> 878 6028

## Blossom Tree:

Blossom Tree is a Waldorf inspired boutique home-based care agency. We are opening a branch here in Hawke's Bay, and we are looking for educators to join our service. Previous experience is not essential as we will provide you with initial and ongoing training. As an educator you will be able to care for up to four children at a time, including your own children up to the age of 6. Blossom Tree Educators are paid per child and are able to set their own rates. Our base rate is \$6 per enrolled hour, so you have the opportunity to earn up to \$24 per hour or more. This is a wonderful opportunity for parents at home with their own small children to earn an income.

Please visit [www.blossomtreehomebasedece.com](http://www.blossomtreehomebasedece.com) for further information, and register your interest by emailing [blossomtreehawkesbayece@gmail.com](mailto:blossomtreehawkesbayece@gmail.com) or contact Sabina Bacchus on 021 0830 7141.

## Coal range for sale:

Can be viewed at Taikura Kindergarten.

Phone first to make a time. 8787363 ext 826

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## Taruna College – Early Childhood Education Taster Course:

This is a 'taster' course that will lift the veil on young children from 0-7 and how we care for them in a Steiner/ Waldorf setting. It may give you another view on the education and care of the young child and the protection of childhood and/or it may help you decide if you want to enrol in the Steiner/Waldorf Diploma course, starting in 2017.

Marjorie Theyer and Edith van der Meer will be joined by many other presenters to give you insight into that which is Steiner Waldorf Early Childhood Education.

### These are the areas that we will be exploring:

- The young child and the education of the will
- Simplifying life
- Protecting and retrieving childhood
- The 12 senses
- The 4 lower senses
- The importance of play
- Journaling, Echo of the night
- Needle felting
- Eurythmy
- Storytelling
- Singing
- A kindergarten and/or day care visit

Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea is provided, there will be enlivening lectures, speeches, verses and plenty of space for your questions.

When: 26 – 30 August Cost: \$515.00  
Where: Hermes room, Taruna College, 33 Te Mata Peak Rd, Havelock North

Please call or email the Taruna office to register on 06 877 7174 [info@taruna.ac.nz](mailto:info@taruna.ac.nz).

## Looking for land to establish 2+Ha size Biodynamic vineyard

We are open to converting existing farms/land if required. Napier/Hastings area preferable as our children go to Taikura kindergarten. Please text or call Asuka 0223100550

## Parenting NVC Workshop -Hastings: September 17 & 18 2016 9 am to 5 pm

Are you interested in new ways to meet the challenges of parenting that combine living your values, holding your boundaries and empowering your children?

### NVC Parenting is a heart centered 'how to' process that really works!

- \*Reduce family conflicts and sibling rivalry
- \*Move beyond power struggles to cooperation and trust
- \*Create deeper qualities of connection
- \*Protect and nurture the autonomy & learning of children
- \*Stimulate and strengthen intrinsic motivation & reduce reliance on dependence of externals
- \*Find new creative ways to value and meet everyone's needs without conflict or giving in or giving up

Investment: \$220 with \$50 deposit by Sept 8 or \$250 afterwards.

Facilitator - registrations: Filipa Hope [filipahope@gmail.com](mailto:filipahope@gmail.com) 027 4513445

## Violin Lessons:

I teach violin to adults and children using the Suzuki method of teaching. Based in Hastings please phone or text Hannah Hales on 022 1049867

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

BUT THERE'S A FULL MOON RISING  
LET'S GO DANCING IN THE LIGHT  
WE KNOW WHERE THE MUSIC'S PLAYING  
LET'S GO OUT AND FEEL THE NIGHT.

THE CELLAR DOOR BAND:  
TRIBUTE TO NEIL YOUNG  
FEATURING BEN THROP, SCOTTY SMITH, DARYL JONES, LINDSAY GIBB AND TONY PARKER

SATURDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2016 FROM 7.30PM  
THE WOOL SHED, CHARLTON ROAD, TE AWANGA

# HARVEST MOON

CASH BAR (NO BYO AND NO EFFERS SORRY)  
LIGHT SUPPER INCLUDED  
TICKETS FROM TAMARA SCHOOL IN HASTINGS, COMMON ROOM  
BAR IN HASTINGS AND COX PARTNERS REALTY IN NAPIER  
OR ONLINE AT FACEBOOK.COM/73PRESENTS  
ALL PROCEEDS TO TAMARA JOG TRIP TO TONGA 2016

# \$25

R18 GIG

## Water Crisis in Hawke's Bay

As advised by email last week, we have been closely monitoring this situation at school, however you may be interested in the following received from **Shari Tidswell | Team Leader/Population Health Advisor, Hawke's Bay District Health Board** who is advising schools on cryptosporidium and giardia. There are no more classes currently than we usually get for this time of year and there is no evidence of a second outbreak. Also chlorinating the water will remove any giardia from the water.

We are monitoring closely and part of the monitoring is school absences so schools will get information tomorrow morning outlining when to report absences and who to contact.

Also it is possible to have more than one gastro bug at one time. We are not seeing levels of this above what we would expect for this time of year.

From the Management Group

## TERM THREE YOGA

Grasshopper Kids **PLAY**

# Kids Yoga

**P.L.A.Y**  
**PHYSICAL LEARNING ACTIVE YOGA**

EMPOWERING YOUR CHILD'S DEVELOPMENT  
OFFERING THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPERIENCE  
CREATIVITY, EXPLORATION & A SENSE OF  
BELONGING THROUGH FUN YOGA ADVENTURES

NAPIER CLASSES TUESDAY @ 3.45PM  
HAVERLOCK NORTH CLASSES THURSDAY @ 3.45PM  
Prepaid Term Price \$80

8 CLASSES PER TERM  
CALL CAROLYN, EMAIL OR FIND US ON FACEBOOK FOR DETAILS  
littleyogis@grasshopperyoga.co.nz PH 021 476 763

## HOHEPA MINI MARKET

FRIDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER 2016  
363 MAIN RD, CLIVE  
10.30-4.30

Preserves	Fresh Coffee
Wooden Toys	Sausage sizzle
Crafts	Mosaics
Candles	Weaving

Fresh home-made baking

See you all there!

*Grow your community*  
**BUY LOCAL**

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## HOHEPA SCHOOL

Hohepa School has 2 teacher positions available for the beginning of Term 4 2016.

### SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER

One vacancy is available for a SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER with proven skills and experience in teaching students with special education and learning needs.

The following skills and attributes are essential:

- Empathy and understanding of working with students with an intellectual disability
- Strengths in managing complex and challenging behaviours effectively
- Sound curriculum knowledge, ideally in both the NZ Curriculum Framework and the Rudolf Steiner Curriculum
- A deep understanding of teaching and learning processes, classroom management, planning and assessment
- Ability to motivate and engage students
- Ability to lead a team of teacher aides effectively
- Self-motivation and creativity
- Excellent communication and reporting skills.
- Physical fitness to carry out the demands of the role.

### SPECIAL EDUCATION TRANSITION TEACHER WITH LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

We are also looking for an energetic, enthusiastic SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER WITH LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES FOR OUR UPPER SCHOOL. Proven leadership ability to carry and further develop the Transition/Upper School programme and team is required.

The ideal candidate will bring

- relevant skills and teaching experience in special education as described for the special education teacher role
- a vision for providing programmes which support the adolescent student's preparedness for adult life, including life skills, practical skills and facilitate transition to adult settings are part of the role.
- Craft and workmanship, gardening and farming, work skills programmes and fostering each student's ability to gain the highest level of skill and independence to ensure that the young people have the best possible transition into an adult setting.
- Strengths in managing challenging behaviours and an understanding of the needs of adolescence and young adults are essential.

Sound curriculum knowledge, experience in teaching students with special education needs, ability to manage challenging behaviours effectively, excellent communication and team building skills are essential for both roles.

Our school's special character is based on the principles of Rudolf Steiner pedagogy. Enthusiasm to contribute towards the efficient running of the school and a willingness to work with the Rudolf Steiner pedagogy is expected.

For expressions of interest and an application pack please contact: The Principal, Hohepa School, RD 2 Napier, ph.06-8442740, e-mail: [child@hawk.hohepa.org.nz](mailto:child@hawk.hohepa.org.nz) or go to our website: [www.hohepahawkesbay.com](http://www.hohepahawkesbay.com) (go to Work & Volunteers / Employment Opportunities)

**Closing date: Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016 at 12 noon**



# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## Calling all old Mobile Phones:

**Please help to Sustainable Coastlines look after NZ's coastlines and waterways.**

After \$2.5 million donated to the Starship Foundation from the sale of unwanted old mobile phones it is time for a new multi award winning NZ charity - Sustainable Coastline to benefit from this scheme. It would be great if you could rummage around in your drawers and toy boxes and bring into School any unwanted mobile phones you may have. Phones collected help our School gain valuable rewards and also the environment benefits by keeping our landfills free of mobile phones and their array of hazardous toxic substances. Please drop any unwanted mobile phones you may have in the collection box in the reception area at School.



## House wanted for rent:

I require a 3 bedroom house either in Napier or Hastings. Please contact Urarii Ruatoe on 02102353548.

## Flatmate/s wanted to share home in Napier:

A furnished or unfurnished bedroom is required . Please phone Raewyn, 833 7557 or 021 2610266.

## Well Spoken:

Is your child interested in drama, storytelling, poetry or public speaking? Rudolf Steiner brought huge insight into the art of speaking and drama and from my training in this and teaching, I can help students achieve a high degree of effectiveness, confidence and style. If your child would like to excel in speech and drama, call me for a free consultation.

Therapeutic speech lessons available for students over the age of 9 years. Speech formation is a great help in developing articulation, confidence, memory and well-being.

I am five minutes from the school and can set up times to suit you. Call Robyn to find out more.

Robyn Hewetson [robyn@wellspoken.co.nz](mailto:robyn@wellspoken.co.nz) 06 878 3496 021 217 8688

## Travel:

If you're thinking of doing a student exchange, your big OE or just a holiday away, then contact me to discuss options or to keep an eye out for any future specials. Travel deals change from week to week and costs are very much dependant on availability at the time of booking. Phone Eric Cox on 8358574 or email [eric@coxworldtravel.co.nz](mailto:eric@coxworldtravel.co.nz) for a free quota.

## Hawkes Bay Chiropractic now at 206 Eastbourne Street, Hastings.

"Providing an experience that combines going to see a medical professional and meeting up with an old friend who cares about your well being".

