

Taikura Rudolf Steiner School

The Grapevine

Spring Festival



4 September 2025

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.

Pipi Manu E

♩=60

A D A A D A D A

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

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

6 E A A D E A

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

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

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

14 Spoken (Pitch rough guide)

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

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



He Pito Kōrero



Kia ora koutou,

The tohu above is the crest and motto of the Kīngitanga movement. Over the last two months, ākonga from our kura have been members of a roopu preparing for the Koroneihana. They have spent hours learning kupu and actions for waiata and waiata-a-ringa, as part of the performance that Ngāti Kahungunu will present on Friday, and that supported earlier events during the week. Below is a shortened kōrero that was shared from 'Pānui ki te Iwi' – 20/8/25, that gives a brief overview of this momentous occasion!

Each year in August, the banks of the Waikato River at Tūrangawaewae Marae come alive with the sounds of haka, waiata, and karanga as thousands gather for Koroneihana - the annual celebration of the Māori monarch's coronation. This is a cornerstone event for the Kīngitanga movement, bringing iwi from across Aotearoa together to reaffirm unity, honour the sovereign, and discuss matters that affect all whānau, hapū, iwi.

In 2024, history was made with the ascension of Te Arikini Kuīni Ngā Wai Hono i te Pō, the daughter of the late Kīngi Tūheitia. Selected by the Tekau-mā-rua (the King's council of chiefs) and confirmed through sacred Kīngitanga tikanga, her coronation marked the beginning of a new era for the movement. The traditional Te Whakawahinga ceremony saw her formally anointed as the second Māori Queen in history, a role that carries the weight of both ceremonial prestige and political influence.

The Māori monarch is a mostly ceremonial role with no legal status but has enormous cultural significance as a symbol of Māori identity and kinship. Te Arikini Kuīni Ngā Wai is the eighth Māori monarch and the second queen. Her grandmother, Queen Te Arikini Dame Te Atairangikaahu, held the position for four decades until 2006.

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



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 last weeks Grapevine

Saturday 13 th September 2024		
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 th September 2024		
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

Strategic Plan

Taikura's current Strategic Plan concludes at the end of this year, and our governance groups are developing a new three-year plan. As part of this process, we are actively seeking input from our community to help shape the direction and priorities of the school moving forward. Please have your say by completing this short survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PJFJWMW>

Inter School Cross Country Champs

Congratulations to all our students for doing Taikura proud at the Inter School cross country champs. Everyone represented the school so well, both on the course and in between races.

A special mention to Lola Ferguson who displayed incredible sportsmanship and team support.

The top 10 students from each race got a podium finish and from 20 students we had 6 podium finishes which is an amazing result for a small school.

Year 8 boys: Timo Allison - **1st place**

Year 8 girls: Keala Fraser - **5th place**

Year 7 boys: Oak Collins - **2nd place**

Year 7 boys: Phillip Ostergren - **5th place**

Year 7 girls: Ella Frohlich - **7th place**

Year 6 boys: Reuben Diedericks - **3rd place**



Most of these races have approximately 100 students in each race.

Some of the students will make the cut to progress onto the Hawkes Bay Champs, results to be confirmed soon.

Thank you to all the parent drivers, and especially to Nick and Jasmine for marshalling on the course out in the hot sun!

Thanks to Liam for bringing and collecting the gazebo.



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Student Election Results Declaration

Student Representative votes:

Name	Votes
Abraham, Georgie	4
Dipper, Tyler	6
Lane, Saskia	8
Skipper, Louis	31
Stothart, Max	7
Valero Ellis, Alba	21
Invalid votes	0

I hereby declare the following duly elected:

Name: **Louis Skipper**

Signed: Janet Osborne

Returning Officer

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!

Upcoming Events

Class 6 Whānau Hui - Thursday 4 September 6:00pm - 7:00pm

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

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.
Please contact Victoria 022 1037862 for any queries.



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 if this is something which would be of interest to you. Remuneration by agreement.

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 8, 5 Sept: Playgroup + Class 9

Week 9, 12 Sept: Class 2 + Class 3

Week 10, 19 Sept: Class 6

Term Four Roster

Week 1, Oct 10: Class 1 + Class 5

Week 2, Oct 17: Class 7 + Class 3

Week 3, Oct 24: HB Anniversary / No Market

Week 4, Oct 31: Class 4 + Class 10

Week 5, Nov 7: Kererū Kindergarten

Week 6, Nov 14: No Market / Fete Weekend

Week 7, Nov 21: Class 9

No more markets for 2025

Community Notices



Handyman Frank

I have recently moved to the bay and am currently looking for work. I am a German trained interior decorator (1987) and industrial mechanic (2001). I am experienced in maintenance and repairs as a handyman in NZ since 2009. My service is friendly and reliable and customer satisfaction is my first priority. Please see some of my reviews on google search "handyman Frank nz". For enquiries please call 027 63 66 111 or email handymanfranknz@gmail.com

Accommodation Needed

Kia Ora Whanau.

I am due to complete the last seminar of the one year Rudolf Steiner training at Taruna this year. My two girls (age 13 & 10) and myself, are looking for a place to stay from Saturday 28 September to Thursday 2 October. If you need a house sitter we can do this 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 Tara 021 260 4992.

Nga mihi nui, Tara

Supportive Therapies Workshop

Taruna College in Havelock North is excited to be offering a Supportive Therapies workshop:

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 or contact us on 06 8777174



20
25

5th
September
6:00pm



THE BIG ROOM

CONTEMPORARY ARTSPACE

202 Heretaunga st east - Hastings
Te-matau-a-maui - Hawkes Bay

Presents new work by:

John Lancashire
@mondaypainter

Joseph Rowntree
@jr_the_free

Fish Radich
@fish_radich


Biodynamics Workshop

Taruna College in Havelock North is excited to be offering a Biodynamics workshop:

Enlivening the Earth Biodynamics Workshop on the 5-7 September

This workshop will involve hands on stir and spread of 500, utilizing the rhythms of the biodynamic farming, planetary rhythms and the gardening calendar, also exploring biodynamics within the nutritional medical frame. The workshop is designed for those who want to use biodynamic regenerative practice in their own farm or garden. We are grateful to the Kete Ora Trust for sponsorship of this workshop #keteoratrust

Cost: \$350 for the three day workshop, with onsite accommodation available if needed. For more information follow our link: <https://www.taruna.ac.nz/courses-and-workshops/biodynamic-learning-pathways/>




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Enlivening the Earth

Introductory Biodynamics Weekend Workshop

5-7 September: 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:
Monique Macfarlane - biodynamic practitioner and educator, who makes biodynamics relatable
Rachel Pomeroy - biodynamic teacher and star watcher.

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



For further information and registrations please contact
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