



Kia Manawanui

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Te Rā Waldorf School, Te Rāwhiti Kindergarten, Nursery and Playgroups

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Kia ora koutou, dear Parents, Whānau, and Friends

While we may now get faint intimations that spring might be on its way – the daffodils greeting us, the longer days and higher skies – we still need to huddle around the fire a bit longer.

The flu season seems to be at its height, and we need to be mindful of prevention and response. Please take a moment to read the advice available here:

<http://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseases-and-illnesses/influenza>

As our grounds are very muddy you may like to consider sending along a change of clothes or at least socks.

Today we will farewell Matilda Hegarty who has been with us for a year and a half, as the teacher of (this year's) Class 5. We have appreciated Matilda's energy and youthful presence, and wish her all the best for the next steps of her journey.

David Simpson will teach the class from week 5, until the end of the year; Aleka Beaumont will then take them through to Class 7.

Next week we will also bid farewell to Debbie ter Borg. Debbie has been teaching cooking to Class 5 and running the Kitchen Club on Tuesdays. We are grateful for Debbie's steadfast and very important contributions. She has now taken on a big commitment in the Hutt Valley, and we wish her good luck with that. Fiona Walker has kindly offered to take on the Class 5 cooking lesson.

Haere rā, Matilda and Debbie. Go well.

Nga mihi mahana,

Andrea Sorger, on behalf of the College of Teachers

(Sue Hurst, Jutta Kress, Elien Hoffmans, and Andrea Sorger)

Diary of Dates

Friday 7 August	Weekly Craft Group 9:00am in Handwork Room
Friday 7 August	Parent Café 1:00pm-2:30pm (in Playgroup Building)
Friday 7 August	Information Afternoon 2:30pm
Monday 10 August	Class 2 Parent Evening 6:30pm
Tuesday 11 August	Interschool Junior Sports Tournament
Tuesday 11 August	Kitchen Club 10:00am-12:00pm
Tuesday 11 August	Hetty's Kindergarten Parent Evening 7:30pm
Wednesday 12 August	Winter Workshop – Knitted Doll making (week 2 of 6 week workshop) 7:00pm-9:00pm
Wednesday 12 August	Class 7 Parent Hui 6:30pm
Wednesday 12 August	Evening Talk: Joan Sleight (Executive Council of the Anthroposophical Society, Dornach) – <i>The Individual and Society</i> , 7:00pm
Thursday 13 August	BoT Meeting 7:00pm
Friday 14 August	Weekly Craft Group 9:00am in Handwork Room
Friday 14 August	Parent Café 1:00pm-2:00pm (in Playgroup Building)
Saturday 15 August	Winter Workshop – Breadmaking at Te Rawhiti, (Paekakariki) Kindergarten, 9:30am
Tuesday 18 August	Intro to Permaculture Talk 7:30-9:30pm in Hall
Wednesday 19 August	Winter Workshop – Form Drawing 7:00pm, in Class 1
Thursday 20 August	Pavitra's Kindergarten Parent Evening 7:00pm
Thursday 20 August	Winter Workshop - Wood Working for Beginners (first of 3 sessions) 7:00pm-9:00pm
Friday 21 August	Weekly Craft Group 9:00am in Handwork Room
Friday 7 August	Parent Café 1:00pm-2:30pm (in Playgroup Building)
Tuesday 25 August	Kitchen Club 10:00am-12:00midday
Wednesday 26 August	Winter Workshop – Watercolour Painting 7:00pm
Friday 28 August	MID TERM BREAK

From the Office

Carpark

We have recently suffered from a rising water table, possibly caused by the motorway project. This has caused flooding in the carpark and throughout the school grounds, restricting children's play. We are currently discussing this issue with the local council. Please be patient in the carpark with no double parking. Remember our drop off zone in Matai Road, or use the carpark across the road.

Apples no longer for sale in the office

Unfortunately the apple season has come to an end. A big thank you to Apple Jacks for supplying such delicious organic apples to us.

Amnesty for adult library books

If you have some of the adult library books propping up your computer screen or hiding under your bed, please bring them back. I'm starting to follow-up all the overdue issues. You can leave them in the school library returns basket or bring them to the parent cafe on Friday in the playgroup room from 1 onwards -no questions asked-

Thanks, Kaia

Craft Group – Fridays from 9:00am

Commencing this week in the Te Rā Handwork Room. Ph 027 680 6293

Parents' Cafe

**** TIME FOR A CHANGE AT PARENT CAFE****

Change of venue,

Change of time,

Change of team...

...but firstly, from everyone who has ever spent some time at parent cafe, we would like to do a shout out to AMANDA KEMP!!!

Your commitment to our school, community and our wellbeing has been massively, hugely and widely appreciated, Thank you for everything xxx

From this FRIDAY, we will be in the amazing PLAYGROUP room from

****1:00 - 2:30pm****

New hosts: Kaia Hawkins and Rebecca Bear

Come along,

catch up,

connect,

hang out,

bring your kids, your knitting, your clothes to exchange with

Rebecca.

Check out the books in the Adult library, and get ready for your weekend.

Nau mai, haere mai

ohh and did i say home baking and coffee??

see you there x

Kaia

German Volunteers

Our new volunteers will arrive shortly, Sophie Schulze and Simon Höchtl. We are still looking for accommodation (board) for Simon from the 15th of August. If you think you can offer a place to a lovely young man for the next eleven months (or less - whatever is possible) please contact Nick. nick@tera.school.nz 04 299 0812

Kitchen Club

The topic for our next gathering is RICE. We will meet on Tuesday 11th August, 10am - 12pm in the Te Ra school kitchen, \$5 plus \$5 for ingredients. To find out more or to RSVP contact Lilian (ph 06 364 3388 or email info@riverslearetreat.co.nz)

Class 5 Trip to Nga Manu Nature Reserve



Physics Main Lesson in Class 6

This Main Lesson must be one of the most anticipated lessons in our Class 6 curriculum. These are the weeks when mysterious sounds – sometimes shrill and terrible – emerge through the closed classroom door and when the classroom windows are masked to block out light, plunging the room into complete darkness. “Sound, Light and Heat” are the subjects of our study, or – in fancier terms – “acoustics, optics and thermodynamics”. The demonstrations and experiments allow the students not only to gain insights into a range of scientific principles, but also teaches them how to draw conclusions from carefully observed demonstrations and experiments, to discover cause and effect.



While Stella watches, Ruby and Ellie are trying their skill with bow and Chladni Plates whose vibrations sends salt crystals dancing into different geometric forms, depending on the pitch of the sound.



Class 6 students showing some of the instruments and sound machines they built as a homework project.



Study by candle light ...



Nicki & Kerstin

“Diagnosing Dyslexia” (from the Learning Support Room)

Not all students who have literacy support lessons with me, whether short or long term, have dyslexia. The term ‘dyslexia’ used formally is a clinical term and a ‘formal’ diagnosis can only be made by a trained assessor, for example those available through SPELD.

As a Learning Support Teacher I have access to screening tools which do not give a formal diagnosis of dyslexia but do identify dyslexic tendencies, learning strengths and learning challenges. Once identified this information is used to create an individual learning plan which will support identified students both in their main classroom, at home and in their individual or small group lessons with me.

As a literacy specialist I am often asked by the class teachers to assess and profile individual students. Not all these students will subsequently have lessons with me. Most importantly, not all of these students are either dyslexic or considered to be so by the class teacher. After an assessment the results are given to the class teacher. Where learning challenges are identified the class teacher will contact the parent/s and arrange a meeting where I will inform them of the assessment findings and where we then discuss a home/school plan to maximise literacy skills development.

In Class 6 and 7 those students who are identified as having strong dyslexic tendencies and barriers to achievement will have a ‘transition to college plan’ which involves the assistance of an RTLB (Resource Teacher Learning and Behaviour). As part of this plan we inform parent/s that their child will need a formal dyslexia diagnosis to qualify for special assessment support through college or Upper School, such as additional exam time or a reader-writer for examinations.

At Te Rā, it is always our intention and endeavour to remain transparent at all times. If you have any questions about diagnosing dyslexia, or about literacy at Te Rā, I encourage you to ask your class teacher or myself to avoid misunderstandings arising.

For more general information about learning support at Te Rā you can also refer to information on our website: <http://tera.school.nz/learning-support/>

Kind regards,

Thereza (Learning Support Teacher at Te Rā)

Winter Lecture Series

Te Rā Community Life 2015

Our informative and inspirational Winter Lecture by Mary Willow on Wednesday evening was full to overflowing and we are excited to follow this up with our Winter Workshops.

Winter Workshops

Bread making

Lotti Henehan

Saturday August 15th, 9.30am in Paekakariki. Bookings essential. Please phone Lotti on 292 8726 to secure your place.



Form Drawing

Andrea Sorger

Wednesday August 19th, 7:00 pm, in Class 7. No booking necessary.



Woodworking

Paul Denford

Starts Thursday August 20th, 7:00 pm for 3 weeks. Phone the office on 299 0812 to book your place.



Painting

David Nicoll

Wednesday August 26th, 7:00 pm, in Class 3. No booking necessary.



Introduction to Permaculture Evening

Tuesday, 18th August, 7:30-9:30pm in the school hall

A fun evening covering the basics of how you can apply the ethics and principles of Permaculture for the betterment of your lifestyle, community and environment, starting in your own backyard. There will be time for questions at the end of the evening.

Supper provided; Lisa's legendary brownies will be in abundance. Bookings essential, \$20 per person (all proceeds go towards Te Rawhiti Kindergarten). Please book in at the school office.

Possible Te Rā Ski Team?

We have been invited to field a ski team for the primary school national champs by Ficino school from Auckland (24th August to 28th). If your child is a keen skier get in touch with Andrew Hill 0275098083 so we can build a team. Accommodation on Whakapapa at Arlberg is available for a good price and the Ficino team will be staying and are a great bunch with a similar gentle philosophy for kids.

Also going up to Whakapapa fortnightly with space in the car. Feel free to link up, we can think about a little school ski club. The focus being exploring not pressure cooking!!

We will need to register soon so please contact me as soon as possible if you are interested.

Thanks, Andrew

Taikura – Principal Vacancy

Taikura Rudolf Steiner School - Hastings, Hawke's Bay

Our Principal of nine years will be leaving us at the end of this school year and we are seeking the right person to fill this pivotal role. We are looking for someone who will carry Steiner Waldorf Education in heart and in mind and who will continue to keep the school fresh, alive and evolving within the cultural, historical, educational and geographic environment of Aotearoa New Zealand and particularly the Hawke's Bay.



We seek a skilled leader and communicator who can work collaboratively to provide a living connection to the school's special character by:

- Creating clarity, articulating direction, values and priorities so there is certainty and engagement
- Showing warmth, interest, empathy and connection across a broad diversity of individuals and groups
- Generating enthusiasm and directing energy especially as changes and developments happen.

If this speaks to you, we warmly invite you to contact us for an application pack. Please contact the school office: office@taikura.school.nz or phone us on 06 878 7363.

Applications close 28 August 2015.
www.taikurasteiner.school.nz

Community Notices and Advertising

These notices do not reflect the opinions of the editors.

2 Bedroom Cottage to Rent

Close to shops, beach and school. Large section, off-street parking, new kitchen and bathroom. \$310 per week.

Phone Nick 2990812 @ school, or 9055732 @ home

Kapiti Irish Society welcomes you all to our September Gathering

When Sunday 13th September 2015 from 2pm till 5pm.

Where Kapiti Coast United Football Clubrooms, Weka Park, Raumati Beach.

Details Join us for an afternoon of Irish music, dancing, food and games for the children. Please bring a plate of fodder for a shared afternoon tea. Cash bar with Eftpos available.

Door Sales \$5 per head or \$10 per family (to cover overhead costs).

Contact kapitiirishsociety@gmail.com or call Nikki O'Neill on 022 658 2080 or connect with Kapiti Irish Society on Facebook.

Modem and Couch Wanted

I would love to buy or borrow a couch and an internet modem. Please phone me if you can assist.

Thanks Graham Ph 022 642 1603.

Wellington Storylines Family Day

Sunday 23 August 10am-3pm, Shed 6

Come and share the excitement of reading NZ books with children, families and the Wellington community at Storylines Wellington Family Day. This year's authors, illustrators and performers are:

- **Ned Barraud**
- **Donovan Bixley**
- **Gillian Candler**
- **PERFORM**
- **Ralph Johnson**
- **Suzanne Main**
- **Kyle Mewburn**
- **Mona Williams**
- **Suzi Tait-Bradly**
- **Philip Webb**
- **Rebecca Woolfall**

<http://www.storylines.org.nz/Events/Storylines+Festival/Wellington+Family+Day.html>

Chickens for Sale

Our 3 friendly chickens are looking for a new home.

Poppy, Berry & Sparkle are used to having free range over our 1/4 acre. But we're not quite used to stepping in their 'fertiliser' and sharing all the veggies.

\$160 for the girls and their coop or \$60 for just the scratchers.

They're young and have just started laying.

Please call Lynore 022 0120033

Chickens/Pullets for sale

\$25 per bird, Dewi/Amber Ph 022 6343638

Thank You



River McLain Daniels
18-05-2015

*Thank you
for welcoming our
beautiful wee man
with your kind words,
lovely gifts
and support.*

Wildwood Community

Join us at Wildwood Community and share in the life of our 65Ha permaculture farm and spirit / heart based community. 3 bdrm home available for 2 - 4 people with energy and drive, a deep love of nature, green values and a wish to contribute towards a better world for all. andrew.hall.nz@gmail.com

Home Wanted

Looking for a rental property to call Home, we are a whanau of five, would love to have a long term rental in Paekakariki or Raumati South. Enough space to park a caravan and grow a family, if you know of anything please get in touch with me, Kaia 021 131 0500 or kaiakindness@gmail.com

Nicki's Car for Sale

BMW 318i 2004, 2 litre, very economical, M-sport, leather, multiple airbags, traction control, cruise control, electric seats, 5 star safety rating etc. Price reduced \$5500

For more details, phone 2990812, or 9055732 (h)

Toyota Lucida Estima 1995 Automatic

Excellent condition for age, regular service, good tyres, very reliable, great family 7 seater. Two Sunroofs, air conditioning. 261,638 K's low for age. CD, Radio.

Reg 8th Sept 2015, WOF July 2015(will make sure this is up to date)

Has been a great family vehicle, which has never missed a beat, will be sorry to see it go. \$2,500 O.N.O. Contact Peter 021 781240

Wanted – New Home for Tilly

Owner going overseas. Tilly has a beautiful nature. She is 3 or 4 years this Christmas. Pale tan coat, good looking. Fixed, microchipped part mastiff and staffy. Not a barker. Well behaved. Needs a family to love her! Please ring Daylene on 904 0936 or 027 861 8255.

Looking for Work

Looking for Work - become a PORSE In Home Educator, work the hours to suit your family needs, full support and free training available.

Looking for Childcare - PORSE In Home Childcare offers flexible hours to suit your needs, WINZ, ECE and PORSE Subsidies available. Call Jacqui 021 925 088 or 0800 023 456m or email jacqui.miles@porse.co.nz

Car for Sale

Toyota "Windy", 1.3 litre engine, automatic, new front tyres, two door hatch, 212,000km, \$1,500

Phone or txt Ralph 027 2891422

Another car for sale

Toyota Corolla, 1992 1.3 5speed manual, white, tidy condition, just serviced with new cambelt and waterpump, new wof. \$1500 ono.

Phone/text Oli 0212618395, or 9055732

Waldorf Education on the Kapiti Coast

- ❖ How can we help young people develop a lifelong enthusiasm for learning and work?
- ❖ How can the way in which children are educated foster a healthy self-awareness?
- ❖ How can education help them understand the needs of peoples of all cultures and the needs of the environment?

All prospective School and Kindergarten parents
are warmly invited to our

Information Afternoons 2.30pm

Friday, 7 August
Friday, 4 September

at Te Rā Waldorf School, 89 Poplar Ave, Raumati South

There will be plenty of opportunity for questions.
Or phone the office on 04 299-0812 for an information pack.

