



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

Welcome back to the spring term. The school and kindergarten grounds are a lovely place to be right now, with all the budding, blossoming and growing all around. The birds are busy, the bees are humming, and children and teachers are equally hard at work.

We are glad to welcome a number of new children and their whānau: Joshua Eames (Piwakawaka KG), Lukas Boyd (Ruru KG), Linnea Vogler (Korimako KG), Junis Vogler (Class 2) and Elysia Wilson (Class 3). Katharina Roggia from Germany has joined us for two terms to undertake her teaching practicum.

Nau mai – haere mai!

Please remember that on the Tuesday after Labour Day there is a Teacher Development, and no school or kindergarten. If you are really stuck for childcare and require a holding class place, please let the office know by next Wednesday, 21 October.

This term, please try your very best to keep informed about dates and events. The diary of dates is also available on the school website, and the office staff are very happy to confirm or clarify.

Term 4 is a sun hat term. Please ensure that your child brings a hat each day, or has one at school.

Finally, we would like to thank Jutta Kress for her dedicated work with the College of Teachers in the last two years. Jutta has stepped back to spend time with her new mokopuna – congratulations Cien (Class 7 2004), Fernando, Jutta and Mark!

Aleka Beaumont has re-joined the College this term. Please remember that you can talk to any member of the College of Teachers about questions or concerns you may have.

Nga mihi mahana,

Andrea Sorger, on behalf of the College of Teachers

(Sue Hurst, Elie Hoffmans, Aleka Beaumont and Andrea Sorger)

Diary of Dates

Tuesday 20 October	Class 4 Trip to Kapiti Island (<i>postponed from Term 3</i>)
Wednesday 21 October	Class 6 Walk
Monday 26 October	Labour Day Holiday (no school or kindergarten)
Tuesday 27 October	Teacher Development Day (no school or kindergarten)
Saturday 31 October	School and Kindergartens Working Bee (Raumati South Site) 9:00am-4:00pm
Monday 2 November	Class 7 Parent Evening
Mon 2 Nov-Thurs 5 Nov	Class 5 Olympic Camp
Wednesday 4 November	Class 4 visit to Whakarongotai Marae
Friday 6 November	Mauri o Tuakiri o te Ata Kapahaka Festival, at Ngā Purapura, Otaki
Friday 6 November	School and Kindergartens finish at 1pm to prepare for Open Day (contingency for kapahaka participants will be advised)
Saturday 7 November	Open Day 11:00am-3:00pm
Tuesday 10 November	Korimako Kindergarten Parent Evening 7:00pm
Tue 17 & Wed 18 Nov	Class 7 Sailing Days
Wed. 25 November	Sharing Assembly (will include orchestra perf)
Friday 27 November	Christmas Market Tennis Court Rd Hall 3:00pm-8:00pm
Monday 30 November	Kindy Advent - Raumati
Tuesday 1 December	Class 7 Play 6:30pm
Wednesday 2 December	Class 7 Play 6:30pm
Thursday 3 December	Class 1 Parent Evening
Mon 7 Dec. – Fri 11 Dec	Class 7 Camp
Thurs. 17 December	LAST DAY TERM 4

From the Office

School Lunches

School lunches will commence again each Wednesday from **Week 2** of this term. We are adding Samosa back into the Menu so please take note of the pricings as below;

Baked Potato \$3, Nachos \$3, **Samosa \$3.50**

⌘ To Let - Paekakariki Kindergarten upstairs flat – available from 15th November 2015

Salubrious apartment lifestyle, one bedroom, all for \$200 a week including water rates and electricity!! Warm and friendly neighbours downstairs, internal access, special conditions apply.

All enquiries ☎ Nick or Ralph 299 0812

Needed for Playgroup

Plastic shopping bags, please drop into the office or playgroup.

Surplus Land Around School Perimeter

The land around the school, currently owned by NZTA, will soon be declared surplus. A process will then commence to dispose of the land. This involves first offering the land to the descendants of the original owners, then if the offer is not taken up, the land is then put through the Maori land protection mechanism for the office of Treaty Settlements. Once it is released from that process, we can negotiate directly with NZTA to try and purchase (or be gifted) the essential land adjacent to the school. After that the land is offered on the open market and we need to compete with developers. The land would be difficult to develop as much of it is encumbered with an ecological protection zone; however we are currently not in a position to spend that type of money. Now is the time to start thinking creatively of how we, and the community, can make the most of this opportunity.

Board of Trustees

From the Board Chair

Kia ora koutou

Welcome back to the final term of the year. Term 3 was an eventful one and Term 4 is going to be a busy one too – for students, teachers and parents alike, and certainly also for us on the Board of Trustees. Before life is getting too hectic, I wanted to take the time to look back a little ...

First of all, the Board would like to congratulate the Te Rāwhiti kindergarten teachers for the successful ERO visit in September. Well done all of you.

I would also like to congratulate the Te Rā staff on the success of last term's Te Wiki o te Mahi Tahī and compliment the students on the work they produced during that week. For those of you who missed the special edition newsletter, it is still available on the website if you would like to take a look at some of the photos from that fantastic week:
http://tera.school.nz/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/news2015_20a1.pdf

Some of us parents got to experience the creativity of the Te Rā classes ourselves, through attending the parent education evenings in terms 2

and 3: painting, form drawing, doll making, bread making, woodwork and a permaculture talk. Many of us also attended the evening with Mary Willow which was, as always, interesting, informative, educational and entertaining. A big Thank You to all who contributed to make these education evenings happen! Three parents, including myself, attended woodwork sessions with Paul Denford and experienced the challenge and joy of crafting something from a block of wood. It has been really interesting to work with Paul and to gain some understanding of how woodwork itself can 'educate' our will through the use of our hands in the transformation of material. Two of us agreed that we were really lucky to have Paul "all to ourselves" for the second evening, when we each made a bowl from walnut wood; at the same time we felt that it was a pity that other parents missed out on the opportunity to participate in such a fantastic woodwork class. So do try and come along to our final class on Thursday, 15 October at 7 pm – we will be making spoons!

A number of parents and students from Te Rā attended the Raphael House Class 12 presentations at the end of September. It was truly incredible to listen to these amazing young people as they presented the results of much of their work and endeavours over the past year. Several of us pondered how some of our children will be standing on that same stage, five or so years from now, presenting their achievements.

Back to Board business! Our most recent public meeting was on 17 September at which time we discussed the draft for the new Strategic Plan. We are still working on completing the final draft which will be available for consultation by the community following the next Board meeting. Some board members met with the Kapiti Waldorf Trust during the holidays to discuss the Special Character contributions.

Over the past year some Board members attended ongoing training with the New Zealand School Trustees Association (NZSTA). We were also lucky to have had our own individual trainer from NZSTA who has worked with us through the year on updating our governance skills and knowledge and we are now at the point where we can begin to review, update or draft new governance policies for the Board. This is a huge task and will be an ongoing process for this current Board and for next year's new Board of Trustees.

Speaking of a "new" Board; the elections for board representatives will take place in May 2016. If you are interested in finding out more about being a parent rep and would consider standing for election yourself, you are welcome to attend one (or more) of our public meetings and to speak to any of us about the work involved and about training available to us.

The next Board meeting is on Tuesday, 27 October, at 4pm in the school library.

Noho ora mai

Sylvia Madden
Chairperson Te Rā Board of Trustees

Taikura Vacancies



Staff Vacancies at Taikura Rudolf Steiner School, Hastings

High School Handwork Teacher, a permanent part time position, 0.56 FTTE. We are seeking a New Zealand registered, experienced and enthusiastic colleague for our High School who has the ability to guide and inspire soft materials creativity in young people from Years 7 to 13. Skills in knitting, crochet, weaving, embroidery, machine embroidery and dress making to Level 3 are required. An interest and willingness to support our special character and an understanding of our Waldorf pedagogy is important. Applications close **Friday 23rd October 2015**. Contact the school office for an application form: Taikura Rudolf Steiner School, PO Box 888, Hastings 4156 or email office@taikura.school.nz

Science Teacher, a permanent part time position, 0.58 FTTE. We are seeking a New Zealand registered, experienced and enthusiastic colleague for our High School to be able to teach Science across Years 9 to 13 with a particular focus on Biology in Years 12 and 13. An interest and willingness to support our special character and an understanding of our Waldorf pedagogy is important. Applications close **Friday 23rd October 2015**. Contact the school office for an application form: Taikura Rudolf Steiner School, PO Box 888, Hastings 4156 or email office@taikura.school.nz

Class Teacher 2016 Full-time - Permanent

We are seeking an inspired and enthusiastic Class teacher to begin in Term 1, 2016. This position will suit a New Zealand registered teacher with some training and/or experience in Steiner Education and a love and understanding of younger primary school aged children.

Applications close Monday 19 October. Please contact the office for an application form and a job description. Phone: 06 878 7363 or email to office@taikura.school.nz

Holistic Haven Shop - Reminder

Holistic Haven - New Stock has Arrived:

For those of you who have been waiting for pencils, new pencils have arrived for sale from the Office. We are stocked with a range of coloured pencils (all colours of the rainbow, peach skin-tone, black, silver and gold), graphite pencils, multi-coloured pencils, pencil sharpeners, modelling wax, stick crayons, block crayons, and more..

The range of stock will increase over the next few months, in terms of gift options.

For any enquiries/orders please contact:

Kristie Shearer

m: 022 177 0945, e: tikkyshearer@gmail.com

Note: I'm taking orders by text/phone/email and you can settle the amount by direct debit (38-9015-0759723-01, using your name as a reference please).

Spring Workshops for Adults – Thorndon Kindergarten

Organic Products for Home and Body. Learn how to make a natural household cleaner and natural cosmetics with organic ingredients. Take home the products you make in the workshop. Tuesday 20 October, 7-8.30pm, Thorndon kindergarten.

Introduction to French Pastry. Join a top French chef and get to grips with the basics. Patisserie owner and international chocolatier with a great sense of humour.

Tuesday 3 November, 7-8.30pm, Thorndon kindergarten.

Introduction to Sourdough Bread Making. -FULL- *Join the existing waitlist for the repeat of this workshop.* Witness all the steps in the sourdough bread making process. Take home a starter and some freshly baked bread for lunch. Island Bay.

Reflexology for Children and Babies. Learn practical skills you can use at home. Three-hour practical session with trained professional. *Date to be confirmed. Express your interest now.*

These workshops are a fundraiser for the Wellington City Rudolf Steiner Kindergarten. Cost per workshop is \$35, or 2 for \$60. For more information or to book a place contact Beth on 4bethomas@gmail.com or 021 056 1515. Spaces are limited.

Te Ra School Sunglasses Fundraiser

Fundraiser

Quality discounted children's sunglasses. If they break (through general wear and tear - Flex Fit range) in the first 12 months, we will replace them!



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A sample pair of the sunglasses are in the Te Ra School Office. Please feel free to drop by and view.

Quality of the product

These are quality sunglasses, they are virtually unbreakable. They are unlike any other sunglasses available in New Zealand and Australia.

The sunglasses are made with shatterproof, impact-resistant polycarbonate lenses. Our sunglasses provide full spectrum UV protection meaning they provide both 100% UVA and UVB protection. They are designed with an 8 base curve providing cover that wraps around children's eyes to provide maximum sun protection from peripheral light. All our sunglass lenses, including our polarised models, are made of optical grade polycarbonate material, which is lightweight and, at the same time, provides excellent impact resistance and optical clarity. Also keep in mind that cheap, tinted sunglasses with limited UV protection can actually do more harm than good, as they cause your eye lenses to open wider, leaving your eyes even more vulnerable to UV rays.

4/11/15: Fundraiser closes. Last day for orders to be placed

Three weeks for delivery:

Orders will be delivered by 25/11/15

Most of the damage done to a person's eyes are done in the first 18 years of their lives. The sun is the most dangerous during the day (when it is the highest). This is when children are outside playing at school. Their eyes are so vulnerable yet often left unprotected in a lot of cases. We know to keep their skin covered but we are leaving the eyes exposed. Please encourage "sunblock for the eyes".

Community Notices and Advertising

These notices do not reflect the opinions of the editors.

Class 7 Fundraiser- Reminder

Come along to the movie night at Shoreline Cinema Waikanae and help Class 7 to raise funds for their final camp in December. "Miss you already" with Toni Collette and Drew Barrymore promises to be amazing... and it's also Tonia's birthday!! October 22nd 8pm. \$20 gets movie, supper and chance to win an awesome raffle. Contact Bec for your ticket, becsbear@gmail.com; 0212220900"

Raumati South Village - Christmas Market

Friday 27th November 2015

3-8pm

Handmade goodness and deliciousness will be available

Stall applications: contact raumatisouthvillage@gmail.com or [facebook.com/raumatisouthvillage](https://www.facebook.com/raumatisouthvillage)

We also have some spots allocated for fundraising stalls (food/craft/entertainment), please apply!

See you there

Kristie, Lisa and Marliesje

Garage Sale

Sat, 24th October, 9.00am- 12.00pm. 98 Leinster Ave. Moving overseas - all must go.

Household goods, toys, books, appliances, tools and gardening things.

Thursday Morning Yoga

9.30 - 11am

Paekakariki War Memorial Hall

Term: \$120, 5 classes: \$60, Casual: \$15

Breathe, Stretch and Relax. Yoga has many benefits, not only for all the systems of the physical body, but also for our mental, emotional well being. Stress and lifestyle imbalance have a huge impact on us at all levels. Yoga is a fantastic tool for bringing us back into balance as the effects of practice flow into our daily life. Learn to connect with yourself, learn to breathe properly and release the unconscious tensions. A general class involves, Asanas (Postures), Pranayama Breathing Techniques) and relaxation (Yoga Nidra). All levels of experience and physical abilities are welcome.

Atmabhava has years of experience living yoga, having spent time in ashrams in India, Australia and NZ since 2001. He shares a style that is accessible to all.

"Best Yoga class I have ever been to, by far!" (Locana)

Room to Rent

One very large double bedroom with work room or studio available for rent in Paekak. Sunny, insulated, warm, large house, huge deck leading to lawn and garden. \$150 per week or \$190 including extra workroom. Please call 0274 724 965.

A Beach Affair!

Paraparaumu Beach Shopping Area on November 7th. Face painting, Bouncy Castle, lots of arts and crafts. Christmas present shopping Galore. This is going to be a fun filled arts based event with lots for everyone to see and do.

Hoop Club Kapiti – Junior Basketball Coaching Programme

Restarts for Term 4, 2015 - Sunday 18 October and runs through to Sunday 13 December

KCDC Sportshall, Paraparaumu College, Mazengarb Road

9.30 to 10.30am 5 to 8 year olds

10.30 to 11.30am 9 to 13 year olds

11.30 to 12.30pm 13 to 17 year olds

ALL NEW PLAYERS MOST WELCOME

Contact: Angelo Robinson 9040142

Email: ar.rimutaka@paradise.net.nz Website: WWW.KBA.CO.NZ

Raumati South Cottage For Rent

24 Clunie Ave, \$260 p/wk. Cute 2 brm cottage, wood burner, semi-furnished (including fridge & washing machine).

Large section with vege gardens, fruit trees, chook run, back deck area, rainwater storage tank. Sunny summer pozzzy near the beach, close to Te Ra School - suit keen gardener or small family.

Available mid-October. Email Fiona for more

info: smythe.fiona@yahoo.co.nz

WILDHEART ART Term 4. SKETCHING. Tues, Wed or Thurs 3.30-5pm.
Pram Beach. Starts 13th Oct.

Contact jacquivandenbergartist@gmail.com or 0210696555

NZ Sponsor Wanted

Owain Boardman is a UK citizen currently living and working in Japan who would like to relocate to a Steiner School in NZ with two young daughters in 2016. Owain is an ex-Waldorf pupil whose mother is a eurythmy teacher in the UK.

Owain is currently in the process of looking for work, preferably somewhere who could help sponsor him with a working visa.

Work experience is 7 years working in some of Tokyo's busiest restaurants mainly as a chef but is also experienced as a waiter and is bilingual in English and Japanese. Owain would be open to any opportunities that may be available even if not restaurant related.

Any help or advice for her would be wholeheartedly welcome. Please email owain.sb@gmail.com

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?

The community and all prospective School and Kindergarten parents are warmly invited to our

Open Day
11am-3pm

Saturday, 7 November

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

There will be plenty of opportunity for questions.

