



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

Someone must have seen the 1st of March marked as “First Day of Autumn” in their calendar and thrown a switch – we truly have been reminded of the advance of the seasons with the cooler temperatures in the last few days.

Many of us were caught out with too thin clothing, and we all need to redirect our attention to that part of our wardrobe where the long sleeves and legs await. At the risk of preaching to the converted I will add that children who are comfortable in terms of body temperature are better able to use their energy for learning and working; please ensure that your child now has an extra layer of clothing along each day.

We have also asked the children to always wear shoes around school as the wasps, bees and bumblebees are especially busy preparing for winter (This consideration is another very good reason for this being a school rule).

Our children have been just as energetic and busy. Most of the Class 5, 6, and 7 students took part in last week’s Kapiti Schools’ Triathlon, and we congratulate every one of them! Te Rā’s name was up in lights, too: the boys’ team of Reuben, Ethan and Niek finished 3rd, the mixed team of Hagar, Theo and Kahurangi finished 3rd as well, while the team of Jude, Sarah and Annamieke seem to have come 1st – well done! Much respect also goes to Karsten who stepped in for an injured team mate and completed both the running and the swimming, and to Ezra and Abe who completed all three events on their own. He iti, he iti kahikatoa.

Congratulations also to our U11 touch rugby team who won their division on the weekend!

We are grateful to the parents and whānau who coach and support this and other school teams, and help with inter-schools sports. You have the important role of facilitating the children’s growth in skill and confidence, and of their social abilities through developing excellent sportspersonship. We have talked at the assembly about the importance learning to be a gracious winner as well as a gracious loser, and it is through your

guidance that our children learn to represent Te Rā in the best possible way – thank you.

Classes 5 and 6 were privileged yesterday to be invited to a performance of “Waves”, a play which is a part of Schoolfest this year .

On Friday kindergartens and school will be able to enjoy respective Eurythmy performances by the “Aotearoa Eurythmy Ensemble”.

To round it off, our Class 7 are preparing intensely for their sailing camp in Whanganui next week. We wish them well, and most of all that summer returns for a last “hoorah”.

Finally, a correction: young Georgia Freeland did not join the Nursery group as erroneously stated last week, but Lotti’s Kakariki group in Paekakariki.

Heoi anō tāku mō nāianeī. Noho ora mai,
Andrea Sorger,

for the College of Teachers (Aleka Beaumont, Elien Hoffmans, Sue Hurst)

Diary of Dates

Thursday 3 rd March	Korimako (Shelly’s) Kindergarten parent evening 7.30pm
Thursday 3 rd March	Woodwork/Toymaking Group 7:00pm-9:00pm in woodwork room
Friday 4 th March	“Aotearoa Eurythmy” performance for school and kindergarten
Friday 4 th March	Parent Café 1:00-2:30pm
Thursday 10 th March	Woodwork/Toymaking Group 7:00pm-9:00pm in woodwork room
Mon. 7 th –Fri. 11 th March	Class 7 Sailing Camp
Tuesday 8 th March	Craft Group in school handwork room 7:00-9:00pm
Tuesday 8 th March	Kakariki (Lotti’s) Kindergarten Group parent evening 7:00pm
Friday 11 th March	Parent Café 1:00-2:30pm
Tuesday 15 th March	Kitchen Club 10:00am-12noon - Ayurveda Nutrition
Tuesday 15 th March	Craft Group in school handwork room 7:00-9:00pm
Wednesday 16 th March	Sharing Assembly 11:10am for school whānau
Thursday 17 th March	Woodwork/Toymaking Group 7:00pm-9:00pm in woodwork room
Friday 18 th March	Parent Café 1:00-2:30pm
Saturday 19th March	Working Bee 9am – 1pm, 12- 4pm

Tuesday 22 nd March	Craft Group in school handwork room 7:00-9:00pm
Wednesday 23 rd March	Paekakariki Kindergarten Autumn/Ngahuru Festival
Thursday 24 th March	Woodwork/Toymaking Group 7:00pm-9:00pm in woodwork room
Friday 25th March	Good Friday Holiday
Monday 28th March	Easter Monday Holiday
Tuesday 29th March	Easter Tuesday – no school/kindergarten
Thursday 31 st March	Woodwork/Toymaking Group 7:00pm-9:00pm in woodwork room
Friday 1 st April	Parent Café 1:00-2:30pm
Friday 1 st April	Information Afternoon 2:30pm
Tuesday 5 th April	Craft Group in school handwork room 7:00-9:00pm
Thursday 7 th April	Woodwork/Toymaking Group 7:00pm-9:00pm in woodwork room
Saturday 9 th April	Harvest Fair set-up day
Sunday 10th April	Harvest Fair 11:00am-3:00pm
Monday 11th April	Teacher Dev. Day - No School/Kindergarten
Tuesday 12 th April	Kitchen Club - Bread making 10:00am-12noon
Friday 29 th April	Information Afternoon 2:30pm

From the Office

Special Character Pledge

Thank you to those parents who have initiated their regular automatic payments, and also to those families who have paid in full. We are especially grateful to the family that very generously added an extra \$1,000 to their pledge – already \$1,000 more than the benchmark.

Just a reminder, with the end of the financial year fast approaching (31st March), all donations paid before that date will qualify for the 33.33% tax credit rebate available after the 1st of April. Those who can take advantage of this should consider paying their special character pledge sooner to benefit from the quick turn-around of their funds. The bank account for your Special Character donation is 03 0732 0293275 01.

Disbursements

These are \$225 annually per child for Classes 1 – 4 and \$265 (including woodwork and cooking) annually per child for Classes 5 – 7, and may be paid at any time to Te Rā School account 03 0732 0443499 00. Thank you to those of you who have already paid. Statements will be issued later in term two. Don't forget, flutes, recorders, fountain pens, and some trips and camps are either paid for or subsidised by the FRMG

(Fund-Raising Management Group). These are funds very largely raised through your efforts at the Harvest Fair. The Class 3 string programme is also subsidised, to a level of 50%. Parents of Class 3 will have received a separate letter regarding this.

Reminder - Bus Payments

Bus payments for term 1 should now be paid. In case you have overlooked this, please pay to account 03 0732 0293275 01. Any queries, please contact Ralph at the school office.

School Directory

Everyone should have received the 2016 School Directory by now. Check out the Trade Directory and make use of these services to the benefit of the school and kindergarten. If you would like to include your business or service please get in touch with Ralph in the office.

Harvest Fair is in 5 weeks!! Sunday 10th April

Hi all,

We are coming along really nicely so far! But with 5 weeks to go, we are just starting to feel the pressure....

Still in need of CLOTHES CLOTHES CLOTHES!!! Books, lemons and preserves.

If you have crafty fingers the lovely Sharon has put wee craft packs in the office for you to collect and complete and return before the Fair. They will be there from now until the Fair so please come and take a couple when you can.

Over the next few days the roster will appear on the office window. This may or may not change over the next couple of weeks, but it's a good place to start and to check out where you are likely to be. *Everyone* should be on there, so please let us know if you can't find yourself. You may not be rostered on your 'class' duty, as it is a numbers game.

A huge thank you to the parents that have put forward prizes for the auction. Again this year, we have donations from the regulars - we really appreciate your generosity each year:

Elan Van Mills (Kickstart Music Lessons), Wiri Kemp (Electrician voucher), Marcell and Michael Williams (Beachfront Luxury Villa), Wil Aitken (Baby/Child Cranial Kinesiology), Selina Tuomey (Hairdressing voucher), and Karen Millane (Sediko Karate vouchers)

The thank you's will continue each week!!

A really big shout out to kindy parents Matt Lamason and Rebecca Mawson, from Peoples Coffee, who are donating beans and a machine for coffee on the day. This really is above and beyond so thank you, thank you!

Until next time.

The Fair Committee

027 6285101

Reminder - Calling all Toymakers / Woodworkers

We're back in business – full steam ahead for the Fair.

If you'd like to join us – skilled or unskilled – you're very welcome. We meet in the school workshop Thursdays 7:00-9:00pm. If Thursday doesn't suit please give me a ring – Monday or Tuesday may also be an option. If you prefer to work at home there are projects / tasks to suit.

Any ideas and suggestions for wooden toys or crafts for the Fair are welcome.

Please contact Katrina Sowry 299 1044 or Paul Denford 027 246 3065.

Craft/Handwork Group – Please Note Now TUESDAYS

Craft Group – Tuesday Evenings 7:00-9:00pm

Our Craft Group meets weekly in the Te Rā Handwork Room. Ph Maya 027 680 6293 or feel free to just show up on the evening. No experience is required. Please come along, it is a wonderful opportunity to learn new skills. We will be also be working on handwork/craft for the school fair.

Movin' March



Our school is once again taking part in Movin'March – a Greater Wellington Regional Council initiative to celebrate active travel to school. Join us in the Movin'March celebrations to help encourage active,

sustainable and safe transport to and from school. Students can win prizes by actively travelling to school even for part of the way. Enter the Parent Competition on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/movinmarch/posts/10154371678372119>

when you share a photo of your family's active trip to school on Facebook, you will go in the draw to win a family pass to your favourite Wellington Wild Things destination. Just make sure you tag the Movin'March Facebook page and use #movinmarch. Check out their website for more details: www.movinmarch.com/competition

Te Rā Winter Sports Teams

Te Rā Netball 2016

Wednesday 9th of March 2016 - Enrolment Deadline

Enrolment Forms need to be handed in to the Te Rā office for Maxine to collect. Payment is not needed yet but will be collected shortly afterwards. This is for all teams classes 2-7.

Wednesday 16th of March 2016 - Te Rā Teams Netball Trials for Classes 4-7

Trials to decide teams for 2016 to be held at Te Atiawa Netball courts (by KenaKena School).

When - 3:30pm (after school)

Enrolment forms at the office counter if needed.

Contact Karl on 021 205 8468 for any further info.

School children have been offered enrolment forms for Winter Hockey and Netball. Please collect one from the school office if you would like your child/ren to play but they have not brought a form home yet.

A huge thank you to Geert and Nico for again offering to organise hockey. We are still looking for assistance with our Netball teams.

Kitchen Club

Kitchen Club is now in its 6th year – all new members/drop-in's/casuals are welcome. We are a bunch who have a passion for nutrition, cooking, ingredients and healthy eating! We meet regularly (generally fortnightly) during school term on a Tuesday from 10am – noon. We mainly meet in the school kitchen at Te Rā. We will discuss a topic (for example buckwheat or seaweed), then cook and share a meal together.

Please refer to the Diary of Dates for our gathering dates for Term 1.

Eurythmy Classes

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On Thursday mornings from 9.00- 10.00 there will be classes for anyone who has previous joined or anyone who has never joined before and would like to find out more about it. The classes will run for 6 weeks, till the end of term and are free of charge. We are very lucky to have found a pianist for this time who will accompany the classes. If you have questions feel free to ask at school or call me on 9046854. You can make your decision on the very last moment and just turn up or you can let me know beforehand that you would like to participate. The first class is on Thursday, the 10th of March. Elien Hoffmans

Vacancy

Dunedin Rudolf Steiner School

Class Teacher (Class 4&5 composite) - One Year Maternity Cover

We seek a committed and enthusiastic class teacher to take on our wonderful class 4 and 5 for a year. The ideal applicant will be a NZ registered teacher, ideally with a Steiner qualification, but those with experience and commitment to Steiner pedagogy welcome to apply. This is a wonderful opportunity to work with an amazing group of children in a unique Dunedin School. Commences Term 2 2016. 1 year fixed-term.

Applications close 4.00 pm, Wednesday 16 March 2016.

An application form and job description can be downloaded from the School's website www.dunedin.steiner.school.nz or is available by request from the office at office@dunedin.steiner.school.nz

Telephone: 03 471 2163

Community Notices and Advertising

These notices do not reflect the opinions of the editors.

International Cultural Gathering

The Kapiti Community Centre is excited to be hosting our first International Cultural Gathering on Sunday 20 March from 10am. We would like to pass an invite to the each whanau of your school.

There will be storytelling, art projects and fun activities for the kids, as well as cooking demonstrations and cultural performances. Traditional dress is definitely encouraged.

Entry is a plate of food that is related to your culture.....sushi to sausage rolls, cheese rolls to curry! Our BIG shared lunch will be starting at 1pm.

St Patrick's Day

Be sure to keep Saturday 19th of March free to come along and celebrate St Patrick's Day at KCU Football Clubrooms, Weka Park, Raumati, 3pm until late.

The Kapiti Irish Society is putting on a fantastic afternoon and evening of Live Music, Irish Dancers, a quiz and lots of games for the children. Bring a cold plate and enjoy a shared dinner. Tickets will be sold at the door, \$10 per head or \$20 per family. Cash bar and eftpos available.

All welcome so please pass this invite on to all your family and friends. After all you don't need to be Irish to enjoy old fashioned Irish craic!

Any questions just connect with Kapiti Irish Society on facebook or call Nikki O'Neill on 022 658 2080

Cottage Available for Rent

Small, sweet cottage with garden, close to the beach and tennis courts on Tennis Court Road. Available for temporary rent from the 7th of April till the 7th of May.

Please contact Luciana on 020 40939383 or
email: cien.coconut@gmail.com

For Sale! 1997 Honda Odyssey

silver-blue, 7 seater, 206,000 km

WOF expires 03/08/2016

Registration expires 19/07/2016

2,150 cc petrol, automatic, new rear tyres, good front ones, recent wheel alignment, tow bar, CD Radio **\$ 2,700**

Katharina and Lars, allesroggia@web.de, 021 0508366, 04 2991046

Netball Kapiti Holiday Programme

Netball Kapiti will be running a holiday programme over 2 weeks in the April school holidays.

\$75 per participant for 1 week

\$125 per participant for the 2 weeks or \$30 per day

The programme has been developed with age appropriate skills and fun activities in mind.

The holiday programme includes our Smart Netball programme (ACC endorsed) fun sessions learning basic netball skills such as footwork, game play, ball skills, attack, defence and shooting. We include team building activities, games and a mini tournament each Friday.

To register email admin@netballkapiti.org.nz or post to PO Box 362, Paraparaumu. Registration is due by Friday the **8th of April 2016**.

Places are limited – so book in as soon as possible.

Alternatively, contact Netball Kapiti for further details on 902 4632.

Parks Week

Parks Week runs from **Saturday 5 March to Sunday 13 March** and is packed full of great activities for everyone to enjoy.

Parks play a vital role in creating liveable cities and thriving communities. They are our most frequented spaces for recreational activities and provide opportunities for tourism, conservation and the social interaction that is vital for a connected and resilient population. That's why the Kāpiti Coast District Council are proud to support Parks Week 2016.

A number of events have been planned and all the information can be found [here](#). The events include:

- **Mayoral Walk** / Haruatai Park / Monday 7, 6.30pm
- **Guided Cycle Ride** / Waikanae River / Tuesday 8, 10am
- **Military Fitness Session** / Campbell Park / Wednesday 9, 7pm
- **Walks with Rob – Guided walk** / Kaitawa Reserve / Thursday 10, 11am
- **Guided Walk** / Mataihuka Walkway / Friday 11, 11am
- **Music in the Park with Zeal** / Maclean Park / Sunday 13, 2pm

Au-Pair Placing

Dear parents,

I am a Class Teacher at the Waldorf School in Filderstadt/Germany. Angela, our youngest daughter, is looking for an au-pairing place in New Zealand. She is 18 years old and is attending class 12 in our Waldorf School. She will finish school at the end of July. Then she wants to spend half a year in New Zealand helping in a family au-pairing. Now we are looking for a family where she can work and help looking after the children. Angela prefers working with children at the age of kindergarten or primary school between September 2016 and March 2017. Angela is very interested in working with children. She has already got experiences, for instance in several children camps where she was leading a group of children. Angela is a reliable person and very helpful. She likes to take responsibility and works independently.

If you are interested, just contact us at the following address:

j.schaaf@gutenhalde.de

Greetings,

Johannes Schaaf

KCU Junior Football

Online registrations are now open www.kcu.co.nz Junior Team/Junior Registrations click on the link to register.

Girls' Football - Any girl aged between 7 and 16 years interested in playing football please contact Clare Pringle by email clarepringle04@gmail.com. KCU has a number of options available.

Zippity Zoo - Mobile Farm Petting Zoo

www.zippityzoo.co.nz

Mobile: 027 218 2820



Have you ever wondered how the wisdom and knowledge gained from Anthroposophy that is woven into your child's school curriculum is applied in the fields of medicine, health and therapy? The upcoming IPMT training week being held in Sydney from July 10-17 is a great place to find out.

The IPMT offers a week of lectures, workshops, experiential and independent study on aspects of anthroposophic medicine and its therapies. Registration is open to all registered medical/allied health practitioners or therapists seeking new insights and wider directions for their professional orientation and to meet patient/client need. The timetable is rich and intensive; it includes daily sessions using interactive learning based on observation, group study-discussions, workshops and lectures.

The IPMT is led by Dr Michaela Glöckler head of the Medical Section in Dornach Switzerland and supported by a team of medical and therapeutic professionals and educators. Special guests include Dr Roman Huber head of the Centre for Integrative Medicine at the University of Freiburg and Christiana Link. Roman is a specialist in Internal Medicine and Gastroenterology. He leads the work at the Centre on integrating naturopathy with conventional medicine. Christiana is an AnthroMed® registered eurythmy therapist and movement specialist who has extensive experience using eurythmy therapy in clinical settings as well as independent practice.

This years workshop streams include Clinical Sessions, Anthroposophic Body Therapies, Autism Spectrum Disorders and Challenges in Adolescence, Anthroposophic Psychotherapy, Healing Education and Eurythmy Therapy.

For more information you can find us on [Facebook at IPMT 2016 Sydney Australia](#) or email ipmt2016@weledatrust.org.nz

CLAY WORKSHOP



MARCH 10TH, 17TH, 24TH, 31ST
7-9PM

TE WHARE RARANGA O TATOU KI PAEKAKARIKI
NORTH END OF TILLEY RD, PAEKAKARIKI

\$60

Dress for mess! Come spend a few evenings playing with clay!
This workshop will take you through various techniques including pinch pots,
slab building, coil, and glazing. To reserve a spot, please get in touch!

CONTACT: MARYELLENCHILDERS@GMAIL.COM

KAIA HAWKINS: 021-131-0500

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, 1st April

Friday, 29th April

at Te Rā Waldorf School, 89 Poplar Ave, Raumati South
There will be plenty of opportunity for questions.
Or contact the office for an information pack.

Office ph. 04 299-0812 or email office@tera.school.nz

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