



# 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

*\* Hotoke – Takurua \**

“Did you know that Tamanui-te-rā (the sun) has two wives: Hine-raumati (the summer maiden) and Hine-takurua (the winter maiden)? Throughout the year, Te Rā slowly journeys between the two – for they wisely live on the opposite side of the sky from each other. His progress either way is marked by the place of his rising on the horizon.

It is said that Hine-raumati dwells on the land in the north, with her elders Rongo, Haumia and Tāne-matua. She sees to the cultivating of crops, and the fattening of game. Hine-takurua, on the other hand, lives far out near the southern sea, with her elder Tangaroa. She supports the migration of the ika (fish), such as blue moki, tuna (eels) and piharau (lampreys), as they go back to their birth place to spawn.

At the New Year, we witness Hine-takurua rising into sky together with her husband. This tells us that her short time with Te Rā – a mere 10 days by some accounts – has come once again to an end. Over the next few mornings, she prepares him for his long journey northwards. Then, on the shortest day ([around] June 21<sup>st</sup>), she bids him farewell.

Hine-takurua gets out of bed earlier and earlier so that she might still catch a glimpse of the traveller – but from late July, the distance is too much, and their paths no longer cross. From here, the season will become increasingly warmer, and Koanga, the spring, will be born.” *From: Te Papa Blog (2015)*

*\* Haere Mai – Welcome \**

Quincy (Elise and Raymond’s new baby girl), into the world;

Maitreya Kappagodda into the Piwakawaka kindergarten group,  
Hazel Wells into Korimako, and Gabe Barsanti and Mali Roberts  
into the Nursery.

Heoi anō tāku mō nāianeī. Noho ora mai,

Andrea Sorger

for the College of Teachers (Andrea Sorger, Aleka Beaumont,  
Elien Hoffmans, Pavitra Murphy)

## Diary of Dates

Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> August	BoT Meeting 7:00pm
15 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup> August	Parent Teacher Interviews
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> August	Class 4 Eurhythmy Performance 11:40am
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> August	Senior Interschool Winter Tournament
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> August	<i>PP Date Senior Interschool Winter Tournament</i>
	Adult Woodworking Course Commences (for 3 weeks) 7:00-9:00pm
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> August	Information Afternoon 2:30pm
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> August	Kitchen Club 10:00am-12noon
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Community Working Bee 9:00am-4:00pm
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Kitchen Club 10:00am-12noon
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Mary Willow talk 6:30-8:30pm
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Interschool Orienteering
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept.	Michaelmas Games Day
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept.	Last Day Term 3

## From the Office

### **Sewing Machine Wanted**

We are hoping to finish making new curtains for the staffroom. If you have a sewing machine that you could loan short-term or donate to the school, please contact the office.

### **Cow and Horse Poo Wanted**

Class 3 would like donations of cow and horse poo for their garden and compost pile. If you can help please contact Mark or the office.

### **School Transport Assistance**

A reminder that children 5 and over who live either 3.2 kilometres or further from the school, and more than 2.4 kilometres from a public transport stop, can apply for school transport assistance from the Ministry of Education. Please come to the office for a form.

### **Accommodation Wanted**

We have 3 early childhood students from Norway who are looking for accommodation from 9/10 – 13/11 while they work in our kindergartens. Two will be working in Raumati and one in Paekakariki. If you can help with accommodation, please contact Shelly on 027 7789432.

## Situation Vacant

We are looking for a Teacher Aide for 5 hours/week to support a student each morning, in the classroom.  
An application form is available in the office. Applications close on Friday, 19 August 2016.

## Junior Interschool Sports Day



## Safe Commuting

On Monday of this week we received a report of a "near miss" – scooter vs. car – on the corner of Poplar and Clunie Aves. This incident left the driver quite shaken, while the child apparently scooted off, oblivious to what had just happened (it may not have been a Te Rā student).

We have used this opportunity to remind the children of the basic safety rules when they are commuting to and from school on their scooter, skateboards, and bicycles, and also on foot:

- When they travel to school they become *active participants* in general traffic.
- They need to *take responsibility* for their safety and that of others.
- They need to *know and obey traffic rules*.
- They need to have adequate *risk prevention* skills, and apply these, always.
- They need to *be aware* of what goes on around them.
- They *must not assume* that vehicles driven by adults will stop for them just because they are children.

Please support these messages at home.

## From the Workshop

### **Introductory Course in Carving, Whittling and Knife Making**

**Tutor:** John Spittal. John is a traditional woodworker who prefers using hand tools. He makes and repairs tools and teaches their use at Community Education Colleges, and is involved with MENZ shed. His artistic work includes carving in wood and bone.

### **The Course (3 evenings):**

Is designed for beginners and will include instruction in carving in 3 dimensions using whittling knives. We will make our own knife and carve a simple wooden figure.

**Open To:** Parents, teachers and friends of Te Rā (Maximum of 12 participants)

**Dates:** 25 August, 1 Sept, 8 September

**Time:** 7:00-9:00pm

**Cost:** \$55 includes materials

**To Enrol:** Call Paul Denford at school or 027 246 3065

## **Parent Café – Each Friday in the Playgroup Room 1-3pm**

If you are able to assist with the running of the weekly Parent Café, please contact the school office.

## **Kitchen Club**

Would you like to share and explore new ideas for lunch boxes? Bring a sample lunch box or simply just join us on Tuesday 16 Aug and let's talk about lunch boxes! Time: 10 am - 12ish. RSVP to Jessica on 0210499449 or [super\\_jo@hotmail.com](mailto:super_jo@hotmail.com). We look forward to seeing you!

### **Rest of the Kitchen club dates for this term:**

30 Aug - Study with shared lunch  
13 Sept - Quick, cheap, nutritious dinner

## **Community Notices and Advertising**

These notices do not reflect the opinions of the editors.

### **Come and join our Friday afternoon singing!**

Every Friday afternoon during term time between 4.30-6pm in the Te Rā Hall. All ages welcome - we are a family friendly group who enjoy coming together every week to sing and learn new songs. Please contact Vanya with any questions 020 40939417 (*cancelled this Friday, 12 August*)

### **Wanted 3-4 Bedroom House in Raumati South**

We are seeking a home this side of Raumati Road for long term tenants. Family of five with 3 children at Te Rā. Please call Josie 905 9561 or 027 617 7906.

### **For Sale**

¾ size Cello \$500. Lovely Instrument  
Ph Mel 027 324 8352

### **Needing housesitting?**

Couple looking to stay late/Aug Sept to assist with care of elderly parent in Waikanae... 10-15 min driving range good. Teacher and builder/horticulturalist...garden, small home maintenance, cat care possibilities.

Txt Kristina 0273410031..thanks



### **Soul Centred Energy**

Remove energy blockages and old stagnant energies. Release negative emotions and past trauma – clear inner obstacles. Call Pamela 021 0401888.

### **House of Sound Music Academy**

'House of Sound Music Academy' is proud to present 'Bright Lights' Kapiti Coast Music Competition to be held on the 13th August 7pm, at Kapiti College in Paraparaumu.

Bright Lights will showcase young performers between the ages of 7-18 across all genres.

You are invited to come along and enjoy a musical feast of young talent.

Late enrolments are still open.....

To enter, please fill in the enrolment form on [www.houseofsound.co.nz](http://www.houseofsound.co.nz) by Thursday 11th August.

### **Collectors Needed For Daffodil Day – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August And Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August.**

My name is Mandy Savage and I'm the local Health Promoter for the Cancer Society. Many of your children may know me from SunSmart and Healthy Eating lessons in our local schools. We offer many other services in Kapiti including Counselling and Transport to Treatment.

This year we are short on collectors for our annual appeal. Can you spare an hour or two on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> or Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> to support our work in Kapiti?

Please email [mandys@cancersoc.org.nz](mailto:mandys@cancersoc.org.nz) or ring 298 8514 or pop in to Shop 14 Kapiti Lights, Paraparaumu.

Thank you for your support.

# **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 Afternoon 2:30pm**

Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> August

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.

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