



# Kia Manawanui

Pānui #13 / 24<sup>th</sup> August 2017

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

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Kia ora koutou, dear Parents, Whānau, and Friends,

This week we were treated to the amazing Class 3 play about Noah and his ark. As always it was very heartening to see how the children took ownership of their play, from beginning to end. They had all memorized all the lines (even those they weren't speaking), they sang beautifully and some played recorder to accompany the singing. They worked with flawless cohesion as a group, and were able to be alert and accurate in their individual parts due to the high-functioning group dynamic. They had created their backdrops, and clearly had fun with the costumes and make-up, and the play on the whole.

Break this mahi down into its components and you will discover that a whole lot of learning had to go on to make this play happen, successfully: reading, listening, speaking, memorizing, measuring, timing, painting, learning music to play on the recorder (learning to play the recorder), learning songs, learning a sequence of steps for the dance, receiving constructive feedback and acting (no pun intended) on it, leading and following, tuning in the others with sustained concentration... This illustrates the whole-brain learning that Dr. Rangimarie Rose Pere talked about last week – the left and right brain complement each other and so allow us to become "whole" learners who can develop all of our inherent capacities in order to take hold of the world in and around us, to the fullest extent.

Having Dr. Rangimarie Rose Pere in the school was most certainly an honour and a privilege. She came to visit the school on Friday morning and sat in on the kapa haka practice. Koka Rose was very positive about our tamariki and their work, and enjoyed our beautiful grounds. I was very impressed by the deeply respectful manner in which our children welcomed and met her.

For the teachers it was certainly a formidable professional learning opportunity, and we will be discussing what we have learned for some time to come.

Last Thursday I went to the Digital Technologies Curriculum consultation

workshop. There are some complex issues to consider around the implementation of this curriculum (not just for our schools), and I anticipate that we will consult with our community about the way forward.

Steiner Waldorf schools across Aotearoa New Zealand will be making a submission to the Ministry on the draft Digital Technologies Curriculum (which is out for consultation until 3 September).

While the draft Curriculum conflicts with our special character in the primary years, we have had early assurances from the Ministry that they recognise our special character and are not expecting our approach to change.

We support the draft Curriculum's outcome that students graduating from high school are savvy users and creators of digital technology, and many of our graduates bear testament to this.

We encourage you to read the fact sheet for parents provided by the Ministry on the draft Digital Technologies Curriculum <https://education.govt.nz/assets/Documents/Ministry/consultations/DTHM-consultation/DTHM-Curriculum-Factsheet-for-Parents-2017.pdf>

Please also talk to us if you have any questions about our philosophy and pedagogy in relation to digital technology.

If this issue is important to you and you are thinking about adding your voice through the submission process, the options for submitting are:

- a) writing a letter to the Minister of Education or Secretary of Education, or
- b) using the online submission form <https://education.govt.nz/ministry-of-education/consultations-and-reviews/digital-technology-consultation>

You have chosen an education for your children that introduces digital technology at a time, and in a way, that is appropriate for their development. It is important that any government honour that choice, so you can continue to access the education you want for your children.

Noho ora mai,  
Andrea Sorger

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

## Diary of Dates

<del>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August</del>	<del>Class 7 Fundraising Dinner and Open Item Night – St Peters Hall Paekakariki 7:00 – 9:30pm <b>CANCELLED</b></del>
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> August	Gathering for Class 1 Families Pot Luck Lunch 12:30-1:30pm, Tennis Court Road Hall
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> August	Information Afternoon 2:30pm
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> August	Information Evening 7:00pm
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> September	Class 4 Social Gathering - Evening
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Te Wiki O Te Mahi Tahi Week (School)
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Piwakawaka Kindy Parent Evening 7:30pm (Hetty's Group)
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Wear A Onesie To School Day Wgtn Free Ambulance Fundraiser (Gold Coin Donation)
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> September	Sharing Assembly, 9:30am
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> September	Class 6 Overnight Tramp tbc
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	Junior Winter Interschool Sports Tournament - Classes 4 and 5
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	<i>(PP Date Junior Winter Interschool Sports Tournament Classes 4 &amp; 5)</i>
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	BoT Meeting 7:00pm
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	Games Day (School)
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	Last Day Term 3
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	First Day Term 4
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Labour Day Holiday
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Teacher Development Day (No School or Kindergarten)
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Early Finish 1:00pm
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> October	Open Day
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Last Day of School

## **From the Office**

### **Flat for Rent**

1 bedroom flat to rent above our Paekakariki Kindergarten. Warm and sunny, \$230 per week including power. Special conditions will apply. For more information please contact the school office.

### **Books for Sale**

Dr. Rangimarie Rose Pere has written several beautiful books. She has kindly left us some of her books titled *Te Wheke, a Celebration of Infinite Wisdom*. These will be available from our school office for a limited time for \$30 each (cash only sales please).

### **School Library**

Please return any overdue school library books so these can be made available for other children to read.

When returning books also please take care to return them to the correct library. Paraparaumu Library are regularly receiving our school library books in error.

### **Wanted**

Nick is keen to gather a few more names together of skilled builders, carpenters and painters who can be called upon to complete occasional small jobs around the school. Please contact the office.

### **Spare Clothes and Socks Wanted**

If you have any clean pairs of socks in good condition that could be used as spares for the kindergartens, please drop them into one of our Raumati groups.

The school office would also like any spare tracksuit pants and pairs of socks in good condition, suitable for children in classes 1-5.

Please remember to pack a change of clothes in your children's bags, especially as our playing fields are wet and slippery at the moment.

## **Summer Touch Rugby**

If you would like your child/ren to play touch rugby this year enrolment forms and information for the 2017/18 season are now available from the school office. Please return your completed form/s by Friday 1 September at the latest.

## **School Transport – Parent Initiative**

### **Daily Shuttle Service Available**

- **Departing Paraparumu Station direct to school – 8.40am**
- **Departing Te Ra School direct to Paraparumu Station – 3.15pm**

We have capacity for up to 10 passengers to use this service with the costs distributed evenly among the whanau.

If we have full capacity it would be \$3 per child per day to get to and from school from Paraparumu Station.

Ideally we would like a commitment for a term (10 – 11 weeks) so that financing and administration for this parent run initiative is kept to a minimum.

Please contact Natalia on 027 272 3708 or email [nataliacrawford@xtra.co.nz](mailto:nataliacrawford@xtra.co.nz).

## **Wednesday Hot Lunches**

The Wednesday Hot Lunch Team would still dearly love an extra helper or two. Please contact the office if you have any chance to join them. A fun time is guaranteed!

## **Craft Group**

### **Dolls Head Making**

9am Craft Room, Fridays All Welcome.

## **Class 7 Fundraiser For Camp – Cancelled**

Kia ora Te Ra Families,

We are cancelling the fundraiser this Friday due to a number of reasons. Our sincere apologies to the people who have put energy into a performance and to those who have already purchased tickets. You will be fully refunded.

Warmly Jenny and Chevonne

## Class 3 Play – Noah's Ark

Noah's Ark, a story of faith and hope has led class 3 on a dramatic journey during term 3. Our mornings were spent singing, practicing speech, memorizing lines and creating backdrops. Today, we excitedly presented our play to Coastal Villas Retirement Village. It was a wonderful success and afterwards the children proudly shared their main lesson books about the Hebrew Scriptures. There will be one more show at another retirement village this term.





*Raphael House Rudolf Steiner School*

**CLASS 12 PROJECT PRESENTATIONS  
2017**

*Little Theatre, Lower Hutt*

***Friday 15 September***

*11.30am - 3.00pm Exhibition of Work*

***Saturday 16 September***

*from 8.30am Exhibition of Work*

*9.30am sharp - 5.10pm Project Presentations*

***Exhibition***

*The Exhibition of the Class 12 students' work will be in foyer of the auditorium*

***Refreshments***

*Food and refreshments will be on sale on Saturday during the morning tea break at 11.00, the lunch break from 1.00pm and the afternoon tea break from 3.15pm*

***Complimentary Tickets***

*Entry to the two presentation sessions is by complimentary ticket, available from the School Office from Monday 28 August 2017.*



## **Community Notices and Advertising**

These notices do not reflect the opinions of the editors.

### **Pea Straw Bales**

Hi all, would any of you avid gardeners out there like some pea straw bales?? I am heading up to Palmy to pick some up next week (as it's really expensive down here) and thought if anyone's keen I could grab a trailer load. The price per bale is \$12 (plus a koha for petrol) which is a really good price.

I'm pretty sure it's not organic if that's a concern but still great for your garden.

Please email me at [rizzamac@hotmail.com](mailto:rizzamac@hotmail.com) or text on 0221299113 and let me know (by the weekend please).

Cheers Ryan

### **Please join us in Wellington for our Alamandria Movie Fundraiser**

Sunday 3:30pm 27<sup>th</sup> August

Tickets are \$25 each. Money will be going directly into supporting our Alamandria Community Vision programmes for youth, prison inmates and women. For more information and tickets please contact [www.alamandria.co.nz](http://www.alamandria.co.nz)

### **Carterton Daffodil Festival- Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September**

The festival will be as wonderful as ever with the Big WaiArt Sale, live music, the Daffodil Express Steam Train excursion and all the fun of the fair!

For more information about the Carterton Daffodil Festival please visit <http://cdc.govt.nz/daffodil-festival/> or our Carterton Daffodil Festival Facebook Page.

### **Climate Change Election Panel**

Kapiti Community Centre Te Newhanga, Tuesday 5th September, 7.30pm. An amazing opportunity for the public to ask representatives from four political parties about their policies on Climate Change.

Climate spokespeople from (in alphabetical order) Green, Labour, National, New Zealand First and TOP parties will be attending.

All welcome. Koha to cover costs. This event has been organised by Low Carbon Kapiti.

For more information visit the website [www.lowcarbonkapiti.org.nz](http://www.lowcarbonkapiti.org.nz)

## **Come and Play Baseball or Softball this Summer!**

Softball Junior U7 - U19 and Senior Men and Women.

Baseball - looking at targeting 13 and under to play in our new baseball league. But all ages encouraged to register

Softball is played on a Saturday and Baseball is played on a Sunday. So why not play both?

Registrations now open at [kapitisoftball.co.nz](http://kapitisoftball.co.nz)

Or call/txt Kyla (Junior Convenor) on 027 244 8756 for more info.

## **Love Tennis Weekend**

### **9-10 September 2017 - Come play tennis!**

Paraparaumu Beach Tennis Club is running free **LOVE TENNIS WEEKEND** from 1 – 4pm on 9-10 September in an effort to get more people of all ages and stages playing tennis.

Some racquets will be available for use.

Paraparaumu Beach Tennis Club is located at Percival Road, Paraparaumu Beach (by the Te Atiawa hard courts).

**For further information contact:** Donna Kieboom, Junior Convener Paraparaumu Beach Tennis Club

Tel 04 297 2677 or 027 642 0000 [www.tenniscentral.kiwi](http://www.tenniscentral.kiwi)

## **Sound Splash**

Coastlands Aquatic Centre is once again hosting Sound Splash! This great kids only event, will be held on Saturday 23 September from 5-8pm for 8-13year olds. The evening will include DJ's from PaePae Soundsystem, the Dunk Tank, and entry to the spa and hydroslide! Tickets are \$6 - includes entry, hydroslide and spa or \$12 - includes entry, hydroslide, spa and dinner. These are available from Coastlands Aquatic Centre reception with limited door sales on the night.



# Primary School Age Basketball Winter Slam

Begins 12:00 with a free "Come and Try" Saturday 2nd September,  
Paraparaumu College Gym

Years 4,5 & 6 Boys and Girls Development League  
Years 7 & 8 Boys & Girls Pro League

\$55 Early Bird Registration before 18/8/17 for 10 games over 5 weeks, 10 hours Training, Coach,  
Referee and Table Official Development

Limited space to register click here [Winter Slam Registration](#)  
email [primary.kba@gmail.com](mailto:primary.kba@gmail.com) call 0224732104 to register

After a highly successful Term 2 competition KBA are delighted to offer Primary Schools Winter Slam Competition for Term 3.

We provided professional training for years 4,5,6,7 and 8 with noticeable improvement in skill levels and knowledge of 'how to play' clearly evident in a very short period of time. KBA is determined to create leagues in our region so that athletes from this age group can compete and Term 2 was a very successful start.

The proven model of Long Term Athletic Development (LTAD) is used which is based on science and best practice from top coaches in youth development from all over the world. Coach Matt, a Level 2 FIBA qualified coach, will be delivering the program. He has extensive experience domestically and internationally in delivering successful LTAD programs.

The emphasis is not on winning but more on how to play in a safe, fun environment learning the fundamentals, building confidence, providing opportunities to compete but most importantly the successful behaviours and habits of what it is to be a good team mate

### **Training Times all take place at Paraparamumu College Gym.**

Wednesday	(All years) 7-8am	Mixed	(Begins 30th August)
Thursday	(All years) 7-8am	Girls Only	(Begins 31st August)
Saturday	12-5pm	Competition	(Pro League is 2 games Each Saturday from 2/9/17)

Note, Trainings on the 30,31st will be used to make up teams. We welcome groups of friends/schools wishing to enter a team. Efforts will be made on player requests for teams but the right is reserved to move players to ensure even competition. More detail is available on the registration form click here [Winter Slam Registration](#)  
Any queries please do not hesitate to call 0224732104 email [primary.kba@gmail.com](mailto:primary.kba@gmail.com)

*This competition is being run as a partnership between Kapiti Basketball Association, Capital Zone Basketball Trust, Paraparamumu College and Matt's Basketball Academy (MBA)*

# **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 also warmly invited to our

## **Information Afternoons 2:30pm**

***August 28th 2017***

## **Information Evening 7:00pm**

***August 29th 2017***

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

Office ph. 04 299-0812 or email [office@tera.school.nz](mailto:office@tera.school.nz)  
[www.tera.school.nz](http://www.tera.school.nz)