



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,

Nau mai, haere mai, welcome, and welcome back.

We were delighted to receive the new Class 1 children and their whānau into the school last week, and the new children into the older classes as well. It was a beautiful pōwhiri and sunflower ceremony, and we were lucky enough to have the rain hold off.

One note of apology: we communicated the later starting time too late which meant that some of you had difficulty with leave arrangements. This was an organizational oversight, and we will make sure to give more timely notice next year.

We were joined by a number of new tamariki and their families for the start of the school year:

Archie Freeman and Serena Bossus (both Class 1), Emily McKay (Class 2), Renata McKay (Class 3), Sarunas Milcius (Class 4), Daniel Neal (who has returned to Class 5) and Samara Wyman (Class 6).

Our kindergarten groups have many new tamariki joining at this time as well:

Indi Morgan, Keoni Borren-Robertson, Bina Rochford, Raven Niu, Matteo Waaka (Kereru), Leon Revuelta, Kiran Pulford, Iona Attwood, Eli Badenhorst, Hinekahukura Tamauahi (Korimako), Millie May McIntyre, Chloe van Iperen, Samuel Hansen, Vera Zareba-Fransham, Raphael Eames, Ayah Philpott (Ruru), Tessa Newport (Kakariki).

We farewelled a number of children and their whānau, too, at the end of last year, for various reasons:

Arlo Kreyll, Jack Johnson, Yoshinto Reilly-Jasper, Owain and Ffion Buckland Jones, Iraia Luke, Sanne and Sawyer Jenkins.

Haere rā – go well.

We also, with much regret, farewelled our Kaiako Māori, Ropata Cameron. Ropata led our kapa haka in particular to new heights last year, and we have greatly valued what he offered the tamariki and the school community. We wish him the very best for his new endeavours. The Board is committed to maintain the momentum that the te reo me ona tikanga and kapa haka programme has been gaining, and will seek

to recruit a new Kaiako Māori as soon as possible.

For other staffing news, Tina Regtien has taken up the role of Handwork Teacher for classes 1 – 4.

This year will see a strong focus of strengthening community connections and engagement at all levels.

This begins in the classroom and with the relationships between teacher and whānau, and between the class whānau, extends to the wider whānau through engagement and participation in initiatives like the Harvest Fair, festivals, gatherings and parent education opportunities, and returns again to the classroom where the children will be the beneficiaries of a cohesive, connected adult community around them.

There are many parents who come and contribute their time and expertise because they want to make the school and kindergarten a very nice place for their tamariki and everyone else. Their offerings include anything from assisting with a survey of the buildings to evaluate repair and maintenance needs, to coming in during the summer holidays to water the vegetable garden and plant flowers in time for the start of the year. Thank you!

Helping with camps, trips and even the curriculum (e.g. coming in to give weaving lessons, helping to construct a pataka) enriches the children's experience and creates connections – thank you!

This year we want to find more successful ways to get your input into the bigger picture development, too. So, please take a moment to answer surveys, or write an email if you want to give feedback or contribute ideas. For example, the idea for the working bees, below, to encourage whānau to identify projects around the school that they could see themselves being interested in taking on, comes from a parent. Please also take a moment to consider giving feedback when policies are put out to consultation (the dress code will be the first one this year, as promised).

Noho ora mai,

Andrea Sorger

Diary of Dates

Wednesday 14th February	NO SCHOOL LUNCHEES TODAY
Wednesday 14 th February	Class 2 Parent Evening 7:00pm
Thursday 15 th February	Board of Trustees Meeting 7:00pm
Thursday 15 th February	Class 1 Parent Evening 7:15pm
Thursday 15 th February	Weekly Te Rā Toymakers 7:00-9:00pm
Friday 16 th February	Weekly Parent Craft Group from 9am
Friday 16 th February	Class 6 Family Picnic – Otaihanga Domain from 4:30pm
Saturday 17 th February	Class 4 Parent Meeting 8:30-9:45am in School Hall
Saturday 17 th February	The 9-12 Year Old - A Developmental Presentation and Discussion in School Hall with Mary Willow, \$10 suggested koha 10:00-11:30am
Wednesday 21 st February	Class 6 Parent Evening 7:00pm
Thursday 22 nd February	Weekly Te Rā Toymakers 7:00-9:00pm
Friday 23 rd February	Weekly Parent Craft Group from 9am
Monday 26 th February	Information Afternoon 2:30pm
Tuesday 27 th February	Information Evening 7:00pm
Wednesday 28 th February	Schools Sailing Regatta <i>(Please contact the school office if your child/ren are competent sailors and would like to participate in this event)</i>
Wednesday 28 th February	Class 7 Parent Evening 7:30-9:00pm
Tuesday 6 th March	Interschool Triathlon <i>(PPD Thurs 8 March)</i> Classes 6 & 7
Wed 14 th & Thurs 15 th March	Class 2 upwards. Rippa Rugby fun sessions at school with visitor Ryan from HKRFU.
Tuesday 20 th March	Lotti's Kindy Parent Evening 7:00pm
Saturday 24 th March	Community Working Bee - 2 Sessions 9:00am - 1:00pm, 12:00 - 4:00pm
Friday 30 th March	Good Friday – No School or Kindy
Monday 2 nd April	Easter Monday – No School or Kindy
Tuesday 3 rd April	Easter Tuesday - No School or Kindy
Saturday 7 th April	Harvest Fair Set-up Day
Sunday 8th April	Harvest Fair
Monday 9 th April	Teacher Development Day – No School or Kindergarten
Tuesday 10 th April	Interschool Mountain Biking –Classes 6 & 7 <i>(PPD Thur 12th April)</i>

Hot Lunches 2018 - ON HOLD UNTIL TEAM IN PLACE

We are still trying to get a team together to make and serve the school lunches each Wednesday. We will need one or two extra helpers to assist with preparation and uplifting the samosas before we can get them underway. Please contact the office if you can help in any way.

The school teaching staff would like to extend their grateful thanks to all those people who together made the school lunches happen during 2017, their combined efforts have been much appreciated each week not only by the children but also very much by the teachers!

Let's hope we can get them underway again asap for this year!

Development Presentation and Discussion

The 9-12 Year Old - A Developmental Presentation and Discussion.

Mary Willow, from Wellington based Plum Parenting, and a frequent speaker at Waldorf Schools, will present an inspiring and insightful talk about the development of 9-12 year old children.

Open to all.

Suggested koha \$10 per family.

Te Rā School Hall.

Saturday 17th February, 10-11:30 am.

Enquiries to Todd: teratoddchaplin@gmail.com

Te Rā Toymakers

Te Rā Toymakers are busy again making toys for the Harvest Fair.

All welcome to join us Thursdays 7:00-9:00pm.

Contact Paul Denford 027 246 3065

The school desks are now in very good condition which gives a greater incentive for children to care for them. It was a long hot day's work but well worth it. Many thanks to those who could help.

Carpark and Road Safety

Please take extra care when entering and exiting the school carpark. If you elect to park across the road please ensure a safe crossing for your children. Poplar Avenue is a very busy local road and we all need to share the responsibility of safety, for cars passing and

pedestrians and bicycles using the shared pathway. We briefed all the class children at assembly on Monday in relation to this and ask that all parents and caregivers take extra care as well. If you have any queries please contact the school office.

Community Working Bees

We have set the Working Bee dates for 2018 as below:

- Term 1: Saturday 24th March
- Term 2: Saturday 9th June
- Term 3: Saturday 1st September
- Term 4: Saturday 27th October

We hope that the early publication of dates will make it easier for families to preplan and complete their two working bees over the year.

If you have any ideas for a project, or have noticed something around the school that you would like to work on (e.g tidy an area) please notify the Nick in the office and he will do his best to build it into the working bee schedule.

Shuttle Service – From South of Te Rā

Te Ra Shuttle Service

(Cost can be as little as \$1.50 per trip - dependent on numbers)

Whanau South of Raumati have a shuttle pick up scheduled as per below:

Before school:

Departs - Paraparaumu Train Station at 8.40am

Arrives - Te Ra School at 8.45am

After school:

Departs - Te Ra School at 3.15pm

Arrives - Paraparaumu Station at 3.20pm

If you would like to take advantage of this service and can commit to a regular schedule please contact Natalia - nataliacrawford@xtra.co.nz or 027 272 3708.

Harvest Fair 2018 – 8 Weeks Away!

Kia ora and welcome back!

Term ONE, school time, kindy time AND fair time..... Whoop whoop Harvest Fair 2018 is on Sunday 8th April, yup, 8 weeks away!

Our super unique school fair is our fundraiser of the year. It's big, it's massive and its loads of work. But it's AWESOME!

So 8 with weeks to go, what can you do to help!?

- We need 3 raffle prizes! We don't have the connections we used to, so are looking for something new and exciting. Do you make beautiful Waldorf dolls? Do you know someone who owns a sky diving business? Have you got access to back stage passes to Ed Sheeran?? Any ideas please contact Susan van de Vorstenbosch 021 0222 6026.

- Do you know somebody (maybe YOU) who can donate a prize for the silent auction table? Vouchers, treats, activities, etc.

Please contact Susan van de Vorstenbosch 021 0222 6026 if you do.

- Can you come to the school on Friday mornings to make gorgeous crafty things (and chat with cookies and coffee?) Come along to the Handwork room from 9am. Felt craft animal packs are now in the office ready for parents or extended family to sew up.

- Are you wanting to learn some woodworking skills? Come along and make beautiful children's toys and other wooden goodies, on Thursday evenings at the woodwork room 7-9pm.

-We are looking for a 'decorator extraordinaire' to join the fair core group. We have a team of workers for you, you just need a vision, and the commitment to manage the set up team on the Saturday set up day!

If this sounds like you, please contact Marliesje 0226447629

You will be hearing from us A LOT over the next few weeks! And as the date draws closer we will be reminding you all of other fair related requests such as jars, preserves, plants, clothes, and books. Hold on to them for now!

Your Parent/Fair Liaisons will be in touch as needed and if you have any questions please ask them or one of us on the Fair Core Group.

Warmly,

Marliesje, Tash, Susan, Tonia, Janine (School)

Louise, Carrie, Charlotte (Kindies)

Thank You

'Thank you to all for your efforts, aroha and commitment in 2017. The Kapiti Waldorf Trust and the Board are very grateful to all who make our playgroups, nursery, kindergarten and school truly shine.



From Class 7, 2017

My Wish for the World by Annamieke Wraight

*May winter turn to spring, where blossoms may bloom,
May all of the world fight leave behind gloom.
May the weight of the past not burden our shoulders,
May the wars for no purpose not choose to inflict sorrows.*

*May the ice not melt and there be plenty of fish,
May there not be beached whales forgotten in the mist.
May the hungry children's stomachs not ache every day,
And all of humanity have their very own say.*

*May rich kings and lords not look down upon poor,
May the broken hearted be mended and fixed, not lie sore.
May traditions be handed, passed down through the ages,
May children grow slowly, not rush through the stages.*

*May the cries of the wounded be heard and be found,
And everyone live in harmony, safe and sound.*

Vacancies

Titirangi Rudolf Steiner School - Waldorf School Operations Manager

Dear Waldorf and Anthroposophy community,

Titirangi Rudolf Steiner School in Auckland NZ are now actively looking for a Waldorf school operations management role to be filled. Attached is an advertisement that we are placing in appropriate channels to communicate this exciting opportunity.

We would greatly appreciate your assistance to advertise this into your communication channels, website, newsletters and networks at your earliest convenience.

Applications are now officially open and will close on the 15th February 2018.

Community Notices and Advertising

These notices do not reflect the opinions of the editors.

Work Wanted

Hi my name is Paris Ibell I am 16 years old and I am currently attending Raphael House Steiner School. In August of this year I am going on an exchange to Germany so I am looking for work babysitting, firewood stacking, dog walking, lawn mowing and any other housework you can think of. If you have any of the above that need doing then give me a call/email on 020 412 48675 or parisibell@gmail.com.

Vegetarian Cooking Workshop

Sunday 18 February 2018, 9.30am-2pm

A hands on cooking experience that will delight your taste buds. Learn about nutritious summer meals and be inspired by different spices, grains, legumes, vegetables and sweets according to the summer season. Based on Ayurvedic principles, the ancient tradition of Indian medicine. The workshop will culminate in a freshly prepared organic vegetarian lunch. Limited to 10 people.

Location: 28 Te Miti Street, Paekākāriki

Cost: \$95 incl nutrition lecture, morning tea, lunch and recipe booklet

Contact: Anja Foley, 021 02350601, anja@avida.co.nz

Art Ace

ART ACE, a new after school art class for children aged 8 - 12 years.

Contact Abby Wendy Ph 021 2595 196. www.abbywendy.co.nz

Kids Triathlons

The Kāpiti Running & Tri Club are running two more kids triathlons at Waikanae Park and swimming pool over the summer. The next event is on **Sunday 11 February 2018** with one more event planned for **25 March 2018**. We have categories for 5-7 year olds, 8-10 year olds and 11+.

Flyer attached or more information here:

<http://www.sporty.co.nz/kapitirunningandtriclub/Our-Events/Fun-Kids-Triathlon>

Kapiti Coast United Football

Kapiti Coast United Football club registrations are now open for the 2018. Also, Junior Premier Trial dates are now out.

Please go to our Facebook or Website:

<https://kcu.co.nz/category/juniors/> to get more details on how to registry and the junior trial dates.

Waikanae Football Club

2018 season registrations for children aged 4-14 now open.

Premier Team trials 13th and 18th February for 10th grade and above.

Contact wfa.jnr@gmail.com or see www.facebook.com/waikanaeafc for more details.

Crawshaw Music School

"Crawshaw Music School is taking private music lesson and band class applications now. We specialise in one on one lessons at a great rate of \$32 per 1/2 class. Our teachers have years of experience teaching privately. We teach Guitar, Piano, Keyboards, Singing, Drums, Bass, Ukulele, Flute and Band.

Write to aj@crawshawmusicschool.co.nz to get a free trial lesson booked at our Sheffield street studio today."

Music Teacher

Hello! My name is Samuel Coulson, and I'm a semi-professional music teacher who has just moved to Raumati South!

I have experience teaching Ukulele, Guitar, Drums, Piano and Percussion. Samuel Coulson, 0220464791

Car For Sale

2006 Suzuki Aerio, 1800cc, 4-door sedan, automatic, white, 69000km, \$7,800ono, Ph. 021 223-4993

Just Dance!

Are you ready to move?

Just Dance - I teach many styles of dance in the class. A bit of Hip hop, some contemporary, gymnastics. I show some techniques but mostly focus on energy and fun choreography.

With very little to no expense on costumes, I try to make the experience affordable to everyone.

Classes for kids and adults.

If you are interested contact Sally on 299-0607 or 0278115179; or email: sallysmnz@yahoo.co.nz

Seido Karate Kapiti

Children's class 7-12 yrs Thursday 4.30 -5.30pm

12yrs - Adult Beginners Thursdays 6.00 - 7.00pm

Kapiti Primary School Hall

All welcome any level of fitness or ability

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Call/txt Karen 021 1141958

www.facebook.com/SeidoKarateKapiti

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ENROLMENT DAYS

SATURDAY 10th FEBRUARY 10.30am – 12.00pm

TUESDAY 13th FEBRUARY 5.50pm – 7.00pm

@ KAPITI COLLEGE MUSIC DEPARTMENT (A Block)

Phone 021 297 1413 Email: admin@kapitimusiccentre.org.nz

www.kapitimusiccentre.org.nz

Copies of the Prospectus are available in the Te Rā School Office.

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

Monday 26 February, 2018
Monday 30 April, 2018

Information Evenings 7:00pm

Tuesday 27 February, 2018
Tuesday 1 May, 2018

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.

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