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"Every human being is a teacher, but they are sleeping and must be awakened and art is the awakener...:

Rudolf Steiner



Class Kākāpō lanterns

NEWSLETTER

TERM 2 DATES		
School		
ľ	Tuesday, 20 th June,	5:30pm Class Kea Lantern walk Chingford Park
ľ	Thursday, 22 nd June,	5:30pm Kākāpō Lantern walk at school
ŀ	Tuesday 27 th June,	3:15 to 5pm Parent teacher interviews – class 1-4
ľ	Thursday, 29 th June	3:15 to 5pm Parent teacher interviews – class 1-4
Kindy		
1	Wednesday, 21 st June	, 5:30pm Spiral Walk for the Kōwhai and Rata rooms
Governance		
	Monday, 19 th June,	5:30pm Board meeting class 3&4 classroom
ŀ	Thursday, 27 th July,	6pm Proprietors meeting class 3&4 classroom
Other		
	Thursday,20 th July	6pm Kaupapa Māori Impulse Group meeting
	Friday 30 th June	Last day of term 2

Kia ora koutou e te whānau,

We are certainly in winter, which can be seen by the frosty mornings as well as the most beautiful sunrises! And yet we have been blessed with sunny days that not only warm the bodies but also the spirits. Seeing the children outside you may forget about the weather as they are making the most of any break time, rain or shine and their enjoyment of their environment and each other is warming all the senses.

In these dark days we are preparing for our spiral walk, to remind ourselves to bring light into these dark days. While it may sound like a simple thing to do, you may be surprised how much focus and attention it takes for each child. While music is playing, the child receives an apple with a candle inside and walks into the spiral. The child then lights their own candle in the middle of the spiral and then walks back out, with the lit candle in their hand. They will then find a place on the spiral to place their apple and one child after the other adds to the light, turning the dark room into a spiral of light. It is a very special experience for kindergarten and school children alike and we look forward to the warmth, light, and calm it will provide.

For the school children in classes 1-4, please keep an eye out for the parent teacher interviews, which will take place in the last week of term (class Kererū will take place when Trisha has returned). The interviews will look slightly different this year so please keep an eye out for the email that will come out in the next few days, to make sure you book your slot.

Kia haumaru tō haere

Ngā mihi, Anna Noble

Tumuaki/Principal

School Board News — Meet Natalie Bartonova

Kia ora, I'm Natalie Bartonova and I'm quite new to New Zealand as well as to the Rudolf Steiner School that my daughter Alex joined at the beginning of last school year. We came to Dunedin from the Czech Republic to be close to my husband's family that is based here and to experience the kiwi way of life. Rudolf Steiner education turned out to be a great fit for Alex and I



thought I could share my time and experience with the school community and join the Board. Back home I worked for more than ten years as a teacher, which may

have sparked my interest in pursuing the Health & Safety portfolio so if you wish to share any concerns or questions about health and safety at school, you are more than welcome

Weleda Fundraising Order

Christine Schlegel will be placing an order with Weleda. We do an order with Weleda once a term. This is a bulk order, which is also a little fundraiser for the school. Best of all, all items only cost 78% of the recommended retail prices (RRP) for you, so it's way cheaper than in the shops.

There is a little selection available in the craft shop. For the whole selection of products or if you have any questions, please check the list at the office or contact Christine via email (gibbonics@gmail.com). Orders can be sent to Christine's email address until Saturday, the 24th of June. Thank you.

SCHOOL NEWS – Class Kākāpō

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Class 1 and 2, now called Class Kākāpō, have had a very eventful term so far. The class shuffle was a surprise and presented some challenges to everyone, but as the term has gone on the new student cohort has come together well and really feels like class now.

As winter approached the class discussed how it has become easier and easier to experience Dunedin's wonderful sunrises. Inspired by some of these sunrises, Class Kākāpō created a short series of sunrise artworks.













Another aspect of winter is that it gets dark earlier, and this means it is a great season for lantern walks. The class has enjoyed sharing lantern songs and have been very busy making their lanterns, which are still in progress for next week's lantern walk.

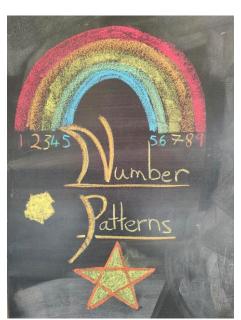




For Main Lesson, class 1 first looked at sentences, and are now looking at simple number patterns. Class 2 explored a variety of writing styles, and are now finishing off a Main Lesson called "Inverse, Reverse, Operations". In this ML the class is exploring the relationship between plus and minus, and times and divide.

Stay warm and Be Well,

James



KINDERGARTEN-Kindergarten Spiral Walk for

the Rata and Kowhai rooms

Dear Kindy whānau,

We will hold the Spiral walk next Wednesday at 5.30 in the upper octagonal classroom. As this is a reverent occasion, please do not bring siblings unless it is guaranteed that they are able to keep the mood of the evening. Last year was disrupted due to older children coming and going through the door.

Please ensure your child has been to the toilet beforehand.

As we will be using flames, no loose hair or clothing.

As only the two older kindy rooms are participating, we anticipate the whole event will take about half an hour.

Let me know if you have any questions,

Arohanui, Julie

PLAYGROUP

Playgroup meets on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:30 to 11:30am. Inquiries to <u>dunedinsteinerplaygroup@gmail.com</u>

CRAFT GROUP

Welcome all crafters, Craft Group will meet next Tuesday the 20th in the playgroup room after drop off. See you there, *Jen* <u>jenwigleypiano@gmail.com</u>

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Community notices in our newsletter will normally appear for one week only and may be edited to accommodate space. If you wish to place a notice please email your notice to <u>office@dunedinsteiner.nz</u>. We charge \$10 for an advert and need ads in by the Monday prior to the Wednesday publication date. You can pay by direct internet banking to 03-0903-0437318-00 Disclaimer: This space is open to advertisers and the school does not make any guarantees or endorsement on their behalf.

Valley Kids Lego Craft Group: Join the library at The Valley Baptist Community Centre for Lego and Craft fun. Plus books to look at and borrow. Bring your library card! SUITABLE: Although targeted to senior primary school and intermediate aged students (years 6–8) younger family members are very welcome. FREE Every 3rd Wednesday of the month | 3pm – 4.30pm (excluding school holidays) The Valley Baptist Community Centre | 270 North Road Wednesday 19 July Wednesday 16 August Wednesday 20 September

Meditation: 'Know yourself.......,', 'To be or not to be', 'Compassion', 'Wisdom', 'Humility'. Are we truly present and do we fully understand the above quotes and words? Can our level of perception - our level of understanding create a profound transformation in our lives and our life events. Does it matter? Discover the purpose of your life by learning the ancient techniques of MEDITATION. BE the author of a superior destiny. We offer classes all year round. Our classes consist of theory and practice. Every class, every level, every practice is designed to help us seek 'KNOWLEDGE'. We are running a 'FUNDAMENTALS OF MEDITATION' course commencing this month. Newcomers welcome this month. Whether you are at the beginning of your quest for 'Knowledge' or at the middle, know there is never an end. Meditation is a way of life. I invite you to "DISCOVER THE ART OF WISDOM!" If you are interested contact me: Colleen Robb by email: ciga.nz.dunedin@gmail.com or call 021-0228-7258



Octacan: Thursday June 22, 7:30am to 2pm. Octacan is our major winter food drive supporting many local people though the winter months. This year we are holding Octacan a couple of weeks before the Matariki public holiday. Matariki - signified by the Matariki cluster of stars reappearing in our night sky, is a time to reflect on the past year, celebrate the present, and plan for the year ahead.

We invite you to help us plan for the year ahead and re-stock our Family Works Foodbank by donating cans to Dunedin's busiest food bank.

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Position available: We seek an Out of School Care Leader and Assistant for our new out of school care programme starting 17 July. The sessions will run at the school from 8.15 to 8.45am and from 3 to 5pm. There will also be some set up and pack down time incorporated in the job. The programme will work in alignment with Steiner special character principles. Applications are welcome from suitably experienced and capable individuals. Teaching qualifications are not required but may be an advantage. It is possible that the position could be subject to job sharing if the suitable candidate(s) does not have availability for every session. Salary range from \$25 to \$35 per hour, depending on experience and qualifications.

Please apply with a covering letter and CV to the Principal – by post to 1 Fern Road, Maia, Dunedin 9022 or email office at <u>dunedinsteiner.nz</u> Applications close 9 am Monday 26 June. The position starts Monday 17 July.

Job descriptions are on our website https://www.dunedinsteiner.nz/noticeboard.html

Eliza Glyn

Still Life

9 - 22 June 2023

Exhibition opens Friday 9th June at 5pm

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