

We Start With...

A two minute period of silence - a moment of peace.

From the 'Chair'

Please note our **new meeting time**. We hope this time will allow people to attend their afternoon or evening meetings, or come to our meeting straight after work. We will have tea and coffee available prior to the meeting, but also from 6 pm for those who are pressed for time and are able to be present just for the **6 – 7.30 pm** meeting time.

June Meeting

Puaka – Matarkiki

This month we ask all members to bring with them information and ideas to share regarding Matariki, the celebration that initiates the Maori New Year. Enquire of friends, search your library, or investigate via Google, and bring your thoughts to our meeting.

At our July meeting we are honoured to have Dr Najibullah Lafraie talk to us. Our request to him arose from a question about the proposed Islamic school for boys at Forbury Corner. He will speak about Islamic education in general, but he's also happy to answer other questions we might raise. At the end of our June meeting we will spend some time collating our thoughts and providing a range of questions to put to Dr Lafraie prior to his address to us.

Dunedin Matariki Midwinter Carnival

This wonderful Dunedin event is on Saturday June 18, starting at 5.30 pm. There will be lots of events but the fabulous procession will start at 6pm (I believe, but it may be prudent to check nearer the day). It takes about an hour for all the lighted lanterns to enter and circle the Octagon.

JUNE meeting

Thursday, 23 JUNE

PUAKA - MATARIKI

Highgate Church buildings

Maori Hill

Tea and Coffee

will be available from 5.30 pm

The programme will run from

6 – 7.30 pm

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