

Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Malo e Lelei, Fakaalofa Lahi Atu, Talofa Lava, Nǐ hǎo, Salut, Namaste, Bonjour, Bula Vinaka, Guten Tag, Goeie Dag, Shalom, Cześć, Hello, Cìào, おはよう (Ohayoou), 안녕 Ahn Nyeong, Olá, Privet!, Xin Chào, Salam, Goedendag, Chom Reap Sour, ស្អុន Suosdei, Ayubowan, Էլիօ

We are looking forward to seeing lots of you tonight at our school picnic. The school picnic has become an annual tradition and opportunity for whanau to socialize as well as meet the teachers and the teams. Most of our food trucks are local businesses so we love working with them, thank you for supporting them.

We are excited to have added some time during the picnic to view your child's classroom and ensure you can say hi to your child's teacher and introduce yourself (or for your child to do the introductions!) Coming up in a couple of weeks is our Whanau Connect, an opportunity to meet with your child's teacher and discuss your aspirations for your child.

We are really excited to be relaunching our Support Team, now called Friends of the School. Friends of the School is a group of parents and staff who can work together to provide some fun events for our students (and some for adults too, perhaps like the previously popular quiz nights) and raise funds for our school. We know events like discos, bake sales, Mothers Day high teas (and the big ones like carnivals/galas and colour runs) create life long memories.

As a school we rely heavily on locally raised funds to provide things like playgrounds, shade sails, sports equipment, library books, games for playing on wet days, all sorts of things that help make our school awesome for our learners.

Being part of the Friends of the School is not only a great way to be involved and contribute to our school but it's a great way to make new connections, get to know new people and maybe learn something new!

Please see the further in this newsletter for more information including the date of our first Friends of the School meeting - this will be in the staff room.

Julie Cowan  
Principal  
Learn Grow Succeed



**TOMORROW!** **FRIDAY FEB 20**  
**WEAR CHINESE CULTURAL DRESS OR DRESS IN RED AND GOLD TO CELEBRATE CHINESE NEW YEAR!**

**"Na te puna ko te awa. Na te awa ko te moana. Ka rere te moana, he ara ki te ao." Reremoana Kura.**



**"From the spring comes the river. From the river comes the sea. The sea flows as a pathway to the world." Reremoana School.**

# Term 1 Important Dates

Updated Weekly

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 3 16-20 Feb				School Picnic 6 pm - 8pm	Celebrate Chinese New Year by wearing Chinese Cultural dress or red and gold.
Week 4 23-27 Feb	Bookings open for Whānau Connect Board meeting			Positive Parenting 6:30 via Zoom FOTS meeting 7pm	
Week 5 2-6 Mar Keeping ourselves safe, Police in school			Whanau Connect	Whanau Connect	Last day for Hot Cross Buns
Week 6 9-13 Mar	Positive Puberty Y5/6		Whanau Hui 6 pm		Positive Puberty Y7/8
Week 7 16-20 Mar				School Orienteering	Cultural Celebration Day
Week 8 23-27 Mar			Fono 6pm		
Week 9 30 Mar-3 Apr	Board meeting	"Careers" Dress Up day - more info to come			Easter Friday

**Term 1 ends on April 2nd.**  
**Term 2 is from April 20th to July 3rd.**  
**Term 3 is from July 20th to September 25th.**  
**Term 4 is from October 12th to 15 Dec**



# TONIGHT!

## Reremoana School



# Picnic

19 FEBRUARY  
5.30-8pm



Bring a picnic or purchase from food trucks

### Formal Programme:

6-6:20pm – classrooms are open, go and meet meet Kaitiaki teachers and see your child's hub

6:30pm – Te Puna team talk in the hall

6:55pm – Te Awa team talk in the hall

7:20pm – Te Moana team talk in the hall

### Food trucks: (payment by cash & eftpos available)

- \* Sausage sizzle
- \* Grayze
- \* Crust & Craft Pizza
- \* Made by May
- \* Ice cream truck
- \* Mamma's dumplings
- \* Iceblocks and lollies



### Bouncy castle/Obstacle course - \$5



## JOIN OUR FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL

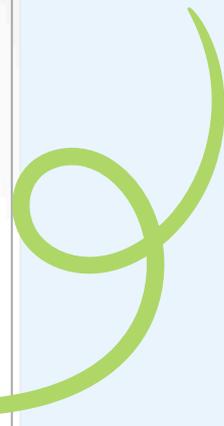
Help support our school through organising and helping at fun events and activities, and fundraising

Meeting:  
**THURSDAY**  
26 FEBRUARY  
7pm

### Why Join FOTS?

- Connect with other parents
- Help provide memorable and fun activities for our children
- Help fundraise for much needed resources for our school
- Use your skills and talents and learn new ones!
- Help make Reremoana School an amazing place for everyone!

Keen to be a part of the Friends of the School but can't make the meeting?  
Email [juliec@reremoana.school.nz](mailto:juliec@reremoana.school.nz)



# Whānau Connect - 4/5 March



Whānau Connect provides an important opportunity for whānau, teacher and child to meet and connect at the beginning of the school year.

Meetings will focus on whānau, ākonga and teachers sharing information about how the year has started and making plans to support each child's learning in 2026. Goals may be explored in the Language of Learning space.

We strongly suggest your child is part of this meeting. We encourage you and your child to take some time to think about the questions below in preparation for your meeting, and talk to your child's teacher about some or all of these.

- *What is your child passionate about or show an interest in?*
- *What does your child do well or enjoy doing - at home and school?*
- *What have you noticed about learning and school in previous years?*
- *How could we build on your child's strengths to support learning?*
- *How would you like us to work together this year?*
- *What is the best way to communicate between your whānau and teacher?*
- *Is there anything that teachers would benefit from being aware of which might impact on your child's school life?*

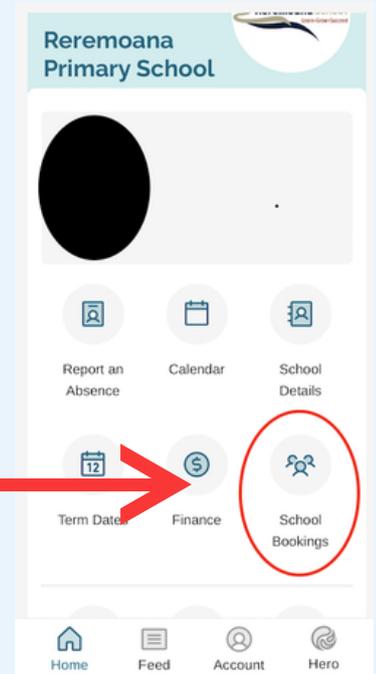
To be able to manage timeframes and keep the school open for students, it has been necessary to split afternoon appointments across hubs on two different days. Please get in an book early - see the information below. All appointments are face to face.

**Bookings will open on  
MONDAY Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>**

## TO BOOK

You should receive an alert via HERO to book your appointment(s) sometime on Monday.

- Go in to HERO.
- Click where indicated
- Follow the prompts.



# Introducing our Student Council Head and Deputy Leaders



*3 words to describe me as a leader*

Collaborative, kind and respectful!

HEAD LEADER

*Hello, I'm Zoey*

*What I enjoy about being part of Reremoana School*

I love all of the sports opportunities including sports camp CCSA cricket, orienteering and many others. I am also extremely proud to say that I am one of the head leaders here at Reremoana.

*Also...*

I am starting my first year as a star helper in the Manurewa Marlins netball club. A star helper is someone who coaches year ones and twos at netball. I am super excited to be starting this and I hope I will make a big impact on the year 1's and 2's netball future.

*What I hope to achieve on the Council*

I hope to help the student councillors feel confident to share their ideas. Help come up with fundraising ideas, as well as help run them.

*My Passions & Interests*

I am passionate about netball and of course being a leader.



*3 words to describe me as a leader*

Hardworking, resilient, and organized

HEAD LEADER

*Hello, I'm Chloe*

*What I enjoy about being part of Reremoana School*

I'm proud to be a head leader at such a diverse school where everyone brings something different and every voice matters.

*Also...*

I'm always trying to improve myself and step outside my comfort zone. Being in this role is something that pushes me to grow, and I'm excited to keep learning.

*What I hope to achieve on the Council*

As a head leader, I want to make sure students feel comfortable speaking up and actually see their ideas turn into something.

*My Passions & Interests*

In my free time, I enjoy crocheting, swimming (even though I'm not good at it), cooking, and baking. And above all, I'm passionate about making sure everyone's voice is heard.



*3 words to describe me as a leader*

Strong, Passionate and Caring.

DEPUTY HEAD LEADER

*Hello, I'm Khloe*

*What I enjoy about being part of Reremoana School*

I enjoy all the sports opportunities that Reremoana has. I am also proud to be head kotiro leader for Te Roopu Ō Hinemoana.

*Also...*

My waka ama team, placed (x2) 3rd's and 2nd for NZ waka ama Nationals. When I'm not at school and sports I love spending time with my 2 cats and my brothers.

*What I hope to achieve on the Council*

I hope to gain more confidence within myself to be able to speak up more.

*My Passions & Interests*

The things I am passionate about is sports, māoritanga and spending time with my friends and family.



*3 words to describe me as a leader*

Passionate, reliable, responsible

DEPUTY HEAD LEADER

*Hello, I'm Suhani*

*What I enjoy about being part of Reremoana School*

I am proud of being part of Reremoana School because I can share and talk about my culture freely without having to worry about people making fun of my culture.

*Also...*

I just hope that we have a great year this year because 2026 is a lot of people's (including my own) last year here at Reremoana School and some of us have been here for more than half of our lives so I just want to make the best of 2026.

*What I hope to achieve on the Council*

In my role on the student council this year, I hope to achieve any/every task given to me on time and to the expected standard.

*My Passions & Interests*

Things I enjoy are having a responsibility to take care of but if we are talking about outside of school I really enjoy dancing, henna, singing, and crocheting

