



Term 1, Week 8 2024 Thurs March 21 <u>www.reremoana.school.nz</u>

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, Ciào, おはよう (Ohayoou), 안녕 Ahn Nyeong, Olá, Privet!, Xin Chào, Salam, Goedendag, Chom Reap Sour, សួស្ Suosdei, Ayubowan, Enléó

Firstly I want to note the wonderful numbers of parents (and students) who attended our recent goal setting conferences. I don't think we have ever had such a high percentage of our parents attend before and we were thrilled to have such great engagement with our community around learning and setting goals. Thank you for making the most of the opportunity - we hope to see everyone again at our next lot of conferences later in the year.

Many of you will know (or have heard your children talking about) the story of Manurewa and the tale of the brothers, Tamapahore and Tamapahure and their kites. This is the narrative from which Manurewa is named and from which the kite motif that is such a part of Reremoana School comes.

A version can be found <u>here</u> on the Manurewa Marae's website.

You may also be aware of our school pepeha:

- Ko Maatukutureia te maunga
- Ko Te Maanukanuka o Hoturoa te moana
- Ko Te Manurewatanga o Tamapaahore te marae
- Ko T<mark>e Akitai Waiooh</mark>ua te iwi
- Ko Reremoana te kura

The connection to our local narratives and to the maunga (mountains) awa (river) and moana (sea) are an important part of our Aotearoa New Zealand histories curriculum.

On our Teacher Only Day on the 28th our staff will be working with the team from Manurewa Marae to strengthen our understanding and connection with these important places and the local whenua. We will be visiting and learning about the history of the Manurewa Marae, the two maunga; Matukutururu, Matukutureia and visiting Te-pu-a-nga Maara Puhinui Awa and then exploring how we will incorporate this learning into our programmes.

This is an exciting and valuable learning opportunity for our team and one we know will strengthen our teaching of local history.

I look forward to sharing some of this learning and some photos of our hikoi in further newsletters or on our facebook page.

Also a reminder that as well as our Teacher Only Day on 28 March, Easter Tuesday, 2 April is a school holiday for all primary and secondary schools across New Zealand.

Julie Cowan Principal Learn Grow Succeed E ako E tipu E tu!



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Our Reremoana Pepeha

EDUCATION PERFECT

Education Perfect is a learning website which students at Reremoana use in Years 4-8 for learning at school and at home. It covers content from across the New Zealand Curriculum and is relevant to our context in Aotearoa. Students are signed up using their National Student Number - meaning that if their next school uses Education Perfect, their progress will be kept. It is worth noting that many of our local secondary schools do use Education Perfect.

We have had some questions about Education Perfect (and keep them coming - we love to help) so I have put together this video to answer some of these. Please sit with you child and their device and have them show you what they are learning.

There is an option for you to be signed up to Parent Emails for Education Perfect - if you opt in to this you will be sent information on your child's upcoming due dates.

Please watch this video for more information about how to see what your child is learning through EP:

https://youtu.be/DdANpo1hfMk



Cultural Celebration Day - Save the Date



More information to come













END OF DAY ARRANGEMENTS

We know that from time to time the usual routine for the end of the day pick up etc. changes for some reason. The number of messages the office receives during the day is growing, and while we do our best to pass on messages during the day, it's important that your child knows what to do, where to go especially if there is a change to the usual routine that is known ahead of time.

Please can you help us make sure your child knows where to go and who to meet by:

- Talking to your child about the change before they go to school, if you know e.g Aunty will pick you up from the Turnberry Gate today.
- NOT emailing teachers during the day and hoping the message will be passed on to your child - teachers are teaching, and often don't get to emails during the day. Rather, email the office.
- Telling your children that if they go to usual meeting spot and nobody is there after waiting a few minutes, to come to the office for help

A reminder also, to make pre arranged meeting spots in a safe place where you can legally stop/park - not the driveway of the drop zone or the gate by the big turf (bus stop).



3PM COLLECTION ARE YOU LATE? HAVE PLANS CHANGED?

Teach your child that if you are not at your meeting spot to come to the office for instruction. Any messages for your child please email them to <u>office@reremoana.school.nz</u> and we will pass them on.

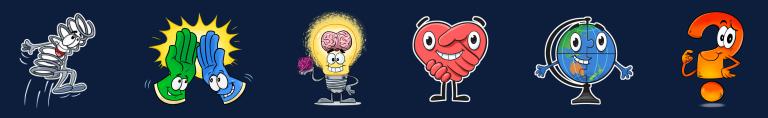
YOUTH RESILIENCE YOGA PROGRAMME

Tutor Luzette Singh-Williams. Benefits of these highly structured classes are:

- Teaches relaxation and stress reduction
- Encourages compassion, generosity and respect.
- Encourages cooperation and teamwork
- Increases awareness of breathing.
- Good for posture
- Helps nourish creativity
- Helps balance body and mind
- Increase sensory and body awareness.
- Is non competitive

These classes DO NOT include any religious suggestions and Whaea Kerry will be present throughout.

Teachers are in the process of identifying students who may benefit from this opportunity, and Whaea Kerry will be in touch with those families, or parents can also be in touch with her directly. <u>kerrya@reremoana.school.nz</u> There will be a cost to being involved, which the school is subsidising.





UNIFORM COMPETITION WINNERS

Thank you to everyone for getting behind and supporting our students to reflect their pride in our school and show respect for self by wearing the correct uniform.

Many kaitiaki classes had days in the high 90s or even 100%.

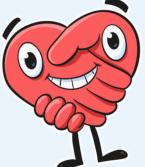
The two winning classes are....

Kaitiaki Nikki and Kaitiaki Crane - both of these classes are able to wear non uniform TOMORROW Friday May 22.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Here are the recipients of last week's Principal's Awards, AND the recipients from Week 4, which we neglected to publish. Congratulations everyone!

Week 4	Being respectful by following hub expectations and routines.	Week 7	Being resilient by displaying self management skills
Te Puna Iti	Sebastian R	Te Puna Iti	Caitlyn J
	Dominic-James C		Darjeigh K
Te Puna 1	Yuveer M	Te Puna 1	Devon K
	Laura F		Padma N
	Elinor W		Ella S
	Blake A		Iva-Lee W
	Te Maaria M		Ruby D
Te Puna 2	Amelia W	Te Puna 2	Hephzibah T
	Frankie B		Keira M
	Ina M		Dylan B
	Krish S		Aavya G
	Alexandra R		Ashitha N
Te Awa 1	Dewan B	Te Awa 1	Corban S
	Violet F		Deanna P
	Ryan H		Victoria W
Te Awa 2	McKenzie W	Te Awa 2	Jenn C
	Matimon O		Jenni C
	Kyle P		Savannah F
Te Awa 3	Tezley H	Te Awa 3	Brianna E
	James B		Indi-Rose H
	Olivia W		Rex C
Te Moana	Alexandra R	Te Moana	Brayden G
	Elden C		Sage G
	Jaxon W		Vereniki C
	Crislyn G		Anvesha C
	Bree C		Bethany S















HOUSE SPIRIT DAY

We had a fabulous day for this event. It was great to see everyone dressed in their house colours and hearing them chanting their lungs out!

Before the parade and "chant off" there was a staff vs students cricket match.

The students won the cricket and Totara won the chant off!

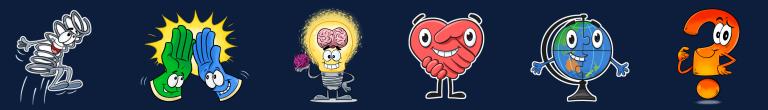












ST PATRICK'S DAY

It was a sea of green at Reremoana last Friday as we celebrated St Patrick's Day, to replenish our Pātaka Kai, raise some money for the Enviro Team and to have a bit of fun! We had a hub competition for the best dressed; congratulations to the winners, and thank you to all who dressed up for the day.

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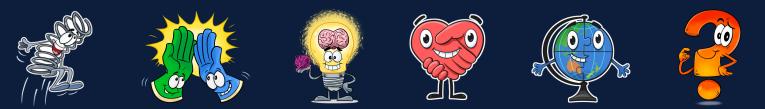












STUDENT COUNCIL UPDATE

The student council meets every Wednesday morning with Ms Fothergill. We follow an agenda and someone takes the minutes. We are working towards several projects including:

- Organising Friday lunchtime dances in the courtyard
- Fixing up some unfinished projects around the school
- Helping out at the bake sale on Monday
- Leading and helping out at assemblies, and looking for ways to make assemblies more lively.

We are always looking for ways to make school better for everyone!



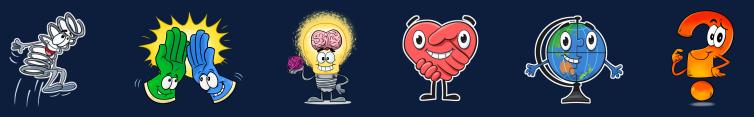
Eden I., Head Leader

BUDGETING SERVICES

As the cost of living crisis bites for a most of us, our lovely Sonia, social worker in schools (SWIS) is now able to offer us access to a budgeting service through Family Works. They can help with things like re-negotiating interest rates and consolidation of debt and help to set a workable budget to help families to get through.

If you need to use these services you can contact Whaea Kerry confidentially for a referral. kerrya@reremoana.school.nz







CHESS CLUB

THURSDAYS 12:30-1:05PM WHAEA SARAH

The Chess Club has been busy every week. We have seen a range of Y1-Y8 students playing against each other. We are working on training some of our experienced chess players, to teach beginners chess to those who want to learn. Watch this space!









CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS

Tino pai to the MPPSA and CCSA cricket players. Both teams had fantastic days at their events. You all did a fantastic job at representing Reremoana. Both days were lots of fun, you all showed exemplary sportsmanship to our own players but also to other schools as well.

A extra special shoutout the CCSA Girls team for placing 2nd and the MPSSA Mixed team for placing 1st in their respective grades.

URGENT HELPERS NEEEDED

Reremoana School Orienteering Competition which is happening on **Wednesday 27th March**. If you or a member of your whānau might be able to help out on the day as a supervisor, please email <u>courtneyw@reremoana.school.nz</u>

UPCOMING SPORTS EVENTS



TERM ONE

Week 9

Wednesday 27th - Reremoana In School Orienteering

Week 10

Thursday 4th - CCSA Football

TERM TWO

Week 1

Thursday 2nd May - Counties Orienteering (Y 4-8)

Week 2

Tuesday 7th May - Girls Football (TBC)

Week 3

Wednesday 15th May - Orienteering Interzone (TBC)

Week 4

Wednesday 22nd May - MPSSA Boys Football



REREMOANA SCHOOL ORIENTEERING

WEDNESDAY 27TH MARCH

When: 9.00am - 2pm

Where: Wattle Downs Community

What: Chance to showcase the skills that the students have learnt throughout PE sessions. The top 4 students from year 5-8 will qualify for the RS Counties Orienteering Team.

Who: Te Moana and Te Awa students and <u>approx 10 whānau helpers</u> to work with us to ensure to we can put on this event. There is NO prior knowledge required, just a willingness to help. Miss White will post you in an area and we will ask you to be there for the duration of the event (there will be an opportunity for brief breaks).

Helpers: Please email courtneyw@reremoana.school.nz



TERM 1 IMPORTANT DATES

UPDATED WEEKLY

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 8 18-22 Mar					Non Uniform Day for Kaitaki Nikki and Crane SATURDAY - Run Rewa
Week 9 25-29 Mar	Support Team Bake Sale Board of Trustees Meeting		Reremoana School Orienteering Waste Free Wednesday	Teacher Only Day	Easter Friday
Week 10 1-5 Apr	Easter Monday	Easter Tuesday (a holiday for schools)	Waste Free Wednesday Beginning of Kindness Week!	Y7/8 Technology @ Waimahia CCSA Football	
Week 11 8-12 Apr			Waste Free Wednesday Cultural Celebration Day!	Y7/8 Technology @ Waimahia Disco	End of Term

SUPPORT TEAM NEWS



Our Term 1 Disco is coming up and we would love to see you all there! Dress up in your favourite outfits and head along for a fun night of dancing with your friends!

Tickets are available on kindo and include: entry to the disco, games, sausage sizzle, drinks and snack bags! We'll also have the Glow Items available for purchase so add them to your order on kindo or bring cash on the night.

Please note: there has been a change to the age groups and Year 4 will now be part of the Senior Disco.

SUPPORT TEAM NEWS

Bake Sale Monday 25th Martin

Students to drop off baked goods to school hall between 8.30-9.00am

Goodies will be sold for \$1 - \$2 on the day Students may purchase their morning tea as each class is brought through to the hall. House points earnt for use of reusable containers. Labels will be sent home with students to use on containers.

Community Cake Sale - 3pm Come and buy from our fantastic array of treats outside the School Hall (cash only) DOUBLE house points if the baked goods features their house colour

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We need volunteers to help run the bake sale at 8.30am, 10am & 2.45pm - if you can help please email supportteam@reremoana.school.nz

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES NEWS

School Donations

At Reremoana School we are heavily reliant on school donations in order to provide all the opportunities for the students that we would wish to as we do not receive as much funding as many schools in lower socio-economic areas. We are not eligible to opt into the Governments 'donations' scheme where schools get \$150 per child instead of asking for a donation.

Money raised from donations will be put directly into supporting and enhancing classroom programmes, e.g. art supplies, sports equipment and reading books. Your children will benefit directly from the payment of school donations.

We all want our children to have the best opportunities while at Reremoana School. However to achieve this we need your support – through school donations and through support of the fundraising initiatives of the Support Team. The Board of Trustees is asking families for the following amounts with a discount offered if paid by full by the end of term 1, or if having paid part of the donation in a payment plan.

One Child \$225 (or discounted rate of \$195 if paid in Term 1) Two Children \$380 (or discounted rate of \$330 if paid in Term 1) Three or more Children \$530 (or discounted rate of \$460 if paid in Term 1)

Payment of your donation can be made through HERO or you can pay by cash or internet banking. You may wish to pay by way of weekly, fortnightly or monthly payments and any donation amount is happily accepted.

Remember that 33% of any school donation made (over \$5) can be claimed as a rebate/tax credit from Inland Revenue by completing a tax credit form (and attaching the receipt), available from the IRD website or by using an agency like Supergenerous whom we have partnered with to either top up your donation to the school or claim it back for you.

All families who have paid their donations in full or shown a commitment to a regular payment plan during Term 1 will go into a draw to win a family voucher.

We thank you in advance for your support. To those who have already paid or begun to pay their 2024 donation – a very sincere thank you!

Kind regards Reremoana School Board of Trustees



Community News

