

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 (Ohayoo), 안녕 Ahn Nyeong, Olá, Privet!, Xin Chào, Salam, Goedendag, Chom Reap Sour, ស្អស្អ Suosdei, Ayubowan, Ɛnléó

Welcome to Term 2, and a special welcome to those new students and their whanau who have just joined our school this term!

During this term teachers will be assessing and making judgements around the progress each child has made so far this year against the new English and maths curricula. It's important to remember that the curriculum we are teaching and assessing this year is different to what was taught last year, which means that achievement and progress last year isn't able to be accurately compared to this year's. Reports will also look different to previous years. Reports will go home and conferences will be held in early Term 3. More information will be sent out nearer the time. If you aren't already actively using HERO it's important to become familiar as this is where you will access your child's report as well as book for a conference with their teacher.



In the coming weeks we will be taking part in Bully Free week and Pink Shirt Day. The official Pink Shirt Day is on our Teacher Only Day (May 15) so we will be holding our Pink Shirt Day on Monday 18th May instead. Teachers will be using the Police's [Kia Kaha](#) programme and [Mitey](#) to strengthen their teaching around anti bullying during this time. It's so important to understand what bullying is and what to do if you experience or witness it and bully free week is a great opportunity to reinforce those messages.

We also encourage those who can, to come along to our annual Mothers Day High Tea on May 8 (see poster above).

Julie Cowan
Principal
Learn Grow Succeed

"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 2 Important Dates

Updated Weekly

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 2 27 Apr - 1 May	ANZAC OBSERVED	Enviro Team Wai Project <i>Postponed</i>			
Week 3 4 - 8 May		Te Moana - Rima Narkle visit	Te Awa Boys Football Last day for Mothers Day High Tea tickets		Mothers' Day High Tea Te Moana - Marama Davidson visit Last day for Pizza fundraiser purchases
Week 4 11-15 May		Pizza Fundraiser lunch	Te Awa Girls Football Matariki Planning Meeting 6pm-7:30pm	NYLD (National Young Leaders Day)	TEACHER ONLY DAY
Week 5 18 - 22 May	PINK SHIRT DAY for REREMOANA Experience Pasifica (Te Moana) BoT Meeting				
Week 6 25 - 29 May					Te Awa Netball - Boys and Girls
Week 7 1 - 5 June Samoan Lang Week	KING'S BIRTHDAY			Te Moana Hockey Boys and Girls	Samoan Lang Celebration
Week 8 8 - 12 June	Bake Sale Noho Marae - Te Roopu o Hinemoana	Noho Marae - Te Roopu o Hinemoana		Enviro Team Spongy City	
Week 9 15 - 19 June		Tupu Maia Festival - Te Moana		Te Moana Book Battle	
Week 10 22- 26 June	BoT Meeting			Reremoana School Cross Country	
Week 11 29 Jun - 3 Jul					



Introducing the Quiet Room

Next week we will be introducing The Quiet Room as an option for students to go to if they don't feel like playing outside and want to be involved in a quiet activity during breaks, and don't want to read in the library. Activities such as quiet board games, paper puzzles and activities, a drawing station and craft activities will be available on rotation.

- Te Awa 2, Mrs Wickman's class, will be the Quiet Room
- A maximum of 20 children can be in the Quiet Room at one time
- Students can come to the Quiet Room up to 5x a week, and must sign in so we know who is coming when
- There will be a staff member and sometimes some senior students in the Quiet Room to support and supervise
- Students are to bring our own pencil cases/felts etc if they want to colour or draw
- The Quiet Room will be a device-free zone
- Students who are not following the guidelines in the Quiet Room will be asked to go and play outside
- The Quiet Room will be closed during wet break times

If you have anything that you feel would be suitable for the Quiet Room that you'd like to donate, please contact lynnf@reremoana.school.nz. We would especially like lego or duplo, some more chess sets and wool for craft activities.



Celebrating Birthdays

We know just how much of a milestone birthdays are for many our students. However to ensure our classrooms remain inclusive, focused, and safe for everyone, we have decided to move away from celebrating birthdays with cakes, treats, or goodie bags at school.

In recent years we have seen a increase in the number of families wishing to celebrate birthdays at school. The logistics of managing various dietary requirements and the increasing number of severe allergies have made it difficult to ensure every student's safety. Additionally, we want to ease the pressure on our families by removing the associated costs and the unintended sense of expectation to provide treats for a whole class that can sometimes surround birthdays. By making this change, we also reclaim valuable teaching time that was previously spent cutting cakes and organizing distribution of goodies.

We are also mindful that some of our families do not celebrate birthdays for personal, religious or cultural reasons, and we want to ensure our school environment is respectful of all traditions.

For those who do celebrate birthdays we will continue to find ways to acknowledge this special day at school such as singing happy birthday; this will vary depending on class and year level as to what's appropriate.

We thank you for your support in not sending birthday cakes/treats etc moving forward.

New Office Procedures

The office has created some Google Forms to assist with admin tasks. All are linked in the headings.

Change of Details Form

Use this form to request contact/medical information we have on your child, review and update if needed.

Leave Form

Please use this google form to let the school know that your child will be absent (holiday, cultural/sporting event etc.)

Medication

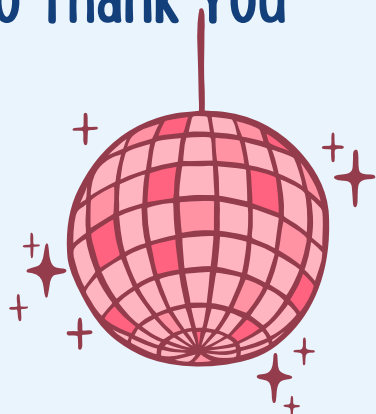
Should you child require medications for long term or short term use please complete this form - children are not permitted to carry medication (except inhalers).

Leaving Reremoana

If your child is leaving Reremoana please complete this form so that we are able to prepare for their departure

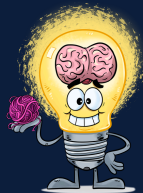
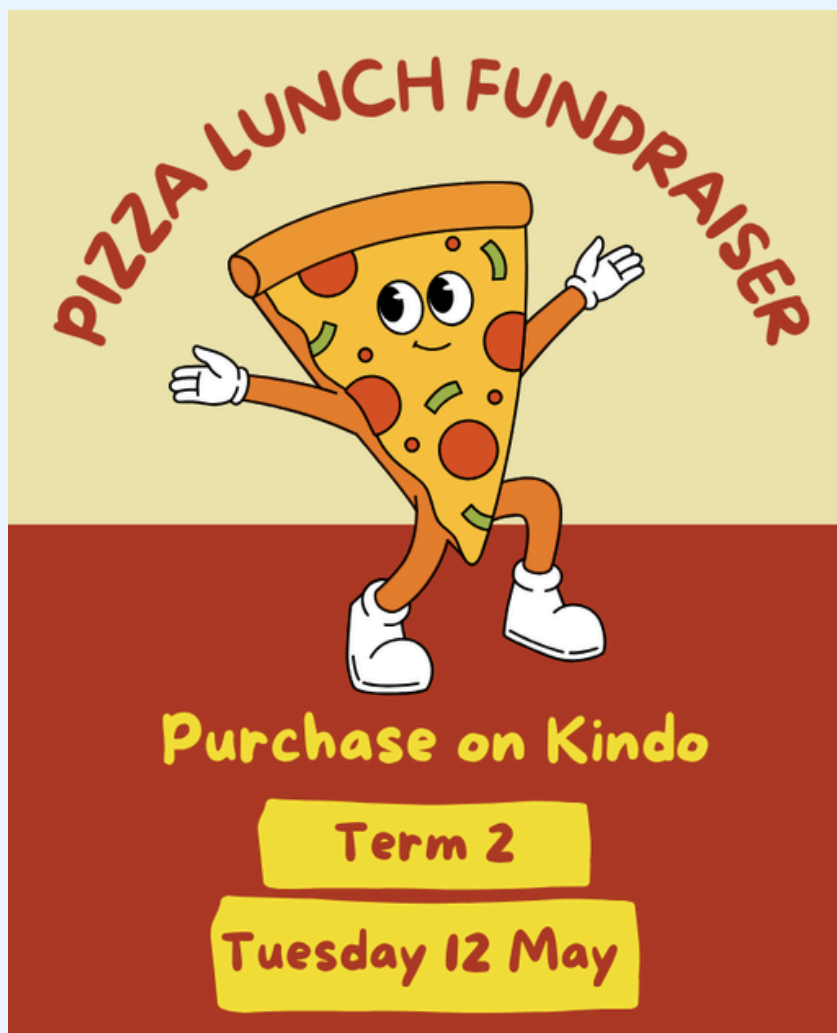
Any questions please ask at the office, or email office@reremoana.school.nz

Disco Thank You



A big round of applause to everyone who made last Thursday's discos the success they were.

- The FOTS (Friends if the School) team and other parent volunteers
- The Student Council and tech team, for the music and games
- The staff who helped out
- Last but not least, all of the students who came along and danced the night away!



Sickness/Medical and Attendance

SCHOOL HEALTH MYTH-BUSTERS

CLEARING THE AIR ON WHEN TO STAY HOME

THE TRUTH BEHIND COMMON BELIEFS

MYTH 1: "Runny nose/green snot = Contagious"

TRUTH: Green/yellow mucus = Immune system working! (NOT severity or contagiousness)

RULE: If your child is happy, active, and has no fever, they belong at school. Clear sniffles are okay!

MYTH 2: "Lingering cough = Keep them home 'just in case'"

TRUTH: A cough can last for weeks as the body mends! (Often just clearing residual 'dust')

RULE: As long as the cough isn't new, wet, or making them feel unwell, they are safe to be in class!

MYTH 3: "Started antibiotics = Stay home all week"

TRUTH: Antibiotics make a child non-contagious quickly!

RULE: Once your child has had their first 24 hours of antibiotics AND their energy is back, they can return. We can help with midday doses! (Clear label required)

MYTH 4: "Threw up last night, fine this morning = Come in"

TRUTH: This is the myth to watch! Tummy bugs are highly contagious & sweep through classrooms quickly!

RULE: Te Whatu Ora is strict: students **MUST** stay home for **48 HOURS** after the last time they vomited or had diarrhoea!

WHEN CAN THEY RETURN?

- ✓ **COUGH/SNIFFLE IS NOT NEW OR WET**
- ✓ **48 HOURS AFTER LAST VOMIT/DIARRHOEA**
- ✓ **ENERGY IS BACK & FEELING WELL**

 WASH HANDS REGULARLY

Deciding whether to keep your child home can be a tough call, which is why our Myth-Busters poster is designed to clear up common misconceptions that often lead to unnecessary absences. While we are committed to keeping our community healthy, regular school attendance is one of the biggest predictors of a child's long-term success and social well-being.

Missing even a day or two every few weeks can create gaps in learning that are hard to bridge.

By understanding that a lingering cough or a clear sniffle isn't always a reason to stay home, we can ensure students spend more time in the classroom where they belong.

However, every child is unique; if you are ever unsure about a symptom or if your child's condition doesn't seem to be improving, we strongly encourage you to seek professional advice from Te Whatu Ora via Healthline or consult your local GP.

Note: At Reremoana, if we are asked to administer antibiotics, we require a medical form to be filled in. See link on previous page.



Reremoana Sports Term One Celebration

Our vision is to provide a variety of supported sporting opportunities for tamariki to explore interest and enhance skills through coaching and game play.

Courtney Hull for CCSA and School Wide Sports Events - courtneyh@reremoana.school.nz

Jorien Fourie for MPSSA- jorienf@reremoana.school.nz

Karien Fourie for AIMS - karienf@reremoana.school.nz

Throughout Term 1 we took part in some great sports opportunities. Well done to the teams who have represented our kura, we are very proud of your efforts!

- CCSA Swimming
- CCSA Touch - Third Place!
- MPSSA Cricket
- Reremoana School Orienteering Competition

Last Wednesday 48 of our students competed at the Counties Orienteering Championships at the Botanical Gardens. Our students had a great time and we came away with some amazing results, with 21 students placing in the top 4 in Counties on their courses.

Individual course placings:

- **Year 5 boys** - (Competed in year 6 division): Brody S - 1st, Kaden M - 1st, Max B - 2nd, Neerav N - 3rd
- **Year 6 boys** - Carter H - 4th, Mason L - 2nd
- **Year 7 boys** - Donevyn Ti - 3rd, Luca B - 4th
- **Year 8 boys** - Rex C - 2nd, Kaezun Z - 4th, Skylar M - 4th
- **Year 5 girls** - (Competed in Year 6 division) - Nina S - 1st, Esther Z - 1st, Hannie W - 2nd
- **Year 6 girls** - Emelia J - 1st, Rehmat W - 2nd, Ashlyn G - 3rd
- **Year 7 girls** - Jennifer W - 3rd
- **Year 8 girls** - Khloe M - 1st, Sophie J - 1st, Chloe L - 2nd
- **Team results:**
 - Year 5 boys - Second place
 - Year 6 boys - Third place
 - Year 8 girls - Third place

A massive thanks to Miss Fourie who offered some training sessions during the holidays for our students in preparation for the competition. Thank you also to our parent helpers that accompanied the team for the day.



TE MOANA

& Juliet Theatre Trips

Ruby (Yr8) and Amayah (Yr8) have written the following paragraph about our very exciting trip to see “& Juliet” the the Civic Theatre last Tuesday evening;

When we got to the building my mind was blown. I saw the ‘& Juliet’ poster everywhere across the outside of the Civic, and the sky was as dark as a black cat's fur. The atmosphere was magical, it was like I was living in another world. Inside the theatre I saw the beautifully carved walls and the sky on the roof with the exact constellation of the day they built the Civic. As we sat on our seats we all remained quiet waiting for the show to start.

All of the cast were very enthusiastic and entertaining. It was an interesting blend between historical and modern outfits. The songs were designed just as well as their costumes - to fit the theme - making you want to stand up and dance with everyone around. The outfits definitely matched the modern vibe of the characters.

The show was above all my expectations! The costumes and props were outstanding, it truly blew my mind. All the actors did a great job, their dancing was perfect and their singing was spectacular. For me it is a five out of five star school trip and it's one experience that I'll never forget.

We also received the following email from the director of the & Juliet in response to an email Matua Jason and some of our team sent to say thank you; *“It was so special and touching to hear how our show resonated with your students, and the dynamic conversations that the show elicited. That is what it is all about for all of us, and we are so grateful you took the time to share the responses of your students. It is a very special show that speaks to so many people in different ways, so it's fantastic to hear how positively it resonated with your students.”*



Tech Rotation One

Jazmine (Yr 8): Tech is when Year 7s and 8s go to Waimahia Intermediate and take part in the subjects Food, Robotics, and Music. We get split into 3 groups so then 1 group can go to food, one to robotics and one to music, then we rotate each term so each student gets an experience of each subject.

