



Term 3, Week 1 2025

Thursday July 17

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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, សូស្ Suosdei, Ayubowan, Enléó

I hope you all had an enjoyable term break, welcome back to Term 3. A special welcome to our students and whanau joining us for the first time in Term 3.

This term, like all public schools, we are holding our school board elections. The board is elected to govern the school every 3 years (just like the government and the local councils in Aotearoa New Zealand).

A school board has a governance role, supporting the school leaders who manage and lead the school. There is training provided and board members get to learn a lot around education, curriculum, and policy. It's an opportunity to get involved in the school and to contribute to the school's strategic direction.

As a diverse school, I believe it's important that our school board reflects that diversity. I encourage you to consider either standing or nominating someone you think might be a great board member.

I urge all parents to vote in our elections later this

Learn more about the role of a board member in **this booklet**. There is more information about the election process and an information evening next week further in the newsletter.

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What a school board does

A board is responsible for the governance of the school. The board:

- · sets the strategic direction and targets for the school or kura
- · develops policies and procedures
- · consults with the community to make decisions
- · oversees curriculum, finance, property, and health and safety
- · employs staff at the school or kura.

The board must comply with the Education and Training Act 2020 (the Act) and all other legislative requirements.

The Act sets out 4 key objectives for boards. These cover:

- · educational achievement
- · student safety
- being inclusive of, and catering for, students with differing needs
- giving effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

The principal oversees the day-to-day management of the school and follows the direction of the board to make sure the school's goals are met.

From Jonathan Brooks, Managing Director of Schooled Ltd

"Lots of different people from all sorts of different backgrounds sit on school boards around Aotearoa. You don't need to have any special skills or experience, as there is free professional development and training available to all board members. The main thing to remember is that you are there to represent the whole school, not just one group or family. Your job is to make decisions about what is best for the school and community as a whole and ensure the students have the best opportunities possible. I have been involved with school boards since 2013, across primary, intermediate and secondary schools, and I am currently a board member on two school boards. I have met some amazing people in my time as almost everyone is there to support our schools and give their time to support their local school. But, I might be a little biased.

If being on the school board isn't something that appeals to you, that's ok. You can still get involved in the process by reading the candidate profiles that will be sent out to you, if your school or kura received enough nominations to require a vote, and voting for the people that you believe are the best fit for your school or kura.

Your vote is your voice on how your school will be governed. It will have an effect on the direction of the school and how that might affect your child and the other children and ākonga at the school, so take a few minutes to vote this year."

Ngā mihi, nā Julie Cowan Principal Tē tōia, tē haumatia



Nothing can be achieved without a plan, workforce and way of doing things

It's School Board Elections Time!

A message from Election Pilot

Every three years all public schools in Aotearoa New Zealand hold elections for their School Boards, and this is going to happen again in Term 3, 2025.

The School Board is a key part of our school because they do a lot of important things behind the scenes that while they may not be visible, are really important to keeping our school running. Our School Board help write our strategic plan, consult with our community about things that matter, make sure our finances are being spent wisely and ensure that we are giving effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi. Our board is made up of 5 parent elected board members, the principal and a staff board member elected by the staff.

The current board have appointed Election Pilot as the Returning Officer for our election and for the election to be provided online.

School Board Elections must be held in accordance with the provisions in the Education and Training Act 2020 and the Education (Board Elections) Regulations 2022.

Your name and contact details have been provided to Election Pilot to enable them to deliver elections services for our school as required by legislation. They will use your contact details for the provision of election services for Reremoana School only and your details will be deleted 60 days after the election date as required by legislation. If you have any questions about the election process, then the best people to talk to are the team at Schooled Election Pilot. You can contact the Returning Officer directly on 0800 VOTENZ (0800 868 369) or election@electionpilot.nz.

We will continue to keep you updated through the various stages of the election process.

Nominations are open on Friday 18 July for the election of 5 parent representatives to the Reremoana School Board.

All eligible voters will receive a nomination form by email (please check your junk mailbox), or if we do not have your email address it will be sent to you by post. The nomination pack will include a cover letter explaining the nomination process as well as a nomination form. You can use this form to nominate yourself, or you can nominate someone else in the community. (If you are going to nominate someone else, ensure they are aware of your nomination and are willing to accept the nomination). Information on who is not eligible to be a School Board member is provided with the nomination form.

If you need additional nomination forms, or forms in Te Reo Māori or a different language, please contact the Returning Officer directly on 0800 VOTENZ (0800 868 369) or election@electionpilot.nz.

Nominations close at noon on August 6. Nominations can be submitted by email, through the Election Pilot system at www.electionpilot.nz or by returning the completed nomination form to the school office. You may provide a candidate statement and photograph with your nomination.













It's School Board Elections Time - continued

The electoral roll is held at the school office and can be viewed during normal school hours. Voting closes at 4pm on September 10.

Reremoana School Board Info Evening

If you would like more information around:

- being on the School Board
- standing for election and the election process

we invite you to join current board members and the principal for an information evening where you can hear from current board members and ask any questions you might have around the board role and election process.

Monday 21 July, 7pm-8:30pm in the Reremoana School staff room

RSVP here

Unable to make that meeting or want to hear from the supporting body of school boards? The New Zealand School Boards Association are also running a webinar on 22 July <u>- register here</u>

Reremogna School board election timeline:

- 18 July nominations open and all parents will be emailed the 'Call for Nominations' (check junk mail if you don't see it in your inbox)
- 21 July information evening at Reremoana
 School for those interested in standing
 please RSVP here
- 22 July <u>New Zealand School Boards webinar</u> for those interested in standing
- 6 August 12 noon nominations close (no late nominations are legally allowed)
- 13 August voting packs will be issued
- 10 September voting closes



Staff Update - Welcome

We welcome two new Learning Assistants to Reremoana Ashleigh Lindsay will be working two days a week.

Carter Matthews-Runga will be with us every day. Carter is very familiar to our kura, having attended as a student.

Mark Terry, who has been relieving over the past term, joins us for two days a week, doing release.

















Curriculum Update

Each newsletter our 'curriculum' section will have information about the new curriculum so we can take our whānau on the journey with us,.

On the first Monday of the school holidays our teachers came together to review our curriculum implementation. We reflected on what was working well, how much we had learnt and implemented and what was still proving challenging. I'm so proud of how hard our teachers have worked this year to unpack 2 new curriculum areas alongside implementing a new maths resource in Oxford Maths and learning to implement Structured Literacy in Years 4-8 through Better Start Literacy Approach training.

Having completed the BSLA assessments in Term 2 our Te Awa team are now beginning to teach using this structured literacy approach to support the new English curriculum. Te Puna have been using BSLA for several years now however it is continuing to be updated and so they are working hard to stay abreast of the changes and keep their practice current. Our Te Moana team now have access to the draft English curriculum for phase 3 (Year 7 & 8) and will begin using the BSLA teaching materials as they come available for this age group. One of the focus areas for our Te Moana team especially will be teaching to fill any gaps identified between the new and old curriculum.

We had a professional development session on handwriting, as it's more a larger focus within the new English curriculum with an emphasis on handwriting through all the primary and intermediate years and the Ministry of Education has just provided a new guide book on teaching handwriting over the holidays.

We also looked at our Language of Learning. Feedback from our community continues to tell us that the Language of Learning - Be Resilient, Be Respectful, Be Creative, Be Collaborative, Be a Thinker, and Be a Contributor are still valued and important for ākonga to develop as life skills. We are currently reviewing the goals and progressions that sit under each of the elements of the Language of Learning to ensure they are up to date, relevant and useful for

teaching and learning.







Reporting – a reminder that our mid year reports are an interim template during this year of change. We expect our reporting next year to look different to this year. Please see the last newsletter of Term 2 for further information. I also encourage you to book a conference for next week as reports will be given out and gone through at these conferences.

Please note due to being on leave, Whaea Nikki's conferences will be held at a later date, to be advised.















Te Rā Haka

On the last Friday of Term 2, at the Gardens School, we celebrated our culture and embraced who we are as Māori people. We first watched The Gardens, Manurewa Central and Alfriston perform and then after that we had a little break. The Gardens School boys were very welcoming and invited us to play a game of rugby league. After the break we had to perform. Some of the waiata were Tokū Reo and Uia, followed by our whakawhiti and the haka - Aha Ngā Puhi.

I know we could have done way better. We were all just tired from all the other kaupapa.

The school we were amazed by was Manurewa East. We loved their harmonies and this is a challenge that we hope to include in our Roopu in the future.

Cody and Amanda























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Children's University "Discovery Day" at Massey University

In Term 1 interested Te Awa families were invited to sign their children up for "Children's University", an international programme designed to encourage and celebrate children's participation in learning experiences outside of the traditional classroom setting. It aims to foster a love of learning and increase aspirations for higher education in children.

Part of this is attending "Discovery Day", which is what about 35 students did on the last week of Term 2.

Here's what Jayde had to say about the experience:



OUR DAY AT MASSEY UNIVERSITY

First we started with checking out the library and saw how cool it was, We were amazed that there were so many levels, even though it looked like 2. we also made bookmarks, and they got stamped and it said "Massey University".

Secondly we went to a room to talk about traffic, there were tables we brainstormed on. We brainstormed about other ways we can travel without any traffic.

The next thing we did was go to another room to make play dough houses, draw things and they turned it into Al.

Then we went to the same room, but instead of making houses, we talked about Vitamin C. we made fruit sticks with grapes, oranges, kiwifruit, mandarin and apple.

it was a FUN day at Children's University! In the future 1100% want to go to that Uni!

























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NZ Warriors Foundation Visit

"To train well, Sleep is the best recovery" says Dallin Watene-Zelezniak, one of the NZ Warriors who came to visit Reremoana st the end of last term.

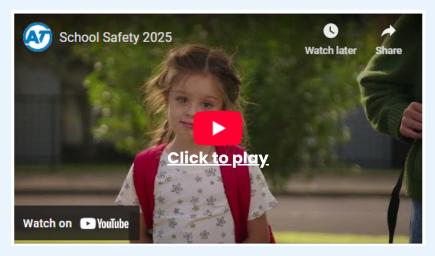
The NZ Warriors
Foundation shared their
wellbeing presentation,
Prepare to Perform to
students. To see a clip of
their visit, you can look
at this <u>instagram clip.</u>





Message from Auckland Transport

Here's a humorous clip about a serious issue - not just a Reremoana thing it would seem!



Make our schools safer and don't be THAT Karen

Things you can avoid to make school zones safer.

- Parking across a driveway
- Getting kids to run across the road
- Stopping in the middle of the road/drop zone
- Parking on yellow lines
- Being rude to school staff or AT parking officers

C'mon Auckland, together let's bring a bit more "Nice Karen" to the school run and avoid getting a fine!

Let's make our roads safer one nice drop-off at a time.



REREMOANA SPORTS OVERVIEW FOR TERMS 3 AND 4



TERM	DATE	SPORT	WHO IS INVOLVED
	30th July	Football	Girls
Term 3	4th August	Netball	Mixed
TETTI 5	18th August	Cross Country	Mixed
	15th Sept	Basketball	Mixed
	22nd Oct	Touch	Mixed
Term 4	3rd Nov	Athletics	Mixed
	4/5/6 Nov	CM Games	Mixed



THESE ARE THE SPORTS
THAT WE HAVE
PLANNED TO TAKE
PART IN THIS YEAR
FOR MPSSA AND CCSA









YEAR 7 & 8

IF YOU THINK ARE ABLE TO HELP WITH COACHING OR HELPING IN ANY WAY, PLEASE EMAIL

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	TERM	DATE	SPORT	WHO IS INVOLVED
		21st July	Netball	Mixed
	Term 3	25th July	Cross Country	Mixed
		28th - 1st August	Sports Camp	Mixed
		1st - 5th September	AIMS Games	Mixed
	Term 4	17th Sept	Volleyball	Mixed
		14th Oct	Touch	Mixed
		11th Nov	Athletics	Mixed

Term 3 Important Dates Updated Weekly

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 14-18 July					BOT nominations open
Week 2 21-25 July	CCSA Netball Reremoana School Board Info Evening		Three Way Conferences, reports shared	Three Way Conferences, reports shared	CCSA Cross Country Choir SAPAC comp
Week 3 28 July - 1 Aug Sports Camp Week				MPSSA GIrls Football	
Week 4 4 - 8 Aug Cook Island Language Week	MPSSA Netball		Te Awa and Te Moana speech finals BoT nominations close		
Week 5 11-15 Aug NZ math week			Environmental group - Beautification trust site tour		Manurewa Rehu Tai Finals MPSSA Basketball
Week 6 18-22 Aug Tongan Language Week	MPSSA Cross Country				Fathers Breakfast
Week 7 25-29 Aug	Children's University Discovery Day			Y7/8 Tech	Te Puna Poetry Finals
Week 8 1-5 Sept AIMS week NZ Chinese Language Week Aug					
Week 9 8-12 Sept BoT Elections			BOT elections		
Week 10 15-19 Sept Te Wiki o te reo Māori		School photos			

Community Notices



TENNIS AT REREMOANA SCHOOL

Back by Popular Demand!

Johan Fourie – experienced Sport NZ coach and passionate about giving back to the community – is excited to return!



Lesson Times:

Friday afternoons: 3:15pm – 4:15pm Saturday mornings: 10am – 11am



Cost: \$150 for 8 weeks

Location: Reremoana School Tennis Courts



All abilities welcome – beginners to advanced!

Register your interest today:

karienf@reremoana.school.nz

Limited spaces - get in quick!