



Term 3, Week 5 2025 **Thursday Aug 14**

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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

It's time to vote! Voting for our school board election is now open and everyone should have received their email to vote (check your junk mail if you haven't). When you enter the portal to vote you can view the candidate statements where the candidates have described themselves and the skills and attributes they would bring to the role of board member. You can also view the candidate statements here (Please note the order on the voting portal is different to the order on the this document.)

We have 14 candidates standing for the 5 parent elected board positions and I want to thank each and every one of them for putting their hands up and putting themselves out there for our school board election. Thank you for your commitment to our school and the education of our tamariki.

I also want to thank our current board, Govind Shaw, Olivia Marks, Renee Maxwell, Janine Baker, Sarah Hutchinson (staff elected member) and Adam Manukau (Presiding member) for their work and commitment over the last 3 years.

Voting in school board elections closes at 12 noon on September 10. Posted votes must be received by the returning officer no later than five days after 10 September. Late votes cannot be counted, please make sure you vote as soon as possible.

Every eligible voter should vote to ensure that the elected board

represents the community and has a good mix of gender, ethnicity, skills and experiences. A board that reflects the diversity of our school can make a positive difference to our students' learning.

Please make sure you vote!

Ngā mihi, nā Julie Cowan Principal



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He aha te kai a te rangatira? He kōrero, he kōrero, he kōrero



What is the food of leaders? It is communication

Fathers' Breakfast

Our annual Fathers' Breakfast will be held on Friday August 22nd. Students are invited to attend with a significant male in their lives. Tickets are now available for purchase on KINDO - a ticket must be purchased for each child and adult attending.

Child ticket - \$15

Adult ticket - \$20

Ticket numbers are limited to 160. We had some disappointed families for the Mothers' Day High Tea, so recommend you get in quickly.

Our guest speaker is <u>Tone Kolose</u> - the esteemed Principal of Manurewa South School in south Auckland, who is widely recognised for his leadership in guiding a culturally rich and community-focused learning environment. As President of the Manurewa Principals' Association, he plays a key role in strengthening educational networks across the region. Tone is an exceptional coach but also a proud dad of a current Star netball player, a NZ women's rugby player, NZ touch rugby players, a Bay of Plenty rugby player and many other achievements.

Look out for the raffles that we will be running in conjunction with this event - Prizes such as an Auckland Blues pack, and an Auckland AFC pack.



Ticket sales close Wed 20 at 9am (or before, if sold out)



New Meeting Protocols

We would like to advise our community of new expectations around meetings:

Expectations for Meeting Conduct

- Be Respectful All participants will show courtesy and respect to one another at all times.
- **Punctuality** All invitees will arrive on time for the meeting. If you are unable to attend or will be late, please communicate this as early as possible.
- Agenda Please stick to the agreed agenda items. These are set so everyone can prepare
 for a full and informed discussion. If new matters are raised without preparation time,
 information may not be accurate. In these cases, it is acceptable for staff to defer the
 discussion to a later meeting.
- **Speaking and Listening** When someone is speaking, others will listen without interrupting. Everyone will be given the opportunity to contribute and respond to points raised.
- **Voice and Language** Be mindful of the tone and volume of your voice. Swearing, threats, or offensive language will not be used.
- Body Language Consider how your body language may affect communication and understanding.
- **Commitment to Resolution -** Whānau have the right to advocate for their child, and the school is committed to working in partnership with whānau to support student success. We achieve this by listening to each other, considering different perspectives, and working together to agree on positive outcomes.

If at any stage either party feels that these expectations are not being upheld, they may request to pause or end the meeting. A follow-up meeting can be scheduled once all parties are ready to re-engage constructively.

From our School Community Conduct Expectation policy (link to full policy)
Our school is committed to fostering a respectful, inclusive, and supportive environment for all members of our school community. We expect concerns and complaints to be raised respectfully, constructively, and with a willingness to work collaboratively to resolve the matter

You will also see reminders of how we expect people to conduct themselves in our kura, in our office and other spaces: Haere mai



We are committed to fostering a respectful, inclusive, and supportive environment for all.

Have a concern? We expect these to be raised **respectfully**, **constructively**, and with a willingness to work **collaboratively** to resolve the matter.



Anyone being aggressive or abusive towards staff will be asked to leave immediately.













Auckland Champs - Boys Hockey

Last Tuesday, a talented group of our Year 7 and 8 boys represented the school at the Auckland Champs Hockey Tournament held at North Harbour Stadium. Facing off against some of the strongest school teams in Auckland, our boys showed incredible determination and skill. They played a total of five games throughout the day, losing only once—to Kristin College in the last minute. This placed them second in their pool, and they unfortunately missed out on the semi-finals by 1 point, which was based on goal differences. In their final playoff match for 5th and 6th place, they delivered a dominant performance, beating Strathallan 5–0.

Finishing 5th overall, the team managed to outperform schools more than three times our size, including Kings, Bucklands Beach Intermediate, and St Peter's College. Qualifying for this tournament was already a major achievement, but their performance far exceeded expectations, placing us in the top 5 schools in Auckland. We are extremely proud of their hard work, teamwork, and sportsmanship. This is a fantastic accomplishment for both the players and our school community—well done, boys!

Our thanks must also go to coach Jorien Fourie. Her talent and commitment played a huge part in the success of these boys. Thanks was passed on by a school family the Heighways, also, who donated a set of hockey balls in appreciation. Ngā mihi.





Counties Cross Country

Last Friday our qualifying Y7/8 students went to Pukekohe A and P Grounds to compete in the Counties event.

The conditions were a true test of resilience and determination, especially for our Y7 girls, who started their race in torrential rain!

Whilst we didn't gain any entries into the next round (Auckland Champs) I was very proud of the effort and conduct of the team. Thanks also to our hardy supporters and transporters. Lynn Fothergill



Reremoana Rehu Tai and Speech Results

Te Moana

Prepared Speech

1st - Aditi M 2nd - Suhani C

3rd - Kersten T

Flash Talk

1st - Krisha S

2nd = - Cooper H

2nd = - Mannat S

Spoken Word

1st - Amelia C

2nd - Jazmine I 3rd - Skylar M

<u>Rap</u>

lst - Zoe R

Te Awa Y5/6

Prepared Speech

1st - Summer H

2nd - Erin B

3rd - Deanna P

<u>Rap</u>

1st - Lachlan H

Y4

<u>Prepared Speech</u>

1st - Aveer B

2nd - Audrey F

3rd - Sean P

Good luck to all the first place winners in Y7/8 and Y5/6, who will compete in the Manrewa Rehu Tai competition here at Reremoana on Friday.



Book Battle

On Thursday 7th August, an intrepid team of bibliophiles prepared for a battle of wits, recollection, and inference, at our inaugural South Auckland Book Battle extravaganza! Our team of 4 engaged with some of Australasia's greatest literary classics, and competed in a 10 round scholastic skirmish against 9 teams representing 6 of our peer institutions. When the dust settled and the paper-cuts had been treated, we finished a very respectable 5th and had proven our mettle to both peers and selves alike. More importantly, we had shared a mutual love of words and reading, and celebrated literacy and the sheer joy of flights of fancy be they solitary, or communal. Next time we might score more points, and we may possibly field more contestants, but it would be impossible to bring more enthusiasm, excitement, or sportsmanship than we brought to this year's event. Thanks so much everyone for helping make our literary adventure possible.

Jason Bailey

















Mathex

Congratulations to our Mathex teams who competed in the annual Manurewa competition yesterday.

Our Year 5/6 team of Carter H, Apolosa G., Ria S and Angelique K. came second out of 10 teams. Our Y7/8 team of Suhani C., Chloe L., Dhristi L. and Zoe R didn't place in the top three, but gave their boot.

best.





Our 2nd Placed Y5/6 Team: Apolosa, Carter, Ria, Angelique



Te Wiki o te Reo Māori 14–20 o Hepetema 2025

TE WIKI O TE REO MAORI

We would like to invite our whānau to our wholeschool celebration for Te Wiki o te Reo Māori







When: Week 10, Thursday 18th September

Where: Reremoana School Hall

Time: Seated at 1:50pm, for a 2pm start



Te Wiki o te Reo Māori 14–20 o Hepetema 2025

Staff Carpark

A reminder that the staff carpark is for staff only. Parents using the staff carpark to drop off or pick up their children are causing health and safety concerns.

Indian Whānau Meeting

We invite our Indian whanau to a community meeting on Thursday 4 September at 7pm in the staffroom. At this meeting we'll be planning our school Diwali celebrations and looking at the new English and Maths curriculum changes.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Sivagami who recently achieved 3rd place Under-11 category for the Southern Region of Auckland in the Abacus competition conducted by SIP Abacus. She has now qualified to compete at the national level in the same category.



Maths Week Games

We hope families have enjoyed the maths games that have been shared daily across maths week, to be played with the dice and playing cards gifted to each family. We encourage you to keep playing them for both fun and learning!





Te Moana students enjoying playing "Gnarly Numbers"

Houses Got Talent!

This initiative was suggested by, and is largely being run by, our House Leaders and Student Council.

See the poster on the following page - Please encourage your child to enter and let their talent shine! They are welcome to enter as a group - but the group members must be from within the same house and team.

There are house competitions within each team, which will be held sometime between Mon 8-Wed 10 Sept, depending on the number of entries received.

The Grand Finale on Friday Sept 12 will showcase the winning item from each of our houses, in each of our tems (so 12 items in total).

Entries can be made via <u>paper form</u> or <u>google form</u>. Paper forms are to be returned to the office. Entries close Friday Aug 29.

















2025 REREMOANA SPORTS CAMP



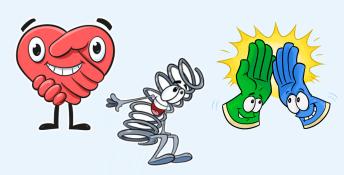
Congratulations to our 2025 Reremoana Sports Camp team! After months of trainings we went to Totara Springs in Matamata and had one of the most cold, wet, windy and tiresome weeks.

We had some late cold nights, lots of yummy meals, wet uniform - which meant even more washing, new friendships from schools all over the motu and most importantly many successes in our sports. All of our tamariki showed resilience, respect, and collaboration throughout the week.

Thank you to our the whānau and volunteers who helped with trainings, transport and coming down to Camp for the week.

Special Shout outs & Results:

Amanda, Chess - 2nd Place Girls Volleyball - 2nd Place Boys Indoor Hockey - 2nd Place Girls Indoor Soccer - 2nd Place Mixed Rock Climbing Team - 2nd Place Mixed Shooting Team - 2nd Place



















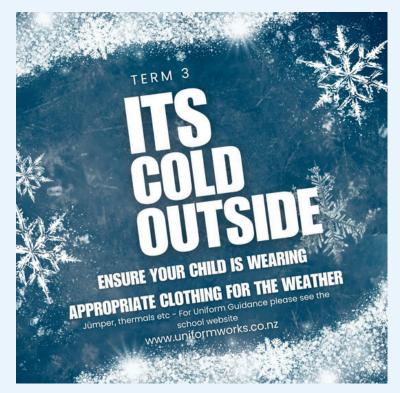








Office Reminders





Late?

Teach your child to come to the office if you are late or not at your usual meeting place. The Office will then pass on your message.

16 September 2025

SCHOOL PHOTOS

- We have no schedule if your child isn't here when they are called - they won't be photographed.
- Students are to be in Uniform (no sports kits on for photos)
- Sibling consent forms will go home nearer the date these <u>have</u> to be completed.















Term 3 Important Dates

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 5 11-15 Aug NZ math week			Environmental group - Beautification trust site tour MATHEX	Y7/8 Tech	Te Awa Swimming Manurewa Rehu Tai Finals MPSSA Basketball
Week 6 18-22 Aug Tongan Language Week	MPSSA Cross Country @ Reremoana		Fathers Breakfast ticket sales close 9am	Y7/8 Tech	Te Awa Swimming Fathers Breakfast
Week 7 25-29 Aug				Y7/8 Tech	Te Puna Poetry Finals Te Awa Swimming Houses Got Talent entries close
Week 8 1-5 Sept AIMS week Chinese Language Week				Y7/8 Tech Indian Whānau Meeting	Te Awa Swimming
Week 9 8-12 Sept BoT Elections HOUSES GOT TALENT			BOT elections	Y7/8 Tech	Te Awa Swimming Houses Got Talent Grand Final
Week 10 15-19 Sept Te Wiki o te reo Māori		School photos	CCSA Volleyball	Y7/8 Tech Te wiki o Te Reo Māori Celebration	Te Awa Swimming



MUSIC LESSONS at Reremoana School

Does your child want to learn to play music?

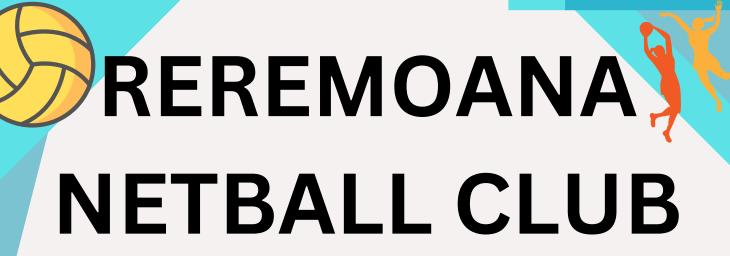
Would you like in-school lessons with a professional Music Tutor with many years of teaching experience? You can enrol your child in guitar, ukulele, keyboard and violin lessons at Reremoana School!

We deliver a fun, varied and structured curriculum. Students learn songs in styles ranging from traditional to contemporary during school hours.

For information on guitar, ukulele, keyboard or violin lessons, contact contact **Lih Foo.**

Email: lih.foo@musiqhub.co.nz Phone: 021 2076 231







Our club is at a crossroads. We're at risk of folding, and too many children are choosing other clubs over Reremoana. It's time for a bold step forward. We have a plan, a vision, and the proud name of Reremoana to carry into the future.

Our Plan:

- 1. Become an independent netball club while keeping the proud name of Reremoana.
- 2. Open teams to all players in the community.
- 3. Apply for funding for new uniforms and gear.
- 4. Create coaching & umpiring pathways.
- 5. Build a sustainable club for the future.

Link to complete our Survey to help gather feedback as our first step!

2025 Reremoana Netball Club

Survey

