



Term 3, Week 7 2025

Thursday Aug 28

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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

Last Friday we held our annual Father's Breakfast and our guest speaker was Tone Kolose, Principal of Manurewa South School and a proud father of 5 young adults – several of whom are chasing their sporting dreams at regional and/or national level. Tone shared his parenting wisdom and the lessons he has learnt as he raised his 5 tamariki. Several people requested the slides be shared in a school newsletter and gave feedback that his talk might be of interest to a wider group than those present.

You can find the slides that Tone used **here**

Tone's 3 main messages on how to support our children by being present (without taking over) were:

 Be genuinely invested - show up and listen - 'our children don't need perfect parents, they need present ones'

Tone encouraged us to ask open ended questions and really listen to our children, to celebrate their effort over the outcome and that we need to ensure our children know our support isn't tied to their performance.

• Help them navigate disappointment

Tone talked about how it's important to let our children feels the lows and the disappointment, and to acknowledge their feelings rather than dismiss them. Don't say 'you'll be fine' or 'it's not a big deal', acknowledge that this is really hard and it hurts while confirming you believe they can get through this. We shouldn't jump in to fix things but walk with them in their disappointment. The ability to get perspective and develop resilience needs to be taught and encouraged.

• Guide - don't control

As parents it's our role to give advice but let our children have their own journey. Tone encouraged us to "be their compass, not their GPS'.

Tone framed his advice as the things he has learnt along the way, acknowledging what he found challenging and how he often found himself doing the very opposite of what he was advocating.

Tone finished by talking about his focus on being raising strong, resilient, confident young people, not just great athletes.

Thank you to all who came along to our Fathers Breakfast!

Julie Cowan Principal Learn Grow Succeed

PS - Don't forget to vote in our School Board elections!



Supporting Our Children BEING PRESENT WITHOUT TAKING OVER

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Poipoia te kākano kia puawai



Nurture the seed so it can flower

Fathers' Breakfast Photos



































More photos on our school FB page













Curriculum Update - Y7/8 Curriculum

This week's curriculum section is a dive into the Te Moana (Year 7/8) curriculum. As a full primary we provide education right up to Year 8. Te Moana, our intermediate level team, has some unique curriculum features to cater for the requirements of these year groups.

The first is the technology or specialist teaching. Once a week our Te Moana team go to Waimahia Intermediate for these classes taught by their specialist teachers and supported by our teachers. This year the students are rotating through 3 options, doing 10 weeks each of music, science and the ever popular food technology. Previous years have seen other options such as robotics.

In Year 7 and 8 schools are also required to provide teaching in additional languages. Through the use of Education Perfect (an online learning platform which supports independent learning) students have been able to spend part of the year learning a self selected language – the variety of languages the students were studying was huge! The other part of the year all students are learning Te Reo Māori in explicit language teaching sessions.

Developmentally the intermediate years are important to encourage independent learning. The use of Education Perfect supports this as does the Self Directed Learning model Te Moana use where students set goals around their self management and ownership of their learning.

We are very proud of the opportunities we are able to provide for our students. During their time in Te Moana they will go to team camp one year and have the option to go to sports camp in the other year. As a smaller school (compared to some big intermediates) the chance of being selected to represent our school in a sports team is much greater. I'm always delighted to see how competitive we are on the sports field (and at competitions such as Rehu Tai). We definitely 'punch above our weight'!

And it's not just sporting opportunities! Our Year 7 and 8 students also have opportunities to engage in the arts, for example later this year we have a large group of students going to watch the New Zealand Royal Ballet, this will be a new experience for many of our rangitahi/young people.

Finally, providing leadership opportunities and developing leadership skills is an important part of Year 7 and 8. We have both a student council and house leaders which sees our senior students push themselves, demonstrate service and really shine as well as developing great life skills.

Year 7 and 8 is definitely a busy couple of years with lots of learning, extra-curricular and leadership opportunities!

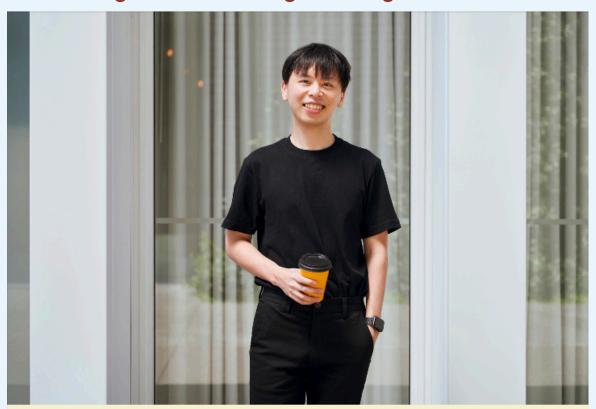








Free Counselling - Introducing Stanley



Need to Talk? I'm Here to Listen!

Free counselling sessions

for children, youth, and parents

We are often asked if we offer counselling at school. Unfortunately this is not a service that we can usually provide. However we are very fortunate to have been approached by MIT to host a counselling student at our kura. If you think your child would benefit from Stanley's skills, please get in touch with Lynn Fothergill, as below. We are unsure of demand, so cannot promise timeframes at this stage.

About me

Hi, my name is Stanley and I'm a counselling student from MIT, currently completing my practicum at Reremoana School.

I offer free and confidential counselling sessions for children. These sessions provide a safe space for your child to share feelings, manage worries, and build confidence, all with care and understanding.

I am also completing my placement in a number of schools, and I am passionate about supporting children's emotional wellbeing and helping them develop positive ways to cope with challenges.

I'm available on Wednesdays. To find out more, please contact Lynn Fothergill (Deputy Principal) at lynnf@reremoana.school.nz. You can also read more about what I offer here.

Manurewa Rehu Tai

Recently the Manurewa Rehu Tai competition was held here at Reremoana School. Four external judges were presented with some outstanding Flash Talks, Spoken Word, Prepared Speeches and Raps.

Competition was really tough, and we are so proud of the following students who will be representing Manurewa at the Auckland Rehu Tai competition tonight:

- Y7/8 Flash Talk Winner Krisha S
- Y7/8 Rap Winner Zoe R

Congratulations also to Aditi M, who placed 3rd in the Y7/8 Prepared speech.

Structured Literacy Approach - Assessment Info consent

As our Te Puna teachers have been in the past, all of our Te Awa and Te Moana teachers are engaged in PLD for Structured Literacy. **This letter** outlines how anonymised data from their assessments will be shared with the Ministry, and what to do if you do not consent to this.



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

Bake Sale - Monday 15 September

It's been a while since we have held one of our ever popular bake sales.

How does it work?

We ask all families to provide some baking e.g. cookies, slice, cupcakes. These get dropped to the hall before school and children receive house points. Extra house points for using a reusable plate/container - we will send home stickers in the week prior but also recommend additional naming of your container to ensure it gets home again.

On Monday 15th each hub will come over to the hall prior to morning tea to purchase some yummy items - which are normally sold for around \$2 per item (some items may be \$1, some may be \$3).

We understand this can be challenging for children with allergies, intolerances or other dietary requirements and parents may want to pack an extra treat in their lunchbox if they are inable to buy a treat.

There is often baking for sale after school so when picking your child up on Monday 15th, make sure you come past the hall and check it out!

Helpers - if you can spare some time on Monday 15th - either before school, in the morning or after school please let the office know - office@reremoana.school.nz

Our thanks to Amelia Feldon, Liz Feldon and some of our other ex-students for offering to organise this fabulous fundraising event.



Good Luck to our AIMS Team!



Next week a team of gifted and talented Year 7 and 8 sportspeople will be representing Reremoana at the annual AIMS Games tournament in Tauranga.

This year we have representatives in 3 sports - hockey, gymnastics and golf. Cooper H. and Jake R. will compete as individuals in golf, and Julius G. and Ariel C. in gymnastics.

Our hockey team is Vereniki C., Malachi T., Kahurangi K., Cody M., Cooper H., Julius G., Zianne B., Ruby C., Amanda S., Dhristi L., and Soriah M.

A huge thank you to Mrs Fourie for her organisation for this event, and to Jorien and Johanri Fourie for their expert coaching and management of the hockey team. If that's not enough support from this whānau, Yandri Fourie has put her hand up to be our hockey referee for the week. Thanks also to other whānau members who will be supporting the team in Tauranga.

We will all those competing the best of luck!

MPSSA Cross Country

Last week the MPSSA Cross Country event was hosted at Reremoana. Our school came first overall, with the following individual placings:

Year 4 Girls

Nina 1st

Year 4 Boys

Luka 2nd

Kingsley T. 3rd

Year 5 B

Mason 2nd

Y6 G

Leila 1st

Congratulations1

2026 Return Survey

Thanks so much to those of you who have already indicated whether or not their child/ren is/are returning to Reremogna in 2026.

It is really helpful to know this for our planning.

The survey is on HERO.



The board has determined that Reremoana School has the following spaces available for Out of Zone enrolments for children to start in 2026:

3 places for Year 4

4 places for Year 6

3 places for 7/8

Applications for these out of zone spaces close on 8 October, 3pm. If more applications are received than places a ballot will be held on 15 October. Parents will be informed of the outcome of the ballot within 3 school days of the ballot being held.

Our enrolment scheme can be found on our website

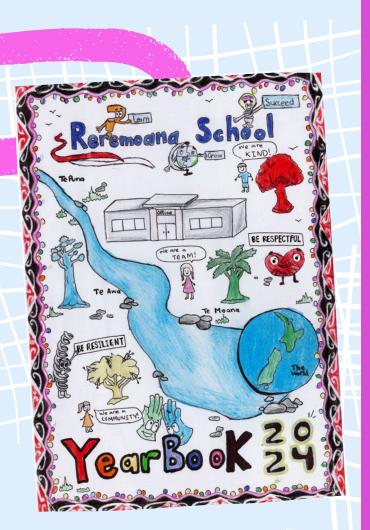
https://www.reremoana.school.nz/page/information/

Please email katrinal@reremoana.school.nz to request an enrolment pack or if you have any questions.









This year, we will again produce the Reremoana Yearbook, the yearly school magazine.

The Yearbook is printed in full colour, and includes class pages, various school events and student contributions. There are many photos within the yearbook and your child is bound to be in some of them. Having your own copy is a great way to remember what your child's schooling was like. You can look back in years to come and the memories will come flooding back for you and your child.

Just order and pay via HERO. The cost of the magazine is \$25.

To ensure you don't miss out please order now to avoid disappointment. We don't hold additional copies for sale – they must be pre-ordered.

Pre-orders close on Friday 14th

November

Yearbooks will be given out in the last week of school.

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CONIFER GROVE & REREMOANA KAUPAPA

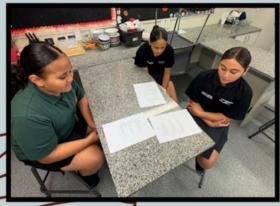


Last Tuesday, we were lucky to continue our kaupapa with Conifer Grove Kura Kapa Haka. Te Roopu ō Hinemoana visited Conifer Grove, where Matua Herb taught us a beautiful new waiata. Skylar, Zoey, Mckenzie, and Khloe have been learning the role of kaikaranga, which was really special to see. The whole of Te Roopu ō Hinemoana learned a waiata called 'Ko Wai?' and ever since we first heard it, we've loved singing it. We are still practising, but it has already become a favourite for our roopu.

To finish off, our favourite part was having a fun "riff-off" together! Our team won.

Nā Summer and Erin













Te Tuhi Art Class - Workshop Week

During Workshop Week at Te Tuhi Visual Arts, our classes in Te Puna attended hands-on workshops to explore and connect visual arts themes with earlier learning, such as landscapes and symbolism. The focus was on how art can tell a story about Aotearoa and about themselves.

Gloria Jahan





16 September 2025

SCHOOL PHOTOS















Term 3 Important Dates

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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 Netball Prizegiving	Te Awa Swimming Houses Got Talent Grand Final
Week 10 15-19 Sept Te Wiki o te reo Māori	Bake Sale		CCSA Volleyball	Y7/8 Tech Te wiki o Te Reo Māori Celebration	Te Awa Swimming

