

Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Malo e Lelei, Fakaalofa Lahi Atu, Talofa Lava, Nǎ hǎo, Salut, Namaste, Bonjour, Bula Vinaka, Guten Tag, Goeie Dag, Shalom, Cześć, Hello, Cìào, おはよう (Ohayoou), 안녕 Ahn Nyeong, Olá, Privet!, Xin Chào, Salam, Goedendag, Chom Reap Sour, ស្អប់ Suosdei, Ayubowan, Էլնէօ

Welcome to Term 4, always an exciting and busy term. Summer is getting closer and I'm loving the longer daylight hours!

Some of the highlights of our Term 4 2025 calendar are a junior production, senior and junior athletics, Counties Manukau Games, Diwali, hosting the Scholastic Book Fair and our traditional end of year events in Year 8 Graduation and Junior and Senior Celebrations of Learning. All of the teams have some exciting events and learning planned. In term 4 as well as bringing together the year's learning staff are also busy planning for 2026. Term 4 is a time for celebrating and planning as well as striving to achieve goals with the end of the year in sight.

At the end of last term the board election results were announced and our outgoing board members met with the new board members (and those re-elected) for a hand over meeting. I want to once again thank our outgoing board members – Adam Manukau, Renee Maxwell, Janine Baker and Sarah Hutchinson. Another congratulations and welcome (or welcome back) to our current board Ken Zhang, Emma Saxon, Alisha Hunter, Olivia Marks, Govind Shaw and Martin Bienvenu. Emma Saxon has stepped up to be our new presiding member. Congratulations and thank you Emma! I really look forward to working with everyone on the board for the next 3 years, working together to support the staff and students of Reremoana School.

You are likely aware that support staff (eg school office staff, learning assistants), teachers (both primary and secondary) and primary principals are currently in negotiation for their contracts/collective agreements. Support staff have been in negotiations for almost 1 year with no resolution having strongly rejected the offers so far presented. Teachers have been in negotiation since May. Teachers have been given 2 offers and both have been rejected. While the 2nd offer was an improvement in terms of pay, there were several clawbacks (so benefits that were in previous contracts that were proposed to be removed) that are of concern to teachers as well as not addressing the conditions that teachers work in. Teachers are concerned about the lack of support for learners and the impact of teacher workload and stress has on the tamariki they teach. The work conditions of teachers, principals and support staff are the learning conditions of our tamariki.

While principals have been negotiations since July we still haven't been presented with any offer at all.

We need working in schools, as a support staff member, as a teacher or as a principal to be attractive and sustainable in order to provide the very best education for our tamariki. Our profession continues to lose so many excellent teachers and principals every year because they are burnt out or disillusioned. This impacts on the whole of our society.

(Disclosure: I'm a member of NZEI)

NZEI members have voted to strike on October 23 and we thank our community for your support.

Julie Cowan

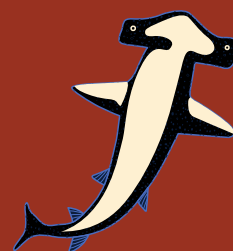
Principal

Learn Grow Succeed

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He ua ki te pō,
Kia mate
ururoa, kei
mate wheke



*Fight like a
shark, not an
octopus*

Senior (Y3-8, incl all 8yr olds) Athletics Day, Tues 28 Oct 2025

Full information regarding Athletics Day has been shared in a separate HERO post, and can also be found [here](#).

The main things to know are:

- Senior Athletics Day is on Tuesday Oct 28 – the day after Labour day
- It is for all children who will turn 8 this year. This means we may have a few Te Puna Y2 students attending
- Students are asked to be at school early – 8 a.m.
- Athletes compete in “Year Born In” groups – e.g born in 2016 – 9 year old, even if birthday is after the 28th October
- The event is at Jellicoe Park, Manurewa this year as our usual venue is out for maintenance
- All students are to wear house colours, or school PE uniform
- Hats and sunscreen are a must, as is a full water bottle and substantial lunch
- Lunch packs are available, and can be ordered via KINDO in the coming days
- Spectators are not allowed on the track or inside the arena
- Transport is to be via bus for all students – \$15 per student
- 20 helpers are required to make the day happen
- Main point of contact is Courtney White – courtneyw@reremoana.school.nz



Measles in Aotearoa

Then Ministry of Education has asked schools to share the following information with their school communities:

Measles cases in Aotearoa

Recent measles cases linked to overseas travel have been reported in Te Tai Tokerau and Queenstown. Cases were active in the community while infectious and there is a risk of measles circulating there, and more widely in Aotearoa.

- Measles is very contagious and can make people of any age very sick.
- Watch for measles symptoms – fever, cough, runny nose, sore eyes and a blotchy rash.

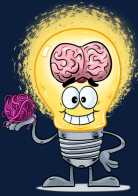
Measles: Locations of interest in Aotearoa New Zealand – Health New Zealand

- If anyone in your whānau has measles symptoms keep them home and contact a doctor or Healthline urgently on 0800 611 116.
- Vaccination is the best protection from measles. Check all whānau are immunised.

Measles immunity – Health New Zealand

Measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine – Health New Zealand

- Anyone closely exposed to measles who has not received two MMR vaccinations cannot attend their school | kura for at least eight days.



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HELPING TAMARIKI THRIVE

with Catherine Gallagher

WORKSHOP SPEAKER

Catherine Gallagher is a clinical psychologist with over 20 years' experience in the public and private sectors. A lot of this time has been spent focused on supporting children, young people and their whānau around a number of issues, including anxiety.

ABOUT OUR WORKSHOP

Anxiety can affect how tamariki and rangatahi see themselves, learn, and understand their place in the world.

This workshop will give you tools to:

Understand what anxiety is and why it might show up in your tamariki. Recognise the signs early, at home and in daily life. Support brave behaviour, even when things feel hard. Help your tamariki feel confident, safe and connected. Keep anxiety from limiting opportunities and experiences. Look after your own wellbeing so you have the energy to support them.

What you will leave with:

Practical strategies you can use straightaway. Ideas for keeping communication open with your child. Reassurance that you are not alone in this journey.

EVENT DETAILS

Reremoana School, Scotsmoor Drive, Wattle Downs, Auckland 2103.

Date: Tuesday, 14th October 2025

Time: 6:30 - 8:30pm

(Time for questions afterwards)

SCAN FOR FORM



Free Phone
0800 21 21 22
Email
help@mapumaia.nz



ANXIETY SPECIALIST

We are fortunate to have clinical psychologist Catherine Gallagher booked to lead a workshop for parents **next Tuesday Oct 14**. More information on the poster, including the QR code to register.

VOSA VAKAVITI

We invite our Fijian students to wear their traditional attire on **Friday 10th October** (others are welcome to join in or to wear their uniform as usual - it is not a non-uniform day)



EVERYDAY

GREAT NEWS !!

Calendar Art
Now Available to buy
on
KINDO

Closes 17 October 2025



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YEARBOOK 2025 Cover Competition

Want to be remembered as the creative face of our 2025 Yearbook? Create a cover on A4 sized paper. Use the success criteria below to help you.

Hand your design in to Ms Fothergill by Monday 10th November.

Please include your full name and year level on the back



Success Criteria

- Include the school name and/or logo
- Include the words Yearbook 2025
- Include a border
- Easy to read font
- Include CURRENT design elements which reflect our school
- Well laid out
- Colour choices that make the reader want to pick it up
- Carefully and effectively coloured
- Displays some originality

2025 YEARBOOK



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

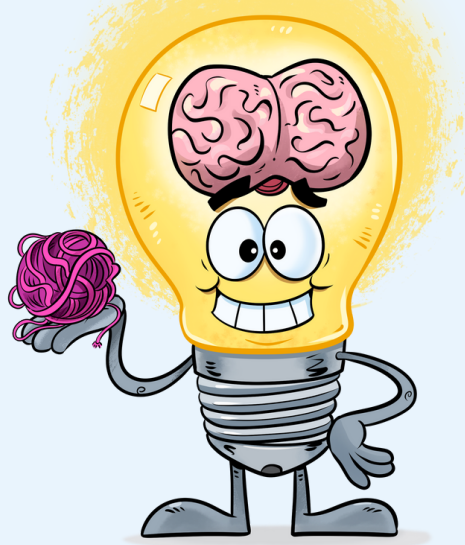
The Yearbook is printed in full colour, and includes class pages, various school events and student contributions. There are many photos within the yearbook and your child is bound to be in some of them. Having your own copy is a great way to remember what your child's schooling was like. You can look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

ORDER VIA
HERO
\$25



A New Name for JCHS

You may have heard that our in zone high school, James Cook is in the process of a name change.

The new name has been chosen as TE HAIKURA Ā KIWA, however the name "James Cook High School" will remain until the end of 2026.

For more information on the process of the names change, visits the JCHS website [here](https://www.jchs.school.nz).

2026 IN ZONE ENROLMENT ONLINE ENROLMENT PROCESS

All enrolments for 2026 will be completed online. You can do this via your computer or smartphone. If you do not have access you will be able to use a laptop in our reception

Go to our website
www.jchs.school.nz
or scan the QR code

Check your address is IN ZONE by selecting the "Enrolments" tab on the home page. Proceed to "Enrol here"

You **MUST** have the correct documentation to attach to your application in order for it to be processed:

- Student NZ Birth Certificate/NZ Passport
- Student Overseas Passport & Visa (if not born in NZ)
- Proof of address (as specified on website)
- Proof of guardianship (if not the biological parents). See our website

Additional documents for additional support

- school report

CONTACT US

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- 18 Dr Pickering Avenue, Manurewa
- enrolments@jchs.school.nz
- @jamescookhighschool



REREMOANA SPORTS OVERVIEW

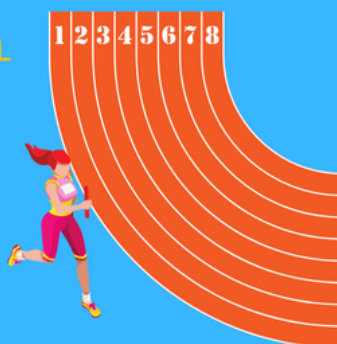
MPSSA
YEAR 5 & 6

TERM	DATE	SPORT	WHO IS INVOLVED
Term 4	22nd Oct	Touch	Mixed
	28th Oct	Senior Athletics	ALL Students
	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



REREMOANA SCHOOL
ATHLETICS DAY
28TH OCTOBER AT
JELICOE PARK



CCSA
YEAR 7 & 8

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

COURTNEYW@REREMOANA.SCHOOL.NZ

TERM	DATE	SPORT	WHO IS INVOLVED
Term 4	17th Sept	Volleyball	Mixed
	14th Oct	Touch	Mixed
	28th Oct	Senior Athletics Day	ALL Students
	11th Nov	Athletics	Mixed

Well Done, Yiyan

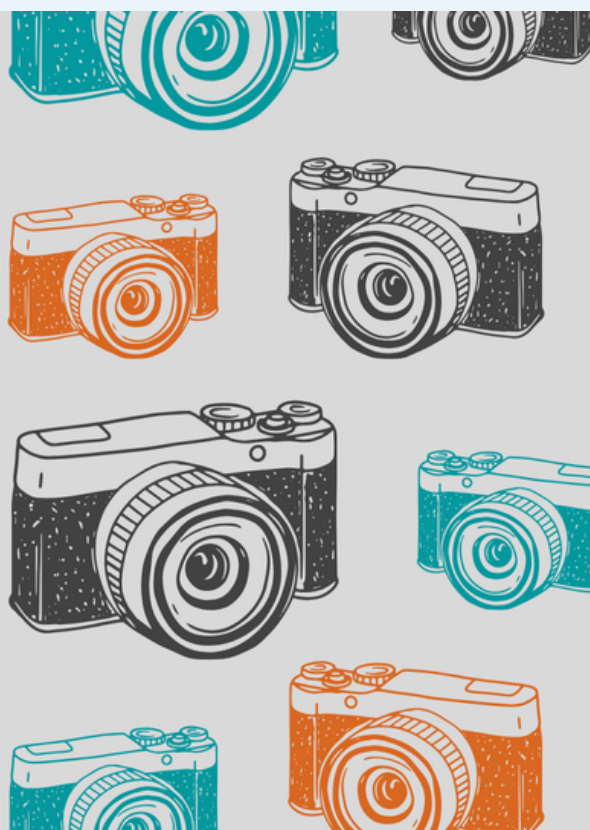
Yiyan participated in the Level 7 Rhythmic Gymnastics Nationals Championships last week, and achieved outstanding results. She performed exceptionally well for 3 routines, and she gained 10th for Freehand, 2nd for Ball routine and 1st for Ribbon routine which we all consider ribbon is the hardest apparatus to master. Yiyan received a bronze medal in the all-around.



2025

SCHOOL PHOTOS

- Parents should have received an email from photolife.co.nz with a unique code to order, yesterday
- Any questions, or if you didn't receive your code, email Helen in the Office.
- Photos will be delivered to the school and handed out to students when they arrive





TE WIKI O TE REO MĀORI

TERM 3, WEEK 10



WERO O TE RA

The Challenge would go something like this: He aha te kupu Māori mō..... school. And tamariki would have to write the answers down on a piece of paper and submit it for marking. This wero was about encouraging tamariki to draw on the knowledge of the Māori language they already have and kōrero Māori! We had two wero running at the same time. One for the junior school and one for the senior school. Please see the winning hubs below:



Junior School Winners:
Kaitiaki Krysten



Senior school winners:
Kaitiaki young

TE WIKI O TE REO



On Thursday of week 10, we held an assebmly to celebrate Te Wiki o te reo Māori. During this we had all of the Roopu's perform: Ngā Rerenga o te Puna, Te Roopu ō Wairere, Te Roopu ō Hinemoana. It was tino pai to see so many tamariki perform on stage to celebrate the week. Te Roopu O Hinemoana dedicated a waiata tangi for Mrs Honey/Whaea Tania to acknowledge and remember her. Ngā mihi to the whānau for coming and watching!

Nā Joe Roberts



Term 4 Important Dates

Updated Weekly

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 6-10 Oct Fijian Language Week					Students invited to wear Fijian cultural attire
Week 2 13-17 Oct		CCSA Touch Catherine Gallagher Anxiety Workshop for parents		NZ "Shake Out"	Close off for Calendar Art purchases via Kindo
Week 3 20-24 Oct Diwali			MPSSA Touch	NZEI Strike - School Closed	Teacher Only Day
Week 4 27-31 Oct	Labour Day	Senior Athletics			Diwali Celebration Assembly
Week 5 3-7 Nov		CCSA Athletics			
Week 6 10-14 Nov Scholastic Book fair					Yearbook Orders Close
Week 7 17-21 Nov		Counties Athletics	Te Awa Mahi not the Money day		
Week 8 24-28 Nov				Student Council Elections	Te Puna Trip - Wizard of Oz
Week 9 1-5 Dec		Rainbows End Care Day	Jnr Musical "Letters to my Dad" aftn	Jnr Musical "Letters to my Dad" evening	
Week 10 8-12 Dec		Te Moana Ballet Trip	CU Graduation		Jnr Athletics Day Reports released
Week 11 15-17 Dec	Jnr and Snr Celebrations of Learning	Meet new Teacher Y8 Graduation	Last day - Final Assembly 12pm, school ends 1pm		

Board of Trustees News

School Closed for Planned Strike Thursday 23 October

NZEI have announced a plan to strike over contract negotiations for support staff, teachers and principals on Thursday 23 October.

The vast majority of our staff at Reremoana School are members of NZEI and will be participating in the planned strike action. The board have considered the options available to them with a focus on the health and safety of students and staff, and have decided that if the strike goes ahead Reremoana School will be closed on Thursday 23 October.

We thank our community for their support and understanding.