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Happy Chinese New Year!
May this year of the dragon bring good luck, opportunities and successes!

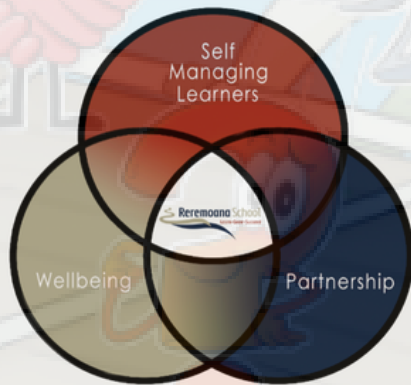
WHAT'S INSIDE?

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Thank you to everyone who attended our school picnic last week; the weather was wonderful and the vibe was fantastic. We hope you found the team talks informative and useful. If you were unable to attend please find links to the the team presentations in this newsletter.

In the last newsletter I talked about goal setting and how you can support your child to set useful goals. This week I want to talk about our school goals. We have 3 big picture strategic goals that overlap and link together in the areas of self-managing learners, partnership and wellbeing/hauora. These are our strategic goals for 2021 to 2025.

Strategic goal: To develop learning focused environments that grow engaged, confident and self managing learners



Strategic goal: To build the knowledge and skills to support the cornerstones for wellbeing/hauora for all akonga

Strategic goal: To work in partnership with our community to improve learning outcomes for all akonga

“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.

Each year we set annual goals; small steps along the way to achieving our strategic goals:

2024 Annual Goals

Annual goals that link to Self Managing Learners, Hauora and Partnership:

- Implement new school team and leadership structure
- Embed and strengthen Leading by Learning PLD for all leaders

Self Managing Learners specific annual goals:

- Strengthen sustainability model for developing akonga agency (including AFL strategies)
- Implement Curriculum Refresh documents and support materials as finalised
- Teams will set targets to improve engagement and achievement in literacy or maths

Hauora specific annual goals:

- Review and refine our social curriculum (including PB4L and relevant parts of Language of Learning)
- Conduct biannual health community consultation and review our health curriculum

Partnership specific annual goals:

- Embed learning from school wide Niho Taniwha PLD
- Develop connections with iwi (Ngāti Tamaoho, Ngāti Te Ata, Te Akitai Waioahua)
- Extend whanau engagement across cultures/ethnic groups
- Begin the roll out of real time reporting in Te Puna via HERO



These goals are very 'education speak' so let me break it down a little and hopefully make these more relevant to you and your child. So what are we actually working on in 2024?

- As you will undoubtedly be aware we have restructured our school into 3 teams and each team has 2 team leaders; the implementation of this is key goal for 2024.
- Strengthening ākonga agency means making sure our ākonga (learners) know what they are learning, why they are learning and how they will know they have been successful. It means supporting and teaching them to take responsibility for their learning as we want them to develop the skills of reflective, resourceful life long learners. As they move through our school we want ākonga to be taking more ownership of their learning. This is especially a focus for Te Moana (Y7/8).
- We will continue to unpack the refreshed New Zealand Curriculum, Te Mātaiaho, as it's refined and finalised. Throughout this year the Ministry of Education is giving schools two teacher only days so teachers can engage with this material.
- Every year our teams set targets for improving and accelerating student learning using the data from the previous year, as well as the data they collect in the first few weeks of the year.
- Our social curriculum includes our Language of Learning and how we support students to develop acceptable, positive behaviours. Since 2015 Reremoana School has used the Ministry of Education's PB4L (Positive Behaviour 4 Learning) approach which is based on the premise that just like academic learning, behaviour can and needs to be taught and learnt. In 2024 we are review and refine our social curriculum to ensure clarity and consistency.
- Every 2 years schools are required to consult around our health curriculum and from that feedback review their health curriculum statement. Look out for more information around our 2024 health consultation coming up - we need to hear your voices!
- You are likely to be aware that our staff have been doing a lot of work around cultural capability with a Te Ao Māori lens. This year we continue that work.
- We love our whānau hui and we really want to strengthen this by developing connections with local iwi - if you have any connection with local iwi we'd love your help! Please get in touch!
- We want to ensure we are continuing to celebrate all the diverse cultures in our school and give opportunities for everyone's voice to be heard and questions answered. Last year we held Māori whānau hui, Pacific People fono and Indian whānau meetings. This year we have booked a whānau hui, fono and a Chinese whānau meeting for term 1 with other meetings throughout the year. We also look for ways to celebrate diversity of culture.
- Real time reporting is reporting that is more timely, rather than just 2 times throughout the year. For those of you who have experienced the use of learning stories in ECE settings, this is real time reporting. We are seeking to make our reporting more relevant and timely and will be using more learning stories to capture your child's learning, especially in Te Puna/Te Puna Iiti. In 2024 we are working on the roll out of real time reporting (using Hero) for Te Puna (Year 0-3).

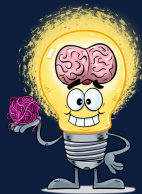
And, obviously, as well as the things we are seeking to improve and implement, we carry on with great teaching and learning practice, and rich engaging experiences and opportunities for our students as part of our business as usual! 2024 is going to be a busy year!

Julie Cowan

Principal

Learn Grow Succeed

E ako E tipu E tu!



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TEAM TALKS

If you were unable to make the picnic last week and are interested to know what was shared via the team talks, the presentations are linked below. Please note that there is no Team Newsletter this term as all information is in the presentations.

[Te Puna](#)

[Te Awa](#)

[Te Moana](#)

GOAL SETTING CONFERENCES – SAVE THE DATE

Goal Setting Conferences are scheduled for **Week 7 - Wednesday 13 and Thursday 14 March**.

On Wednesday 13 school will finish for students at 12:30.

More information regarding booking for conferences and about letting us know how students will get home on the Wednesday, will be shared next week.

We would like to welcome our whānau Māori to our

WHĀNAU HUI

- Hui is all about gathering whānau voice, building a closer partnership between our Māori whānau and school
- It is an opportunity to find out about events we have coming up and ways that whānau might be able to support our school
- Light refreshments provided, children and all whānau are welcome

HUI MĀORI WHĀNAU

WEDNESDAY 28TH FEBRUARY, 6-8PM

IN TE PUNA ITI

CULTURAL GROUPS

We are excited to announce that weekly cultural groups are starting for all students at Reremoana next week! Our first session starts next Monday from 2:10-2:50 p.m. Please see details about Cultural Groups 2024 below:

Senior

Senior Kapa Haka (year long commitment)

Senior Pasifika (year long commitment)

Indian Group

Te Ao Māori - Non performing

Pasifika - Non performing

Cultural Appreciation- student led/directed

Junior

Junior Kapa Haka (year long commitment)

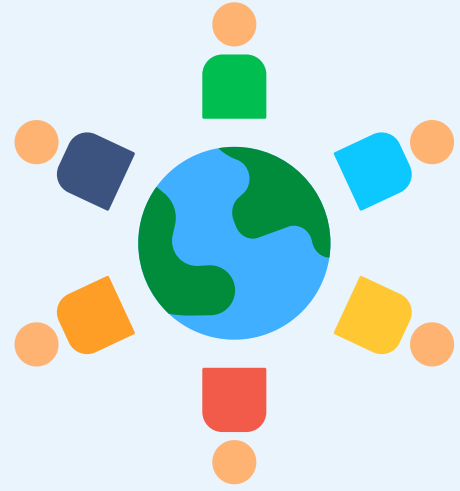
Junior Pasifika (year long commitment)

Cultural Appreciation

Te Ao Māori

Please have a kōrero with your child around what options they might be interested in.

Nikki Vaai



DRAMA CLUB

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- The confidence to speak in front of a group of people
- The ability to use our bodies and movement to portray meaning
- Being collaborative.

This is a commitment-free opportunity - anyone can show up and give it a go.

Nathana Wickman



MEETING FOR OUR CHINESE PARENTS/WHĀNAU

We invite the parents and family of our Chinese students to a meeting on Thursday 7 March at 7pm in the staffroom. This is an opportunity to meet others and have questions answered about Reremoana School and the New Zealand education system. We would love to see you there!



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STATIONERY AND DIGITAL SUBSCRIPTIONS 2024

Stationery lists

Stationery lists can be found at either www.myschool.co.nz (Office Max) or www.quizzle.co.nz and search for Reremoana School. (At Quizzle you have to click on school packs first which is toward the right). Select Year Level/Team and view your child's stationery requirements. You can either order online from Quizzle or Officemax or you can download the list to take to the shops.

Digital Subscriptions

We use digital programmes for home learning but these are also a very important aid used to extend and reinforce classroom learning. We ask that these subscriptions are paid as soon as possible. We believe that this is an addition to our learning programmes that will make a huge difference for our students.

In 2024 we will be using the following programmes:

Te Awa and Te Moana

Education Perfect will be used by students in Years 4-8.

Education Perfect supports individualised learning journeys across a range of subjects. They have the tools and learning resources to support meaningful learning experiences for all students. This platform covers the learning areas of English, Maths, Science, NZ Histories, Te Ao Māori and more.



Te Puna

Reading Eggs and Mathseeds are well known, engaging online programmes and will be used to support learning in Te Puna (Years 0-3) this year.



How to pay for subscriptions:

You can pay for your child's digital subscription via Hero.

If you need support with this payment please contact us to discuss options as we really want all our students to have access. Please contact Julie Cowan via the office or email to

juliec@reremoana.school.nz

SAVE THE DATE

**Pacific Peoples' Fono
- 6pm 20th March**



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PĀTAKA KAI

Last week some students from Te Awa Hub 3 went out to our Hinemoana Pātaka Kai to clean and restock it ready for the new school year.

We would really like it if our school community could drop off non perishable food directly to our Pātaka Kai. Thanks so much!

By Ishani & Erin.



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HOUSE NEWS

Last Friday we had our first house meetings. In them, we practised our chants in preparation for House Spirit Day.

House Spirit Day will be on Friday the 8th of March, and students are encouraged to dress in their House colours. Points will be earned for houses by the most students in house colours, and the loudest/best chant off. We are looking forward to seeing who will be victorious!

Students can also earn house points by participating in house activities at school - they need to listen to the notices each morning to find out what's happening each week. If students have ideas for activities and competitions, we would love to hear them - they need to speak to their House Leaders.

Our House Leaders are:

Kauri: Lachlan and Tyrese

Rimu: Salvador and Ema-Rayne

Totara: Sienna and Elwood

Kowhai: Ose and Alex

Nathana Wickman



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INTRODUCING OUR 2024 STUDENT COUNCIL



3 words to describe me as a leader

Respectful, inclusive and optimistic.

Words I'd like students to describe me as

I would like the children that i would be leading to describe me as a respectful, humorous and inclusive person.

Hello,
I'm Vereniki

What I hope to achieve on the Council

I hope to achieve in the role of student culture or sports.

My Passions & Interests

I'm really passionate about hockey and sports in general because it gets your blood pumping and decreases the chance of getting most sicknesses like diabetes. I also love helping kids when there down or just need a friend to be there for them!

What I enjoy about being part of Reremoana School

I'm very proud to be serving the school that has given me great education since I was first enrolled in 2017, and I was just a clueless little boy dreaming about big things in the future.



3 words to describe me as a leader

Respectful, Responsibility, Willing to do things, work as a team.

Words I'd like students to describe me as

Responsible, Kind, funny, playful, outgoing, smart, helpful, caring.

Hello,
I'm Krish

What I hope to achieve on the Council

A better school with people interacting with each other people making friends. Playing with the friends learning a new sport equipment and for more people to sign up for more sports events instead of sitting them out.

My Passions & Interests

I am passionate about Aviation I know a lot about planes and want to grow up as a pilot, I love to play hockey as a sport and willing to teach you all how to play, love to learn new things at school.

What I enjoy about being part of Reremoana School

I love how the school has many option for sports. i am proud to be here to lead he school and make it a more wonderful place.



3 words to describe me as a leader

Respectful, Kind and Helpful

Words I'd like students to describe me as

Kind and happy

Hello,
I'm Kayden

What I hope to achieve on the Council

Learn to become a good leader.

My Passions & Interests

I like Football, Cricket and tennis.

What I enjoy about being part of Reremoana School

I enjoy having the opportunity to make people feel welcome and comfortable at school.



3 words to describe me as a leader

Patient, Encouraging, Thoughtful

Words I'd like students to describe me as

I would like students to describe me as someone that they can come to if they need help or support

Hello,
I'm Crislyn

What I hope to achieve on the Council

I plan to be an even better role model to our school and someone that kids can come and talk to if they ever need to chat

My Passions & Interests

I am very passionate about reading and literacy

What I enjoy about being part of Reremoana School

I am proud of being a part of Reremoana School because we celebrate everybody's cultures



TERM ONE SPORTS EVENTS

THANK YOU

Thank you to Paul Greenwood and family for donating sport equipment to our school. We appreciate your ongoing support to our students.

Thank you to the whānau of MPSSA and CCSA swimming who have volunteered to support us on these days.

HELPERS NEEDED

We are still in need of CCSA (Year 7&8) helpers with transport next week. Please get in touch with Miss White courtneyw@reremoana.school.nz if you think you could help on the day.



Week 5

Tuesday 27th - MPSSA Swimming
Wednesday 28th - CCSA Swimming

Week 6

Monday 4th - CCSA Cricket

Week 7

Wednesday 13th - MPSSA Cricket

Week 9

Wednesday 27th - Reremoana In School Orienteering

Week 10

Thursday 4th - CCSA Football

TERM 1 IMPORTANT DATES

UPDATED WEEKLY

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 5 26 Feb - 1 Mar		MPSSA Swimming	CCSA Swimming Hui Māori Whānau	Y7/8 Technology @ Waimahia	
Week 6 4-8 Mar	CCSA Cricket	Support Team Meeting 7pm		Y7/8 Technology @ Waimahia Chinese Parent Meeting 7pm	House Spirit Day
Week 7 11-15 Mar			Goal Setting Conferences from 1pm	Y7/8 Technology @ Waimahia Goal Setting Conferences from 3pm	
Week 8 18-22 Mar			Polyfest Pacific People's Fono	Y7/8 Technology @ Waimahia	SATURDAY - Run Rewa
Week 9 25-29 Mar	Board of Trustees Meeting		Reremoana School Orienteering	Teacher Only Day	Easter Friday
Week 10 1-5 Apr	Easter Monday	Easter Tuesday (a holiday for schools)		Y7/8 Technology @ Waimahia CCSA Football	
Week 11 8-12 Apr				Y7/8 Technology @ Waimahia	End of Term

BOARD OF TRUSTEES NEWS

School Donations

At Reremoana School we are heavily reliant on school donations in order to provide all the opportunities for the students that we would wish to as we do not receive as much funding as many schools in lower socio-economic areas. We are not eligible to opt into the Governments 'donations' scheme where schools get \$150 per child instead of asking for a donation.

Money raised from donations will be put directly into supporting and enhancing classroom programmes, e.g. art supplies, sports equipment and reading books. Your children will benefit directly from the payment of school donations.

We all want our children to have the best opportunities while at Reremoana School. However to achieve this we need your support - through school donations and through support of the fundraising initiatives of the Support Team.

The Board of Trustees is asking families for the following amounts with a discount offered if paid by full by the end of term 1, or if having paid part of the donation in a payment plan.

One Child \$225 (or discounted rate of \$195 if paid in Term 1)

Two Children \$380 (or discounted rate of \$330 if paid in Term 1)

Three or more Children \$530 (or discounted rate of \$460 if paid in Term 1)

Payment of your donation can be made through HERO or you can pay by cash or internet banking. You may wish to pay by way of weekly, fortnightly or monthly payments and any donation amount is happily accepted.

Remember that 33% of any school donation made (over \$5) can be claimed as a rebate/tax credit from Inland Revenue by completing a tax credit form (and attaching the receipt), available from the IRD website or by using an agency like Supergenerous whom we have partnered with to either top up your donation to the school or claim it back for you.

All families who have paid their donations in full or shown a commitment to a regular payment plan during Term 1 will go into a draw to win a family voucher.

We thank you in advance for your support. To those who have already paid or begun to pay their 2024 donation - a very sincere thank you!

Kind regards

Reremoana School Board of Trustees

THANK YOU!

SUPPORT TEAM NEWS



Reremoana

PARENT SUPPORT TEAM

Meeting

TUESDAY 5TH MARCH - 7.30PM
STAFF ROOM

**COME ALONG TO DISCUSS UPCOMING EVENTS
FOR 2024**

NEW VOLUNTEERS ALWAYS WELCOME!

No pressure to commit to any events. Whatever your personality, lifestyle or schedule, there are many ways people can contribute.
Many hands make light work.



COMMUNITY NEWS

SATURDAY 23RD MARCH 2024 | 9AM - 1PM

Run Rewa

MANUREWA FUN RUN AND FUN FESTIVAL HOSTED BY WHAT HOPE COMMUNITY TRUST

RACE TIMES

Timed Run 9.00^{am}
7.5 km | See prices online

Run/Walk 9.15^{am}
7.5 km | FREE

Toddlers Dash 11.30^{am}
100 m | FREE

Fun Festival
10:00 am - 12:30 pm

WHERE

Start Line: Tington Wetlands Reserve, Wattle Downs
Finish Line: Wattle Farm Ponds Reserve
Fun Festival: Wattle Farm Ponds Reserve

REGISTER

for the run/walk at runrewa.co.nz



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WEDNESDAYS

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Coding Introduction**

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