



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, Ciao, おはよう (Ohayou), 안녕 Ahn Nyeong, Olá, Privet!, Xin Chào, Salam

It's that time of the year when teachers are finishing off written reports, reflecting on the year and the progress and achievements students have made - socially, emotionally and academically. We are always looking for ways to do things more effectively and efficiently and this year we are moving to sending out written reports digitally via email (in Years 3-8). This will enable parents to keep a digital copy on file and how much easier is it to forward to Grandma! For Year 0-2 this time your report will still be hardcopy because of the way student voice is recorded. Reports will be emailed out to the email addresses we have on our student management system, so **please let the office know if you have updated or alternative email address** you would like it sent to.

Parents of students in Year 7 and 8 will have had an experience of our trial of live/real time reporting in Technology this year. Real time reporting is more timely as there is no need to wait until either mid or end of year to find out how your child is progressing and what their next steps are. Assessment information can be shared more readily and in a wider variety of ways such as video, images, rubric/matrix/progressions. This allows greater collaboration and support between learners, school and whanau to strengthen partnerships in learning. We will be further exploring real time reporting in 2020.

Reports will be emailed out on Wednesday 11 December.

Julie Cowan

Principal

Learn, Grow, Succeed



Fun at the Kereru School
Camp last week



**Tui Team
Market Day**



**Crossing on
Scotsmoor**



**Kindness
Pays**



**Camp
Reports**

FINALLY! A Crossing!

After years of lobbying, we are so excited to announce that we are finally getting a new raised zebra crossing outside our school! The crossing will be located on Scotsmoor Drive, outside 1 Kirkaldy Street, taking students directly across to and from our main pedestrian gate.

Please be aware that there will be some disruption around our school as works get underway in 1-2 week's time. We ask that extra care and caution is given when driving, walking or cycling around our school.

As a school our next step will be to work with authorities to develop processes and systems around safe ways to use the crossing (including training road patrollers).



Prizegiving

As previously advised, we have made some changes to Prizegiving including acknowledging our Language of Learning - Learning to Learn, Learning Together, adding highly commended and outstanding progress awards to acknowledge a wider range of students, and introducing Cultural Leadership awards.

Curriculum awards (Literacy, Numeracy, Arts, Sport) are now awarded across year levels from Y1-8. (Previously Y1-4 were awarded in kaitiaki groups.) Our youngest learners' awards (Y0) will reflect the programme that runs in the Kiwi hub - including creativity and resilience.

In hubs students will be acknowledged for Kindness and Respect, Outstanding Progress (not restricted to academic) and Learning to Learn (learner agency, goal setting, resilience) Learning Together (positive participating/communicating, collaborating and encouraging).

Because of the significant increase in the number of awards, apart from senior trophies, all recipients will receive a certificate only.

Prizegiving is Friday December 13th

Junior (Y0-4) 9:30 start

Senior (Y5-8) 12:30 start



Kindness Really Does Pay!

Last year through our PB4L (Behaviour ABCs) programmes, we put a strong focus on kindness across our school. For example you may recall the "Kindness Coupons" we put in place to reduce unkind behaviours by encouraging kindness instead.

One of the ways we have been able to specifically measure the impact of this, is through data we obtain from a survey call the "Wellbeing at School" survey. In this survey, Y5-8 students respond to questions in a range of areas, one in specific regard to what the survey terms 'aggressive student culture'. This aspect explores students' perceptions of the extent to which aggressive and bullying behaviours occur at school. They respond to questions such as: *Do other students leave you out or ignore you on purpose, do other students say mean things about your family and your culture, do other students hit, push or hurt you in a mean way.*

Comparing the data from 2018 to 2019, we are delighted to note a significant drop in the frequency of these behaviours.

That is not to say we are perfect; there will always be situations that arise at school that we will need to investigate and address. We encourage you or your child to please let an adult they trust at school know of they are feeling unsafe or unhappy,

Please also continue to acknowledge and encourage kind behaviours; a little kindness goes such a long way!



Catch up on measles vaccination

The measles outbreak is continuing, so it's still important to catch up on your children's vaccinations.

Children will get very sick with measles.

They also can miss school activities like sports, concerts and camps.

The friends of a child with measles may also have to stay at home if they are unvaccinated.

See your doctor - it's FREE.

Do it now, so measles doesn't interfere with end-of-year activities and get-togethers.

If you suspect measles please stay at home and call your doctor or Healthline (0800 611 116) for advice.

Measles info at: arphs.health.nz/measles

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Camp Reports

Tui Team Camp is held every 2 years. This year we tried out a new camp facility - CYC Ngaruawahia. The camp facilities were excellent and the three days we were there were action-packed with activities such as crate climb, Burma trail, toasting marshmallows, kayaking, raft building, mud sliding, BMXing and so so much more. For most students in Tui Team, it was their first camp experience so there was some homesickness, however, we used our resilience and pushed through. We practised our collaboration during camp skits and the team-building course and reflected on our not so great raft building skills. We asked lots of questions about what we were having for dinner!

Lots of learning and new experiences were had by ALL and we ALL came back very tired!

Can't wait to do it all again in 2021.

Marama Crosby

Kereru Camp 2019 (Peter Snell Youth Village)

This year the Kereru Team was privileged to have the opportunity to spend four days at Peter Snell Youth Village, in Whangaparaoa. The first two days of camp were spent doing the group activities, which were: Confidence Course, Initiative Course, Masterchef, Hobo Stoves, Rifles, Archery, and Slingshot Paintball.

On the first night we started on the waterslide (this was every night) - everyone had to go two times from halfway before going from the top.

We also had the Burma Trail that night; each group was sent down the hill, from the hall to the archery station, where Mr Fourie was waiting for us.

Blindfolded in a dark forest, we made our way around the track, all the while getting scared by parents and teachers, falling and tripping over. Our screams were heard throughout the bush. On the second night, we had the Talent Quest, and our group line dances. Congratulations to Happie Nappies, Tutira Mai Nga Iwi, and Radioactive, who won these competitions.

On the third day, we took a trip to Snowplanet. The day was spent with lessons, skiing, snowboarding, and eating the delicious food they provided. That night we also had the Y Games, the Golden Oldies (parents) won with 460 points, Cheetos came second with 230 points.

On the last day, we had the Top Class event. Each class had to choose a certain amount of people to do each activity. Room 8 had been coming last/third the whole time, with Room 7 in the lead, but at the end Room 8 came back and won it. We would like to give a huge thanks to Mr Fourie for



organising this week, the fantastic parents who helped and a big thank you to Gordon, Patty and the amazing chefs/staff, for making a memorable experience, we appreciate it very much, thank you.

Elisa Prattley



Tui Team Market Day

The Tui Team Market Day is coming up on 28 November. We are holding our Market Day because doing good is good to do! Students have selected and researched a charity. They have picked their charities based on their own personal values and things they hold close to their heart - animals, environment, homeless, asthma, disabilities, etc.

Our Market day will start at lunch time. Students must buy market day dollars via Kindo to purchase any of the various goods on sale. Stalls will include sweets, games, raffles and much more!

All money and proceeds will be donated to their selected charity. Items range from \$1:00-\$7:00.



Waste Free Survey

We would love you to take part in a survey to gauge support in promoting waste free lunches. *Thanks to the people who have already done this.*

In Term 3 we conducted a rubbish audit. We discovered that a large portion of our school waste was paper (that we recycle at school); food waste (that we are encouraging being put in compost bins) and plastic packaging (that ends up in landfill). It was also a chance to see the amount of wasted food eg whole fruit and sandwiches that children threw into the red rubbish bins.

Please follow [this link](#) to complete the survey so we can see if there would be community support to send all non-compostable lunch box waste home.

Each survey completed will earn house points for your child's house team. The survey closes December 1.

Athletics Day Records

In our last school newsletter we published the results from our recent Athletics Day. We can now confirm new records that were set on the day:

Long Jump

6 year old girls Amanda
8 year old girls Unaisi
11 year old girls Tayla
12 year old girls Jazmyn

Discus

5 year old boys Kairav
5 year old girls Savannah
11 year old girls Kerah

100m Sprints

8 year old girls Unaisi

200m - Sprints

13 year old boys Dylan

Shotput

8 year old girls Unaisi
11 year old boys Levi

CONGRATULATIONS!

Musiqhub Concert

Saturday 23rd Nov 2019

We are pleased to present to you our annual student concert which feature guitar and ukulele student from Reremoana School. It's a free concert so all are welcome. Please come and join us for this fun and memorable event. Here are the details:

Date: Saturday 23rd Nov 2019

Time: Show Starts at 5pm, Door opens at 4.30pm.

Venue: C3 Church Ellerslie Auditorium

Address: 20 Cawley St, Ellerslie, Auckland 1051

Ticket: Free admission

Parking: Plenty of free on site sheltered parking available

Please contact Lih Foo (Guitar and ukulele teacher) at lih.foo@musiqhub.co.nz for more details.

BYOD Chromebooks Y4-8



Parents wishing to purchase a chromebook for their child, particularly those entering Y4, can of course purchase them anywhere. The school does recommend PB Tech and encourages that this page be visited to check the deals specifically for Reremoana School:

<https://www.pbtech.co.nz/education/byod/reremoana-primary-school>

Information regarding BYOD has been sent home to all families with a child moving into Y4, and it can also be found [here](#).

Please be sure to purchase a CHROMEBOOK - some retailers try and sell other devices e.g. laptop and these are not permissible.

Yearbook Order Deadline

Have you pre ordered your 2019 Yearbook - \$25 through the school shop (KINDO) The deadline for ordering is **Friday 29th November!** Order forms will come home this week if you would prefer to order that way. Just send the slip and your \$25 along to your child's Kaitiaki. There will be limited copies again this year, don't miss out!

Term Dates 2020

Term 1 - Monday February 3rd - Thurs 9 April (Easter)

Term 2 - Tues 28 April (ANZAC) - Fri 3 July

Term 3 - Mon 20 July - Fri 25 Sept

Term 4 - Mon 12 Oct - end date to be confirmed*

* pending confirmation of Teacher Only Days

The 2019 school year ends on Tuesday December 17th at 1 pm.

Board of Trustees News

Representative Sports/Opportunities

The Board of Trustees, as part of our community consultation, are undertaking a survey around representative sports. We have randomly selected 25% of families with students in Year 4 and above to complete this survey. If you have been selected you will have been notified last week. We really appreciate your time to complete this survey and provide valuable information.

Co-opted Board Member

The Board of Trustees would like to advise the school community that we have co-opted Sharon Paewhenua on to the board. Sharon has extensive experience with finances both in the corporate world and from sitting on the BOT finance subcommittee during the last 3 year BOT term. We would like to thank Sharon for her willingness to join the current BOT and bringing her valuable expertise to the school.



CHRISTMAS GIVING



Christmas is a time for giving, but for many the stark reality is that this time of the year can be a burden for families to even provide the bare necessities.

This year Reremoana School is proudly partnering with Feed the Need to give back to our local communities. We will be taking donations for Christmas Food Hampers.

Below is a Wish List of items we will be collecting, however if you would like to donate your own food hamper or any other food items that is also welcomed and warmly appreciated.

WISH LIST

Please drop items to the school office. Donations will be collected and delivered by Feed the Need on December 12th 2019

COLLECTION 1 | 18TH NOV

BREAKFAST ITEMS

Cereals, Spreads etc.

COLLECTION 2 | 25TH NOV

CANNED GOODS

Fruit, Tuna, Tomatoes etc.

COLLECTION 3 | 02ND DEC

DRY GOODS

Rice, Pasta, Flour etc.

COLLECTION 4 | 09TH DEC

TREAT ITEMS



FEED THE NEED HAVE BEEN PROVIDING FOOD IN SCHOOLS SINCE 2012 AND RECENTLY STARTING PĀTAKA KURA. PĀTAKA ARE FOOD PANTRIES LOCATED AT SCHOOLS WHERE STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES CAN ACCESS FOOD IN A FAMILIAR AND SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT. IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT FEED THE NEED HEAD TO WWW.FEEDTHENEED.CO.NZ

Counties Manukau Christmas Prezzie Drive

Public Health Nursing is a service within Counties Manukau District Health that works with children of all ages from birth up until adulthood. Our team of volunteers at "Counties Manukau Christmas Prezzie Drive" has organised Christmas presents for children in our community who otherwise would not receive anything, for the past 9 years.

If you would like to donate to our drive, please purchase a gift clearly labelled with an age and gender (0-18) and get it to your closest drop off point **Reremoana School** before December 15th 2019. We encourage you to place your gift in a reusable Santa sack or gift bag with the aim of being more environmentally friendly and also as a lot of wrapped presents tend to end up ripped or crumpled in transit.

We would like to thank you for all your continued support and overwhelming generosity. Christmas can be a really tough time for some families and your support ensures that every child can celebrate and experience Christmas joy. If you have any questions or would like to see all the presents together at the end, please like and follow our Facebook page "[Counties Manukau Christmas Prezzie drive](#)"

