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6th November 2024

Week 8

Principal Report

The bulk of the year is done and dusted and we are into the last two weeks of school. This week has been a scorcher and the children have been swimming at lunch and during class times. Next week we are getting ready for end of year celebrations and catching up on some of our passion project work. Remember if you can spare some non perishable grocery items (check expiry dates) please drop them in for our fishing competition wheelbarrow raffle. 😊

Community BBQ get together Friday 13th 5pm - late

A reminder that there will be a community get together BBQ each month at the Domain.

All welcome 😊

Swimming pool

We are busy getting the pool all ready for our swimming season and it is ready to go and now being used every day. A huge thank you to Rodger Scott for hooking the boiler up to the pool. This takes the chill off the water and stops the children's teeth chattering. Our "Making the Difference" swimming programme will commence next week, a big thank you to Swim Rotorua for making this happen.

Swimming pool keys

We have only had two families interested to date, we need at least 10 families to keep the pool running.

Please get in touch if you would like to hire a pool key for access over the summer period.

The pool would be open from the 21st Dec only to those who hire new keys. Key hire is \$60.00 each, which includes a \$20.00 bond refunded upon return of the key by the end of Term 1 2025. This helps to offset the cost of chemicals etc over the holiday period. Keys will be available for pick up between 13th - 18th Dec. The key is for your use only and not to be loaned out. If we do not get enough interest the pool will be closed over the summer holidays.

Affco Cash for Schools -THANK YOU!

Whoop whoop! \$250.40 has been received due to the following farms who nominated our school for the cash for schools programme run by AFFCO.

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Thank you so much for continuing your support!



REREWHAKAAITU COMMUNITY IS HOSTING A

CHRISTMAS Party

COME JOIN US FOR

FOOD FRIENDS RIPPA RUGBY FUN

FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER

FROM 5PM (DINNER AROUND 6PM)
REREWHAKAAITU DOMAIN

DINNER PROVIDED
NON ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE
BYO DRINKS OPTIONAL
A GAME OF RIPPA WILL BE RUNNING FOR THE KIDS
GAMES & SPOT PRIZES FOR THE KIDS
MONSTER SLIP & SLIDE (BRING TOWLES)
KOHA APPRECIATED BUT NOT EXPECTED

PLEASE RSVP JACINDA
022 303 6538
IF YOU DONT RSVP - WE WILL HAVE EXTRAS SO POP ON DOWN

Lake Rerewhakaaitu School PTA Presents:

2025 Annual Fishing & Eeling Competition

1st Place Adults \$500 Cash Prize
1st Place Youth \$250 Cash Prize
1st Place Child \$100 Voucher
Major cash prizes proudly sponsored by DKH Contracting Ltd

Entry Fees:
Adults \$25
Youth 12-18 years \$15
Child 0-11 years \$10

Date: 11th & 12th January 2025
Time: Start 6am on the 11th
Finish 3pm on the 12th
Following by Prize Giving and Dinner at the Rerewhakaaitu Domain from 5pm on the 12th.

Get in quick! Entries are limited to the first 100 entries!

For more information please visit our Facebook page or email pta@lakerere.school.nz

Fishing Competition 2025

Entry forms are available for our 2025 Fishing Competition being held on the 11-12th January. Get in quick as we can only accept 100 competitors.

Entry forms are available in the office or on our website: https://www.lakerere.school.nz/files/Fishing_Competition_Entry_Form_2025.pdf

Dates to Remember	Parent help required	✓
9- 13 Dec	Swim programme	
Wed 11 Dec	Board Meeting 7pm	
Fri 13 Dec	Community BBQ	
Tue 17 Dec	Rerewhakaaitu Hall & Domain AGM	
Thu 19 Dec	Celebration of Learning 11am	
Fri 20 Dec	Term 4 Ends	
Mon 30 Dec	Rerewhakaaitu Rodeo	✓
Fri 7th Feb	Term 1 starts	

TUPU

Fact of the week: Swimming has been a part of the Olympics since the very first games in 1896. Men have been able to compete in the popular sport since the beginning, while women were finally able to join in 1912.

The pool opened on Monday and the class LOVED cooling off in the afternoons. The class have had a great time splashing and floating around, some have even ventured down to the (slightly) deeper end of the pool. The pool is heated and the class does not want to get out when our time slot is over; and I don't blame them. Next week we will have the swim instructors from town coming out to give us some fun swimming lessons.



We have continued with our reading, writing, and maths programmes this week and we will be slowly integrating them into our end of year and Christmas fun over the next two weeks. We will also be having Mrs Arnott, Tupu's 2025 teacher, come and spend the mornings with us for the final two weeks. I am really excited to have her join us so she can see the children I'm always bragging about in action! I know the class is going to love having an extra teacher in the class and showing off how clever they all are. Jasmine



Thank you!

Our lovely local flower lady is kindly donating to school fresh flowers straight from

the blooming fridge

@193 BRETT ROAD,
GREEN FRIDGE JUST IN
DRIVEWAY TO YOUR RIGHT

MAHURI

Students in Mahuri have been learning to identify how toys have changed from 'the past to our present' this week. On Thursday, we had a combined class of Rakau and Mahuri students, while others were away at cluster athletics in Reporoa.



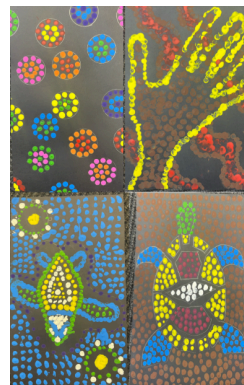
This was a great opportunity to utilise the tuakana-teina relationship and draw on the knowledge and skills of our senior school members to guide the younger members. We split into two groups, with a focus for one on 'old toys' and the other group deciding what were 'new toys'. There was a research project on one particular toy that the senior boys thoroughly enjoyed participating in. Nga mihi, Whaea Kylie.

RAKAU

Kia Ora Koutou Katoa,

Rakau has had a great week of learning. Last Friday we continued to define our art skills and looked at the Aboriginal art form. Students produced some awesome dot art paintings in various colours and themes. A HUGE congratulations to Eva-Rose Hale, Callum Koekemoer and Hemi Dawson who represented our school at CBOP Athletics in Rotorua on Wednesday. This week we have been hitting the pool daily and it is great to see all students with their togs! If possible, investing in goggles before the start of next term would really benefit your child's growth in swimming ability.

Have a safe and happy weekend! Nga mihi, Natalie Gow



REREWHAKAAITU DOMAIN AND HALL AGM

TO BE HELD AT THE DOMAIN



7PM

17TH DEC 2024

Attendance by a representative from each group that uses these facilities would be great.

Automatic External Defibrillator

The Automatic External Defibrillator that is situated at the Hall is locked. If you have an emergency where you need to access the machine, dial 111 and they will give you the pass code that will open the cabinet.



There is also a fully automatic defibrillator available at Trevor & Harriet Hamilton's residence 803 Ashpit Road, around the back side of Lake Rerewhakaaitu. Because this defibrillator is fully automatic no training is required simply turn on and place the pads on the patient, the device takes over.

This defibrillator is registered with St John. The Defibrillator is positioned at the front door under the porch and is in a non-coded box for quick access.

These machines can help to save lives and the St Johns statistics show why we need an AED:

1. Each year more than **2,000 New Zealanders** will suffer a **cardiac arrest** outside of hospital
2. For **72%** of cardiac arrests a **bystander** will perform CPR
3. People may show no warnings or prior symptoms and **12% survive** to hospital discharge following a cardiac arrest
4. Use of an AED within 3-5 min of collapse can increase the **chance of survival by up to 44%**

REREWHAKAAITU RODEO

60th ANNIVERSARY

DEC 30TH 2024

ADULTS \$20
CHILDREN: 5-15YEARS \$10
FAMILY PASS: 2 ADULTS 2 CHILDREN \$40
UNDER 5s FREE

GATES OPEN AT 8AM | STARTS AT 9AM

REREWHAKAAITU DOMAIN

CASH ONLY

FOR MORE INFORMATION & UPDATES FOLLOW US ON FB & INSTAGRAM
— NO GLASS NO DOGS —

JOIN US FOR SOME CHRISTMAS FUN
AT....

REPOROA HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY 18TH DECEMBER
THURSDAY 19TH DECEMBER
FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER
MONDAY 23RD DECEMBER

9AM-3PM
@ REPOROA COLLEGE HALL

HALF DAY (9AM-12:30PM) \$25
FULL DAY \$40 PER CHILD

Join "Reporoa Holiday Programme" on Facebook for photos and details!

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Please put your hands together
 🙌🙌🙌 Last week's certificates went to:



Leon San Pedro for becoming a more active member and communicator in class.

Eleanor Dyson for her improvement with her story writing and editing.

Quinton Collier - for his fantastic effort in shot put at the Reporoa Cluster Athletics Day event.

Te Ngahere Redmond - for his honesty when explaining his feelings about a situation and resilience to move forward afterwards.

Ryan Schutt - showing great perseverance.

Chase Roberts - being a great leader and role model to his fellow students!

The Principal Certificate went to: **Monique Sterkenburg** for whanaungatanga and respect
 ✨ Ka pai ka rawe! ✨



House Points

Each week we give out a house cup to the house that's in the lead. Students can earn house points by following our school rules, values, being on task and even when they get caught being awesome.

Our house leaders are:

Tarawera Bryce & Chase

Kakaramea Callum

Congratulations to our house winner for our last week... ➡



🥳 Caught Being Awesome of the week 🥳

"Caught Being Awesome" awards are given out to students of Lake Rerewhakaaitu School at playtime. Students can earn them by following our school values, being a good friend and following the school rules.

These awards then go into either the senior or junior bucket, then at Fridays assemblies all get read out and one from each drawn out as our super star recipient.



Last week our Caught Being Awesome recipients were...

Junior - **Quinton Collier**

Senior - **Addison Banfield**

Kotui Ako Virtual Learning Network Aotearoa

Congratulations to Callum, Bryce, Caitlin Chase and Rebecca for their excellent work in Literacy and German, and Cooper for excellent work in German.

Kōtui Ako VLN is a collaborative network of Primary and Secondary schools and kura serving Years 0 – 13, who work together to improve access to educational opportunities for their learners, via the online environment.

Online classes take place in real time once a week through Zoom web conferencing. Students then spend another 30 minutes per week working on independent activities. This time is flexibly scheduled in school and supported by resources in Google Classroom or Seesaw.



Wishing you all a fabulous weekend!