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# Principal Report

Term 2 2025  
Week 7

Kia ora e te whānau,

WOW what a week! The flu bug has certainly decided to grace us with its presence this week. On one day we had four staff members and 13 children away sick. However, the remaining staff did a fantastic job of making sure the children who were at school got the same level of care and academic nourishment that they would always get. This is due to our culture within our school of "Our Children". Children will come home with Hi-Vis vests today. These are to keep our tamariki visible coming to and from school. Whether they catch the bus or walk to school, this will help them stand out - especially on those foggy and rainy mornings. Be Bright - wear Hi Vis to be seen!!

Our school sleepover will run from 3.00pm Wednesday 18th June 2025 until 9.00am Thursday 19th June 2025. This will be a fun night for children to experience an adventure in school with their friends. Activities will include playing board games, charades, spotlight, watching a movie and reading time etc, depending on the weather.

As this is part of our celebration for Matariki, we will have a breakfast of pancakes etc and a kite day on Thursday 19th. **feel free to come and join us for breakfast :)** Information for the sleepover went home with the eldest children yesterday.

**Please complete the consent form via Skool Loop by 3pm Tuesday 17th June 2025, or return the physical form - spares are available in the office.**

Our next Board meeting will be held this Tuesday, 17th June at 7pm in the staffroom. If you are interested to become a board member this is an excellent opportunity to see what it is all about. Please note non-members do not have speaking rights.

**Don't forget due Monday 23rd June is a Teacher Only Day.**



**Get your Order Forms in now!**

The Amazing Race is next week, Saturday 21st June starting at 1pm from the Domain. The theme is 'Nature'. \$40 for a team. We will have some good old riddles to solve, along with some activities that you will need to complete at each station.

Prize giving at 4pm and the Meet and Greet will start at 5pm.

**Get your entries in by Monday 16th June.**

Spare copies are available in the office and on our website, under Publications.

**Any upcoming students / new entrants?** If you have any children due to turn 5 over the next year, or new families moving into the area, can you please drop in or call to let us know (if you haven't advised us already). This will enable us to get an idea for student numbers and planning.



Our school is the hub for Civil Defence. Each Wednesday we have students call in to the Civil Defence centre in Rotorua. We are wanting to form a small committee with locals to see how we can better protect our community by updating our civil defence list, equipment, supplies and contacts. We NEED helpers, if you can lend a hand this please contact us at school.

## Attendance

**Attendance - Our 2025 Target is:** To improve attendance and engagement to 75% of students attending 90% or higher.

We are currently sitting at 70% of students at 90% attendance or above

Last weeks absentees:

Rakau 83.5% attendance

Mahuri 96.4% attendance

Tupu 83.6% attendance

We have four students with 100% attendance for the year to date. Excellent effort to those students and whanau for ensuring your tamariki are attending school each day.

**Principals award**



Johannah for perseverance

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## Office Hours

Monday: 9.00am - 3.00pm

Tuesday: 9.00am - 3.00pm

Thursday: 9.00am - 12.30pm

Friday: 9.00am - 3.00pm

## Important dates

### June

- Tue 17 Board Meeting 7pm
- Wed 18 Whole school sleepover
- Fri 20 Matariki Statutory Holiday
- Sat 21 Amazing Race/Welcome in
- Mon 23 LRS Teacher Only Day
- Tue 24 BOP Cross Country. PP 26th
- Fri 27 Term 2 Ends

### July

- Mon 14 Term 3 Starts
- Wed 16 PTA Meeting 7pm
- Wed 23 Board Meeting 7pm

## Seasonal Updates, Anytime



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Kia ora, koutou,

## TUPU

This week in Tupu we have dabbled with paper crafts, painting, and building-block challenges.

Last week some of us made a three-dimensional garden using paper which we cut, folded and curled to make grass and flowers. This week we painted avocado in shades of blue and green with stripes and dots.

With our BSLA literacy programme, Tupu children will only bring home one book to read per week. Children are encouraged to read the book several times over the week and do some of the additional activities from the inside back cover of the book. Repetition gives students multiple chances to learn their focus letters and words, and also helps build fluency in their reading. Happy reading!

Kia pai tō rā.  
Tupu Class

## CLASS Snippets

Kia ora whānau,

## MAHURI

This week the Year 2 students in Mahuri have enjoyed the learning opportunity to recall addition facts up to 10, and to explore addition facts up to 20 and their corresponding subtraction facts (families of facts), including doubles and halves.

Our Year 3 students have explored a similar learning experience, but with recalling addition facts up to 20 and their corresponding subtraction facts.

Finally, in Mathematics, the Year 4 students have had the chance to add and subtract two- and three-digit numbers. Exploring various strategies to solve a mathematical problem has been a great opportunity for our students to practise their perseverance and feel a sense of achievement!

Ka kite anō,  
Whaea Kylie

Last week Paige and I went to the Hillary Outdoors Camp, on Thursday we had a long day. After breakfast we went to the storage rooms and got everything we needed, after that we walked down these long steps that were steep. Then we got to the abseil, it was 25 Metres high. My turn was 5th and I nearly slipped and hit my shoulder. When we all got to the bottom we had to spell out "heck yeah" with our bodies. Afterwards, we went to the toilets and somebody was in the toilet and a rat jumped out of the wall and all we heard was screaming. Afterwards we went in the vans and went into the bush. When we were in the vans we were listening to pink pony club and california girls. When we were in the bush we slipped and got stuck in a drain so then we went and got to the caves and Me and Upiata got tackled and sat on by our leader seb because we were throwing mud at him. By DC

Kia Ora Koutou Katoa,

## RAKAU

Rakau were lucky enough to have some of our Tupu buddies in our class on Monday and Tuesday. We read a story called 'The Boat Race' which is from the fast phonics series.

The story followed a class who designed their own boats, so we did the same! Students were divided into 6 groups, one student from Tupu, and 3-4 from Rakau. We co-constructed Boat Criteria as follows: The boat must float for a minimum of 60 seconds, everyone in the group must attach something to form your boat, boat length much be longer than 10cm and shorter than 30cm, every boat must have a sail and every boat must have a name.

Students designed and came up with the concept of their boats, they were presented with a table of object to use. All groups had 45 minutes to constructed their boats. ALL boats floated for 60 seconds, but we still need to work on measurement... Check out the photos of some of our creations!

Have a safe, dry and happy weekend.

Ngā mihi,  
Miss Gow





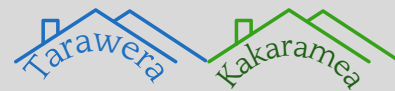
# CONGRATULATIONS



## LAST WEEKS CERTIFICATES WENT TO:

Soul and Everlyn-Mae for demonstrating manaakitanga—being kind and helpful class members. Lucy – for showing courage when participating in the Cluster Cross Country event. Eleanor – demonstrating whanaungatanga by helping others at school and home. Flynn – having an amazing attitude towards learning. Hades – having an amazing attitude towards learning.

# 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.

House Captains are;

Tarawera - Chase & Jonty

Kakarama - Ryan & Taituha

Congratulations to our house winner for last week

## 🌟 Caught being Awesome 🌟

"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.

Our Caught Being Awesome recipients are...



## Can you help? HOUSE TO RENT WANTED

We have a lovely family of four looking for a home to rent in the Rerewhakaaitu area. If you or anyone you know have one available, please get in touch with school.

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Email: [office@lakerere.school.nz](mailto:office@lakerere.school.nz)



## A WARM WELCOME

A warm welcome to

**Tukaha**

and his whanau who are new to our school community. We wish you a wonderful new journey here at Lake Rerewhakaaitu School

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF: PROJECT REREWHAKAAITU INC.

WILL BE HELD AT THE  
REREWHAKAAITU DOMAIN

Guest Speaker  
Doug Leeder - Chairman  
Bay of Plenty Regional  
Council

7PM  
WEDNESDAY  
2<sup>ND</sup> JULY 2025

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Are you considering secondary options for your child in 2026? We warmly invite you to our Information Evening to learn more about what makes Reporoa College a supportive, inclusive, and future-focused environment for young learners.

Date: Wednesday 18th June

Time: 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Location: Reporoa College Staffroom

What to Expect:

- Meet our Principal, teaching staff, and current students
- Explore our Year 9 curriculum and enrichment opportunities
- Learn about pastoral care, rural bus services, and extracurricular options
- Ask questions in a relaxed, friendly environment

Whether you are a local family or new to the area, come and see how Reporoa College nurtures confident, connected learners in a close-knit rural setting.

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