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# Principal Report

Term 2 2026  
Week 7

*"He waka eke noa" - we are all in this together*

I have had the pleasure of teaching in both Tupu and Rakau classes this week. With our termly focus on Civics and Society it was interesting to notice the progress of learning from Y0-1 to Y5-8. We are still learning about the same concepts, the same strategies and what we need to consider when working in groups. We need to have respect for each other, we can disagree on subjects and topics but we need to approach this with empathy and be respectful of each other. This is also true for any groups connected to the school and in the community.

We are what our children present to the rest of the world, we are the models for the behaviour we see. You as their parents/ whanau are a child's first teacher, what you do and say will be reflected in your child.

This is why it's so important to have strong reciprocal school/ whanau relationships. We spend a lot of time on behaviour management in class and your support when we are dealing with these is incredibly important. We as teachers spend years learning how to teach the curriculum, it has to be a united front when dealing with negative behaviours, as the message has to be consistent from home to school and back for any real difference to be made to improve classroom culture.

A warm welcome to our new families who have moved into our school & community. We hope you enjoy your new adventures here in Rerewhakaaitu.

Letters are going home with those who qualified for the BOP Cross Country Champs. This event is to be held on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June at Waipuna.

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June & Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June. Interviews are 15 minutes each. Appointment times are available now via the SKOOL Loop app, or get in touch with school. On the Tuesday, school will finish at 12.00pm. You will need to advise us if you are not able to collect your children at 12.00pm, so we can plan accordingly. Buses will run as usual at 3pm.

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**Emotional regulation doesn't mean being calm all the time.**

Big feelings are part of being human

Emotional regulation isn't:	Emotional regulation can look like:
Never feeling angry	Feeling emotions safely
Always being calm	Letting others know how they're feeling
Shutting emotions down	Recovering after hard moments
Perfect behaviour all the time	Asking for help
Always being compliant	Taking space when needed
	Reconnecting after conflict
	Learning with support
	Advocating for themselves and others

Tamariki learn regulation through relationships  
When tamariki feel understood and supported during big emotions, they gradually build the skills to regulate them.

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Have you got old phones lying around or hiding in drawers? You can recycle your old phones here at school. Feel free to drop off any unused phones into the box in the foyer. They will be sent off to be refurbished and reused or recycled. This initiative has raised 2.5 million dollars for NZ charities!

**Ikura**  
Manaakitia te whare tangata  
Period Products in Schools

A reminder that we have a variety of free Period products available for ākonga to use at school and at home. Students can take as many as they need for their full cycle and ongoing cycles. These are in the sickbay, staff toilet or contact Carla in the office. For more information check out [healthnavigator.org.nz](http://healthnavigator.org.nz) and search "Menstruation"

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www.lakerere.school.nz

## 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

Fri 5 Fluro Disco - St Johns  
 Wed 10 Board Meeting 7pm  
 Fri 12 Scholastic Book orders due  
 Tue 16 Interviews 1.00 - 5.30pm  
 Wed 17 Interviews 3.40 - 5.30pm  
 Tue 30 BOP Cross Country champs

### July

Wed 1 KapaHaka/Cultural Festival  
 Thu 2 Matariki Sleepover  
 Fri 3 Term 2 Ends  
 Mon 20 Term 3 Starts  
 Wed 29 Board Meeting 7pm

**FINAL NOTICE**

Has someone misplaced their glasses? We found a pair on the field after the Fun Run. Please come to the office if they are yours

**Issue 4 Open Now!** Earn a **\$5 DISCOUNT CODE**

**Book Club**

*Kei te whakatakataka a matou ākonga mo nga ahei a toa wa  
Preparing our students for the possibilities of tomorrow*

Kia ora, koutou,

# TUPU

Tupu students are working hard to learn long vowel sounds such as 'ee' and 'oo' as well as split vowels: 'i\_e' as in hide or time, and 'o\_e' as in home. We're also learning about consonant blends like 'fl' and 'gr'. We really enjoy playing our memory word games where we try to find the matching words hidden under the coloured squares on the screen. The matching words are root words and suffixes. We've learnt about the suffixes 's', 'ed', 'es' and 'ing'. We also like putting words into sentences and talking about how the suffixes change the meaning of the word in the sentence.

Kia pai tō rā,  
Tupu Class.

At Bricks club we are learning how to listen, how to take turns and how to delegate tasks. We are also learning resilience, positive communication all while practicing patience. We have an Engineer, a parts manager, and a builder. Together we build different types of lego models.

This is Mana, Dustin and Tawhiorangi. They have successfully built a Jeep. The caravan trailer is in the process of being built. Well done Team Tupu!

Kia ora koutou,

In Mahuri, we have been developing our reading skills by learning how to use phonics, word parts, and word knowledge to read and understand unfamiliar words. We have practised reading accurately, smoothly, and with expression, while also building our understanding of what we read. Our older learners have been exploring multi-syllable words, word origins, and context clues to work out the meanings of new vocabulary. It has been wonderful to see our taura growing in confidence and independence as readers and discovering books that spark their interests.

Ngā mihi,  
Whaea Kylie.

# MAHURI

IN RĀKAU THIS WEEK, OUR READING LEARNING HAS FOCUSED ON BEING RESPONSIBLE WITH OUR LAND AND THE RESOURCES WE USE EVERY DAY. WE HAVE EXPLORED QUESTIONS SUCH AS: HOW MUCH DO WE USE? HOW CAN WE CONTRIBUTE POSITIVELY? WHAT DOES A BALANCED AND SUSTAINABLE USE OF LAND AND RESOURCES LOOK LIKE? THROUGH STORIES, DISCUSSIONS, AND READING ACTIVITIES, STUDENTS HAVE BEEN THINKING ABOUT THE CHOICES PEOPLE MAKE AND THE IMPACT THESE CHOICES HAVE ON THE ENVIRONMENT.

WE HAVE ALSO MADE CONNECTIONS BETWEEN THESE IDEAS AND OUR OWN RESPONSIBILITIES IN EVERYDAY LIFE. STUDENTS RECOGNISED THAT JUST AS WE HAVE RESPONSIBILITIES TO CARE FOR OUR LAND AND RESOURCES, WE ALSO HAVE RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE CLASSROOM, SUCH AS LOOKING AFTER OUR LEARNING ENVIRONMENT, BEING RESPECTFUL, AND CONTRIBUTING POSITIVELY TO OUR COMMUNITY.

WHEN REFLECTING ON READING, MANY STUDENTS SHARED THAT THEY ENJOY READING BECAUSE IT FEELS "PEACEFUL" AND "NICE." THEY ESPECIALLY ENJOY READING STORIES, AS THEY FIND THEM ENGAGING, ENJOYABLE, AND RELAXING.

# RAKAU

# SPREAD Kindness



# CONGRATULATIONS



## LAST WEEKS CLASS CERTIFICATES WENT TO:

Tawhiorangi for helping others in class. Tukaha for working hard on his maths problems. Rangī-Ataahua - Nau mai, haere mai. We're so glad to have you with us and we look forward to learning and growing together through the year. Koven for your engagement and striving within mathematics. Hohepa, Te Ahu, and Hine for settling into class so positively and showing perseverance and kindness

# 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 - Te Ngahere & Flynn  
Kakaramea - Taituha & Nikau

Congratulations to our house winner from our latest assembly...



# 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...



# Attendance

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

We are currently sitting at 65% of students at 90% attendance or above. Last weeks results:

- Rakau 88% attendance
- Mahuri 87% attendance
- Tupu 93% attendance

And the Winner is...

**TUPU!**

We currently have 9 students with 100% attendance this year. Excellent effort to those students and their whanau for ensuring your tamariki are attending school each day.

We still have outstanding payments from RATS Duathlon and the Mini Marathon.

Please make payment ASAP to:  
Lake Rerewhakaaitu School  
06 0413 0239124 00

Please put your child's name and the event as the reference and code.

# Hato Hone St John Annual Appeal

Right now we need to raise funds to help build and repair ambulance stations across the country.

Please give generously this Annual Appeal to help Light the Way.

**Donate now**



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<https://lighttheway.stjohn.org.nz/lake-rerewhakaaitu-school>

*Light the way Annual Appeal*



Hato Hone St John does not provide ambulance services to the Region of Waikato.

Hato Hone St John

Get your fluoro ready!! Our DISCO is tonight! All profits will go to the Hato Hone St John Appeal. Not going to the disco? You can still support this detrimental service by scanning the QR code

## When behaviour feels hard - try a HOLT check-in

Sometimes behaviour is a clue that our tamariki need some support.



**H Hungry**  
Have they eaten enough kai?



**O Overstimulated or overwhelmed**  
Has their brain had too much input, noise, socialising, pressure, and not enough downtime?

**L Lonely**  
Are they needing attention, connection or co-regulation?



**T Tired**  
Are they emotionally or physically running low?

**Behaviour is communication**

Curiosity helps us understand what may be happening underneath.

*A calm, connected response helps tamariki feel safer, understood and more able to regulate.*

Inspired by the HOLT self-check framework. Adapted by Neil Parsons

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### Booking Interviews with THE SKOOL LOOP APP

Download The Skool Loop App. A simple 100% free download. In Google Play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our school once installed.

- 1 Tap the Bookings button
- 2 Select a schedule
- 3 Select a date
- 4 Select a teacher
- 5 Select a time
- 6 Complete the booking form



You will receive a Success notification once you have submitted your booking

## Up-coming Camps

### Outdoors Overnight. EDVENTURE Co. NZ


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**July Edventure - Camp NZ (7-13yr olds)**

- based at Ngamuwahine Tauranga,
- Mon 13th - Fri 17th July 2026. \$595 (5 days)
- 50 Spaces available on the bus.
- Pick ups from Hamilton and BOP
- OSCAR available



## Parent to Parent

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Meet with other parents and carers who know what it's like to care for a disabled child, a neurodivergent child, or a child with health impairments.

[Register here](#)

Parent to Parent hosts Parent Support Groups in Rotorua during the school term, to support carers and parents just like you. These groups are a safe space for family and whānau to share their experiences, their challenges, their triumphs, and to learn from each other in an open and 100% judgement-free environment. No topic is too 'weird', no question too 'out there'. We get it, and we are here to help.

So if you'd like to share a struggle, celebrate a success, raise a concern, or simply have a cuppa and chat with other parents and carers in your area, you are always welcome at our Parent Support Group. Drop in for as long or as short a time as you want.


Event details  
Next event date  
Thu 11th June  
10:00am - 12:00pm

More upcoming dates  
Every 2nd Thursday of the month during school term only  
Thu 13th August  
Thu 10th September  
Thu 12th November  
Thu 10th December

Venue  
The Rusty Bros Bar and Cafe  
1263 Amohia Street  
Rotorua 3010

(previously called the Abracadabra Cafe Rotorua)

Event contact  
Jane Ford  
[centrallakes@parent2parent.org.nz](mailto:centrallakes@parent2parent.org.nz)  
027 808 3945



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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.

AED

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%

# MIGS Holiday Programme

July 6<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> 2026



Book online now  
[www.migs.co.nz](http://www.migs.co.nz)



### Daily Schedule

- 8.00-9.30 Intro and Games
  - 10.00-10.30 Skill Time
  - 10.30-11.00 Morning tea
  - 11.00-11.30 Free play
  - 11.30-2.30 Daily activity and lunch
  - 2.30-3.00 Quiet games (SHORT DAY ends)
  - 3.15-5.15 Afternoon tea and play
- Please note: We reserve the right to alter the daily schedule depending on enrolled numbers

### What to bring

- Drink bottle
  - Socks for tramp
  - Lunch and snacks
  - Comfortable clothes
- PLEASE NAME EVERYTHING

### Week 1 Programme

MON 6 JUL	Circuits day
TUES 7 JUL	Equipment day
WED 8 JUL	Fun in the kitchen
THURS 9 JUL	Jumping day
FRI 10 JUL	CLOSED FOR MATARIKI

### Week 2 Programme

MON 13 JUL	Craft day
TUES 14 JUL	Teams and challenges
WED 15 JUL	Fun in the kitchen
THURS 16 JUL	Rhythmic and roll
FRI 17 JUL	Shared Lunch and Movie day

### Daily Cost

- 8AM - 3.00PM \$45
- 8AM - 5.15PM \$55

### Oscar Subsidies available

OSCAR Forms required at least 2 weeks prior to holiday start  
 20% deposit required to secure place  
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### Pop-Up Classes

- TUES 7<sup>th</sup> - RHYTHMIC  
Ball and Hoop throw and catch
- TUES 14<sup>th</sup> - FLIPPING WORKSHOP  
Learn to flip on the trampolines  
\$5 Extra when attending Holiday Programme.  
\$15 for class only  
email [admin@migs.co.nz](mailto:admin@migs.co.nz) to book a space