



Week 1 Term 1
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Reporoa Primary School

*From the principal's
desk...*

Nga mihi nui ki a koutou katoa - warm greetings to everyone

Welcome to 2017!

I hope you all had a relaxing and fun time with your families over the break. It is great to see the children back to school refreshed and ready to learn. Thank you to those who have made sure their children are at school with the correct stationary and appropriate clothing ready to learn. We appreciate being able to start in an organized manner. Swimming will start this week so please send your children to school with their togs and towel in a swimming/plastic bag.

Farewell...



We are sad to say goodbye to Julia Jackman who is moving jobs and starting at ADDI in Taupo next week. She will be working with the Feuerstein programme which she is very passionate about. Julia has been a valuable New Entrant teacher with us for the past 6 years and has taught many students here. We wish her all the best in her exciting new venture. Her last day with us is today. If you would like to join the staff in farewelling Julia, please feel free to come along to lunch at 1:30pm (bring a little something to share – just adults' thanks). The children will be saying their goodbyes before the end of the day in the hall.

New Logo and Website www.rep.school.nz

Over the break I was finally able to finish work on the logo and the website – both are pukeko" hiding in the new website site. Bring the entries in to the office and a winner will be drawn on Monday the 20th Feb. Please take a look at the website and let us know if there is anything you think we need to add or change!

Here's to a great term! Please feel free to pop in and chat if you have anything on your mind about our school!

Nāku i runga i aku mihi ki a koe - Yours with thanks

Rachel McDonald

and our team – Jill, Renee, Julia, Susannah, Esther, Julie, Maureen, Heather, Tina, Mary, Linda, Ross & Emma.



REPOROA PRIMARY SCHOOL Scale A fixed-term NE

teacher. Are you a passionate and energetic new entrant teacher who can inspire and motivate students to love learning? Do you have excellent communication skills and work well with transitioning children from early childhood? We would love you to join us at our cool country school! The position is fixed-term for 2017 and begins 1 May 2017. Knowledge of PB4L, SOLO and integrating e-learning will be an advantage. For more information about the school visit www.rep.school.nz

Applications close 4pm, 17 February 2017. Please email or send a covering letter stating strengths and interests, CV including names of 2 referees to the Principal, Massey Road, Reporoa, principal@rep.school.nz.

Thank you to those parents who stayed behind after assembly yesterday to discuss the plan for our New Entrant students at Reporoa given Mrs Jackman is leaving. If you were not there, or if you have further questions please come along to a meeting with Richelle McDonald (principal) in Room 5 on Friday the 3rd of Feb at 9am. Everyone is welcome!

Welcome to our new students: Olivia Bowron, Wharekonehu Davis, Kaleb Forrest, Ruby Leslie, and Emma Howard all going into Room 6 and Briana Howard who has started in Room 1.

During the Holidays Tyrone Brown was selected for the Under 9 Representative Basketball team for Te Arawa (Rotorua) They competed last week at the New Zealand Maori Basketball Nationals which was a 3 day Tournament in Rotorua where over 170 teams from across New Zealand competed. They just missed out on the medals this year but played extremely well.

SH5: Wairakei to SH38 safety improvements

What we are proposing to make this stretch of the highway safer

We want to make the 47km section of State Highway 5, beginning at Wairakei in the south through to the SH5/SH38 intersection at Rainbow Mountain in the north, safer for everyone who uses it. This project is part of the Government's Safe Roads and Roadsides programme which aims to prevent 900 people dying and being seriously injured on rural state highways over the next six years.

Provide feedback online at nzta.govt.nz/sh5-to-sh38/have-your-say and let us know what you think before 8 February.

Introductions: January 31, 2017

Here's a story that I wrote

Of some people that I took note,

End of Term 4 they came to see

What Room Two was like, but most of all me.

They'll be joining a well established crew

Seven at last count, but who knows who

Might rock on up and present as new.

Welcome back to Gemma, Dziah, Madison,

Jock, Logan, Seb and Julian.

Your new friends are

George and Stylez, filled with enthusiasm,

First in the door and are our Year Fours.

Daniel is a backflip expert who likes maths,

Passo also.

Hunter's really smart, good at math and at running fast.

So to Sila who can milk a cow; very handy,

take a bow.

Our comedian is Tipene, who says he mucks around sometimes; we'll see about that!

In this mix comes two Tyrones, both good at rugby and both like to hunt.

Tyler says he's good at art because he likes to be creative,

Douglas too is good at maths and art; maths and art are often related.

Priya was a little unsure, perhaps missing her friend Isabelle

who wasn't next door.

Then there were Kia Maia, Jaxon, Adeline absent also

on that day, Hopefully all back with us and here today.

That left Madison T. – distinct from Madison W.

About her family she wanted me to know.

Biased I know, but what a good crew

(Teacher's prerogative)

In 2017 we'll work hard with enthusiasm anew - Whaea Jill