

RERE BOT Snippet – February 2020

We are back! The Board would like to welcome all our whanau (new and existing) for the 2020 school year, which has lots of exciting developments in store.

The first BOT meeting of the year has taken place and the workplan for 2020 is well under way. Some highlights include the following:

- Whanau consultation hui – an exciting piece of work where we use community and whanau input, external advice and emerging education developments to review and reshape the local curriculum at Rere school.

We do this to ensure our local curriculum is unique and responsive to the priorities, preferences and issues of our local community and learners.

Watch this space -we will be asking for your feedback soon!

- The BOT also has a focus this year on reading and writing, which is being resourced to provide for more 1:1 time with priority learners in order to support our goal of seeing accelerated progress in this area
- In response to the increasing trend of *unjustified* school absences (i.e. – child is not sick) we have reviewed our policies in this area.

While this is a concerning national trend – it is evident in our school too and we are therefore placing emphasis in this area to ensure our children get the best learning opportunities possible.

To help with more accurate record keeping and to encourage best practice in this area we are now asking for children to be signed in if they are late and signed out if they are leaving school during school hours. We would appreciate your support in establishing this practice.

- Jodie Cook has been re-elected as Chair for the 2020 year, enthusiastically supported by her fellow trustees.

Property:

- *There is a working bee scheduled for **March 15 at 1pm** – more details to follow*
- *The trees at Katrina's house urgently need removing – this is noted as a priority – we appreciate it is an eyesore an apologise for the delay. If anyone knows someone looking for firewood, they are welcome to get in touch.*

