



## SCHOOL STATEMENT

Remuera Primary is a large central Auckland contributing primary school with currently over 630 students including 24 international students. It is situated in an attractive and well maintained environment. The school has a diverse cultural mix of students with 60% European, 15% Chinese, 6% Korean, 4% Sri Lankan and 3% Indian students who are motivated and keen to be learning. The school is well resourced and enjoys strong parental commitment and support. The Board of Trustees currently employs 41 teaching staff and 20 ancillary/support staff members. The staff work at a high level and set high expectations and standards for student learning. There is a strong team spirit within a supportive environment.

We have a strong history with the establishment of the school in 1873 but a focussed vision for the future. As a decile 10 school, parents have high expectations and are positive in supporting school programmes that encompass academic, cultural, social and sporting areas.

The Board of Trustees provides a supportive, consultative governance role and alongside the school management team, provides education that acknowledges and promotes individual potential and ability.

The school has a strong vision and strategic direction with an emphasis on the New Zealand Curriculum. Numeracy and Literacy are seen as key areas along with the development of a future focussed philosophy underpinned by the core values of the school. The current Charter ends in 2009 and a new plan is currently being completed for 2010-2013. This encompasses a new vision and strategic direction in line with the New Zealand Curriculum.

Remuera Primary embraces a school-wide approach to learning. This is based on improving student learning through an emphasis on teacher professional development and the analysis and use of student data and evidence to focus the learning programmes.

- Remuera Primary School has a positive learning environment with high student engagement.
- Have had highly successful ERO Reviews. Recently used as a Best Practice School in Science and Professional Development and Learning.
- Have been the lead school in both an EHSAS and an ICT/PD contract.
- Use Knowledge Net as our Learning Management System. Available from [www.rps.school.nz](http://www.rps.school.nz)
- We have extensive and high quality programmes for GATE students and a team approach to Learning Support.
- We have a strong professional development programme and ethic.
- We run an innovative and integrated learning approach which is supported by strong syndicate planning and team work.
- The school is well resourced and financially secure.
- We have specialist teachers who offer support and guidance in the teaching of Sport, Music and Spanish.
- We are linked to the University and regularly have students visit and carry out practicums.
- The school has a well established PTA who play an integral part in school life.
- Since 1998 the school has had a long term Development Trust.

