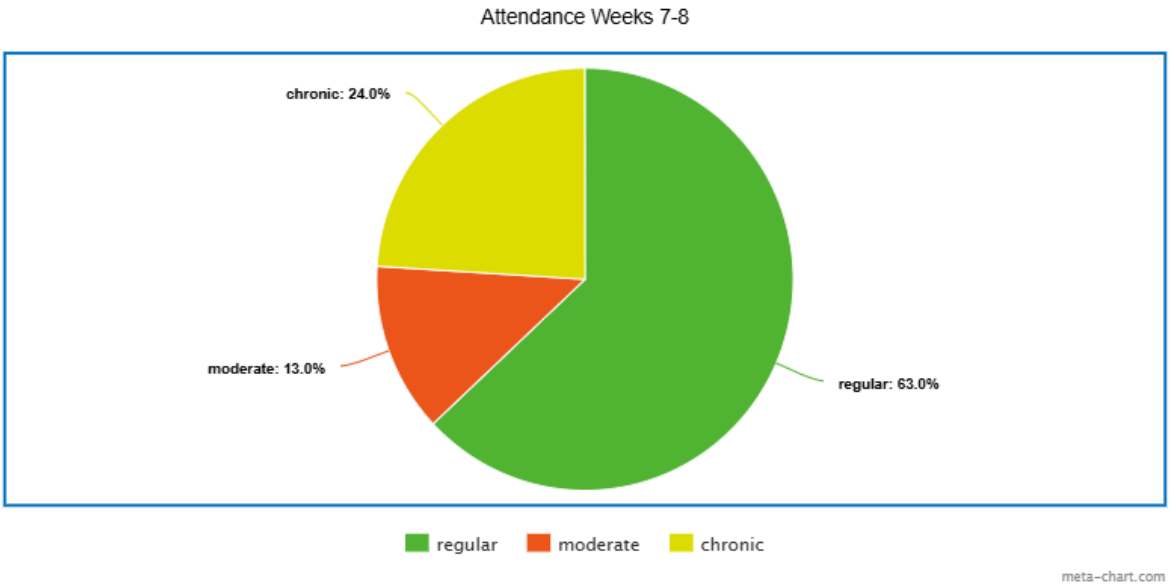
TE WIKI O TE REO MĀORI

We will be celebrating Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori in the last week of this Term, 15 - 19 September.
There will be a couple of competitions for students. One competition will involve making an art work using at least 3 kōwhaiwhai designs. There will be prizes for winning art work at the junior, middle and senior levels of the school. There will also be a competition for best rap about "Toitū te Tiriti." The rap does not have to be in te reo Māori.

IMPROVING ATTENDANCE

Here is our attendance graph for Weeks 7 and 8 of Term 3.



Some interesting facts in the latest fortnight are:

- 70% of the girls were regular attenders
- 84% of the year 8 students were regular attenders
- 91% of room 11 were regular attenders

The winners for coming every day this fortnight were: Adam R5, Arahi R11, Faauma R15, Ianeta R14 and Te Rangi R11.

YOUR LAST CHANCE TO VOTE

Voting for our school board election closes tomorrow, Wednesday 10 September at 4.00pm.

SUPPORT FOR EDUCATION PROFESSIONALS

As you will be aware, education staff are currently in negotiations for their collective agreements. This is not just about pay but about conditions that support better educational outcomes for all learners. You may have seen media and Government comments that are trying to minimise the hard work that teachers, principals and support workers put into supporting and teaching our tamariki. We ask for your support as we negotiate for conditions that will enable us to keep teachers in the profession and in Aotearoa, seek commitment to te Tiriti o Waitangi and ensure all students are well supported in their learning journey.

WALKING SCHOOL BUS

Our walking school bus from Rata Vine started last week. The Walking School Bus provides an opportunity for students to walk to school in a group, supervised by at least one adult volunteer. The Walking School Bus will leave from RaWiri Community House each Wednesday at 8.25am, for the rest of this term. We are grateful for the support of the fabulous volunteers at the RaWiri Community House, Kura Manaaki and Auckland Transport. If you would like your child to join the bus, contact the school office, the Community House volunteers or the Walking School Bus adult supervisors to get a registration form.

MANA KIDZ SCHOOL BASED HEALTH SERVICE

As the main contract holder and commissioner for the Mana Kidz programme, The National Hauora Coalition are keen to hear from parents and caregivers about how the service is going for them, if it is meeting their needs, and how it can be improved. They have created a short survey for you to provide feedback. Scan the QR code below to participate.

Mana Kidz would also like to bring to your attention a trending health concern that is being seen across our schools, and across the region. Data indicates a rise in scabies cases in Tāmaki Makaurau, particularly among households with school-aged children in Counties Manukau. This is a contagious skin condition that won't go away without appropriate treatment and can become infected. Mana Kidz can help to assess and treat the whole whānau at no cost. Contact the school or the Mana Kidz workers if you need support or more information.