



[Happy New Year to all

Welcome to our first newsletter for 2017. REM would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support, in 2016 and share some of our plans, for this year.

Particular 2016 highlights for the committee were hosting Ann Pelo in April and the Mana Tamariki conversation evening, earlier in the year.

Our theme for 2017 is a 'Te Whāriki lens on Reggio Emilia.' We are planning some exciting workshops focusing on this including local and national presenters. More information to come.

We are excited to announce we will be welcoming Margo Hobba and Chris Celada back to New Zealand. They will be presenting an evening session, in Palmerston North on June 20th. Margo and Chris bring to our shores a wealth of wisdom and in-depth understanding of the principles of Reggio Emilia, the notion of epistemology- 'building knowledge' -and the way in which children build their knowledge and carry out research. They have both had long careers in early childhood and tertiary education. Based on their studies around the educational project in Reggio Emilia and working on from their previous project Teachers IN research with children they will be facilitating:

A Pedagogy of Relations: Seeing things differently

See the REANZ website for further details about this event.

Your current REM committee members are:

Susan Clare - Massey Child Care Centre - Chairperson
Brenda Soutar - Mana Tamariki - Kaiarahi
Miria Wipaki - Mana Tamariki - Treasurer
Chrissy Lepper - LeAP Education - Marketing Leader
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Penelope Smith - Secret Garden Child Care
Karen Laird - Massey Child Care Centre
Tessa Kirner - Roslyn Kindergarten
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As new committee member positions come up, these will be advertised via email.

We wish you a very wonderful start to 2017.

Warm Regards,

Reggio Emilia Manawatū Committee

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