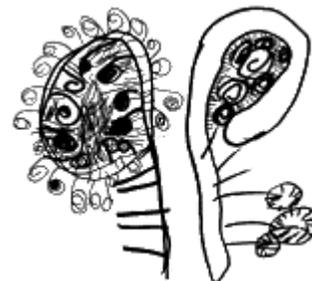


# NEWSLETTER

## Reggio Emilia Aotearoa

### New Zealand

[www.reanz.org](http://www.reanz.org)



Dear Friends,

Winter 2014

REANZ continues to be well supported on Facebook and we are very pleased to let you know that we now have over 1500 friends. All parts of New Zealand are represented and many of our friends are from international settings.

This newsletter brings you an update of some of our planned activities that we hope you will join us for.

#### Dancing with Reggio Emilia by Dr Stefania Giamminuti – September / October

In these presentations, Stefania illustrates sensitivity to aesthetics of the environment in the schools of Reggio Emilia as a cultural choice and value. She shows how schools and communities can be empathetic environments, welcoming to children, educators, and families, places that 'belong' to children and speak of them. Stefania will inspire participants to imagine and create beautiful environments for children and with children and to consider aesthetics as a value.

Further details and registration of the following presentations are available on [www.reanz.org](http://www.reanz.org)

[Tuesday 30th September – Christchurch](#)

[Wednesday 1st October – Wellington](#)

[Thursday 2nd October – Auckland](#)

[Saturday 4th October – Auckland](#)

#### Study Tour to Melbourne: 12 – 18th October 2014

Wendy Larmer and Dr Anne Meade are the study tour leaders for our October tour to Melbourne. If you would like to join this tour, please go to [www.reanz.org](http://www.reanz.org) for further information or [click here](#) to register. The cost is \$2200 and this covers accommodation; airfares ex Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch; insurance and group transfers in Melbourne and all costs associated with the five day study tour – including lunches. Numbers are strictly limited. *Please note: the next study tour Melbourne will not be until October 2015.*

#### [Study Tour to Reggio Emilia 8<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> April 2015](#)

We are pleased to offer a 7 day and 10 day tour to Reggio Emilia. For information go to [www.reanz.org](http://www.reanz.org) or to register [click here](#)

# We're Going On a Road Trip and You're Invited!

Saturday 6th September - 2014

**REANZ in partnership with Warkworth Kindergarten and Mairtown Kindergarten – Whangarei**

Join us for a bus trip from Auckland (or meet us in Whangarei), to visit the Reggio Emilia inspired environment at Warkworth Kindergarten before travelling on to Whangarei where we will enjoy a presentation by the teaching team of Mairtown Kindergarten, titled "The Language of Art".

The teachers at Mairtown Kindergarten have drawn on the stories from Reggio Emilia and for many years have been using children's visual art as a provocation for thinking and learning.

**Option One: From Auckland**

Travel from Auckland by bus. This option includes morning tea and lunch; cost \$95 (incl GST)

**Option Two: Meet in Whangarei**

Travel by own transport. This option does not include lunch or refreshments; cost \$35.(incl GST)

Please go to [www.reanz.org](http://www.reanz.org) for further information or [click here](#) to register. Please Note: numbers are strictly limited.

## Our 2015 Fiordland Conference

***Connecting Children to the Atelier of Nature:  
Tuhono ana Tamariki ke te taiao***

**Thursday 9th (4.00pm) to Sunday 12th (11.30am) April 2015**

**Claire Maley-Shaw and an Atelierista and Pedagogista from Reggio Emilia**

*When NATURE is seen as an atelier, rich in resources, it comes alive as a physical reality;  
a place for people - children and adults - to 'be' in nature.*

*The conference invites participants to appreciate the realm of possibilities that nature in the wild offers and to experience its seasonal rituals.*

**Date:** Thursday 9th (4.00pm) to Sunday 12th (11.30am) April 2015

**Venue:** Fiordland Community Events Centre and Ivon Wilson Park, Te Anau

**Cost: Early Registration** (on or prior to 1st February 2015): \$473.91 +GST (545.00 Incl GST)

**Standard Registration** (after 1st February 2015): \$547.83 +GST (\$630.00 Incl GST)

For more information and to register go to [www.reanz.org](http://www.reanz.org) or [click here](#)

We hope you have visited our website at [www.reanz.org](http://www.reanz.org) recently. We would love to add news from your part of the world or perhaps photos and articles of your work with children. Anything you have to share would be appreciated by our 'Web Mistress' Wendy Larmer. She can be contacted on [larmers@xtra.co.nz](mailto:larmers@xtra.co.nz)

**Library:** On our website you will find the names of the books we have available to borrow. Please note, the charge of \$5 covers the cost of mailing the books out to you. Contact Bronwen at [tots@totscorner.co.nz](mailto:tots@totscorner.co.nz) Attention: Bronwen Stephenson to order a book. Perhaps you know some good books we could purchase for the library or perhaps you have read one lately that you could write a book review for us to share with others? Please contact Wendy at [larmers@xtra.co.nz](mailto:larmers@xtra.co.nz)

**Books for sale:** To purchase one of our books listed on [www.reanz.org](http://www.reanz.org) follow the instructions for ordering and payment and your books will be couriered to you within a few days. To view books [click here](#)

**Regional Networks: if you would like to make contact with any of our Regional network representatives, here are their contacts...**

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**Manawatu:** Reggio Emilia Manawatu - Suz Claire - [suz.clare@xtra.co.nz](mailto:suz.clare@xtra.co.nz)

For more information about our networks go to: [www.reanz.org](http://www.reanz.org)

**Warm Regards to you all**

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