



REANZ Reggio Emilia Study Group 2024

11-20 April 2024 (9 Nights)

Nau mai, haere mai

Reggio Emilia Aotearoa New Zealand (REANZ) are excited to be returning to Reggio Emilia Italy again in April 2024

What does it mean to be Reggio Emilia Inspired as an individual and as an organisation?
What can we learn from the Reggio Emilia educational project that we can translate in meaningful ways into our own contexts?

We believe that a critical component is to ensure that teachers and leaders engage in professional learning that enhances and deepens their understanding of this pedagogy. Joining a study group to Reggio Emilia, Italy is a unique opportunity for New Zealand kaiako to see and directly experience the history, the pedagogy and the cultural context of Reggio Emilia and in turn, the possibilities and provocations for how we teach in Aotearoa New Zealand alongside international groups from around the world, sometimes from as many as 30 different countries.

COME AND BE A PART OF THE BEST PROFESSIONAL LEARNING EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME!

Hoake tātou! Let's go!

Cost: NZ\$4,950 (Single occupation/double), \$4,450 (Twin Share)

*The cost includes: Reggio Children Study Tour registration; accommodation at Hotel Posta (or adjoining annex Hotel Albergo) in the heart of the historical town of Reggio Emilia (breakfast included); travel and entry to/from Cervi museum (Fri 12th) and group dinner

*Flights/transfers/insurance at own cost

Outline of the Study Group Dates

Optional visits are planned for Saturday and Sunday prior to the Study Group beginning on Monday 15th April. The costs for these are in addition to the cost of registration.

Thursday 11th April	Arrive Reggio Emilia, Hotel Posta
Friday 12 th April:	Group Trip to Cervi Museum (cost included in registration fee)
Saturday 13 th April:	Visit to Venice (optional/own cost - travelling together by train)
Sunday 14 th April:	Visit to Florence (optional/own cost – travelling together by train)
Monday 15 th April:	Reggio Children Study Group begins - Loris Malaguzzi International centre
Friday 19 th April:	Study Group concludes. Group Dinner (cost included in registration fee)
Saturday 20th April:	Check out - Participants own plans/departure

2023 Tour Leaders:

Helen Aitken – REANZ Trustee

Kia ora,

My name is Helen and I am delighted to be co-leading this study tour group again in 2024 alongside Rachel & our wonderful REANZ Kaiarahe Brenda . Every time I have been fortunate enough to visit Reggio Emilia and attend a study group I have experienced new learning, connections and inspiration as a result of the ability to: visit the unique infant toddler and preschools in action; listen and learn from the educators in Reggio Emilia; be immersed in Italian culture; understand the implications of history in shaping education; and engaging in rich conversations and reflections with other group participants – such powerful stuff! Let this be you too! Please get in touch if you have any queries.



Dr Rachel Dennee - REANZ Trustee

Kia ora,

Ko Rachel Dennee ahau. I am very grateful to have this special opportunity to travel to Reggio Emilia with two amazing colleagues, Helen and Brenda. We are excited to facilitate this tour group and to help you to make the most of the incredibly rich learning in Reggio Emilia. In my roles as pedagogical leader, researcher and facilitator, I have seen the potential of Reggio-inspired values and practices in diverse settings around the world. Experiencing this project in Reggio Emilia itself is like no other professional learning I have ever encountered, and I am thrilled to share that journey with kaiako and leaders from Aotearoa NZ.

Brenda Soutar – REANZ Kaitiaki – Ngāti Porou, Ngāti Awa, Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki

I've been interested in the Reggio educational experience since 1999 and have visited several times. I'm a strong advocate that all children in Aotearoa New Zealand have the right to high-quality education reflective of our Treaty-based cultural context. The Reggio experience is a fine example of what can be achieved when communities are assisted to define and implement their own progressive thinking about children. We're not there yet here in Aotearoa NZ and that's why I encourage you to take this study tour because it will stretch your thinking. I'm so excited to be co-leading this tour with Helen and Rachel and to share this amazing experience with you all.



To register and secure your space NOW

Please complete this [REANZ Registration Form 2024 Reggio Emilia, Italy Study Tour](#) to secure your place. (click link above).

Deposit and Payment

Upon receipt of this registration form, you will receive an invoice from REANZ with details of payment.

REANZ will need to receive a deposit of \$2000 following this invoice to confirm your registration and secure your place on the study tour

The remaining balance of your payment (**the cost less \$2000 deposit**) must be made before 1 February 2024 – please remind the person making the payment.

You are responsible for booking your own flights and travel insurance.

Please ensure that you have an up-to-date passport

Refund Policy

If you are unable to travel, all money paid (less \$200 admin fee) will be refunded before 1 February 2024 on receipt of written confirmation. The tour registration can be transferred to another person however there will be no refunds after that date.

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REANZ is a Charitable Trust with the purpose of sharing information with teachers about the educational projects in Reggio Emilia. Our focus is on provoking encounters of thought for teachers about how this pedagogy may assist us here in Aotearoa, New Zealand to provide intellectual engagement for children in the early years. Visit our website for further information www.reanz.org