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Rimu Syndicate Camp 2027 is Officially Confirmed 🌲🎉

Kia ora Year 4 and Year 5 whānau,

First, a huge thank you! The response to our 2027 El Rancho Camp proposal has been overwhelming. Thanks to your enthusiastic backing - both in financial support and in the staggering number of volunteers willing to step up as parent helpers - we are officially a GO for 2027!

We are absolutely thrilled to take our learning beyond the school gate and kick off the new year with such a memorable outdoor adventure.

Because camp takes place so early in Term 1 next year (**17-19 February 2027**), we need to get our payment schedule underway as soon as possible to secure bookings and organise transport and activities.

Payment Plan & Timeline

To help spread the cost out across the remainder of the year, we are breaking the camp payments down into two stages:

Initial Deposit - \$140 due by the end of Term 3: Requesting \$140 per student now allows us to lock in critical bookings and confirm student numbers. This payment is now visible on Hero. To make this as convenient as possible, payments can be set up through Hero to pay in installments over time, or paid in full.

Final Balance - due early Term 4: Once we calculate all finalised costs and factor in any additional funding or fundraising efforts, we will provide you with the exact remaining balance owed in early Term 4.



Parent Helpers Update

We were blown away by how many of you offered to join us on camp! Because we received more offers than we have spaces for, we will need to run a ballot system to keep numbers balanced.

- I will be reaching out to all volunteers to re-confirm your availability before we conduct the ballot.
- In addition to our selected helpers, we will also draw a couple of backup parents - because as we all know, life can throw us a curveball when we least expect it!

Thank you all again for your unwavering support, encouragement, and partnership. We are SO excited for what promises to be an incredible experience for our tamariki!

Warm regards,

Erica Leggett
Rimu Team Leader