

RIMU SYNDICATE

NEWS

EDITION 3

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ADVENTURE SCHOOL



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REMINDERS

A few important reminders to help set everyone up for success:

- Please ensure your child brings a named water bottle to school every day.
- Students need to wear appropriate footwear for fitness, PE, and active learning.
- Full and correct school uniform, with all items clearly named, is expected each day.

REMINDERS:

- 4th & 6th August: Learning Conversations
- 7th August: Non Uniform Day
- 11th August: Years 4-8 Swimming Sports
- 11th September: Onesie Day to support Wellington Free Ambulance

WELCOME BACK RIMU WHĀNAU!

A warm welcome back to all our Rimu students and whānau! We hope you enjoyed a relaxing holiday and are feeling refreshed for another exciting term of learning.

A huge thank you to everyone who attended our Night at the Museum at the end of Term 2. It was wonderful to see so many families exploring the exhibits, asking questions, and celebrating the amazing learning that had taken place throughout the term. Your enthusiasm and positive feedback made the evening incredibly special, and we truly appreciate your ongoing support.

At the end of Week 4, we will farewell Keegan Martin, who is moving on to an exciting new opportunity. Keegan has made a valued contribution to the Rimu Syndicate and Adventure School, building strong relationships with students and creating many memorable learning experiences. We thank him for his dedication and commitment over his time with us and wish him every success and happiness in the next chapter of his career.

We are excited to welcome Dianne Khan, who will join us from the beginning of Week 5 as the teacher in Room 1. We know she will be a wonderful addition to the Rimu team and we look forward to introducing her to our students and whānau.

WHAT'S COMING UP?

This term begins with the imaginative world of Fractured Fairy Tales, where familiar stories are turned upside down with unexpected twists, new characters, and different perspectives. Students will read, write, create artwork, and perform their own creative retellings before launching into the exciting world of Science Fiction, exploring futuristic worlds, inventions, and endless "what if...?" possibilities.

Our literacy programmes throughout the term will be closely connected to these themes, providing rich opportunities for students to read a wide range of texts, develop their writing craft, expand their vocabulary, and strengthen their comprehension and critical thinking skills.

Hands-on learning is a highlight this term! Students will become young scientists as they investigate fascinating scientific concepts through a range of practical experiments, including:

- 🍦 Making ice cream while exploring changes of state.
- 🧪 Investigating acids and bases through exciting sweet and sour experiments.
- 🧫 Discovering the tiny world of nano-chemistry and how materials can behave in surprising ways.

These investigations will encourage students to ask questions, make predictions, test their ideas, record observations, and explain their thinking using scientific language.

Our mathematics programme this term will focus on Rational Numbers (fractions, decimals and percentages), Measurement, Statistics and Financial Mathematics. Students will solve authentic problems, explain their thinking, and apply mathematics to everyday situations while developing confidence.

Term 3 promises to be filled with creativity, discovery, hands-on learning, and plenty of opportunities for students to challenge themselves and celebrate success. We look forward to sharing another fantastic term with our Rimu whānau. Thank you for your continued support – we couldn't do it without you!