

Rimu Newsletter Term 3

Welcome Back

We hope everyone had a fabulous holiday and are excited to be back for term 3. We have some exciting plans for this term that we are looking forward to.

The school value we are focusing on is **auahatanga** (creativity). We will be exploring this by preparing and performing in the Long Bay production 'Juke Box Drama'. This will be performed at the Bruce Mason on Wednesday, 1st September. The children will be practising really hard during the first half of the term to put on an amazing performance for everyone.

Information on how to purchase tickets for the production will be emailed out by the Long Bay administration team. There will also be two upcoming fundraising events to help contribute towards the production expenses; a mufti day and a pie day. Please see the important dates below.

When the production is finished, the children will continue to explore their creativity through puppets, storytelling, poetry and drama.

Please check that all of your child's belongings (uniform, lunchbox, drink bottle etc) is named. There has been a number of unnamed items in class that are remaining unclaimed and ending up in lost property.

We look forward to seeing everyone throughout the term.
Warm regards
Dianne, Fenneke, Claire and Sharon

Curriculum

All Rimu students are placed in reading and maths groups based on their needs and what they need to learn. The teachers regularly monitor the students and change their learning and level as needed.

Inquiry- We are starting the term by preparing for the Long Bay production. Then we will continue to explore creativity through storytelling, puppets, poetry and drama.

Literacy- Guided reading groups will start in week 1. On Fridays, the reading focus is a poem. The poem book will be sent home so your child can share the poem with you. For writing, the children will be learning about planning, letter formation, essential spelling words, sentence structure, and narrative writing.

Mathematics- The math strand we are focusing on this term is measurement. With the number programme, we will be grouping within the class, based on the needs of the students.

Physical Education- The physical education programme includes daily physical activities. We will be having mini Olympic rotation that involves adapted throwing, catching, jumping, running and balance activities.

Arts- Rimu students will be participating in dance and music specialisation for the first 5 weeks of term 3.

Term 3 Important Dates

- 6th August - Mufti day, gold coin donation.
- 13th August - Jester's Pie Day
- 25th August - Individual and class photos
- 1st September- Juke Box Drama production
- 9th September - Team / sport photos
- 24th September- Fun Run
- 30th September - Last day of term for students
- 1st October - Teacher only day

School Lunches

Thank you to everyone who makes the effort to keep lunches wrapper free. We are a wrapper free school, but have noticed that a number of lunches are starting to include wrappers and plastic wrap again. Please consider sustainable or biodegradable alternatives such as containers, beeswax wraps, reusable bags, or lunch paper.

We do have some children at school that are allergic to nuts. For their health and safety, please do not include nut products in lunches.