Term 1 2022



Rooms 7, 8, 9 and 10

**Welcome** A warm welcome to all of our families joining the Rimu team this year.

#### **Our Team**

Room 7 Fenneke Gingell Room 8 Lisa Leggett (Team Leader) Room 9 Christine Yeh Room 10 Rebekah Webb

### **Our Day**

**8:30am** Road patrol begins and students start arriving at school. **8:55am** The bell rings and school starts.

11:10 - 11:45 Morning tea 1:25- 2:00 Lunch time 2:55 School ends

## Whakatauki (Maori Proverb)

Our Term 1 school Whakataukï (Maori proverb) is "Manaaki te katoa" (kindness to all), which links to our school value of kindness. We want children to show kindness to themselves, others and our environment. We practise kindness in the classroom, in the playground and moving around the school. We also hope that they show kindness at home!

### **Wrapper Free**

Our school is wrapper free so where possible please do not include non-useable packaging in your child's lunchbox.

# School Uniform

Hats are compulsory in terms 1 and 4. To be sun safe, students who forget their sun hats will need to stay in a designated shade area. We also encourage students to use sunblock. Please make sure all clothes are named.

#### **Water Bottles**

A named drink bottle with water in it each day is essential. No fizzy drinks or juice please.

# Allergies

Please don't include nuts or peanut butter in your child's lunch as we have a number of children who are allergic to nuts. Thank-you.

### **Celebrating Birthdays**

We like to recognise your child's birthday in the classroom by having their classmates sing Happy Birthday. Please do not send along sweets or cakes to be handed out.

### **Long Bay Way**

Each student has a reward book where they earn stickers for following our school values outlined in The Long Bay Way. These will be a focus through our learning programmes. Students who have earned 10 stickers will receive a certificate.

## SeeSaw

This year we will be using Seesaw to share learning that occurs during the week. We also send communication via Seesaw. Please check your email for a sign up link sent home earlier. Please contact your child's teacher if you require a new link.

# **Home Learning**

We encourage your child to read at home on a daily basis. Please return all school readers and library books in a waterproof book bag. We cannot give out new books until the previous ones have been returned.

Sound cards/Animal words or Spelling words will be sent home weekly.

Your child has access to Reading Eggs and Maths seeds to support their learning at home and at school.

### **Play Based Learning Time**

Our morning sessions offer open ended play. Children have the chance to explore, create, construct and gain understandings of the world around them in an interest based setting. As well as supporting our Science learning, we are offering many activities to support other areas, such as fine and gross motor skills, questioning, cooperation, communication, senses, and much more.

#### Curriculum

Inquiry- Rimu students will begin by learning about their classmates and developing the classroom culture.

# **Important Dates**

Week 4-6: Life Education visits
Wednesday 23rd March: Goal
Setting Conferences
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April: Teacher On

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April:** Teacher Only Day

These dates are subject to change: Please read the school newsletter for upcoming events.

#### Communication

Please do not hesitate to contact your classroom teacher if you have any questions or concerns.