

RIMU TEAM

Term 3, 2017 • Auckland Normal Intermediate (Rooms 4, 5, 9, 10, 11 & 12)

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Kia Ora Whanau,

We trust everyone has had a restful and relaxing holiday. Term 2 was an exciting time for the students as they participated in central zone sports, cultural activities and production. We started term 2 at Tui Ridge for camp, we were very impressed with the positive energy the students brought to camp. They strengthened and created new friendships, developed self management skills such as independence and responsibility, overcome challenges and were risk takers with new activities. We have been blown away by the way each student has fully involved themselves in life at ANI by signing up for extra curricular activities. All Rimu team teachers are very pleased with how hard the students have worked through the inquiry process independently, continually displaying a positive attitude in their learning. It is going to be another busy term, so we have to hit the ground running. There is a lot of learning to be done which means a lot of fun! We are excited for another term with your child and look forward to meeting you all at parent interviews. Be sure to check out our year 8 instagram page with photo updates during the week - @year8learning.



Transdisciplinary Theme (Week 1-10)

SHARING THE PLANET

An inquiry into rights and responsibilities in the struggle to share finite resources with other people and with other living things; communities and the relationships within and between them, access to equal opportunities; peace and conflict resolution.

Central Idea

Managing the balance between the human and natural world can create challenges..

Lines of Inquiry

- Indigenous perspectives influence the survival of native species
- Species adapt to the changing environment
- Human actions impact the world around us

Key Concepts

- Causation
- Responsibility

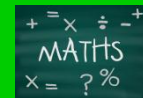
A few final reminders:

1. The school website has an up to date list of the important dates for this term and the year.
2. Homework: Students are to complete 1 hour per night, 4 nights a week. Homework will be set online through Education Perfect and students can access this through their personalised account.
3. School uniform reminder: Full school uniform must be worn to and from school. Please ensure hoodies are named with your child's name and room.



PANUI ME TE TUHITUHI

Reading and writing will be closely linked to our theme. We take an integrated approach to literacy which allows students to make connections between the processes of writing and reading. This term, we will be focusing on language features.



PANGARAU

This term we will be focusing on Geometry in addition to developing skills and knowledge in number. Through maths inquiry, students will develop effective strategies to solve word problems. Focus will be placed on multiplication, division, addition, subtraction, decimals, fractions and percentages.



The students will be going to Technology and The Arts two blocks a week. These will also be integrated into our themes. In Languages, the students will be learning Mandarin with Emily Hempstapat twice a week and Te Reo with Matua Jack once a week. The classroom teacher will be taking PE twice a week. In addition to this we will also have Science with Miss Danielle Biddle once a week.