

# Term 4 Rimu Team 2020



Welcome to Term 4, our final term as “Rimu Team 2020”. The teachers enjoyed the holiday break to rest up and we hope our students did too as we all look forward to making the most of the amazing final term ahead. Term 4 will be the culmination of many things including the hard work Rimu students have put in over the last three terms culminating with our Exhibition Market Day.

Teachers and students will be working within a flexi timetable this term which will provide opportunities to focus on High School preparation such as exam technique, revision and ensuring no gaps have been missed due to lockdowns. As always, the teachers will do everything they can to support your children as we begin the final term of the year. If there is anything you'd like to discuss, please email your class teacher using the information below:

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## Key Dates:

**Thurs 15th Oct:** ANI Earthquake drill and Knowledge-athon Test Day

**Tues 20th and Wed 21st Oct:** Year 8 Mock Exams (UoA, Mt Eden)

**Tues 27th Oct:** Athletics Day (Mt Smart Stadium)

**Tues 10th and Wed 11th Nov:** Cultural Festival (6-8pm AGS)

**Tues 24th and Wed 25th Nov:** ANI Exhibition/ Market Day

**Fri 4th Dec:** YMCA Panmure Pool Day

**Monday 7th December:** Prizegiving and Graduation

## Learning Areas and IB Themes

As term four is a short term of only nine weeks we have decided to merge our two themes Who We Are and How We Organise Ourselves. Students will create an activity or a product that shows an aspect of Who We Are and then use their understanding of How We Organise Ourselves to sell it at the Exhibition Market Day on 24/25 November. The students have created their own Central Ideas and Lines of Inquiry with some amazing ideas and creativity evident. We cannot wait for you to see the outcome! Please talk to your young person about what they are doing and how you could support them.

**Study Skills:** To help the students be in the best position for their transition to high school, we will spend the first two weeks teaching how to study for an exam or test. Students will be given the content they need to study in Week 1 (12-16 October) of term and then sit literacy and math practice exams in Week 2 (20 and 21 October). Students will be sitting these in a lecture theatre at the Auckland University.

**Literacy:** Literacy is fully integrated into our themes. This term we are looking at different forms of persuasive texts. For Exhibition, we will learn about advertising, how these are created and how they motivate consumers to buy. The students will use these ideas to create advertisements to sell their Exhibition items.

**Mathematics:** This term, we will focus on Algebra where we will explore the symbols and equations that are used to communicate mathematical ideas and use this knowledge to solve problems. We will then move on to Number to revise before high school.

**Specialisation:** Rimu Team will continue to have specialist days fully integrated into our themes and the students will be learning key skills before working with chosen specialist teachers to create their Market Day/Exhibition items. For more information, please see the Specialist newsletter.

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**Languages:** Students will be learning Spanish twice a week for 45 mins with Ms Montesinos as well as having 45 minutes of Te Reo once a week with Mauri Hohepa.

**PE:** Mr Jones and Mr Carlos will continue to run PE and specialist sports programs. Please remember PE gear must be worn for these lessons.