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## Te Roopu Koru Newsletter Term 3, 2017

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Welcome back to Term 3 at Trentham School. We hope you all enjoyed your relaxing holiday and your children are feeling refreshed and ready for more exciting learning. We would like to welcome any new students to Trentham School and we hope that you enjoy being part of Te Roopu Koru. Below are some of the things that will be happening this term.

Thank you to the parents and caregivers who attended our school concert at Lane Park. It was a fantastic night and a great way to celebrate our learning over the past term. We were really impressed with all Koru items. The night showed how hard our students worked over the term.

With the cooler and damp weather continuing, we are encouraging the students to put an extra pair of trousers and socks in their bag, particularly if they enjoy running around on the field and getting muddy. We do encourage the students to be outside as much as possible during their breaks, so warm tops and jackets are important over this term.

Due to an increase in our roll we are starting a new Year 1 class. Diane McGimpsey will continue to teach the new entrant class, but is moving to Room 9. We welcome Dominique Unger who will be teaching in Room 13. We look forward to having Dominique join us.

**Kiwi Hub:** Diane McGimpsey Room 9, Vanessa Smith-Graham Room 11, Sandra Gordon Room 12 and Dominique Unger Room 13

**Weka Hub:** Rochelle Burns Room 17, Gillian Wasley Room 16 and Emma Wickens Room 18

**Tui Hub:** Benjamin Garner Room 14, Anne-Marie Kay Room 15 and Jenni Nind Room 19

This term we will continue collaborative teaching in maths. Classes will be working closely in hubs on a daily basis for all maths teaching. Collaboration and student agency is about students working together, learning from each other and taking more ownership of their learning. Feel free to talk with your child's teacher about our collaborative teaching at Trentham School.

### Integrated Inquiry

This term our focus is on Systems: The understanding that the Sun is the ultimate source of energy for life on Earth and Earth's system is a small part of a Solar System within the vast system of the universe. Our Big Idea: We live in a world of interacting systems. Our writing programme will be closely linked with our Inquiry.

As part of our learning we plan to visit Carter Observatory and Te Papa. More information will follow for this visit.

### **Value of the Term/Trentham School Vision**

Respect/Whakaute: he taonga rongonui te aroha ki te tangata. Goodwill towards others is a precious treasure.

### **Home Learning**

We are continuing with our schoolwide home learning programme this term. Each teacher will provide the compulsory aspect of home learning, which will include Reading, Spelling and Maths. Please encourage your child to take responsibility for their own home learning.

### **Property**

In the past we have had some issues around personal belongings at school. All items that students bring to school need to be named and put in the correct place i.e. tote tray or bags. Students need to take responsibility for their own belongings. We recommend that toys are not brought to school, but if they are then students bring them at their own risk.

### **Physical Activity**

All students are expected to participate in all physical activities and require suitable clothing and footwear. We will also be encouraging all students to have a water bottle in class, as it disrupts class programmes when students need to leave the room for a drink.

We look forward to working with you and your child this term. Please contact your child's class teacher if there is anything you want to discuss at any point.

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Room 13	Dominique Unger, Year 1 <a href="mailto:d.unger@trentham.school.nz">d.unger@trentham.school.nz</a>
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Regards

Benjamin Garner, Jenni Nind, Diane McGimpsey, Anne-Marie Kay, Gillian Wasley, Emma Wickens, Rochelle Burns, Sandra Gordon, Vanessa Smith-Graham and Dominique Unger