



# Trentham School

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## Te Roopu Koru Newsletter Term 4, 2018

Dear Parents & Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term 4 at Trentham School. We hope you all enjoyed a relaxing holiday and your children are feeling refreshed and ready for more exciting learning in term 4. A big welcome to Anne Scott who is starting in Room 20 with a year 1 class. We would also like to welcome any new students and families to Trentham School and we hope that you enjoy being part of Te Roopu Koru.

Koru Syndicate now has ten classes and we will continue to work in Hubs. This means that teachers and classes will be working together in groups with shared planning and teaching across the classes. Please contact your child's class teacher if there is anything you want to discuss at any point.

### Kiwi Hub

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### Weka Hub

Room 16 Gillian Wasley, Year 2 [g.wasley@trentham.school.nz](mailto:g.wasley@trentham.school.nz)  
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### Tui Hub

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Room 19 Jenni Nind, Year 3 [j.nind@trentham.school.nz](mailto:j.nind@trentham.school.nz)

### Integrated Inquiry:

This term our concept is Cause and Effect which we will develop through a Science based unit around Sustainability: How can we minimise waste? We will have an open evening later in the term to share our findings. Look out for new rubbish bins and "Nude food" lunchbox days.

### Mathematics:

Our learning focus is on number, probability and position and orientation. Weka and Tui Hub teachers and students are participating in ALiM (Accelerated Learning in Mathematics). Teachers are inquiring into how they

can promote accelerated practices to raise achievement in mathematics for their target students. All students will be engaged in mathematical rich tasks.

### Value of the Term:

**Creativity** - to come up with new and unique ideas; to think or behave imaginatively; to be original; to challenge, question and explore. Our value is explicitly taught and modelled in all classrooms, and Whanau Time every second Friday afternoon will also focus on this. There will be some exciting ideas for ways you can promote this value in our fortnightly school newsletter.

Our creativity whakatauki is:

**Pihi kau ake te whakaaro pai, hauhake tonu iho.  
When a good thought springs to mind, make sure it is harvested.**



### Trentham School Vision:

We will focus on **Wonder - Wananga** from our GROW vision.

The focus is on building **passionate, curious, creative, innovative, resourceful, thinkers who:**

- Are motivated to learn and give things a go
- Problem solve/think to make relevant, authentic and meaningful choices
- Are flexible, adaptable and think laterally
- Take a lead in their learning, follow passions and interests, and share with others
- Source knowledge to become creators of new knowledge and ideas

### Hauora: Health and Physical Education

This term we continue to have a focus on developing movement skills through aquatics, athletics and co-operative games. Develop a wide range of movement skills, using a variety of equipment and play environments. Our themes are:

- What makes a good game?
- How can we change games to make them better?
- What makes something SAFE or UNSAFE?
- What are our RESPONSIBILITIES to make sure we are SAFE?

On Tuesdays, Te Roopu Koru will continue to be supported by Chris from Play.Sport to learn new games and activities. All students are expected to participate in all physical activities and togs, towels and swimming caps are required for swimming sessions. Each Hub will send out separate swimming information as to each class's swimming timetable.

### Our Pool Rules are:

- Swimming caps must be worn
- Studs and sleepers can be worn in the pool. Dangly earrings to be removed.
- Other jewellery that can come off is removed.
- Cotton clothing is not to be worn.
- Togs with liners for boys.
- Board shorts with togs or liners or clean undies for girls.
- No plasters and no open wounds.
- No swimming if you have had diarrhoea.

## Home Learning:

Although Home Learning is optional, we are strongly encouraging all students to complete reading, spelling and basic facts. We will provide home learning but will not be following up or marking it.

Home learning is a great opportunity to spend some quality time with your child and to support his/her learning. It has a positive impact on progress and achievement levels. If your child brings a reading book home please ensure that it is returned to school the next day.

## Property:

All clothing must be named as we have an ongoing problem with lost property accumulating and not being claimed. Students need to take responsibility for their own belongings. We recommend that toys are not brought to school, but if they are, students bring them at their own risk. Sunhats are required for term 4.

## Dates to remember:

School Photos - Thursday 18 October

Cluster Teacher Only Day - School closed) Friday 19 October

Labour Day - (School closed) Monday 22 October

End of Year Showcase and Science open night - Wednesday 12 December

Last day - Tuesday 18 December

We look forward to working with you and your child this term.

Kind Regards

Bernie Olliver, Jenni Nind, Heather Mawby, Anne-Marie Kay, Gillian Wasley, Briar McPhail, Rochelle Burns, Sandra Gordon, Gena Smith, Lacey McCarthy, Anne Scott and Diane McGimpsey