



# Term 1 Parent Overview

Wednesday 1st  
February 2012

“Engaging and exciting term ahead...”

## Dates to Remember

### Week 2

- *Manual starts Tuesday 7th February. Remember your shoes, your equipment.*
- *Y8 Girls HPV immunization 10th Feb.*
- *Meet the Teachers informal interviews 14th February*
- *Disco, Friday 24th February*
- *Mini Markets stalls March 16th*
- *Swimming all term...See class timetables. Culminating in our Swimming Champs at Rodney College. Dates to be advised*
- *Term 1 School reports will be completed by Week 8*
- *Parent interviews (Formal) Week 9*
- *Camp Adair Week 10 (4 days 3 nights)*

Welcome to Term 1. We hope everyone has had an awesome holiday with family and friends and ready for an engaging and exciting first term . The Adventure begins with our Year 8 E-Classroom, led by Ms Tindle and with Mrs Crawford’s Room 3 and Mr Moore’s Room 2 Year 7 & 8 classes, an exciting year awaits...



### Maths

Student's will be revising different strategies over the next week for numeracy, focusing on the four operations, Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, and Division as part of “Number”. Please help your child to revise these at home.

The following 4 weeks we will be focusing on Statistics.

### Reading

Our focus will be on guided groups and independent reading . We will be E-AsTTle assessing students over the first 3 weeks, identifying next learning steps for the remainder of the term.

### Spelling

Spelling will commence week 1 with learning new words and spelling related homework as set by your teacher, Sigma Spelling Books will not be purchased this year. .

### Literacy

Our focus writing is Narrative writing for the year, however as part of our Mini markets persuasive writing will be a unit component. Students in Year 4-8 will be learning new skills and revising old as part of writing to entertain and inform.

### Sports/Fitness/Physical Education/ Health

Sport rotations will continue every Wednesday with the focus being ‘*Practising Skills associated with Summer games*

Our school Swimming pool is ready for use and be a teaching part of our sports and P.E programme. All children are encouraged to participate.

### Year 7 & 8 Camp Adair, Hunua April 2—5th 2012.

Planning has already got underway in preparation for our senior camp, last week of this term. We as a team have kept costs to a minimum and have planned several fundraising activities to reduce costs further. We envisage using parent cars instead of buses, this year and will be seeking helpers and transport assistance, closer to the time.

**Manual 2012 Rodney College**

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

All year 7 and 8 students will commence manual, Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2012 for 6 weeks, rotating throughout the year to cover all 6 subject areas.

Students will walk up the college with their school bags, wearing covered shoes, taking with them their morning tea, pencil cases with pens, pencils, coloured pencils, rubber, sharpener and a sealable plastic container. A letter from the Rodney College will be given out to all students on the first day of their technology programme. This will explain how and when the \$50.00 Technology fee is to be paid.

Students have also been reminded of the appropriate behavior and conduct whilst at Rodney College and any misbehavior will have consequences of which you will be informed of. At Wellsford School, we as staff will continue to reinforce to our students, a sense of pride and respect so that they represent themselves, their families and our school well, when off site.

Your support and co-operation is appreciated.

Mr Paul Moore, Tracey Tindle and Missy Crawford  
Year 7 and 8 Teachers.