



05 August 2026

Kia ora parents and caregivers,

This is a final reminder regarding our upcoming Year 8 Social Studies and Science trips to Tiritiri Matangi Island. **Please read through the following important details carefully to ensure your child is prepared for their trip day.**

If payment has not yet been made for this trip, please can this be done before your child's allocated trip day.

Trip Dates

- Trip #1 - Friday, 7th August 2026
- Trip #2 - Friday, 14th August 2026

Schedule Details

- **7:00am Prompt:** Students **must** be at school for the morning roll call.
- **7:20am:** The bus departs from Golflands Campus. Please do not be late, as the bus must leave promptly to catch our 09:00am ferry from the Auckland CBD.
- **5:00pm (Approx.):** Estimated return time back to Golflands Campus, depending on traffic.

What to Wear

Students need to dress appropriately for walking outdoors in variable weather:

- **Clothing:** Elim PE uniform with plain black, navy, or grey sweatpants/trackpants for layering over PE shorts.
- **Layers:** Official school jumpers and school jackets. Elim sports hoodies may be worn.
- **Outerwear:** Raincoat and a warm hat/beanie or sunhat.
- **Footwear:** Sturdy walking shoes. **STRICTLY NO** Crocs, sandals, slides, or casual sneakers as students will be doing extensive walking on island tracks.

What to Pack

Please ensure that your child's backpack contains:

- A substantial packed lunch and enough snacks to last until 5:00pm.
- A refillable water bottle.
- Any personal medication needed during the day.
- Before packing, please check all bags and shoes to ensure they are clean and free of soil, seeds, or pests, as Tiritiri Matangi is a pest-free sanctuary.

Please refer to the attachments sent with this letter:

1. **Student Groupings & Dates:** Details on which day (Trip #1 or Trip #2) and the group your child has been assigned to.



2. **Day Programme:** A full schedule outlining our ferry travel times, guided walks, lunch, and educational activities throughout the day on the island.

Thank you for your ongoing support in making this trip a safe and memorable learning experience for our students! Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on:

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Many thanks / Nga Mihi,

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