



Kia ora Whanau

Our school roll is growing – **welcome to all our new families.** If you have any questions about your child’s learning or progress, please see your child’s teacher, if you have questions about systems or processes, please see the office or come and see me personally. Don’t forget to download the free **Skool Loop app** from the Google Playstore. This has the most up-to-date information and allows you to receive instant updates and reminders about school events and notices.

**Math-athon** information was sent home on the 12<sup>th</sup> August. Please support us to reach the goal of \$15,000 for the planned Bike Track. The PTA and staff are working really hard to source the funding for this exciting project that our children and community will love using. We are hoping the project will be started this year and be ready for the 2020 school year. There are some amazing main prizes up for grabs this year for the Math-athon including, bikes, scooters, BMX track memberships and I heard a rumour of a PS4 up for grabs! Spot prizes include chocolates, Lego, stationery prizes and lots more. There are class prizes of pizzas for the first class to get to \$500, individual prizes and spot prizes, but you have to be in to win. Every \$10 you raise gets you a ticket in the prize draw. We encourage children to ask family members and parental work places rather than approaching strangers.

**Swimming lessons** at Te Atatu Peninsula for Yrs 3-6 begin this Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August. Our apologies for the earlier mis-communication regarding start date. Information is available on the Skool Loop app under Swimming Lesson notice, posted on 19<sup>th</sup> August. Please note that swimming lessons are part of the curriculum and are compulsory.

**Measles** – Our records show that some of our children have not been vaccinated with the MMR vaccine. These parents were sent letters in the post on 23<sup>rd</sup> August. To those parents who received a letter please provide us with MMR vaccination evidence as soon as possible by scanning the information to [lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz](mailto:lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz). In the event of an outbreak being detected at our school your child/children will not be able to attend school for 10 days as per Ministry of Health guidelines for infectious diseases.

**Spare clothing** – Please send your child to school with a change of clothing in their bag. In the winter they need a change of clothes should theirs get wet. Playing in the puddles and mud is a great learning opportunity, but we want to ensure your child is able to get into clean and dry clothes afterwards.

**2020 planning** – As crazy as it sounds, we are already planning for 2020. Next year we will be continuing with our focus on strengthening our 'Learning Focussed Partnerships' with whanau. We have been able to put most dates into the calendar and will be sending home a 2020 annual calendar at the start of next year. Next week we will be sending home the student placement notice. This form helps us to place children in classes that best meet their social and academic needs. If you have any information you feel would help us to do this, please take the time to complete the form.

We will also be including an update of contact information section, if your preferred contacts, phone number or address have changed, please complete this section so that our records are accurate. In the case of sickness, injury or a learning opportunity, we sometimes need to be able to contact family members quickly and if our records have not been updated, this can mean we can't contact you quickly.

If you change your phone number at any other time, or have a change of circumstances/move, please send a note to school with your child for the office so that we can keep our records accurate.

**Sickness or absences** are frequent in Term Three. If your child is away, please text the school on 022 043 3026 giving your name, your child’s name and room nbr and a brief explanation of their absence. Please also send a note to school with your child on their return explaining their absence. Thank you for your cooperation.

Regular attendance is essential for your child to build strong friendships and understanding of what is being taught. Just one absence a week adds up to nearly a term’s worth of learning or 25% over the year. Engagement is one of our school expectations, so please support your child to be at school regularly and on time. If there are any barriers to your child’s attendance, please see your child’s teacher or make an appointment through the office to see me.

Ka kite

Leisha Byrnes

**PRINCIPAL**

**CELEBRATIONS**

Congratulations to Pounamu house for getting the highest points for REACH awards for the past fortnight. 2<sup>nd</sup> went to Umurangi house, 3<sup>rd</sup> was Paua, 4<sup>th</sup> was Koru.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Our current Board comprises of:

Raewyn Clark Chairperson, Leisha Byrnes Principal, Gordon Irving Property Manager (Staff Trustee), Reuben Baker, Lillian Hansell, Andrew Lile, Peter Lai

The Board can be contacted at any time via the Chairperson by emailing [bot@lincolnheights.school.nz](mailto:bot@lincolnheights.school.nz)

All members of the public are invited to attend BoT meetings which are held in the staffroom, starting at 5:30pm.

**There is a Board of Trustees meeting in the staffroom tonight!**

**Step by step together we REACH new heights!**

**TERM THREE 2019**

Whole school assemblies are held in the hall on Fridays at midday on odd weeks of the term. All whanau are welcome to attend.

**August**

- 28<sup>th</sup> BOT meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom
- 30<sup>th</sup> Yr 3-6 Swimming lessons begin @ Swimsation  
Coffee & Korero for parents, staffroom, 9-10.30am

**2019 TERMS:**

- Term One: 29<sup>th</sup> January – 12<sup>th</sup> April
- Term Two: 29<sup>th</sup> April – 5<sup>th</sup> July
- Term Three: 22<sup>nd</sup> July – 27<sup>th</sup> September
- Term Four: 14<sup>th</sup> October - 17<sup>th</sup> December

**September**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> NorWest Mall Art Exhibition
- 6<sup>th</sup> Rm 28 Zoo trip  
Whole school assembly, Yr 5-8 speech comp finals
- 9<sup>th</sup> PTA meeting, 6.30pm, staffroom, all welcome
- 12<sup>th</sup> NorWest Speech comp finals
- 13<sup>th</sup> Senior social Yr 5-8 in hall, 6pm-8pm, \$5 entry  
Coffee & Korero for parents, staffroom, 9-10.30am  
Yr 3-6 swimming lessons @ Swimsation
- 17<sup>th</sup> Duffy Role Model assembly, 11.45am
- 20<sup>th</sup> Yr 3-6 swimming lessons, Swimsation
- 26<sup>th</sup> NorWest Volleyball comp, Massey HS
- 27<sup>th</sup> Coffee & Korero for parents, staffroom, 9-10.30am  
Yr 3-6 swimming lessons, Swimsation  
**Last day of Term, school closes usual time**

14<sup>th</sup> October – Term Four begins, 8.50am school starts

**GENERAL NOTICES**

- Don't forget to place your Calendar Art order before *Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September*. Payment can be made by internet to 12-3085-0141737-00, REF: CalArt and your child's initials, Rm #. For example CalArt NT13. Order forms MUST be returned to the office for us to match up your payment with your order. Thank you.
- **Lucky Book Club** orders #6 payments to the office by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September please. These should have come home last Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August.
- Have you changed your **contact details**? Simply email us to advise us of the change to [lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz](mailto:lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz)
- Don't forget to check out our **Lincoln Heights School Official Facebook page** and **download our free Skool Loop app**. Photos and notices, plus the newsletter are regularly uploaded for parents to see what is happening at school.
- Do you have an **under five child at home that will be starting school soon**? We are beginning to plan for our 2020 new entrant classes. If you have a pre-schooler that will be starting with us later this year or beginning of next, please drop in to the office to give names and dob.
- **Medication to the office**. If your child uses medication (i.e. asthma inhaler) please bring in a spare for the office if you have not already done so. Parents will need to sign an authorisation form for us to administer any medication.
- To notify NZ Police for non-emergency events you can call them on 105, or email [105.police.govt.nz](mailto:105.police.govt.nz)
- **Zumba classes** are held in the hall on Monday evenings from 7.30am. Contact Magda on 021 048 0456 for more information.
- Karate classes are held in the hall Wednesday evenings from 6.30pm. Contact Hayden on 021 753 115 for more information.

**BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAMME**

SKIDS provide Before & After School Care on-site from 7am to 8.30am and 3pm to 6pm Monday to Friday at very reasonable prices. For more information contact Manel or Sam by phone on 0800 187 000 or 021 922 521, or email [lincolnheights@skids.co.nz](mailto:lincolnheights@skids.co.nz)

**Term 3 Activities**  
22<sup>nd</sup> July – 27<sup>th</sup> September 2019  
BSC 7:00am to 8:30am / 7:30am to 8:30am  
ASC 3:00pm to 6:00pm / 3:00pm to 4:00pm

**ASC Daily Themes**  
TERM 3 @ SKIDS Lincoln Heights  
Our special passion is inspiring our children to strive and grow. At SKIDS every day is different, with a variety of fun, safe and engaging activities that our kids love best.

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Email: [lincolnheights@skids.co.nz](mailto:lincolnheights@skids.co.nz) | Onsite Mobile: 021 922 521 | Office Mobile: 022 654 5248  
Book now at [WWW.SKIDS.CO.NZ](http://WWW.SKIDS.CO.NZ) click on Parent Login

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