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LINCOLN HEIGHTS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - Term 3 - 23rd September 2020



Kia ora Whanau

Parent Teacher interviews have been rescheduled to be held in Term Four - Wednesday 21st October and Thursday 22nd October starting at 3.30pm both days. To book your appointment online go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and enter the event code **3sjaf**. Should you have any difficulty booking online or not have online access to book, contact Tash in the office for assistance so a manual booking can be made for you.

We are still waiting for some ICS funding permission slips to be returned. If you have received one could you please return it to school as soon as possible. This funding provides additional support for learning for the entire year.

A reminder that Lincoln Heights School hall will be open to the public for Advance Voting on Saturday 3rd October 10am to 4.00pm, Saturday 10th October 10am to 4.00pm and on Saturday 17th October for national voting. You can vote at our school even if you have not enrolled as yet, or if you are out of your usual electorate area. Alert Level 2 conditions will be in place for voting i.e. social distancing, hand sanitiser use and masks wearing is encouraged. Thank you for your patience in advance.

Orders for whole class and individual student photos can now be made online through Photolife. Online photo access key slips were sent home on Tuesday 15th September. You can go online at www.photolife.co.nz and view your photos to place an order. If you have not received your photo access key slip please contact the office. Free delivery for photos expires midnight Sunday 4th October. For any orders received after this date there will be a charge for delivery.

We will be resuming trips next term - unless there is a shift up in alert levels. It has been very unfortunate that in the first year that we were able to provide free trips, we were unable to access venues or mix our 'bubbles'.

Although the alert level has shifted down to two and we expect this to continue down to one next term, we are planning on continuing the drop off at the gate, however, we will be welcoming our families back in the afternoons. We have noticed an increase in student confidence and independence across the school and found that the majority of children are much more settled at the start of the day. Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Next term there will be number of class moves as we begin our classroom upgrade work. While this will create some disruptions, we expect these to be minimal. We are very excited to have this work happening and for our classroom environments to reflect the learning that is happening!

As the end of year date has shifted due to us not having Teacher Only Days, there have been some changes in key dates. Of particular note is the Senior Prizegiving and Dinner/Dance, which will now be on Friday 11th December. There will be more information out next term to confirm times.

On Friday you will receive some information about our major fundraiser for 2020 - 'The Bike-A-thon'. This is our way of raising funds to build a play area specifically tailored for our senior students. This year we will be asking for sponsorship in the way of amounts, as all children will be completing 30 minutes of bike track rotations. All things going to plan, the Senior leadership Team will launch the 'A-thon' on Thursday 5th November, with a planned disco, food stalls and much fanfare, as they attempt to ride their bikes for 24 hours (not individually, but as a relay - we may even try to get some special helpers to keep the biking happening). If you know of anyone who would be able to donate a prize, please let either myself or Toby Kite know. We will also be offering some spot prizes for quick return of sponsorship money and some prizes for the sponsors who are supporting us! Thank you in advance for supporting our school!

We have begun to plan for 2021 already and are looking forward to a more settled year and opportunities for us to be working together. We know the importance of positive, learning focused whanau relationships for raising student achievement and are looking forward to achieving our school goal of 95% attendance at parent interviews. It would be amazing if we could beat our attendance rate of 87% last year.

To celebrate the end of the term and 'Peace Week', we will be having a 'PJ mufti day' on Friday 25th September. Please send your child to school with a gold coin. We are hoping to get everyone in school in their PJs!

We will be sending the 2021 student information forms home on Friday 25th. Please complete them and return them to school by Friday 16th October. We use this information to help us ensure that children are placed with friends, we are aware of any new strengths or concerns you may have, and to help us plan for the following year. We also use the returned form to ensure we have the most up-to-date contact information for whanau. Children will have the opportunity to meet their teacher for 2021 on Monday 14th December.

With term four being a summer term, please remember to send your child to school with a hat. Children will be restricted to playing in shaded areas if they do not have a hat at school each day. We will also resume our ice block sales on the first day of term. The proceeds from these sales go towards our senior school and enabling every child to attend the end of year dinner free of charge. Ice blocks will be on sale daily at lunch time for \$1.

School closes for the holidays this Friday at 3.00pm. We hope that all of our students and whanau enjoy the break and take time to relax together, whether it is travelling or having a staycation at home. We look forward to welcoming our students back to school on Monday 12th October at 8.50am.

Ka kite

Leisha Byrnes

PRINCIPAL

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Mid-Term Elections are coming in Term Four! Nomination forms will be posted to all parents/caregivers on Friday 6th November. Nominations close on Friday 20th November. It is important that we have your current address on file. You will be able to post nomination forms back to the school in the self-addressed envelope provided with the form, or drop them in to the office by 20th November. Our school currently has 2 vacancies. If more than 2 nominations are received we will be posting out voting forms by Wednesday 25th November.

If you want to know more information about what Becoming a Trustee entails, go to www.trustee-election.co.nz and click on the Becoming a Trustee tab.

Contact with our Board via the Chairperson can be made by emailing bot@lincolnheights.school.nz

Step by step together we REACH new heights!

September

23rd BOT meeting, staffroom, 5.30pm
 25th Last day of Term Three. School closes 3.00pm

October

3rd Hall open for Advance Voting 10am – 4.00pm
 10th Hall open for Advance Voting 10am – 4.00pm
 12th Term Four begins. School starts 8.50am
 14th Nikau team trip to Zoo
 19th PTA meeting, 6pm, staffroom
 21st Parent Teacher Interviews from 3.30pm
 22nd Parent Teacher interviews from 3.30pm
 23rd **TEACHER ONLY DAY. School closed**
 26th **LABOUR DAY. School closed**
 28th Nikau team trip to Stardome
 BOT meeting, staffroom, 5.30pm
 29th Moemoe Fou trip to Auckland Museum

Our motto – Be In The Gate by Half Past Eight

GENERAL NOTICES

- **All Netball games have been cancelled** for the remainder of 2020. Uniforms should be returned clean for your bond refund.
- **Congratulations** to both our Yr 5 and 6 netball teams for being placed second in their grades, and to our Yr 3 and 4 team for placing third in their grade.
- **Lifewise Waimumu Early Childhood Education.** 112 Waimumu Rd, Massey, 9.00am to 3.00pm daily. Limited spaces available. Quality education for 6 months to 5 years. 20 hours free for over 3 year olds. Phone 021 194 6000 to book or drop in.
- **SKiDS Before and After School** is available for our students. Contact Manel or Sam direct by phoning 022 654 5248 for child care any requirements.
- **Spare change of clothing.** With children getting wet/muddy at play times, please put a change of clothing in your child’s bag, just in case.
- **Change of contact details.** Please email us at lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz if your contact details change at any time. Thank you.

Lincoln Heights School

PhotoLife

IMPORTANT INFORMATION
Online Ordering Photo Access Keys Enclosed

Your school has chosen to use the Online Ordering system for photographs this year.
 This system means parents can access, view and order their child’s photos online.
 The Online system works off each student’s name, giving them an Individual Photo Access Key to view and order their photographs.

Enclosed are the Online Photo Access Key slips to be handed out to the students ASAP as their photos are now uploaded and ready to view online.

Your School’s **FREE DELIVERY** period expires at **Midnight** on:

SUNDAY 4 OCTOBER 2020

The “Free Delivery” deadline date is clearly displayed when families go online and view their photos.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries at all.

Kind Regards,

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 Email: enquiries@photalife.co.nz

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Amazing Art brightening up the office foyer, thanks to the talented children in Room 27!



Jackie is an amazing goat feeder!
 August loves getting fed by her!

The goats really enjoy all the love they get each day!