



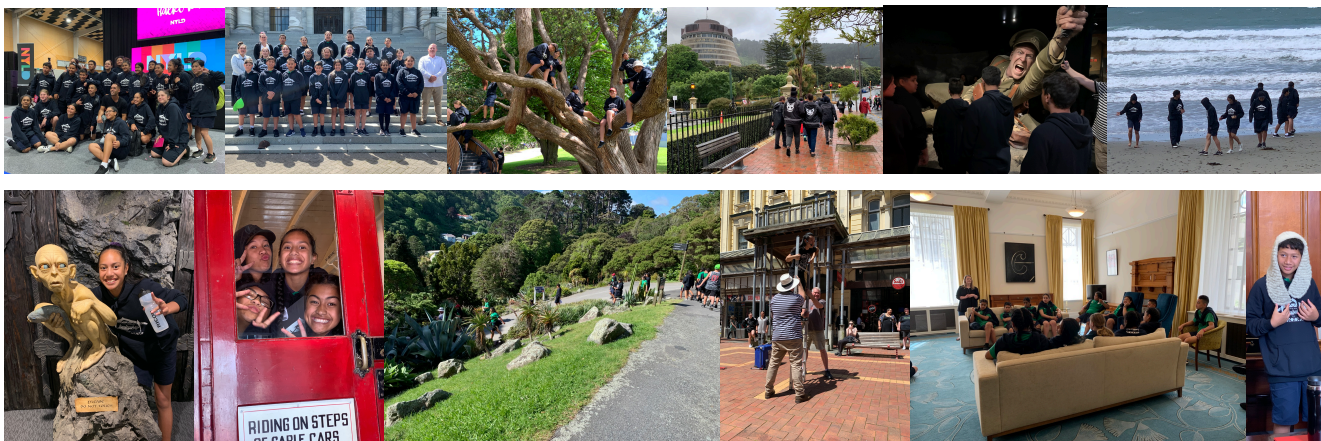
Kia ora Whanau

There are now only ten days left of the 2020 school year. There are many things happening around the school, such as graduations, prizegivings, students meeting their 2021 teachers, building work and classroom moves. Rms 18-20 are now situated in the hall until the end of term while those classrooms are being refurbished. Our grateful thanks to our staff and students for their support during the inconvenience caused by building renovations this term.

End of Year Festival – This was an amazing event, if somewhat impacted by the weather. Thank you to all families that braved the weather! We will be drawing the Christmas raffles on Monday 14th December.

Bike A-Thon money - We are still receiving sponsorship money for the Bike A-Thon and will continue to accept money until the last day of school. Thank you to all families that either participated or contributed to this amazing fundraising effort. The total raised by the -Athon (including the money raised by the PTA on the night) is just under the target of \$15,000.00. Remember that all funds raised go towards the senior playground which we hope will happen next year. We will be presenting the prizes at the end of this week to the students who raised the most money and our 'Lucky Draw' winners as well.

Wellington Hikoi – You would have all seen the daily posts including photos on Facebook of the learning that was happening for our students in Wellington. It was the first time our Leadership students got to travel out of Auckland as a group to attend the National Young Leaders Day. The Leadership students delivered a petition to Parliament requesting that visitors to Parliament be permitted to take photos of their visit. You will be able to go online and support this petition as soon as it is made live. We will post a link on Facebook and also send out a Skool Loop link. It is amazing that our students have had this opportunity to effect change.



NorWest Athletic results – On 19th November Miss Bower took some of our students to compete in the NorWest Athletics Zone Day at the Douglas Athletics Track, Trusts Stadium. Our students performed so well against other schools that they represented us at Mt Smart Stadium on 26th November. We are so proud of the effort and achievement from all who represented our school for their results and their exemplary sporting behaviour. Congratulations to all students who attended. It was great to hear of the exceptional sportsmanship and behaviour displayed by our students.

BOT election voting forms – Remember to get your vote in to have your say. If you have not posted your voting form in the envelope provided, please get it to the office no later than 4.00pm Friday 4th December. Postal votes will be accepted up until Wednesday 9th December. All votes will be counted on Thursday 10th December, candidates notified and results posted on our Facebook page and via the Skool Loop App. Thank you to the candidates standing.

Christmas Raffles – Raffle tickets are available from the office until Monday 14 December. We will be raffling two food hampers and an amazing hand made 'kiwiana' quilt which was kindly donated by Lynda Steed, huge thanks for her kind donation. Handmade quilts of this quality sell for more than \$500! If you have a new baby or a baby on the way, then make sure to buy a ticket for this draw! Winners will be called on Monday afternoon 14th December and posted on the school Facebook page. Tickets will be available \$2 for one and 3 for \$5.

Free School Eats trial # 2 – Was held 26th November. All children received Spaghetti Bolognaise which was declared delicious by our students! We are excited that this will be free to all children next year! At the start of next year we will send home a form requesting information of dietary requirements, this information will then be stored on our Student Management System. If your child develops allergies or their dietary requirements change, please let us know so that we can update our system and ensure that your child doesn't miss out.

Our grateful thanks to The Trusts for contributing towards our end of year senior prizegiving. We feel fortunate to receive funding that supports our students being acknowledged for their hard work throughout the year and being able to be recognised via an award thanks to the Trusts School Awards Fund.

There will be one final newsletter for the end of this year coming home on Monday 14th December. This will have key dates when our office will be open in preparation for the start of 2021.

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Leisha Byrnes

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Remember - voting closes at 4.00pm Friday 4th December. We will accept postal votes up to and including 9th December.

Step by step together we REACH new heights!

TERM FOUR CALENDAR 2020

December

- 8th Junior athletics 9am – 1pm
- 9th Milo & Marshmallows 3pm to 6pm, Library for Summer Reading programme
- 10th Meet the 2021 teacher, 1.45pm-2.30pm
BOT meeting
- 11th Yr 7/8 dinner & dance. 6pm start for Yr 8's
Senior prizegiving, midday, Our City Church
- 14th Whole school Big Day In fun day
- 15th **School closes, 1.00pm** – SkiDS will be open for child care.
- 17th Last day for Playgroup, 9.30am to 12.30pm
Library open 10am-2.00pm for Summer Reading programme

January 2021

- 6th Library open 10am-2pm for Summer Reading programme
- 13th Library open 10am-2pm for Summer Reading programme
- 20th Library open 10am-2pm for Summer Reading programme
- 27th Library open 10am-2pm for Summer Reading programme

February

- 3rd Library open 10am-2pm for Summer Reading programme
6pm-7pm, EOY Summer Reading celebration, Library
- Monday 8th February – Waitangi Day observance
- Tuesday 9th School restarts for Term One – 8.50am

Our motto – In The Gate by Half Past Eight Guarantees You Won't be Late!

GENERAL NOTICES

- **Senior school End of Year graduation** – Friday 11th December. Graduation at midday, Our City Church, Central Park Drive, Henderson. Dinner & Dance 6.00pm for Yr 8's - no charge. Dessert & Dance for Yr 7's, 7.15pm, \$5.00 per child. Venue at Our City Church. Tickets on sale from the office now!
- Communication - Remember to check out our **Lincoln Heights School Official Facebook** page. Photos and notices, plus the newsletter, are regularly uploaded for parents to see what is happening at school.
- **Parent Supervised Playgroup sessions** are in Rm 7 nearest Doone Place on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9.30am until 12.30pm. Email Coordinator Jordan at lincolnheights@playgroups.org.nz for more information. Playgroup closes December 17th for 2020.
- Do you have an **under five child at home that will be starting school soon?** We are planning our 2021 new entrant classes. If you have a pre-schooler that will be starting with us later this year or the beginning of next, please drop in to the office to give names and date of birth, or email the information to lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz
- **SKiDS** Before and After School care is available for our students and is now operating from the hall from 7am until 8.30am and 3pm to 6pm Monday to Friday. Contact Sam direct by phoning 022 654 5248, or 0800 187 000, or emailing lincolnheights@skids.co.nz
- **LHS Music School** operates at school on Tuesday afternoons from 3.30pm and Saturday mornings from 9am. Expert tuition is available for Guitar, Recorder, Flute and Violin at all levels. Enrolments for 2021 will soon be opening. Contact Coordinator nellie.shaw@gmail.com for more information.
- **Change of contact details.** Please email us at lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz if your contact details change at any time. Thank you.

Its been a busy week with junior prizegiving and the seniors Kauri team end of year trip to Cornwallis.

