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Kia ora Whanau

Matariki celebrations were held on 1st July. A very special thank you to Lisi Esera, mother of Lydiah in Rm 8 and Ezra in Rm 4, and Bidford Avondale for so generously donating much of the vegetables and chicken for the hangi which was huge success. Thanks to all who bought a meal, to the teachers for their time and commitment in preparing vegetables behind the scenes for the hangi and helping to make the evening a success. Thanks to the PTA who work so diligently for our fundraising causes. Thanks to the students for their enthusiasm in their performances as well, and to our parents in supporting our staff and students to celebrate this special event. We value and appreciate every one of you.



Congratulations to Jackie who won the amazing Kahukura quilt raffle. The winner was drawn by Jamie after much shaking by Zach and Siaki! A huge thank you to everyone who bought tickets!

Teacher changes are never ideal in a school, however from time to time they do happen for reasons out of our control. Whenever a class or teacher shift happens, please be assured that we always have the best interest of the students at the heart of our decision making process. This week we farewell Mrs Palmer in Room 6. She will be leaving our school at the end of the term. Our very own fabulous Mrs Kite will be teaching in Room 6 for the remainder of the year. I know you will join me in wishing Mrs Palmer all the best. Mrs King will be taking over teaching Room 13 and Ms Treadwell will continue teaching in Room 14 to support Mr Duffin. When Mr Duffin returns to work, he will be teaching with Mrs McVicker until we have a new class of New Entrants.

Don't forget that we are doing a **month long challenge** starting on the first day of Term 3, with a Milo and Bickie **Walk to School Day on Wednesday 28th July**. This challenge will run in conjunction with the Olympics and will end with prizes (Gold, Silver and Bronze) for the classes with the highest average number of walkers! Thank you to Ramona from Auckland Transport who is organising this with our amazing Ms Irwin.

As of this week the new carpark plan is in place. This means front and rear carparks are allocated to classroom spaces. **Both carparks are for staff only**, unless you display a current disability sticker or are dropping off a child to Kahukura. If you are a parent, please park on the road. Thank you for your cooperation.

Parent/Teacher interviews are scheduled for Week 2 of next term, Wednesday 4th and Thursday 5th August. School will close at the usual time of 3pm on the Wednesday with interviews commencing at 3.30pm until 7.30pm. School will close at 2.00pm on the Thursday, interviews will commence at 2.30pm until 5.30pm. We will let you know when online bookings are live. To make your online booking, go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz, code **fq758**. Tash in the office can assist if you have any difficulty booking. Remember our school goal is to have 95% at parent interviews. Research says that students make the most progress when parents are engaged with the school and there is a real learning partnership. We want to be one of the best schools in the West and together we can make that happen.

Earlier in the year we surveyed about our **School Uniform**. There was a high level of satisfaction in the current uniform, interest in exploring a sports uniform and introducing a senior school uniform. The Board of Trustees has taken your feedback on board and we will be implementing a new senior school uniform in 2023 compulsory for year 7 and optional for year 8 and then compulsory in 2024 for all year 7 and 8 students. Over the remainder of the year we will be consulting with students and whanau for their input.

Thank you to all of you who are keeping their children home when they are sick and letting the office know if their child is away. Please remember to send your child back to school with a note on their return or alternatively, email Geneva on lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz

We are a uniformed school, and we have noticed that there are a few children coming to school in non-uniform articles of clothing. Next term we will be undertaking uniform checks and sending notes home or phoning whanau of students not in uniform. Please be assured that this will not be punitive and we will be working with whanau to ensure their child is in correct uniform. If your child is not in uniform, please send a note to school with them explaining why.

Welcome to Debbie Clarke, Lincoln Heights School Auckland Kindergarten Association Playgroup Manager who will be with us until the end of this year. Debbie has many years ECE experience and is looking forward to meeting our families. Parent supervised playgroup sessions operate from the stand alone classroom on the top field nearest Doone Place entrance. Sessions are on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9.30am until 12.30pm. You can email Debbie at debbie.clarke@aka.org.nz for more information or pop in to see her.

With the holidays starting at the end of today, we hope that you all have a relaxing break, that our students all return to us ready for Term Three on Monday 26th July by 8.30am.

Ka kite

Leisha Byrnes

PRINCIPAL

TERM TWO/THREE 2021

July

5th 3x3 Basketball, Trusts Stadium, 4.15pm Yr 3/4, 5pm Yr 5/6
9th Duffy Book assembly, 11.45am
End Term Two. School closes 3.00pm

July

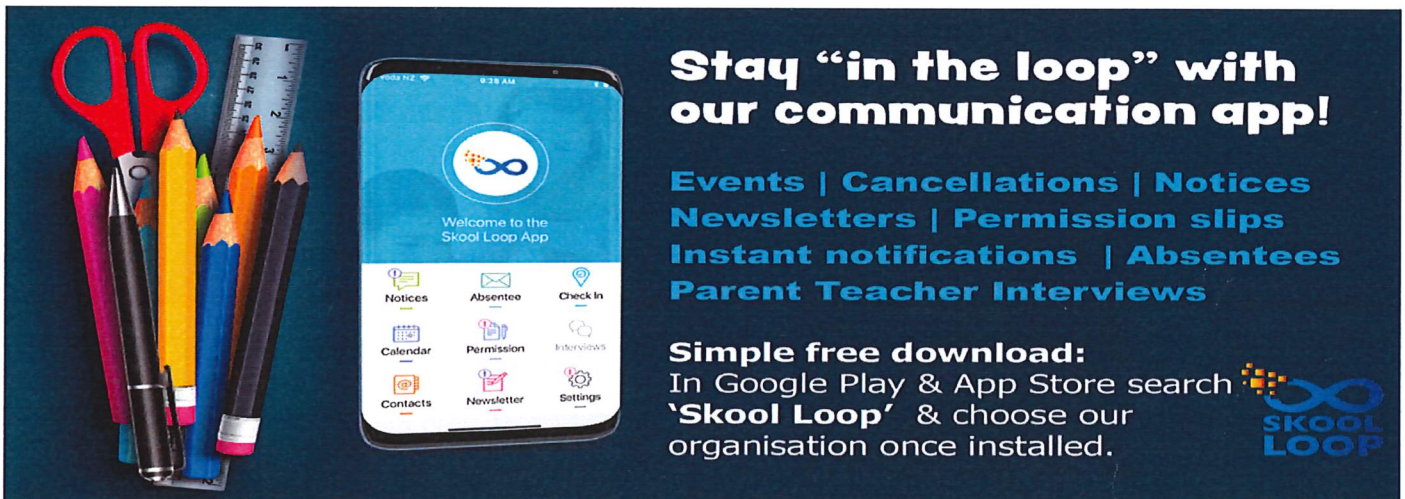
26th School re-opens for Term Three, 8.50am
28th Milo & Bickie Walk to School Day
Yr 7&8's to Massey High School for matinee performance
Board meeting, 5pm, staffroom

TERM THREE 26th July – 1st October
TERM FOUR 18th October – 17th December

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

GENERAL NOTICES


- **Parent Supervised Playgroup sessions** are in the room on the top playing field nearest Doone Place on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9.30am until 12.30pm. Email Manager Debbie at debbie.clarke@aka.org.nz for more information.
- **SKIDS** Before and After School care is available for our students and is now operating from Rm 28 beside the Library. Quality care is available from 7am until 8.30am and 3pm to 6pm Monday to Friday. Contact Sam direct by phoning 027 814 0380, or emailing lincolnheights@skids.co.nz
- **Important message re student illness.** Please do not send your child to school if they are showing symptoms of being unwell. When a child is sent to the sickbay unwell we phone parents to collect them. We do not have the capacity in our sickbay to keep children all day. Thanks for your cooperation.
- **Change of contact details.** Please email us at lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz if your contact details change at any time. Thank you.
- With a wet term and children wanting to play outside during breaktimes, we remind parents, especially of younger children, to put a **change of clothing** in your child's schoolbag in case they get wet/muddy. Thanks for your cooperation.



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- Tap the big orange choose button. This will load your school and bring you to the settings page.
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