



Our **REACH** values stand for **Respect. Engage. Aware. Celebrate. Honest**

Kia ora Whanau

This term is flying by, its already week 8 of a 10 week term. This term has been very busy with Camp, upcoming trips, assessments, and not least Parent Teacher interviews.

**Our school goal for parent interviews is 90% attendance. This time we achieved 80.5% across the school.**

A great achievement, but I know we can reach that 90% goal in term 3! We had some classes however, who exceeded the 90% goal. Congratulations to Room 15 who had 100% of their families attend Parent Interviews, Room 22 and Potu 6 had 95%, Room 18 had 94% Room 13 had 92% and Potu 5 91%! The Team with the highest attendance across all classes was Moemoe Fou with 91% average.

**Attendance and engagement** is one of our school goals – we aim to have an 80% attendance and engagement rate for all children. We know that with the disruptions of COVID and the recent weather event, getting children to school every day is vital. If a child misses just one day a week, that equates to nearly a term of learning over a year. It impacts on not just a child's learning and progress, but also their relationships. Regular school attendance leads to better educational outcomes and supports ongoing attendance at high school. We understand that children get sick and in families of multiple children, this can equate to a few days (or longer) as the illness passes through the whole family, but we encourage you to bring your child to school unless they are sick. If your child needs a jacket so they can attend school on rainy days, please let us know. Attendance is a national priority for the Ministry of Education. We are working closely with the Tamaki Makaurau School Truancy Service to ensure all children are able to attend school regularly. If your child is unwell, please let the school know, either via email, text or phone call. You may be thinking that's a bit rich coming from you when the school closes for professional development during the term. When a school plans a Teacher Only Day on a usual school day, this day is added on to the end of the school year, ensuring that every school is open for the same number of days.

Another huge thank you to our Board and to our school community for supporting our teachers in closing the school for instruction for the NZEI National Teachers Strike last week. As teaching professionals we believe in quality education across Aotearoa for all tamariki. Our teachers have a passion for delivering that education, and believe our tamariki would benefit from some government changes. We know how difficult it was for you to support us in closing the school for instruction as many of us are parents too. One of the biggest challenges education is facing today is inadequate classroom support for students with learning or behavioural needs. Many children who deserve and need learning support to reach their potential, are not eligible to receive it and teachers are struggling to adequately support all the children in their class. We pride ourselves on being an inclusive school and believe in the right of every child to receive a quality education in their local school. We are proud to be a school recognised for being adaptive and inclusive and our Board is committed to ensuring we do as much we can to support every learner. We want the government to also support our learners, our tamariki and ensure there are equitable outcomes for all children. If you have any questions or comments regarding why teachers and principals across the motu are striking, please come in and see me or talk to your child's teacher. Once again thank you for your support, we appreciate and value you.



Correction to 8<sup>th</sup> March newsletter - school closes at 3.00pm on the **last day of Term 1, Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April** and not 1.00pm as stated. Reports will be going home in Term 2 and not at the end of this term. Thank you to all the whanau that messaged me to query these errors!

Remember that ordering a school uniform is now a simple process using the school website portal. Orders are couriered to your private address. We do have samples in a range of sizes at the office to try on before ordering. To order online select go to [www.lincolnheights.school.nz](http://www.lincolnheights.school.nz), select Shops tab, then Uniform Shop, or alternatively go direct to <https://lincolnheights.nzuniforms.com/>

We use **SchoolDocs** to update and monitor all of our policies. Remember that parents can view any of our policies at any time. To view, click on this link <https://lincolnheights.schooldocs.co.nz/> 'Together' is the password. We welcome your feedback, simply email it to [lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz](mailto:lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz)

Heads up that the first day of Term 2, **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April**, the school is closed for a **Teacher Only Day** so that our teachers can participate in valuable professional development. At the end of last year the Ministry of Education announced that all primary schools would have two days to unpack the new curriculum. They advised schools that these days must be taken in the first two weeks of term 2. Rather than come back to school and then have Tuesday 25 off for ANZAC day, like most schools, we have decided to use Monday as our TOD. We will be joining the other schools in our Kahui Ako (West Harbour, Don Buck, Massey, Royal Road, Colwill and Massey High School) in a 'Mini Conference'.

Thank you to the families who have paid the \$30 contribution towards stationery this year. We have had 25% paid so far. If you haven't paid, please either login to the school shop, or come in and see Tash at the office.

**Don't forget to download the FREE Skool Loop app, and join us on Facebook – Lincoln Heights School Official.**

Leisha Byrnes

**PRINCIPAL**

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Our trustees are:

Raewyn Clark, Presiding Member

[bot@lincolnheights.school.nz](mailto:bot@lincolnheights.school.nz)

Ben Lynch, Kiri McCabe, Doreen Retimana, Ken Tuioti and Gordon Irving (Staff Trustee)



Meet our Board. This term each of our Board will provide a short statement about their involvement with the Lincoln Heights School Board. This week we introduce Ken Tuioti.

*Talofa lava! I'm Ken Tuioti and I am of Samoan/Japanese descent and a proud Westie.*

*I work in the finance services industry as part of the Customer Experience team.*

*I put my hand up to be a Board member so that I may be able to give back to the school who has been absolutely amazing with my child in her learning journey.*

*Being a member of the Board gives me an opportunity to help to support our amazing staff and students.*

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

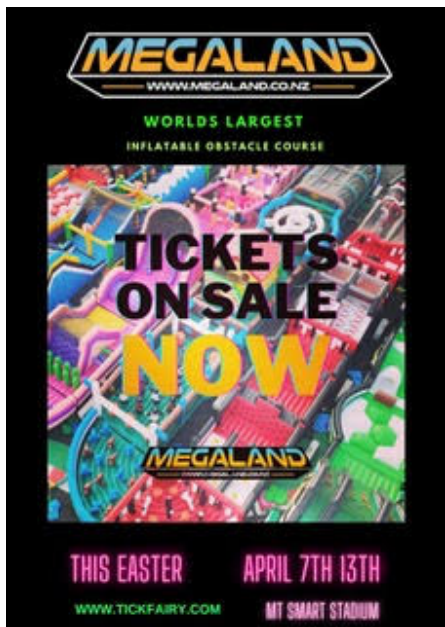
TERM ONE 2023		
Week 8	Wednesday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> March Friday, 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Newsletter published on Facebook, Skool Loop app & website Parent help for Pohutukawa team Zoo trip due back today
Week 9	Wednesday, 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Pohutukawa team, Yrs 0-3 trip to Auckland Zoo Board meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom
Week 10	Tuesday, 4 <sup>th</sup> April Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> , April	House Colour Mufti Day & ice block sales, gold coin donation Kahukura Cupcake fundraiser, \$2 per cupcake, sales from Kahukura morning tea & lunchtime or until sold out Last day Term 1. <b>School closes 3.00pm</b>
TERM TWO		
Week 1	Monday, 24 <sup>th</sup> April Tuesday, 25 <sup>th</sup> April Wednesday, 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Teacher Only Day, School Closed Anzac Day, School closed School starts for T2, 8.50am Board meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom

***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 Fonda Rowe at [fonda.rowe@aka.org.nz](mailto:fonda.rowe@aka.org.nz) for more information.
- **SKIDS** are inviting our families to join them in their after school adventures! SKIDS are open from 3pm to 6pm Monday to Friday. Visit [www.skids.co.nz/lincoln\\_heights](http://www.skids.co.nz/lincoln_heights) to book now!

Attention all students and parents! **MegaLand** are excited to announce that the MegaLand inflatable obstacle course will be at Mt Smart Stadium this Easter holidays 7<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> April. This giant 345 metre, colourful and challenging obstacle will provide hours of fun and excitement for all ages. Don't miss out on this exciting opportunity to enjoy MegaLand inflatable obstacle course with your friends and family this Easter. We can't wait to see you there.



**COMMUNITY EVENTS/NOTICES**

## Liston College Open Evening

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Wednesday 29th March  
6.30pm

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# Open day

FREE ENTRY

PLANT SALE

WORKSHOPS

REFRESHMENTS

**SATURDAY**  
**01 April**  
10am - 2pm

**385 Don Buck Rd, Massey**

Check out Triangle Park Community Teaching Garden on their Facebook page for more information.



# MSD assistance for those affected by recent weather events.

Visionwest is hosting Ministry of Social Development on-site to assist whānau affected by the recent Auckland weather events. MSD will be there to support those impacted with:

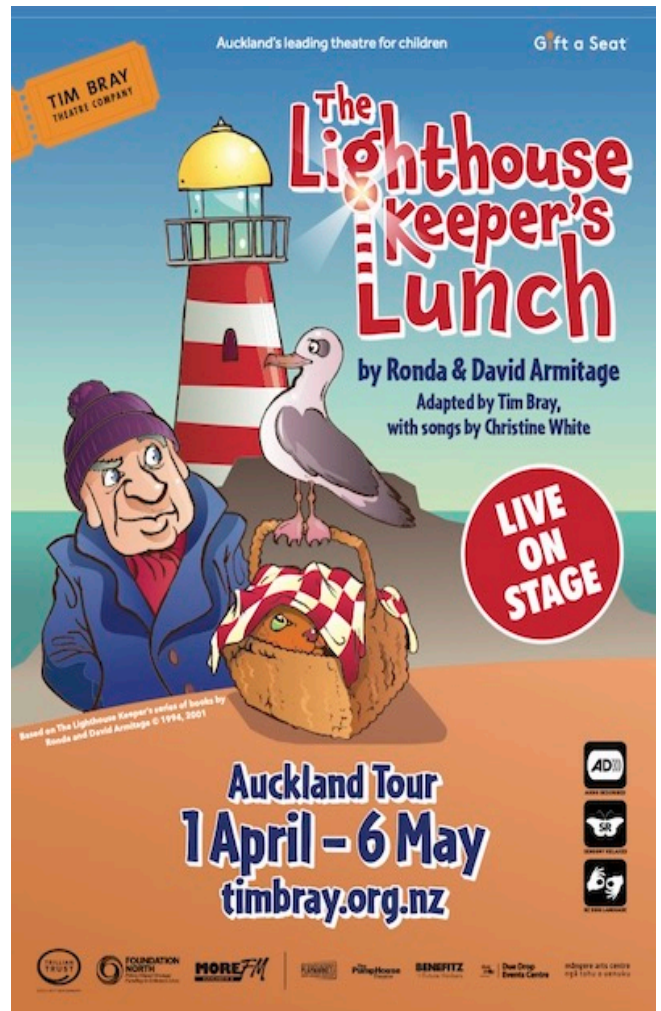
- Accommodation costs
- Food, bedding, clothing
- Loss of income
- Other urgent costs

No appointment is necessary.

Visionwest, 97 Glendale Road, Glen Eden (ask for the Whānau Centre). Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. 9am – 4pm.



[visionwest.org.nz](http://visionwest.org.nz)



## CELEBRATIONS

Another shout out to our classes who exceeded the 90% goal. Congratulations to Room 15 Mrs Kemp, who had 100% of her families attend Parent Interviews, Room 22 Miss Butler and Potu 6 Mrs Hunter had 95%, Room 18 Miss Pirie had 94%, Room 13 Mrs King had 92%, and Potu 5 Mrs Lavea 91%!!

The Team with the highest attendance over all classes was Moemoe Fou with 91% average across all classes. I will look in my lolly cupboard and see if I can find some prizes for your classes!

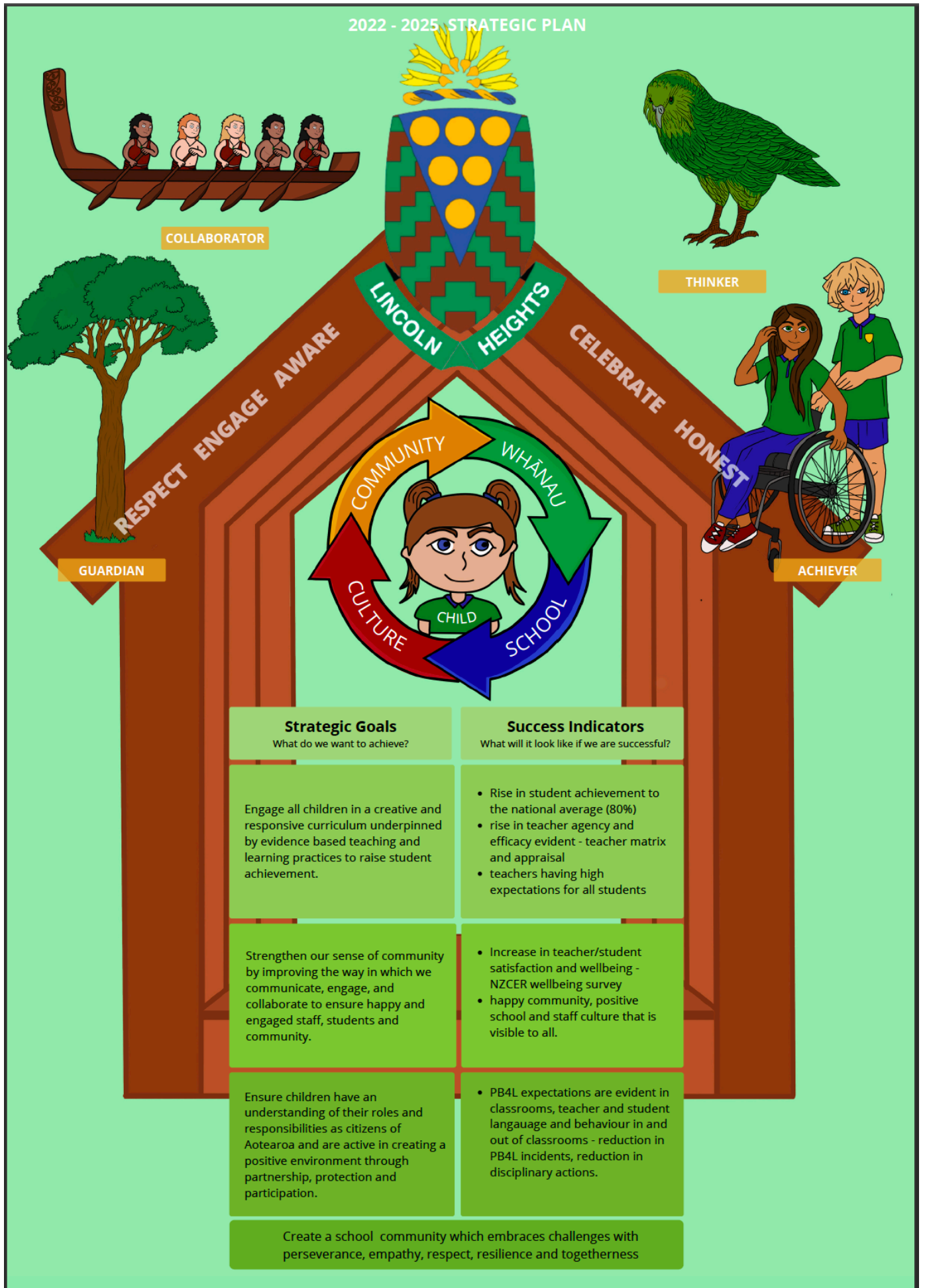
## OUR STUDENTS LEARNING

On 9<sup>th</sup> March we played in the NorWest Yr 7/8 girls and boys softball tournament at Rosedale Park. Thanks to those parent who supported with transport. We couldn't have gone without your support.





Every 3 years the Lincoln Heights Board undertakes the development of a new Strategic Plan. Last year we developed this plan with the support of NZ School Trustees Association. This plan then informs the Annual Plan and priorities for the school. The Strategic Plan is aspirational and looks towards the future. This is the Lincoln Heights Strategic Plan. Thank you to Room 7 teacher Nicole Astrella, for putting the info graphic together for the Board.



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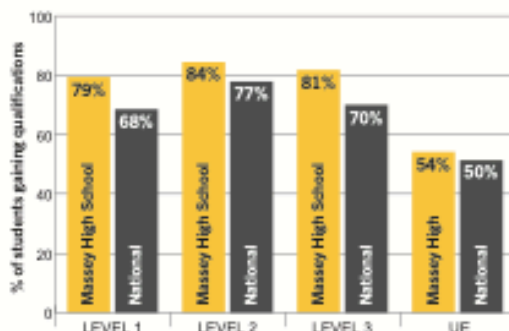
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