LINCOLN HEIGHTS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - Term 2, Week 2 - 8 May 2024

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

Me mahi tahi tatou mō te oranga o te katoa – We should work together for the wellbeing of everyone

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Kia ora whānau

A warm welcome back to our tamariki for Term Two. We held our Mihi Whakatau on Monday and it was fantastic to see whanau come along to be welcomed alongside their children.

As we move into cooler wetter weather, please remember to include a named change of clothing in your child's bag just in case they get wet during the day. With Term 2 being the beginning of winter and we often see a drop in student attendance due to illness. The Ministry of Health has introduced new guidelines to support whanau to determine if their child is well enough to attend school. Please see the information on the next page. You can also click on the link to get further information.

What sort of start is your child getting?

is the start of the school day? That's when every minute counts the most

EVERY DAY COUNTS!

Attendance at school every day is important not just for student learning, but also for building and maintaining friendships. There is a clear link between poor attendance and student achievement and this is why the Ministry of Education has made attendance one of their priorities. If you are having difficulty getting your child to school, please contact your child's teacher or email me directly.

Next year the Ministry of Education will have a greater focus on student attendance and will be collecting and sharing nationwide attendance data weekly. We will be able to track our student attendance in comparison

Does your child have a chance of being successful?

EVERY DAY COUNTS!

to other schools across the motu.

There is plenty happening in Term 2. Remember to look at the school website calendar, check scheduled events under the 'What's On' tab in each newsletter, to ensure you don't miss anything.

Don't forget to send your child to school tomorrow with \$2.00 coin to buy a yummy cupcake from Kahukura for their Cupcake Fundraiser, Thursday 9 May. Yummy cupcakes can be purchased from Kahukura for \$2 at morning tea and

lunch time. All funds raised go to supporting our Riding for the Disabled trips in Term Two.

This Friday 10th May we are celebrating **Mothers (and significant** wahine) Day with a breakfast for Mothers from 8am in the hall. Please join us for a coffee, warm croissant and chat. Classrooms will be open for whanau after breakfast to view students' learning until 9.30am.

Mother's Day BREAKFAST Friday 10th May, From 8am Breakfast Celebrating Mums and Significant Wahine in our Students' Lives Followed by whanau invited to classrooms to view students' learning

If you have a child turning 5 this year and you are inzone, please fill in an enrolment form so we can add you to our contact list. This will ensure you are called when your child can begin school visits and helps us

ENROLMENT SCHEME INFORMATION

Following on from our update last term around our **Enrolment Zone** that comes into effect from Term Three (Monday 22nd July), we remind you that this means students who are not currently enrolled and are outside of our zone will need to apply for a place through the ballot system.

If you have a child turning 5 next year and you currently live outside of the zone, please submit your enrolment before 15 October 2024. The first ballot will be drawn on 23 October and families will be notified of the status of their 'out of zone' enrolment by 30 October. Children who are unsuccessful will be placed on a waitlist. If places are available or become available in 2025, additional ballots may be held. These dates will be notified in the first instance through local social media, the school Facebook, website and the school newsletter. This is a very new situation for us and we will be monitoring our roll growth carefully to ensure we are able to maintain our smaller class sizes. If you have any questions, please email me at leishab@lincolnheights.school.nz or visit the MoE website.

to ensure we have enough staff to keep our numbers low in the junior school.

Auckland Transport have notified us of **works on Triangle Rd** between the Lincoln Rd intersection to the bridge, starting 22nd April for approximately six months. If you travel through this area for pickup and drop off to school, please allow extra time

Whole school and individual photos are happening Monday 20th May in the hall. Parents would have received a flyer that came home with students. The two sided flyer outlines all the details parents need to know. If you have not received a flyer please contact your child's teacher or the office.



SOME KEY DATES TO NOTE:

A reminder that **school will close at 1.00pm on Tuesday 28th May** for our teachers to attend professional development with other schools in our Community of Learning cluster. Should you require child care for your child, contact Sarah from SKiDS by emailing sarah.magowan@skids.co.nz

School will be **closed for the day on Friday 31st May** for a Ministry of Education Teacher Only Day. We thank our whanau for their support.

School will also be **closed on Monday 3^{rd} June** for Kings Birthday observance. School resumes as normal at 8.50am on Tuesday 4^{th} June.

KNOWING IF YOUR CHILD IS WELL ENOUGH TO GO TO SCHOOL. Health NZ advise that parents should their child at home from school if they are too sick to learn and need time to rest and recover. Also <u>keep them at home if they have</u>: a) any symptoms of concern; b) have tested positive for COVID-19, and c) if they have an infectious disease (i.e. measles, chicken pox etc).

When your child has symptoms but can still attend school. Mild symptoms can be caused by a condition or reaction rather than an infectious illness. A child with these symptoms is likely to still be able to attend school:

<u>Mild respiratory symptoms</u> – unless they have texted positive for COVID-19, its ok to send to school if: they have not had a fever for 24 hours, have not used medicine to reduce their fever for 24 hours such as Paracetamol or Ibuprofen, mild symptoms such as a mild cough, headache or runny/blocked nose, they appear well, are happy and eating & drinking normally, and can focus on learning.

<u>Hay fever and allergy symptoms</u> - if your child has a history of hay fever or allergies and develop their usual symptoms, sneezing, runny/stuffy nose, coughing or an itchy face, they can go to school. They should continue to take their usual allergy medication (antihestimines). If your child's allergies are affecting them, let your child's teacher know.

<u>Skin problems that are not infectious</u> -you can send your child to school if they have insect bites, cuts, scratches, grazes or eczema as these conditions are not infectious. KidsHealth has more information in this link https://www.kidshealth.org.nz/skin-problems-children

When symptoms continue or get worse – If your child's symptoms continue or worsen, consider if you need to keep them at home or whether they need health care. If they have worsening respiratory symptoms, it is recommended that they test for COVID-19 with a RAT. If you feel worried, contact your Dr, or call Healthline on 0800 611 116 anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for free health advice and information about what to do next.

Leisha Byrnes

PRINCIPAL

BOARD

Our trustees are:

Raewyn Clark, Presiding Member <u>bot@lincolnheights.school.nz</u>
Ben Lynch, Kiri McCabe, Ken Tuioti, Sarah Pope, Robert Walker and Gordon Irving (Staff Trustee)

Monthly Board meetings are held in the staffroom, commencing at 5.30pm. If you would like to attend a meeting please email bot@lincolnheights.school.nz

At the April meeting our Board mahi was around unpacking and analysing Term One data from Reading, Writing and Maths reports. Our Board will be attending the NZ School Trustees Association conference in Wellington in early June. Attendance at this national conference is an important part of professional development around Governance for our members.

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH. At the beginning of 2024 as a Board we wanted to recognise our staff for going over and above in their roles in displaying our REACH values (Respect, Engage, Aware, Celebrate and Honest). The values underpin the culture of our school. Staff nominate a person they feel has gone 'over and above' during the month. We value and appreciate all of our staff, teaching and non-teaching who work closely with students, in sometimes difficult circumstances.

WHAT'S COMING UP

TERM TWO		
Week 2	Thursday 9 th May Friday, 10 th May	RDA cupcake fundraiser, Kahukura, morning tea, \$2 per cupcake Mothers Day breakfast from 8am, in the hall. Classes open until 9.30am to view students' learning.
Week 3	Monday, 13 th May Tuesday, 14 th May Wednesday, 15 th May Thursday, 16 th May Friday, 17 th May	Free Siva dance classes, 3.30pm-4.30pm, hall, all welcome 16 May Yr 5/6 Rippa tournament permission slips due back to office Reading Together workshop 1, 5pm-6pm, staffroom Free Kapa haka classes, 3.30pm-4.30pm, hall, all welcome 21 May NW Interschool sports day permission slips due back to office Yr 5/6 Rippa rugby tournament Raffle ticket stubs for Whanau & Friends must be with the office
Week 4	Monday, 20 th May Tuesday, 21 st May Wednesday, 22 nd May	Photolife in for whole school & individual photos Free Siva dance classes, 3.30pm-4.30pm, hall, all welcome NW Interschool sports day Newsletter published on Skool Loop app, website and Facebook Free Kapa haka classes, 3.30pm-4.30pm, hall, all welcome
Week 5	Monday, 27 th May Tuesday, 28 th May Wednesday, 29 th May Friday, 31 st May	Free Siva dance classes, 3.30pm-4.30pm, hall, all welcome SCHOOL CLOSED FROM 1.00PM for Tiriwa Talks Teacher Professional Development Free Kapa haka classes, 3.30pm-4.30pm, hall, all welcome Reading Together Workshop 2, 5pm-6pm, Library Board meeting, staffroom, 5.30pm, staffroom SCHOOL CLOSED FOR TEACHER ONLY DAY

GENERAL NOTICES

Parent supervised Playgroup sessions run by Auckland Kindergarten operate from the room closest to the Doone Place school entrance on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9.30am until 12.30pm. Email Manager Fonda Rowe at fonda.rowe@aka.org.nz for more information.



Employee of the Month for March was Teacher Aide Fai Tepulolo, and Genesis Keefe was our Employee of the Month for April.

Fai works in the mainstream middle school area. Genesis works in the senior school and being passionate about Kapahaka, coaches our weekly free sessions after school on Wednesdays from 3.30pm.

Congratulations Fai and Genesis!



Whanau and Friends of Lincoln Heights have partnered with the Albany Rotary club to bring you a raffle with exciting prizes, including a \$30k spa pool!

Tickets are only \$5, and 50% of sales go directly to the school. The class that sells the most tickets will win a pizza party, and individuals who sell the most tickets will receive prizes too!

Email <u>pta@lincolnheights.school.nz</u> if you would like a book/s of tickets to sell or if you'd like to purchase individual tickets.

Draw happens Thursday 23rd May. <u>All ticket stubs must be handed in by 17th May</u> to be included in the draw.



EVENTS



Over the holidays NZ Police held an Youth engagement evening at our school. $\,$

This event was a great opportunity for our youth to engage with NZ Police and learn more about the work they do for our young people in the community.

LINCOLN HEIGHTS SCHOOL ANNUAL PLAN 2024

To raise student achievement to 70% 'At' or 'Above' in core curriculum areas and increase student engagement (to 80% in every class) for ALL learners.

Domain 1 - STEWARDSHIP

and strengthened learning focused relationships

Domain 3 - RELATIONSHIPS Domain 2 - LEADERSHIP

Through transparent leadership (with children at the heart of decision making) and a focus on the development of our Middle Leaders

Through authentic relevant and engaging opportunities for ALL learners across ALL contexts – within school, with whanau and

Domain 4 - TEACHING

Through differentiated learning programmes based on current student data – including Kahukura and Moemoe Fou

Domain 5 - CAPABILITY Through responsive Professional Learning Programmes and individual accountability

Domain 6 – EVALUATION Through established systems to monitor and review progress towards achievements of schoolwide and individual goals

LEARNERS AT THE CENTRE

Learners with their whanau are at the centre of education

BARRIER FREE ACCESS

Great education opportunities and outcomes are within reach for every learner

QUALITY TEACHING AND LEADERSHIP

Quality teaching and leadership make the difference for learners and their whanau

FUTURE OF LEARNING AND WORK

Learning that is relevant to the lives of New Zealanders today and throughout

WORLD CLASS INCLUSIVE PUBLIC **EDUCATION**

New Zealand education is trusted and











Strengthen our sense of community by improving the ways in which we
communicate, engage and collaborate to ensure happy and engaged
staff, students and the wider community.
Strategy 1

Use M-unit roles to increase opportunities to build learning community with

Regular monitoring by PB4L team within school to measure success of PB4L

PLD and implementation of plans Strategy 3 Increase capability in teaching writing to ensure teachers feel confident in their

Strategy 4

Acknowledge and celebrate staff, student and community success and promote them through the newsletter, Facebook and Stool Loop to continue to raise our positive school profile

teaching of written language

by evidence based teaching and learning practises to raise student

Strategy 1
Use GAP analysis to inform teacher needs as well as student next steps and to monitor progress
Use IEP process for <u>Kahukura</u> and vulnerable learners

Strategy 2 Increase teacher confidence in using data to inform planning and evaluate their Middle Leadership PLD and support
Strategy 3

Use of school wide planning and clear demonstration of DAT, TA role and differentiation to achieve accelerated learning across all school settings: Moemoe Fou, Kahukura and Mainstream

Strategy 4
Provide opportunities for teachers to access PLD in implementing Te Mātajaho.

Use Check and Connect roles to increase engagement for Maori and Pacific students and their families – raise attendance and engagement to 80% in 2024 and 90% in 2025

Strategy 2
Use in class support to ensure equitable outcomes for all students including

Maori, Pacific, ESOL and those students identified 'at risk'

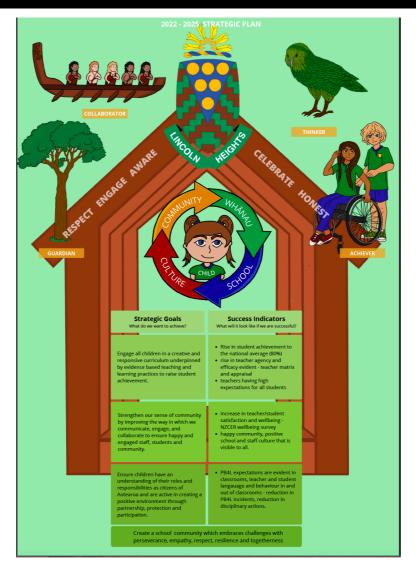
Strategy 3
Use the skills and knowledge within <u>Kabukura</u>, <u>Moemoe Egu</u> and wider staff, to increase teacher capability around inclusion, culturally responsive practise and equity

Strategy 4
Provide opportunities for students to demonstrate their leadership and service
within our community (school and wider) to make a positive difference

MEASURES – All staff are responsible for ensuring we reach these goals

- 70% of children 'at' or 'above' in Reading, Writing and Mathematics
- 15% increased engagement of all learners demonstrated through engage 60% of students are able to say where they are at in their learning 70% of children achieving 'Well/Below' will make accelerated progress
- All teachers are confident using PAL to determine levels of achievement Moderation is consistent and regular across the school every term
- Increased teacher confidence in teaching writing teacher survey shows 20% improvement

- Average rates of attendance increase across the school to 80% daily
 All BoT members are confident of their understanding of the school targets
 There is increased visibility of the BoT in a range of media online, newsletter, events
- 95% of parents attend parent interviews
- All teachers show improvement against the teacher matrix There is a reduction (-15%) in PB4L incidents and improved school wide results in NZCER 'Well-Being' survey (+20%)
 100% of Focus/Target students will make accelerated progress



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