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**LINCOLN HEIGHTS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER** - Term 4, Week 6 - 20<sup>th</sup> November 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

We have had a busy two weeks with the official opening of our third playground, Focus Student Celebration, Grandparents breakfast and our Camp Tupare meeting, not to mention trips and sports events. Thank you to you all for your support. Our teachers strive to make Lincoln Heights a great place to be and there are plenty of initiatives you can a part of to support our tamariki.



**Camp Tupare 2025** – remember that if you pay your child's camp fees before 31 December, you can access our 'Earlybird' discount. If you pay before December 31 2024, year 5/6 camp fees are \$50 and year 7/8 camp fees are \$70. If you pay in the new year the fees increase by \$10 making the year 5/6 camp \$60 and year 7/8 camp \$80. Camp fees can be paid through the School Shop on our website or through the school office.

Our Board is committed to ensuring all children are able to attend camp and this is a heavily subsidised price for our whanau. If you are having difficulty paying this, please talk to Mr Kite or myself. We want to see all children access this incredible experience.



Our classes have already started their camp prep and can be found on the top field on Wednesday afternoons putting up tents, cooking and practising their team activities and mustering!

Camp is a key part of our senior (year 5-8) school programme and is one of the most memorable experiences our students have. Please see your child's teacher, myself or Mr Kite if you have any questions or concerns about camp.

Community Helpers morning tea invitations have gone out. If you have helped out at school in any way throughout the year, this is our opportunity to say a thank you with a morning tea.



Thank you to everyone who attended **the playground opening**, special thanks to Ken Tuioti representing our Board, Linda Cooper our local Councillor representing The Trusts Charitable Foundation who provided \$45,000 funding, and Parks Supplies and Playgrounds who provided us with three fabulous playgrounds that our tamariki will be enjoying for years to come.







This week we saw thousands of people come together across the motu (and internationally) to protest the proposed 'Treaty Principles Bill' which would allow the Treaty Principles to be re-written. Te Tiriti is our nation's foundation document and the principles (which were first identified in 1975 in the Treaty of Waitangi Act) are referenced throughout our national curriculum. Every school Board is tasked with ensuring that these principles (particularly Participation, Protection and Partnership) guide the mahi that is done within school.

Regardless of our politics and where we stand on the issue, the Hīkoi has demonstrated to our tamariki and rangitahi that people can mobilise together and make a difference when they feel their rights are being removed. We want our children to see that they are able to make a difference in the world they live in. We want them to be positive agents for change.

Every person who stepped into the hikoi, who was on the side of the road to tautako them as they passed through, who was mobilised in Sydney and New York, will be able to say they were part of a defining moment in our nation's history.

If you attended the Reo Rua hui or expressed interest in your child being in the Reo Rua and they are in year 0-3 we have prioritised their placement in the class. There will be a letter coming home in the next week to confirm their placement. We will be looking to expand the classes to two in 2026 and include children in year 4-6. The amazing Kaiako Whaea Renee, the newly appointed Reo Rua teacher will be at school for the 'meet the teacher' block on 16 December.

Christmas is a crazy, busy time and many of you will already be feeling the increasing pressures of the festive season. Our children are feeling it too. Now is the time to stick to routines as much as you can and ensure your children are getting enough sleep. It is also an important time to make sure you are looking after yourself as well!



If you are planning to move house or you know your child is not returning to Lincoln Heights in 2025, please let the school know by phoning the office or emailing [lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz](mailto:lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz). This will help us to plan our classes for the new school year. If you have a child who is turning 5 next year please come in and fill in an enrolment form. This will ensure that you are contacted prior to your child's 5<sup>th</sup> birthday with plenty of time to schedule school visits and if you are 'out of zone' to make sure you are in the appropriate ballot. The first ballot of the year will close on 28 February 2025 and we have a limited number of places available. If all the places are filled, there will be no further ballots in the year.

We have been asked to share a QR code and flyer for a survey looking at better understanding 'Father Burnout'. If you are interested in filling in the survey or you know someone who is, please use the QR code later in this newsletter.

Our next big event is **Fiafia on Friday 6 December**. This is a great evening of celebration and there will be food stalls fundraising for camp, Whanau and Friends and Moemoe Fou. So come along with a picnic blanket and snacks or buy something from the stalls to support the fundraising efforts and enjoy the show



In 2025 we will be reducing the whanau contribution towards **stationery** from \$35 to \$20 per child. Please make sure you have paid this amount by 28 February as this fund enables us to provide stationery to your child for the whole year. We are committed to supporting whanau by reducing as many financial barriers as we can, however, we need your help to do this. You can make this payment through the school shop or directly to the office.

You should see some building works and painting being done around the school. This will continue throughout the summer break and there will be more improvements to the school in the new year. Remember, the school is open for you and your whanau to use after school, on the weekends and throughout the holidays.

Our school chickens are going well and our children are enjoying watching them. If you do come into school through the pedestrian gates, please make sure you close them behind you. Our chickens have had some unwanted visits from local dogs which could have been catastrophic had it not been for their robust cage – thank you master builder Gordon!

Do you have a skill and want to share your knowledge or expertise with us? Are you a builder with free time and want to leave a mark on the school grounds? Does your employer give you community days? If your answer is yes and you want to help make our amazing school even better, please email me at [leishab@lincolnheights.school.nz](mailto:leishab@lincolnheights.school.nz)

Have a great week, the countdown to the end of the year is on – only 4.5 weeks to go and remember school **finishes at 1pm on the last day!**

Leisha Byrnes

**PRINCIPAL**

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

## BOARD

Our trustees are:

Raewyn Clark, Presiding Member      [bot@lincolnheights.school.nz](mailto:bot@lincolnheights.school.nz)  
 Kiri McCabe, Ken Tuioi, Sarah Pope, Robert Walker, Maria Sydney 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](mailto:bot@lincolnheights.school.nz)

As the year draws to a close we only have two Board meetings for the remainder of 2024. We would like to acknowledge Leisha Byrnes for the work she has done in leading our school and moving forward the number of building projects that have been completed and are about to be started. Toilet and cloakbay areas will be refurbished, some classroom windows replaced, roofs replaced, Autex put on classroom walls, carpet replaced in some classrooms, all over the holiday period!

### WHAT'S COMING UP

<b>TERM FOUR</b>		
Week 6	Wednesday, 20 <sup>th</sup> November  Thursday, 21 <sup>st</sup> November Friday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Duffy Theatre visiting Newsletter published Facebook, Skool Loop app, website Kapahaka classes, 3.30pm to 4.30pm Totara team make up swimming lesson, Swimsation Yrs 7/8 swimming, Westwave Kahukura Santa Claus trip permission slip due back
Week 7	Monday, 25 <sup>th</sup> November  Wednesday, 27 <sup>th</sup> November  Friday, 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Parent Helper morning tea Free Siva dance classes, 3.15pm, all welcome Samoan Parent Network meeting, Potu 19, 3.30pm-4.30pm Board meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom Kapahaka classes, 3.30pm to 4.30pm Yr 7/8 swimming, Westwave Inflatable World service trip
Week 8	Monday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> December  Tuesday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> December  Wednesday, 4 <sup>th</sup> December  Friday, 6 <sup>th</sup> December	AST Pasifika Adventure Day Free Siva dance classes, 3.15pm, all welcome Moemoe Fou Pt Erin pools trip Yr 5/6 NorWest Tag competition Festive Mufti Day, gold coin donation Kahukura trip to Santa Claus show, Takapuna Newsletter published Facebook, Skool Loop app, website Kapahaka classes, 3.30pm to 4.30pm Yrs 7/8 swimming, Westwave Fiafia EOY celebration, on top field from 4pm
Week 9	Monday, 9 <sup>th</sup> December Wednesday, 11 <sup>th</sup> December Thursday, 12 <sup>th</sup> December Friday, 13 <sup>th</sup> December Saturday, 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Free Siva dance classes, 3.15pm, all welcome Board meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom Yr 7/8 prizegiving Yrs 0-2 prizegiving, 9.15am - 11am Yrs 3-6 prizegiving, 11.45am - 1pm Lincoln Music School, end of year concert, 9am, hall, all welcome
Week 10	Monday, 16 <sup>th</sup> December Tuesday, 17 <sup>th</sup> December Wednesday, 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Meet the 2025 teacher Big Day In fun day, whole school  <b>School closes for 2024 1.00pm</b>



## SPORTS EVENTS

Huge congratulations to our Year 7 and 8 boys who qualified to attend the Auckland Volleyball Finals.

Participating in this event was a huge step up in terms of quality of play. Our boys did their best and represented our school so well, we can be very proud of them. They can now call themselves the 7<sup>th</sup> best Volleyball Team in Auckland.



This week we hosted the AHI girls basketball team at lunchtime to promote Yrs 6 to 8 girls basketball. Our thanks to the girls for taking the time to pass on their skills to our girls.

## GENERAL NOTICES

- ❖ **SKiDS after school care** operates from 3pm to 6pm Monday to Friday providing quality care for our students, out of the hall. If you would like to know more about their programme including costs and if you qualify for a WINZ subsidy, email [lincolnheights@skids.co.nz](mailto:lincolnheights@skids.co.nz) or phone 021 922 521/0800 274 172, or go to their website - [www.skids.co.nz](http://www.skids.co.nz)



MASSEY HIGH SCHOOL  
AUCKLAND NEW ZEALAND

## Are you In Zone for Massey High School? Not yet enrolled for 2025?

### Key Enrolment Dates:

- Last Date for Enrolment Interviews in 2024: 5 December 2024
- Enrolment Interviews will Reopen: 15 January 2025

To ensure your child starts on time, complete your application as soon as possible!

Here are some steps to secure your place:

- **Step 1:** Check Your Zone.  
Visit [www.educationcounts.govt.nz/find-school](http://www.educationcounts.govt.nz/find-school) to confirm if your address is within our zone.
- **Step 2:** Complete Online Enrolment.  
Visit [www.masseyhigh.school.nz/enrol](http://www.masseyhigh.school.nz/enrol) and complete the In Zone application form.

Required documents:

- Birth Certificate or Passport
  - Proof of Address (recent utility bill, rates account, rental/purchase agreement)
  - Citizenship/Residency/Student Visa proof (if applicable)
  - Parent's work visa (if student on Student Visa)
  - Immunisation information (if possible)
- **Step 3:** Meet with Us.

Interviews can take up to 20 minutes. We ask that you please attend on the date and time selected however, if you are unable to attend, please contact Karen Bentley to reschedule.

Email: [kbentley@masseyhigh.school.nz](mailto:kbentley@masseyhigh.school.nz)

Phone: 831 0500 ext 526.



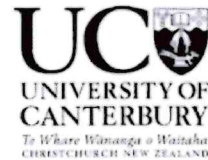
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# OUR ANNUAL PLAN

## 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.

<b>Domain 1 – STEWARDSHIP</b> Through increased engagement and strengthened learning focused relationships	<b>Domain 2 – LEADERSHIP</b> Through transparent leadership (with children at the heart of decision making) and a focus on the development of our Middle Leaders	<b>Domain 3 – RELATIONSHIPS</b> Through authentic relevant and engaging opportunities for ALL learners across ALL contexts – within school, with whanau and within our community	<b>Domain 4 – TEACHING</b> Through differentiated learning programmes based on current student data – including Kahukura and Moemoe Fou	<b>Domain 5 – CAPABILITY</b> Through responsive Professional Learning Programmes and individual accountability	<b>Domain 6 – EVALUATION</b> Through established systems to monitor and review progress towards achievements of school-wide and individual goals
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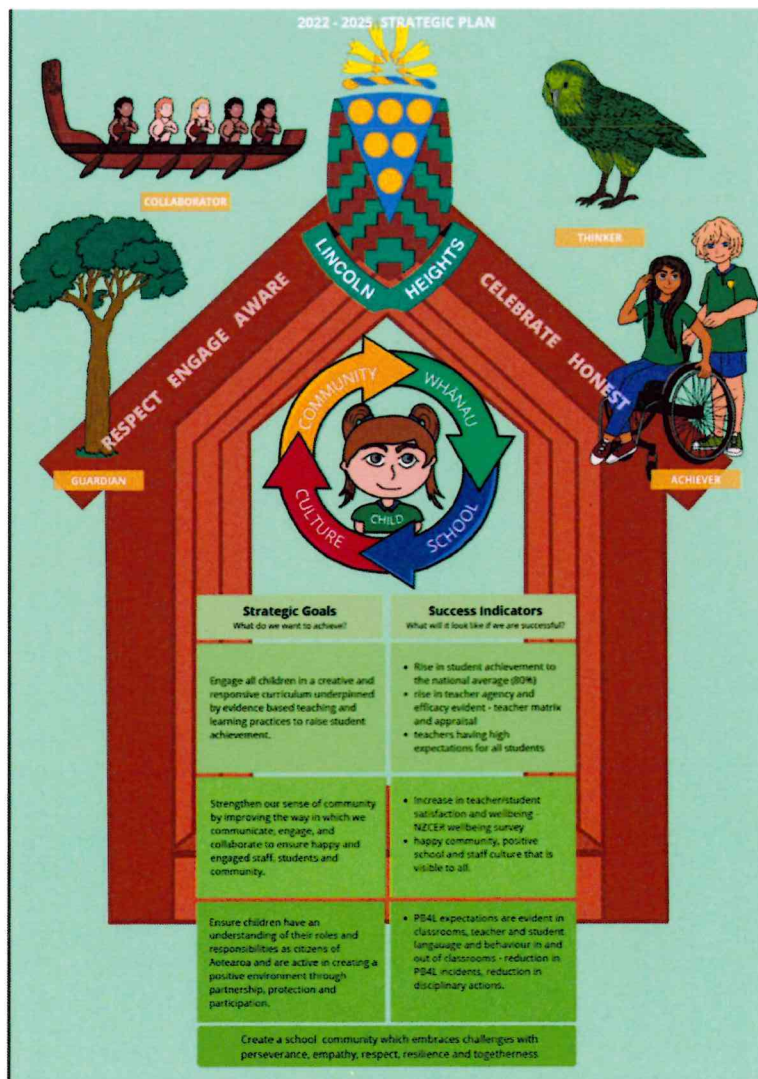
<b>LEARNERS AT THE CENTRE</b> Learners with their whānau are at the centre of education	<b>BARRIER FREE ACCESS</b> Great education opportunities and outcomes are within reach for every learner	<b>QUALITY TEACHING AND LEADERSHIP</b> Quality teaching and leadership make the difference for learners and their whānau	<b>FUTURE OF LEARNING AND WORK</b> Learning that is relevant to the lives of New Zealanders today and throughout their lives	<b>WORLD CLASS INCLUSIVE PUBLIC EDUCATION</b> New Zealand education is trusted and sustainable
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<b>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.</b>	<b>Engage all children in a creative and responsive curriculum underpinned by evidence based teaching and learning practises to raise student achievement.</b>	<b>Ensure children have an understanding of their roles and responsibilities as citizens of Aotearoa and are active in creating a positive environment through partnership, protection and participation</b>
<b>Strategy 1</b> Use M-unit roles to increase opportunities to build learning community with whanau and wider  <b>Strategy 2</b> Regular monitoring by PB4L team within school to measure success of PB4L PLD and implementation of plans  <b>Strategy 3</b> Increase capability in teaching writing to ensure teachers feel confident in their teaching of written language  <b>Strategy 4</b> Acknowledge and celebrate staff, student and community success and promote them through the newsletter, Facebook and Skool Loop to continue to raise our positive school profile	<b>Strategy 1</b> Use GAP analysis to inform teacher needs as well as student next steps and to monitor progress Use IEP process for Kahukura and vulnerable learners  <b>Strategy 2</b> Increase teacher confidence in using data to inform planning and evaluate their own effectiveness Middle Leadership PLD and support  <b>Strategy 3</b> 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  <b>Strategy 4</b> Provide opportunities for teachers to access PLD in implementing Te Mātāaho	<b>Strategy 1</b> 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  <b>Strategy 2</b> Use in class support to ensure equitable outcomes for all students including Maori, Pacific, ESOL and those students identified 'at risk'  <b>Strategy 3</b> Use the skills and knowledge within Kahukura, Moemoe Fou and wider staff, to increase teacher capability around inclusion, culturally responsive practise and equity  <b>Strategy 4</b> 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 engagement observations
- 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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