



Our **REACH** values stand for **R**espect. **E**ngage. **A**ware. **C**elebrate. **H**onest.

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

Thank you to all the parents who attended parent teacher interviews over two nights in Week 6. We had 70% **attendance** this time – our goal is 90%. Our next parent teacher interviews will be August 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> so please put those dates into your calendar. We reached our goal last year, we can do it again!

A huge thanks to the amazing parents in our school community who came for our working bee last Saturday. One family that came didn't start at the school until Monday. The work that was done focused around our new Enviro area. Huge thanks to our Board member 'Builder Rob' Walker who led the construction team, to our own staff who were on painting, gardening and art teams and the team that kept our workers fed. Massive thanks to Gordon for his tireless dedication in keeping our school tip top. Gordon regularly goes over and above what is expected!

The Board started its first Community consultation looking at what projects the community would like us to invest in – both long term and short term. Here are some of the ideas. There will be a survey out soon – please add on any ideas you may have.

Infrastructure	Sport	Culture / Art
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- increase hall size/change configuration</li> <li>- swimming pool</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- more equipment</li> <li>- wet weather field/turf</li> <li>- outdoor gym equipment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- fale and whare</li> <li>- drums</li> <li>- more murals</li> </ul>
Learning	Environment	Community
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- sensory space</li> <li>- outdoor music path / equipment</li> <li>- specialist rooms – eg Art</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- medicinal / cultural garden</li> <li>- solar</li> <li>- bee hives</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- more playground swings</li> <li>- concrete pad for dental van</li> </ul>



We have some exciting things coming up as we head towards the end of the term with Book Week and our first Whanau and Friends fundraiser for 2025! The theme for this year's Book Week is 'Read to Reel' so books that have been made into movies! Come along to school and see how your child's classroom door or window is transformed into their chosen story! There is also a competition for the 'Best Dressed Teacher' and 'Team'!



**Students at school early.** We are getting some students being dropped at school very early, even before daylight. If you have to start work early, please arrange before school care for your child as there is no one at school to supervise them.

If your child is absent please remember to notify us. This can be done by texting **022 0433 026**, phoning the office on **09 833 74480** or emailing [lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz](mailto:lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz)

**Information sharing** – please remember that we publish any upcoming events at school on the school website under the Events tab, we also use Facebook and the free Skool Loop app plus this newsletter. Be sure to check either or all of those platforms out.

Have a great week whanau.

Leisha Byrnes

**PRINCIPAL**

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

### **YOUR SCHOOL BOARD**

**Meet our Board:**

Raewyn Clark – Presiding Member – contact [bot@lincolnheights.school.nz](mailto:bot@lincolnheights.school.nz)

Ken Tuioti – Deputy Presiding Member

Rob Walker – Member

Sarah Pope – Member

Kiri McCabe - Member



Maria Sydney – Member

Gordon Irving – Staff Trustee

Leisha Byrnes - Principal



Board meetings are held on the last Wednesday of every month in the staffroom from 5.30pm. If you would like to attend a meeting to see what the Board does, and you may be interested in standing for nomination onto the Board later this year, please email Raewyn at [bot@lincolnheights.school.nz](mailto:bot@lincolnheights.school.nz)

### WHAT'S COMING UP

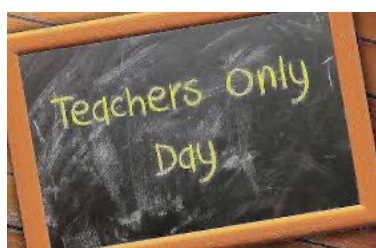
<b>TERM ONE, 2025</b>		
Week 8	Wednesday, 26 <sup>th</sup> March  Friday, 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Nikau team Community Planting @ Zita Maria Park Samoan Parent Network meeting, Potu 19, 3.30pm-4.30pm Board meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom Newsletter published Facebook, Skool Loop app, website Enviro Group to Lowtherhurst Park
Week 9	BOOKWEEK - Read to Reel theme Mon 31 March - Fri 4 April  Friday, 4 April	Book Fair, open Tuesday to Friday, 8.30am to 3.30pm in Rm 28 (closest to Doone Place entrance). Book Fair late night to coincide with the Disco is 8.30am to 7pm, Rm 28 Reo Rua whanui hui, Wednesday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 3.15pm, Ruma 27 Thursday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> April, Disco, Yrs 0-6, Hall, 5pm - 6.30pm Out of Zone ballet closes and will be drawn 7 <sup>th</sup> April.
Week 10	Monday, 7 <sup>th</sup> April  Tuesday, 8 <sup>th</sup> April Thursday, 10 <sup>th</sup> April Friday, 11 <sup>th</sup> April	Bookweek Character Parade, 9.30am, under shade structure. All welcome Nikau team trip to Auckland Zoo Moemoe Fou Sapasui (chop suey) fundraiser <b>End Term 1, Teacher Only Day, SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
<b>TERM TWO</b>		
Week 1	Monday, 28 <sup>th</sup> April Wednesday, 30 <sup>th</sup> April	Term 2 starts, 8.50am Board meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom
Week 2	Monday, 5 <sup>th</sup> May Wednesday, 7 <sup>th</sup> May  Friday, 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Whole school and individual photos, hall Samoan Parent Network meeting, Potu 19, 3.30pm-4.30pm Newsletter published Facebook, Skool Loop app, website Mothers Day breakfast, staffroom 7.30am-8.30am Kahukura team trip to Auckland Zoo

### GENERAL NOTICES

**SKIDS** provide daily on-site supervision from 3pm to 6pm in the hall for LHS students. Please contact SKIDS directly for more information on 027 293 8895, or check out their website <https://www.skids.co.nz/locations/lincoln-heights/>

A huge thank you from Moemoe Fou for those that supported last week's Bake Sale. All funds raised will go towards Samoa 2026.

**Moemoe Fou sapasui (chop suey) fundraiser Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April.** All proceeds to the Moemoe Fou Samoa 2026 trip.



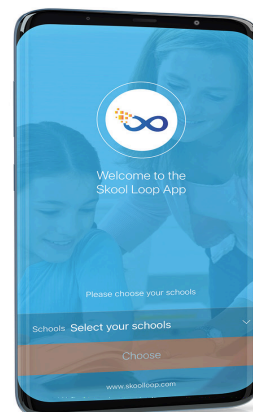
**REMINDER the last day of school is Thursday 10 April.** The teachers will be joining their Kāhui Ako colleagues for a Ministry of Education Maths Professional Development Day!

The next **Out of Zone Ballot** closes on 4 April and is drawn on 7 April. Please note we have no spaces for Out of Zone Enrolments in Kahukura.

## Downloading the Skool Loop app - a step by step guide

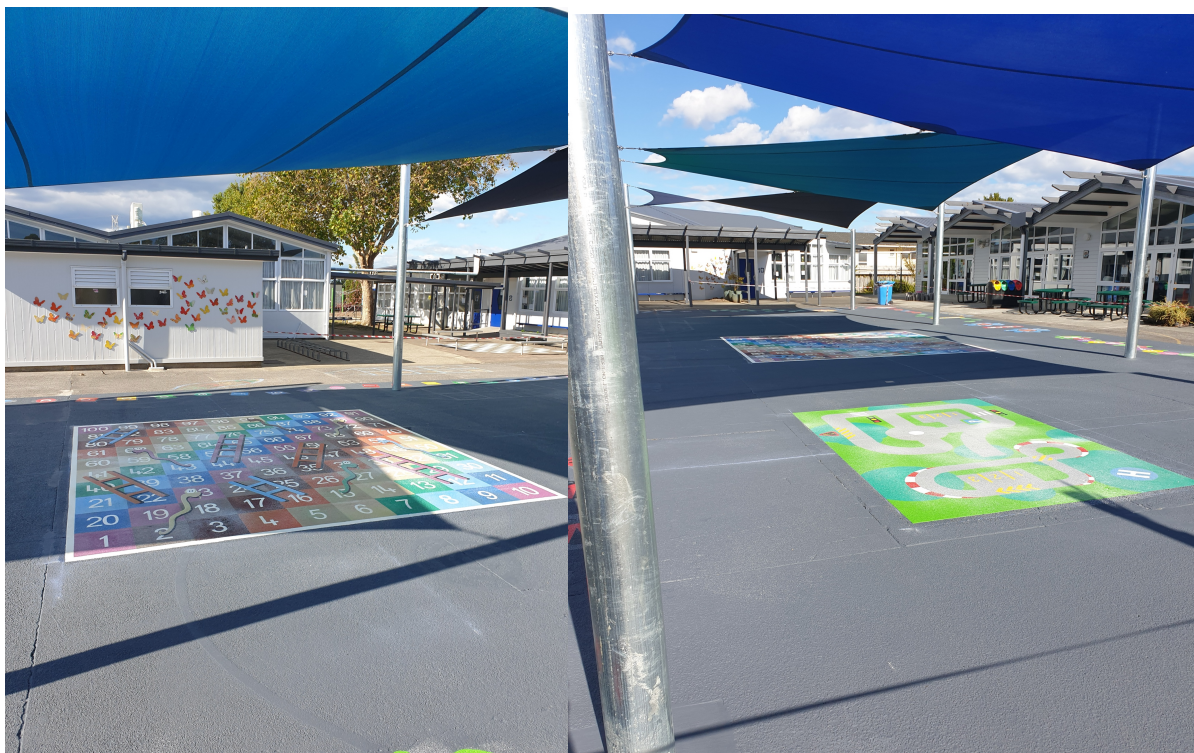
Once you have downloaded the Skool Loop App, via either your Google Play or App store, please follow the below instructions to select your school -

- Open the Skool Loop App - you will land on a welcome page.
- Click the 'Select your schools' this will bring you to a menu you can either search your school or follow the country/region prompts.
- Once you reach your school, select it with the tick on the righthand side.
- Tap the 'select schools' button in the top right corner.
- Tap the big orange choose button. This will load your school and bring you to the settings page.
- Subscribe to the groups that are relevant to you, then click the 'go back' button on your phone, which will bring you to the main screen of your schools app.



**Head Lice** – We have noticed an increase of head lice lately. We ask that our parents please check your child's head, particularly if they are scratching frequently. We have treatment at school, just pop in and ask for some or alternatively, it can be purchased from your local Chemist. Regular treatment is required for a time to get rid of them. We hear that regular use of teatree oil is a natural way to prevent the recurrence of headlice once they have been eliminated. Thanks for your cooperation.

We have recently spent a significant amount to upgrade our top court with shade sails and playground markings. This area is now an interactive space for our students to enjoy undercover.





## SPORTS



Our netballers were recently inspired when Donnell Wallem and Charlotte Manley of the Northern Mystix NZ Netball team visited. They gave our netballers encouragement and tips as the netball season approaches and a motivational talk about how they got to where they are.



Keep an eye out for our next inspirational sports people – Mr Tuck is tracking them down and bringing them to Lincoln Heights!



Congratulations to Miller from Potu 18 who competed in Tauranga on 15 March and came away with double gold medals in Jiu-jitsu! Miller is an incredible athlete. A huge shout out to her Dad who also came away with a silver medal!

Well done Miller – you are a star!

## *World Dance Crew Championships*

We are thrilled to bring the **World Dance Crew Championship** to Auckland for the very first time!

This Aotearoa-owned major event will take place at **Due Drop Events Centre, Manukau, from April 14th – 19th 2025**, showcasing the world's best dance crews—including our own local legends The Royal Family & ID CO as they compete against top teams from the US, the Philippines, and beyond.

We'd love to extend an **exclusive 20% discount** to make this an unforgettable and affordable experience for your students and their whānau. There will be crews from all ages such as **youth (under 12) and juniors (under 18)**. Students get to see dancers their own age on a world stage!

### **Special Offer:**

Now further a **20% off** tickets

Offer valid until **30<sup>th</sup> March**

Use code **SCHOOL20** via checkout at <https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2025/world-dance-crew-championship/auckland/manukau-city>

COMMUNITY EVENT

**GARDEN**

OPEN DAY



SAT  
**05**  
APRIL  
2025

10am till 2pm

**WORKSHOPS**

**PLANT SALE**



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# OUR ANNUAL PLAN

## LINCOLN HEIGHTS SCHOOL ANNUAL PLAN 2025

**Raise student achievement to 75% 'At' or 'Above' in core curriculum areas ~ Increase 'regular' student attendance to 60%**

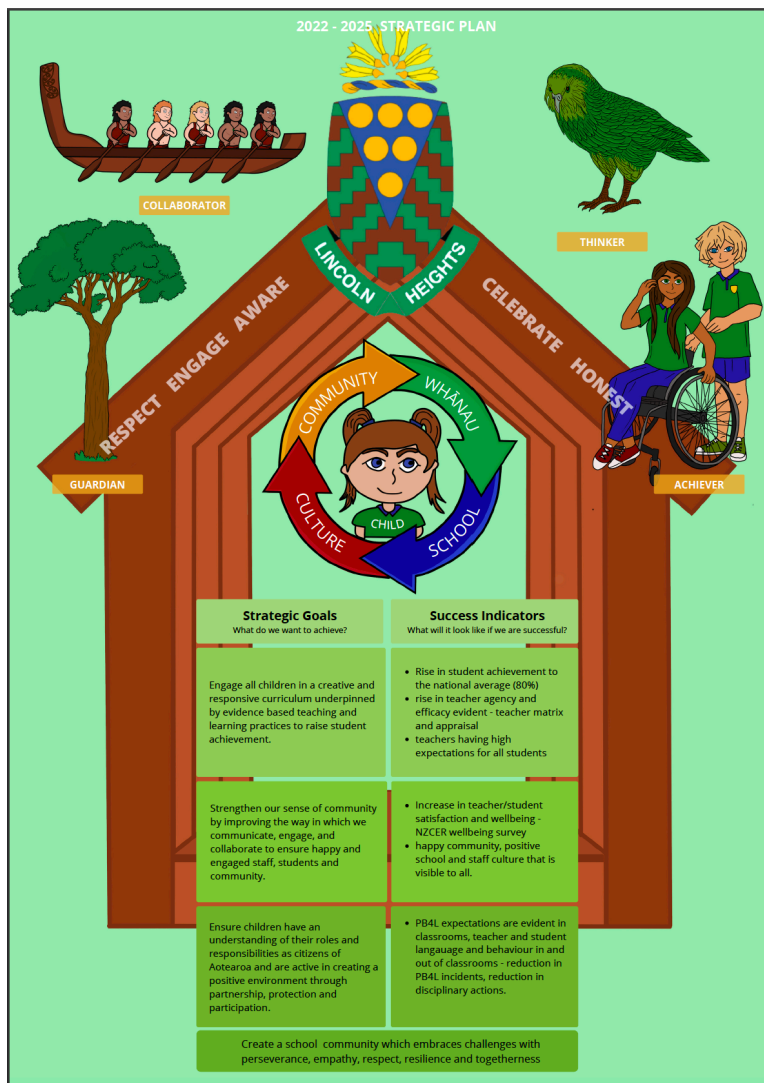
<b>Domain 1 – STEWARDSHIP</b> Through increased engagement and strengthened learning focused relationships	<b>Domain 2 – LEADERSHIP</b> Through transparent leadership (with children at the heart of decision making) and a focus on the development of our Middle Leaders	<b>Domain 3 – RELATIONSHIPS</b> Through 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 schoolwide and individual goals
<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	
<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>	
Goal 1.1 Increase opportunities to build our learning community with whanau and wider – at least 1 event per term Post event Whanau surveys/voice show 85% satisfaction		Goal 2.1 Increase Maori achievement and engagement by 15% across all core curriculum areas Establish Te Reg class and monitor student progress		Goal 3.1 60% of students are present 90% or more each term	
Goal 1.2 Establish a Whānau Network to help our Reg Rua build whanaungatanga through the development of its tikanga and kawa.		Goal 2.2 Mainstream IEPs reviewed bi-annually and used to inform Learning Support Staff role in class – students show 85% of goal achievement		Goal 3.2 Students (particularly in year 6-8) have opportunities to demonstrate leadership and have roles of responsibility across the school All LA students expected to participate in service to the school	
Goal 1.3 Refresh our communication systems – newsletter, website, school loop and socials to increase engagement and attendance		Goal 2.3 Reading data (both summative and formative) will show a minimum 10% increase in years 4-8 and 15% increase in years 0-3		Goal 3.3 Staff and students will have opportunities to share their skills and knowledge in cultural / sporting / environmental groups. All teaching staff to lead/support a cultural group and/or sporting group	

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

- 75% of children 'at' or 'above' in Reading, Writing and Mathematics
- 15% increased engagement of all learners – demonstrated through engagement observations
- Average rates of regular attendance increase across the school to 60% average each term
- 60% of students are able to say where they are at in their learning
- 75% of children achieving 'Well/Below' will make accelerated progress
- 80% of **Focus/Target** students will make accelerated progress
- Moderation is consistent and regular across the school – every term

**How will we know? / What tools can we use?**

- PAT, AsTTle, Teacher OTJ
- Termly school attendance report, classroom, school monitoring fortnightly
- All **BoT** members are confident of their understanding of the school targets
- Team Leader discussions show children know what they are learning
- **Sprint** cycles show improvement
- Focus student report to Board show 80% of students making accelerated progress



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