



Kia ora Whanau

Math-athon - Thank you again to everyone who participated in this worthwhile cause. We are still getting small amounts in, so if you have some math-athon money at home send it along! We just tipped over into \$10,000! So well done to the community. We are getting closer to our bike track total.

Sun hats are compulsory - It's term four and that means ALL tamariki must wear **sunhats** when outside at play times. Without a hat they will have to stay in the shade. Please ensure you provide a named sunhat for your child.

Staff Only Day - Friday 25th October so that our teachers can undertake valuable professional development. **School will be closed for instruction.** SKiDS will be open from 7am to 6pm on this day for parents who need care for their children. Contact skids@lincolnheights.school.nz to reserve a spot for your child at very reasonable prices. Thank you for supporting our teachers to keep up to date with current educational practices that are delivered to your children.

Prizegiving for our senior school is on Monday 16th December. Information will be coming home with year 5-8 children closer to the date. If you are the parent of a Year 8, we would love you to join us at the Prizegiving and Leavers Assembly. It is a special occasion for our team and a chance to see our children's effort and achievement throughout the year recognised.

Reading Together starts this week, tomorrow. It will run for four sessions over eight weeks. We are very excited to be able to offer this programme to our whanau and know that it will have awesome outcomes for our learners. We will offer the programme again next year in terms 2 and 3, with a group focused on supporting our year 7/8 children. If you are interested in being part of this programme next year, please email pietah@lincolnheights.school.nz with a contact number and we will get in touch when the next programme is starting.

Summer Reading is a great programme that we offer in conjunction with the Library. This year we are working with other school in our community to ensure that all children can access quality reading opportunities over the summer break. The children who participated last year have made accelerated progress and shown increased engagement in reading over this year. Our amazing librarian Trena Lile will be running the programme again this year so keep an eye out for the sign up sheet.

Class placements are almost complete and where possible we have considered the parental requests made on the student placement form. Sometimes we have not been able to meet all the requests either due to the number of classes, types of requests or reasons given for consideration. Children will meet their 2020 teacher and classmates later this term.

Samosas on sale - they are delicious and every pack of 20 you buy supports the PTA with their fundraising efforts toward our bike track!

Shade structure update - There is ongoing paper work progress with the shade structure but that is little consolation as we head to the end of the year with no physical changes being made. I never imagined how much red tape and argument there could be over such a worthwhile resource to the school. Keep watching this space – changes should start to happen this term, beginning with the demolition of the structure.

Keep an eye on the term calendar for dates and events that are happening - especially our end of year celebrations and events like Fiafia. We are excited to have the opportunity to share with you some of the things we have been learning and thank you all for the support we have had over this year.

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Leisha Byrnes

PRINCIPAL

CELEBRATIONS

ENGAGED and RESPECT are the REACH values our children have been focusing on for the first two weeks of this term. Please have a chat with your child about what being Engaged and Respectful means.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Our current Board comprises of:

Raewyn Clark	Chairperson	Leisha Byrnes	Principal
Gordon Irving	Property Manager (Staff Trustee)	Reuben Baker	
Lillian Hansell		Peter Lai	
Andrew Lile			

The Board can be contacted at any time via the Chairperson by emailing bot@lincolnheights.school.nz
All members of the public are invited to attend BoT meetings which are held in the staffroom, starting at 5:30pm

Step by step together we REACH new heights!

TERM FOUR 2019

Whole school assemblies are held in the hall on Fridays at midday on odd weeks of the term. All whanau are welcome to attend.

October

- 25th STAFF ONLY DAY. **School closed**
- 28th LABOUR DAY. **School closed**
- 29th Yr 7/8 Touch Rugby tournament, Moire Park
- 30th Patroller training with Const Lorena
BOT meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom
- 31st Nikau team Zoo trip

2019 TERMS:

- Term One: 29th January – 12th April
- Term Two: 29th April – 5th July
- Term Three: 22nd July – 27th September
- Term Four: 14th October - 17th December

November

- 1st Coffee & Korero for parents, staffroom, 9-10.30am
- 4th Book Fair this week, Monday to Friday, Library
- 5th PTA Samosas fundraiser orders close
- 11th PTA Samosas available for collection from staffroom
PTA meeting, 6.30pm, staffroom
- 12th Photolife in for new New Entrants & Yr 8 leavers photos
- 15th Coffee & Korero for parents, staffroom, 9-10.30am
Patrollers training with Constable Lorena
- 18th Mufti Day, gold coin donation for bike track
- 19th Kids for Kids Choir performance, Bruce Mason Theatre
- 21st NorWest Athletics tournament, Moire Park
- 22nd NorWest Mall Christmas Concert, all welcome
- 25th Parent Helper morning tea
- 26th NorWest Yr 7/8 Touch Rugby tournament, Moire Park
- 27th BOT meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom
- 29th Rainbows End trip
Coffee & Korero for parents, staffroom, 9-10.30am
PTA Christmas Disco, hall

GENERAL NOTICES

- PTA Samosa's fundraiser closes 5th November. You will have received your order form in with the last newsletter of last term. Contact pta@lincolnheights.school.nz for more information.
- **Book Fair** is on! 4th to 8th November in the Library 8.30am-3.30pm. Books make excellent Christmas gifts, especially as all books available for sale will be affordable. Come along and choose yours.
- It is important to notify us if your **contact details change** at any time. Simply email us at lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz We have identified a number of families who have moved or changed phone numbers but have not advised us of their new contact details. In the event of an emergency it is important that we can make contact with you.
- Do you have an **under five child at home that will be starting school soon?** We are beginning to plan for our 2020 new entrant classes. If you have a pre-schooler that will be starting with us later this year or beginning of next, please drop in to the office to give names and dob, or email the information to lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz
- **Communication** - Don't forget to check out our **Lincoln Heights School Official Facebook page** and **download our free Skool Loop app**. Photos and notices, plus the newsletter are regularly uploaded for parents to see what is happening at school.
- **Medication to the office.** If your child uses medication (i.e. asthma inhaler) please bring in a spare for the office if you have not already done so. Parents will need to sign an authorisation form for us to administer any medication
- **Zumba classes** are held in the hall on Monday evenings from 7.30am. Contact Magda on 021 048 0456 for more information.
- **Karate classes** are held in the hall Wednesday evenings from 6.30pm. Contact Hayden on 021 753 115 for more information.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAMME

SKiDS provide **Before & After School Care** on-site from 7am to 8.30am and 3pm to 6pm Monday to Friday at very reasonable prices. For more information contact Manel or Sam by phone on 0800 187 000 or 021 922 521, or email lincolnheights@skids.co.nz