

STEP BY STEP, TOGETHER WE REACH NEW HEIGHTS

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora everyone

It is with great pleasure that we welcome Corina Shields to our Board of Trustees. Corina was co-opted on to the Board at the August 30th meeting. We look forward to working with her, and know that she has a lot to offer as a steward on the Board of Trustees.

With Maori Language Week this week we have been promoting the use of Te reo Maori by giving REACH cards to students using te reo in the playground. Whaea Nat's class have been teaching Maori aerobics as well. Have a chat to your child about what they have been learning about during te reo Maori language week.

Wheels' Day last week was a huge success! Thanks to Kiri for all of the organization - especially with the heritage display.

Thank you to families for supporting us with prompt collection of students during PD week this week when school closes at 2pm. Professional development this week for staff has included: Trauma, Coaching, Maths, & Curriculum Development.

Book week next week is on Monday to Friday. Our theme is 'Our Back Yard'. We do hope you can join us for some of our weekly activities. Be sure to connect to Facebook to learn more.

With thanks to our School Board of Trustees we are having a "Tweens to Teens parent evening" on Tuesday 26th September in the hall, 7pm – 9pm run by The Parenting Place. Do spread the word and invite other family and friends you know - it is an open event - and you don't need to be a parent of Lincoln Heights to attend. This is a high-quality event and well worth attending if you can. Here is a some information:

Tween to Teens Parent Evening

Get the insights that you need to help your child to positively navigate the changes of adolescents. Young people live in a world of change that includes, changing thoughts, changing feelings, changing connections and changing bodies. This is a time to reinforce the foundation that your relationships with your child is built on. We offer insight into your young person's world as well as practical tips to help guide them on their journey.

Te ti'aturi nei au kei a koe he wiki nui mo te katoa
Debbie Waikato

CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations to Paua house who had accumulated 435 REACH cards this fortnight. 2nd place Pounamu 356; 3rd place Koru 337, and 4th Umurangi 242. Well done everyone for Reaching New Heights!



TERM THREE and FOUR DATES

Whole school assemblies are held on Fridays at 2.00pm on odd weeks of the term. All whanau are welcome to attend.

September

- 11-15th **PD week. School closes 2pm daily**
- 13th Whanau hui, 6pm, staffroom
- 15th Spring Sparkle MUFTI DAY. Gold coin donation
Cupcake sale at morning tea. \$1 & \$2 cupcakes
- 18-22nd **BOOK WEEK**
- 21st Samoan Parent Network meeting, 6.30pm
- 23rd General elections. School hall polling booth
- 24th Daylight saving starts
- 25th Samoan Parents Network Fono, 7pm, staffroom
- 26th Playgroup cake stall fundraiser. Rm 7, 11-11.30am
Tweens to Teens parent evening, 7pm in the hall

September continued

- 27th NorWest Yr 7/8 Volleyball comp
Totara team Performing Arts EOTC to Town Hall
BOT meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom

Last day Term 3 School closes 3pm

October

- 16th **Term 4 starts. School starts 8.50am**
PTA meeting, 6pm, staffroom
- 18th Whanau hui, 6pm, staffroom
- 19th Samoan Parents Network Fono, 6.30, staffroom
- 23rd **LABOUR DAY. School closed**
- 25th BOT meeting, 5.30pm
- 28th Samoan Supper fundraiser
- 30th Samoan Parents Network mtg, 6.30pm, staffroom

Term Three & Four Newsletter dates: September 13th & 27th, October 25th, November 8th & 22nd, December 6th

GENERAL NOTICES

- **School bell times:** Our motto this year is: *Be in the gate by half past eight.* Classroom doors open at 8.30am. Lessons begin at 8.50am. School finishes 3.00pm.
- **Samoa trip planned fundraisers.** Thanks to everyone for supporting our sausage sizzle on 31st August, and our carwash fundraiser on 9th September. We couldn't do it without you. Our next Samoan Supper is this Saturday 16th. Pre-orders to Mrs Wong Rm 20.
- **Facebook.** We are on Facebook, search Lincoln Heights School Official and Like us. Latest information and alerts go on this page.
- **Website.** Go Live is still on track for the beginning of Term 4, Monday 16th October.
- **Contact details.** Remember to advise us if any of your contact details change. You can email lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz or send a note to the office via your child.
- **Playgroup cake stall fundraiser.** Tuesday 26th September 11am – 11.30am, from Rm 7. \$1 and \$2 cakes and biscuits for sale.
- **Calendar Art for sale.** An order form has been sent home to parents about purchasing a number of items displaying their child's artwork. Ideal for Christmas gifts. Your child's art is available at the office to view. Choose from calendars (\$10), Card (\$10), Diaries (\$15), Mouse pad (\$15) and sketch pad (\$12). Orders and payment to the office. Orders close Thursday 28th September.
- **PD week this week.** School closes 2pm Monday to Friday for teachers to participate in professional development.
- **North West Mall Art Exhibition.** Our students artwork is on display at North West Mall this week until Sunday evening 17th.

PLAYGROUP, THE COMMUNITY HUB and SKIDS

The Hub operates three mornings a week; Mondays and Wednesdays 9am to 11am, and Thursdays 9am to midday during term time. Contact Melissa on 021 075 2292 anytime or email thehub@lincolnheights.school.nz. Melissa is still looking for volunteers to help out preparing for the annual Massey Community **Christmas Treasure Hunt** being held on **Saturday 2nd December**. This fun event runs from 1pm to 4pm. Contact Melissa on 021 075 2292 for more information or to register your interest to help out on the day.

The Auckland Kindergarten **Playgroup** operates out of Rm 7 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 9.30am to 12.30pm. *Please support their cake stall fundraiser on 26th September.* They are fundraising for an Education Outside the Classroom trip in Term 4.

sKids Lincoln Heights 'Cook Up a Foodstorm' is coming soon!! FOODSTORM is a sKids exclusive after school cooking programme that provides the children with skills that will last a lifetime. They will have fun and gain independence by learning how to make 12 essential recipes kids would love to cook and that have been developed by LittleCooks and approved by the Heart Foundation! *Free when you book your child in to sKids After School Care. To book your child go to www.skids.co.nz and click on Parent Login. For more information, visit us at Rm 31 or call 0800 187 000 or 021 922 521.

Vacancy – We are hiring and have a vacancy for a Programme Assistant to join us at sKids Lincoln Heights. Send your CV to lincolnheights@skids.co.nz

BOARD OF TRUSTEE MID TERM ELECTIONS – WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

A timeline for mid term Board of Trustee elections has been included for your information. Should you have any queries regarding Board of Trustee elections please contact Returning Officer Jill Taylor by emailing jillt@lincolnheights.school.nz or phoning (09) 833 7480 extn 715 between 8am to 4.30pm Monday to Friday.

Call for nominations **Friday, 3rd November** nomination forms will be posted. If you are on the school roll as a parent/caregiver you can nominate yourself and do not require a seconder but you must sign both parts of the form. Nomination forms should be either posted or delivered to the Returning Officer at Lincoln Heights School by 17th November. Candidate statements are optional but a useful method to assist in the selection when voting.

Nominations close **Friday, 17th November.** If there are more nominations than the two vacancies eligible voters will be posted a voting paper and candidate's statements (where provided) on or before Wednesday 22nd November.

Voting Day **Friday, 1st December.** The poll closes at 12noon. The highest polling candidates will be elected to the board of trustees. The results will be made available at the school and also published in our local newspaper.