



LINCOLN HEIGHTS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Vision: Step By Step Together We Reach New Heights

ACTING PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora everyone

After a long road of fundraising and organisation our Moemoe Fou unit headed for Samoa on 28th May and have returned (very tired) today. They had an action packed itinerary which included being part of the Samoa Independence Day celebrations, visiting two schools and for some, the first time to return to Samoa in many years. Our Associate Principal Toby Kite who travelled with the group is an international celebrity after being interviewed by the local television network. We are so proud of our students and families who represented our school and Aotearoa. Check out the Lincoln Heights School Official Facebook page for more photos and a few videos, including the Samoan Television interview with Mr Kite.



It was disappointing that our whole school cross country could not go ahead due to rain and our fields having to be closed due to excessive rainfall turning them into a bog. A running event was held yesterday as consolation and to ensure our children get out in the fresh air. The Inter-school Year 5-8 Cross Country team will be selected from the 'place getters' and will represent the school in the upcoming zone days.

A reminder that PD week for our teachers is coming up from **Monday 18th June to Friday 22nd June**. This will mean that our school will close at 2.00pm every day for that week only. You will need to arrange for your child to be collected from school no later than **2.00pm**. SKIDS contact details are noted further in this newsletter.

Friday 22nd June is the paid union meeting for our teaching staff to attend. School will be open until 2pm on that day, however **between 1:30pm and 2.00pm** there will be reduced cover. If you wish to collect your child at 1:30pm and have an early start to the weekend, then you are welcome to.

As you may be aware many schools are involved in Kahui Ako or Communities of Learning. We are involved with 5 other local Massey schools and will be working together to build a stronger community connection. We have had our Achievement Challenge endorsed by the Ministry of Education and will begin appointing teachers to the cluster schools and within school roles next term. Keep an eye out for further information.

Ka Kite

Leisha Byrnes
ACTING PRINCIPAL

CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations to the two entrants of the sKids Kiwi Kids Can Cook Auckland Regional comp heats who each won the senior and junior rounds and will attend the Nationals competitions in August.



TERM TWO 2018 DATES

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

June

6th Moemoe Fou Samoa trip returns
11th PTA meeting, 6pm, staffroom
18-22nd PD Week. **School closes 2pm daily**
22nd School closes 1.30pm for Union meeting
25-29th Matariki Art Week
25th Yr 5/6 Boys Soccer, Starling Park
29th PTA Quiz night, 7pm, hall

July

6th Last day of Term 2. School closes 3pm
8-20 July School holidays. **School closed**
23rd **Term 3 starts.** Classes start 8.50am
25th BOT meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom
26th Waitakere College open evening, 7pm, Yr 8's and their families are invited

GENERAL NOTICES

- **Waitakere College Open evening**, 7pm, Thursday 26th July. All year 8's and their families are invited to attend.
- **PTA Quiz night**, Friday 29th June at 7.00pm in the hall. Tickets \$10 per person, tickets available from the office. 'Blue Hawaii' is the theme, not compulsory but HIGHLY encouraged. Pizza, home baking and fizzy drinks available for sale on the night. A fun night guaranteed.
- **Traffic reminder.** To the many parents who comply with the road rules and do not park on a bus stop, yellow lines and restricted zones, our grateful thanks. To the small number parents who **do** park in these areas, it is important to understand you are liable to be ticketed. Your parking is illegal. Using excuses such as that you are watching children operating road patrols, or that your child does not have a cellphone and would be meeting you at a specific location, is unacceptable. Your actions are creating a dangerous situation for our students and other road users. Yellow lines and restricted zones are there for a safety purpose. We advise you to park further away from the gates and walk to collect your child. Please help us to set a good road safety example to keep our tamariki safe.
- **Pedestrian gates.** We would appreciate closing the pedestrian gates behind you when entering and exiting our grounds. This request is important to ensure our students are kept safe.
- **Scholastic book offer # 4** closes on Tuesday 19th June. All orders and payments to the office please.
- **Website.** Do check out our website for school information and event dates on www.lincolnheights.school.nz.
- **Contact details.** It is important to advise the office if *any* of your contact details change. You can email lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz or send a note to the office via your child at any time.
- **Facebook.** Don't forget to Like Us on Facebook: Lincoln Heights School Official and watch for alerts that are regularly posted.
- **Uniforms.** If your child is not wearing their uniform they must have a note to excuse them from their parent/caregiver. Students should wear their uniform with pride so please ensure uniforms are clean and worn appropriately.

PLAYGROUP

The Auckland Kindergarten Association operates a Playgroup in Room 7 (on the top field) for under 5s. Parents must be present to supervise their children. Playgroup operates Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursday mornings from 9.30am to 12.30pm. Contact Rebecca by emailing lincolnheights@playgroups.org.nz or phoning the office during playgroup hours for more information.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

sKids Lincoln Heights NEW hours for the BEFORE SCHOOL CARE PROGRAMME are 7am - 8.30am or 7.30am - 8.30am. sKids is also open from 2pm - 6pm during PD Week 18-22 June, and from 1.30pm-6pm on Friday 26th June for the Teachers to attend a NZEI meeting. We will be launching our JellyBeans Music from week 6 to week 10 this term EVERY THURSDAY!! For more information visit us at sKIDS Rm 31 or you can call us at 0800 187 000/021922521 or email us at lincolnheights@skids.co.nz

