

Kiaora Whanau

Welcome back to a busy Term Two. You should have received the term two calendar in the last week of last term, if you haven't, please see your child's teacher. This one page A3 sheet highlights the things you need to know. As you are aware, from time to time we will need to change dates and times to accommodate new opportunities or unexpected events. We will make every effort to ensure that we advise you of any changes as soon as possible.

Bike zones – it is timely that we remind children about the 'no wheels' zones to ensure that people entering the school can do so safely. The areas outside of the office, in front of the Nikau space and up to room 10 are 'walk only' zones. This is to ensure our children moving from Kahukura and our junior children can access the playground safely and adults entering the office are able to do so safely.

Thank you to the parents who have raised awareness of bike and scooter safety, especially during the drop off and pick up times. We will be working with children to ensure they are walking their bikes into and out of school and riding in areas that are less populated by foot traffic during those times.

Helmet safety – last term we decided to introduce a helmet rule at school for biking and scootering starting in term 2. We still have some children riding their bikes to school without a helmet – this is a breach of the road rules. If your child is riding their bike to school please ensure they have a helmet. From next week we will be enforcing the helmet rule - if children come to school without a helmet, they will be unable to scooter during breaks. If you do have any spare helmets at home that you no longer require, please feel free to donate them to school for use during the breaks.

School closes at 1pm Wednesday 8th May (tomorrow) to allow teaching staff to attend the Paid Union Meeting. Thank you for your support.

Skool Loop app. Our school now has an app that you can use to access school information, report absences, check notices or view the newsletter. Download the FREE Skool Loop on to your cell phone. You can find the free app by searching Play Store for android or app store for apple devices. We encourage you to use the app to keep abreast of current information. Parents who sign up for this app will be eligible to go into the draw for a smart phone.

Winner of the **Kai Pear competition** was Karen Ota – congratulations! Don't forget to place an order on our website for your child's lunch. At \$5.00 it is an affordable price for a healthy and delicious hot meal, particularly as the winter months set in. There are new menu options so check them out!

Parents information evening, Tuesday 14th May, 6pm-7.30pm – there are limited places available for this event which will provide the opportunity for you to hear about our learning goals for 2019 and beyond, meet some of the Board and PTA, find out more about online ordering and the school app and talk about understanding your child's report. We will also be watching performances from the Choir, Indian and Pacific groups.

Coffee & Korero After Dark is on tonight. I hope to see you there.

Heads up! We will be having a **Staff Only Day Friday 31st May**. SkiDS are open from 7am to 6pm daily. Contact Manel direct to book your child/children in on our Staff Only Day by emailing <u>lincolnheights@skids.co.nz</u>

Road Safety week 6th to 12th May. This is timely reminder for parents dropping off and collecting their children to be considerate of others and avoid parking on the yellow lines outside the school and obstructing private driveways. We will be contacting Council to monitor and enforce traffic regulations to ensure safety for all.

PTA Samosa fundraiser – the PTA are raising money for amazing bike/scooter tracks, bikes, helmets and storage. The bike track is a fabulous resource that will be able to be accessed by the community outside of school hours and during the school day. It will help to reduce the pressure on populated play/walk areas by having a designated and purpose built bike and scooter area. As a school we need your help to raise the funds for this. Please support our first fundraiser and order some delicious Samosas which the order form has been included in this newsletter. 100% of the profit raised through the sale of the samosas will go towards funding the 'Bikes in Schools' project. Please complete and return the order form. Thank you for supporting this amazing project.

Leisha Byrnes

PRINCIPAL

CELEBRATIONS

REACH House points: Umurangi 172, - Pounamu 159, - Koru 144, - Paua 141

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Triennial elections are drawing closer. A nomination form will be posted out this week to all parents/caregivers. Please contact the office immediately if you have recently changed your address this year to ensure that you don't miss out on getting your nomination form. Nominations close at midday on Friday 24th May.

If we receive more nominations than the three vacancies we will be going to vote. If that is the case voting forms will be posted out by 29th May. Voting closes midday 7th June.

It is important that all nomination and voting forms are returned in the self-addressed envelope provided. Envelopes can be either dropped in to the school office, or posted. Please allow extra time if being posted due to reduced postal days.

Any queries should be directed to Jill Taylor, Returning Officer by emailing jillt@lincolnheights.school.nz

TERM TWO 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.

May 8th School closes 1.00pm due to NZEI Industrial action Senior classes to National Young Leaders Day BOT meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom BOT election nomination forms posted out

- 9th Nikau team trip to Mangere Mountain
- 10th Coffee & Korero for parents, staffroom, 9am-10.30am Nikau team trip to Mangere Mountain
- Whole school assembly, farewell to Mrs Martin 14th Parents information evening, staffroom, 6pm-7.
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- Mufti Day for Pink Shirt Day, gold coin donation 18th Noel Leeming Henderson sausage sizzle fundraiser
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- 20th Whole school class and individual photos
- 21st Norwest Boys Soccer competition
- Book Fair, Library, 3.30pm-6.30pm
- 22nd-23rd Book Fair, Library 8.30am-3.30pm
- 23^{ra} Norwest Girls Soccer competition Pohutukawa team Museum trip
- 24th Coffee & Korero for parents, staffroom, 9am-10.30am PTA lunchtime disco, gold coin donation BOT nominations close, midday
- 29th BOT meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom
- 31st **STAFF ONLY DAY, school closed** for instruction

June

- 3rdQUEENS BIRTHDAY observance, school closed7thCoffee & Korero for parents, staffroom, 9am-10.30am
BOT voting closes, midday10thPTA meeting, 6pm, staffroom19thCoffee & Korero After Dark for parent, 6pm, staffroom21stCoffee & Korero for parents, staffroom, 9am-10.30am
PTA lunchtime movie, gold coin donation
- 26th BOT meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom
- 28th Matariki hangi, 6.30pm, hall, all welcome,

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

GENERAL NOTICES

- Sausage sizzle fundraiser, outside Noel Leeming Lincoln Rd from 9.30am Saturday and Sunday 18th and 19th May. Friends of the School get a discount when purchasing products instore.
- Mufti Day for Pink Shirt Day Friday 17th May. Gold coin donation. Wear your best pink outfit.
- > Whole school class and individual photos Monday 20th May. Please ensure your child is wearing a full clean uniform.
- Book Fair in the Library Tuesday 21st May 3.30pm to 6.30pm. The Library will be open 8.30am to 3.30pm Wednesday and Thursday this week for the Book Fair.
- > PTA lunchtime disco Friday 24th May in the hall. Gold coin donation.
- Don't forget to check out our Lincoln Heights School Official Facebook page and Skool Loop app where alerts are regularly posted to our community.
- If your child suffers from Asthma please send a new named inhaler to the office as many we hold are either expired or due to expire shortly. Having a spare inhaler for your child held at the office to use in case of an emergency is important. Thank you.

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 <u>lincolnheights@skids.co.nz</u>

SKiDS will be open early from 1.00pm to 6pm on Wednesday 8th May due to the school closing for NZEI Industrial Action, **and** from 7am-6pm on the school's Staff Only Day Friday 31st May. Contact Manel or Sam for bookings.

