# LINCOLN HEIGHTS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - Term 1, 20th February 2019

Kiaora Whanau

Sports evening - *I want to say a huge thank you to the Lincoln Heights teaching staff, PTA and whanau who made this evening a success!* We have had some excellent feedback from parents about ways we can improve the format for next year and we will definitely use these in our planning for 2020! If you have any ideas or suggestions, please email them to me.

**Parent Interviews** are coming up next week (**27 & 28 February**). This year we are returning to a more traditional format with parents able to book a 15 minute session with the classroom teacher of each child. We want to use this time to find out ways that we can support your child's learning and to access the vital knowledge that you hold as parents as well as share strategies and ways that you can help your child to reach the next step towards their learning goals.

#### Remember, our aim is to have more than 80% parental attendance in each class!

I know we can achieve this. The booking portal is open so you can go on-line and book, or contact Carol in the office. To ensure we have enough time for all interviews, **school will close at 1.30pm on 27 February**. We are currently sitting on 40% school-wide attendance so make sure you have booked your interview time so you can help us to reach our 80% attendance goal.

**Our LHS online School Shop** went live on Friday 15th February. We have had two successful deliveries so far and the feedback from the children has been great. I really enjoyed my honey soy chicken and rice on Friday! You can also pay your school donations online and print a receipt if you need one and we will be moving to make online payments an option for trips as well.

**Shade Structure update** - Engineers are being engaged to assess the shade structure. Options for repair will then be decided by the Board of Trustees and the process to get works underway can begin. We envisage this part of the process to be completed before the April holidays with an optimistic plan to get the work underway over the break. Fingers crossed!

**Leadership Academy Fundraising** - Our fantastic student leaders have been selling up a storm and are committed to getting to the one day conference in May. Thank you to the amazing weather and your outstanding generosity they are well on the way to their goal of \$1200. They are now looking at other things they want to fundraise for - so watch this space, they have some amazing plans!

**Parent Teacher Association (PTA)** - our PTA AGM will be held **Monday 11 March at 6pm** in our staffroom. If you are wondering how you can support the school, then the PTA might be for you. This dedicated group of parents do an incredible job and without them we wouldn't have an amazing new playground, or be able to subsidise school trips so all children can attend.

**PTA Quiz night** - Friday 22nd March at 7pm in the hall. Tickets \$10 per person, maximum table of 10 people. We are excited to have another chance to meet you, so gather your own team or join a table and have a whole lot of laughs. You can bring your own snacks and there will be food for sale - proceeds to the PTA. There are some great prizes up for grabs or more importantly, you could walk away with quiz night bragging rights!

**Korero and Coffee** - Our first catch up went really well and I am looking forward to our next chat this Friday. If you have some time to spare and some ideas to share or want to know more about school, please come along and help to make our school even more amazing.

Our ERO review - Our confirmed ERO report is available on the website.

**Mihi Whakatau** – We had our first Mihi whakatau last Friday and I was very proud of the girls who lead the karanga – Anahera, Ataahua and Xanthia. They did an amazing job. A huge thank you to Whaea Julie for her leadership of the kapahaka. If you want to support kapahaka, please email Julie – juliei@lincolnheights.school.nz

Noho ora mai

Leisha Byrnes

### **ACTING PRINCIPAL**

### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Kia ora whanau – 2019 is an exciting year for LHS Board of Trustees as we will be appointing the Principal for our school. To ensure we do the best job for this community, we approached three recommended educational organisations to submit a proposal for this work. The Education Group with Nicky Knight leading the work will be guiding the Board through the appointment process.

Timeline for the appointment is as follows:

- · 11/02/19 online advert on Education group website, link on LHS website
- Between 13/02/19 to 1/03/19 Interested candidates visit to LHS
- · Wednesday 06/03/19 Closing date for referee reports
- · Midday Friday 08/03/19 closing date for applications
- · Saturday 09/03/19 short listing candidates
- · Saturday 23/03/19 Interviews & presentations
- Monday 25/03/19 Successful candidate advised
- Term Two 2019 or earlier by negotiation –

Principal appointment commences

For queries email our Board of Trustees: <a href="mailto:bot@lincolnheights.school.nz">bot@lincolnheights.school.nz</a>, Or check out <a href="mailto:http://educationgroup.co.nz/">http://educationgroup.co.nz/</a>

Step by step, together we REACH new heights



#### **TERM ONE 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.

| <u>February</u> |             |   | <u>March</u> |  |
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|                 | 22nd        | Coffee & Korero, 9am-10am, staffroom, all welcome       | 5th          | GKR Karate lessons in hall, from 6.30pm, all welcome |
|                 | 26th        | Yr 6 Future Leaders Day, Waitemata Rugby Club           |              | Yr 5/6 Boys T. Ball comp, Rosedale Park              |
|                 | 27th        | Parent/Teacher interviews 2pm-5pm, school closes 1.30pm | 7th          | Yr 7/8 Boys & Girls Softball comp, Rosedale Park     |
|                 |             | BOT meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom                          | 11th         | PTA AGM, 6pm, staffroom, all welcome                 |
|                 | 28th        | Parent/Teacher interviews, 3.30pm-7.45pm                | 14th         | Cupcake fundraiser, cupcakes for sale from \$2.00    |
|                 |             |   | 22nd         | Coffee & Korero, 9am-10am, staffroom                 |
|                 |             |   |              | PTA Quiz night, 7pm, hall                            |
|                 | 2019 TERMS: |   |              | BOT meeting, staffroom, 5.30pm                       |

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**

- > Parent Interviews 27 & 28 Feb Log in to <a href="www.schoolinterviews.co.nz">www.schoolinterviews.co.nz</a> to make a booking with your child's teacher. Event code is **3q3gd.** Reminder that school closes at 1.30pm on Wednesday 27th February for interviews.
- > Don't forget to check out our Lincoln Heights School Official Facebook page where alerts are regularly posted to our community.
- > Save the date **PTA Quiz night**, Friday 22nd March, 7pm in the hall. \$10 per person, max 10 to a table. Tickets on sale from Monday 25th February at the office.
- 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.
- > We remind you that in Term One and Term Four every child needs to **wear a hat** while playing outside. Please send your child to school with a hat or you can purchase one from the office Caps \$8, Bucket hats \$10
- GKR operate Karate lessons in the hall every Wednesday evening year round. Contact Hayden Gwynn on 021 753 115 for more information.
- Massey High School are holding their 50th anniversary 18th-19th October 2019. To register visit www.masseyhigh.school.nz
- LHS Music School operates at school on Tuesday afternoons from 3.30pm and Saturday mornings from 9am. Tuition is available for Guitar, Recorder, Flute and Violin at all levels. Enrolments are now open for the 2019 year. Contact Coordinator <a href="mailto:nellie.shaw@gmail.com">nellie.shaw@gmail.com</a> for more information regarding enrolments.
- Parent supervised Playgroup sessions are Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 9.30am to 12.30pm in Rm 7 (on top field). Email Coordinator lincolnheights@playgroups.org.nz for more information.

## **YOUR PTA**

Your PTA is: Trena Lile - President Sarah Pope - Secretary Debbie lles - Treasurer

Trena will be stepping down from the President role at the AGM, Monday 11th March at 6pm in the staffroom. We encourage parents to consider joining our dedicated PTA team. For more information about what is required, contact our team on pta@lincolnheights.school.nz

The PTA are holding a quiz night in the hall on *Friday 22nd March*. This night is a fun filled event. Tickets are \$10 per head, available from the office. Make up a table of friends/relatives, or join others to make up a table of 10. If you know of a business who is willing to donate prizes we would love to hear from you. This is a night not to be missed. Food for sale, BYO.

#### 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 <a href="mailto:lincolnheights@skids.co.nz">lincolnheights@skids.co.nz</a>

Contact sKids directly should you require their services when school closes at 1.30pm on Wednesday 27th February.





