

## Kia ora Whanau

Welcome back to Term Three with much wind and rain. This term is always wet and we have the highest number of absences. If your child is sick, please keep them at home. However, wet weather should not prevent your child from attending school. If you need a jacket or dry shoes for your child, please contact Maria Kostanich our Social Worker in School's (SWiS) and she can help.

We are already half way through the year – I don't know where the time has gone! We are looking at student data and reviewing student progress against their learning goals. It is important that parents are part of the discussions to support their child's learning. **The research highlights the importance of strong learning focussed relationships as a key to student success.** We would love to meet with you to celebrate your child's progress so far and to find ways that we can maximise their learning over the remainder of the year. If you haven't already, please book your parent interview slot to ensure you don't miss out. Remember our goal is 95% attendance.

**Parent Interviews** will be held **next Wednesday 7 August starting at 2:00pm** (School will close at 1:30pm) **and Thursday 8 August starting at 3:30pm**. SKiDS will be opening from 1.30pm. Please contact Manel directly. Bookings are still open to secure your slot, visit www.schoolinterviews.co.nz, the code is: **e6jgh** or alternatively you could see Carol or Natasha in the office.

The first five children to answer the riddle on the calendar were: Caitlyn, Edie, Benny, Rebekah and Cameron. If you haven't seen me for your chocolate fish, please see me tomorrow. If you were wondering what Paul weighs ... it's meat!

**Immunisation**. With measles still so prevalent in West Auckland we ask that you keep your child's vaccinations up-to-date. If you are unsure if your child has had their appropriate immunisation shots, make contact with your GP for confirmation. It is a sobering thought that measles is a disease that is preventable and was almost eradicated a few decades ago.

**Farewell and Goodbye** -This Friday Carol leaves us after twenty years. She is very much looking forward to her extended overseas trip. Thanks Carol for everything you have done for our tamariki and staff over the years and we wish you the very best as you begin a new chapter in your life. We know we will see you around and you will always be a part of the Lincoln Heights Whanau.

**Matariki Celebration** – This event was a huge success. Thanks to all those who attended and supported with donating goods for the hangi. It was fabulous to see the hall full and some parents even watching from outside the doors. I can't express how proud and excited I was to see our hall overflowing with parents celebrating their children, and of the effort our children put in.

**Behinds the scenes work regarding the shade structure** is happening. The current structure will be dismantled and a new one erected in its place. We are currently working with our Project Manager and hope to have some detail announced in the near future. Thank you all for your patience as we have worked through about a mile of red tape.

**Math-athon** – our math-athon will be starting soon with all funds raised going to the development of our new bike track and the purchase of 50 school bikes and helmets. Please support us – this will be an incredible community resource that can be used over the weekends as well as school holidays. Last year we raised over \$12,000 for the playground, I am sure we can match or better this amount. There will be prizes for classes and individual students. Help us to get this great community resource started before the end of the year!

**Coffee and korero** is on this Friday morning from 9am in the staffroom. Join us for a coffee and biscuit and see the proposed plan for the bike track and our upcoming school events.

Ka kite

Leisha Byrnes

PRINCIPAL

# CELEBRATIONS

ENGAGED is the focus from 22<sup>nd</sup> July to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August. The House points for the past fortnight are: Paua 130; Umurangi 126; Koru 95; Pounamu 76

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Our current Board comprises of:

Raewyn ClarkChairpersonGordon IrvingProperty Manager (Staff Trustee)Lillian HansellAndrew Lile

Leisha Byrnes Principal Reuben Baker Peter Lai

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.

#### **TERM THREE 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.

### July

31<sup>st</sup> BOT meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom

### 2019 TERMS:

29 <sup>th</sup> January – 12 <sup>th</sup> April
29 <sup>th</sup> April – 5 <sup>th</sup> July
22 <sup>nd</sup> July – 27 <sup>th</sup> September
14th October - 17th December

#### August

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Coffee & Korero for parents, staffroom, 9-10.30am
- 5<sup>th</sup> PTA meeting, 6.30pm, staffroom
- 6<sup>th</sup> Massey High School Suessical Performance
- 7<sup>th</sup> Parent Teacher interviews from 2pm.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Parent Teacher interviews
- Parent Teacher interviews 3.30pm-8pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> A-thon papers go home for sponsorship
- 16<sup>th</sup> Coffee & Korero for parents, staffroom, 9-10.30am
- 30<sup>th</sup> Coffee & Korero for parents, staffroom, 9-10.30am

# **GENERAL NOTICES**

- Calendar Art order forms are coming home to parents on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August. Orders are due back at school by Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September. These 2020 calendars with your child's artwork make great Christmas gifts.
- Scholastic brochure number 5 has been sent home. Orders close Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> August. Payment to the office by the 1<sup>st</sup> please.
- Don't forget to check out our Lincoln Heights School Official Facebook page. Photos are regularly uploaded for parents to see what has been happening at school.
- > It is important to notify us if your contact details change at any time. Just email us at <a href="https://lincolnheights.school.nz">https://lincolnheights.school.nz</a>
- Communication download our new Skool Loop app on to your smartphone. Choose Lincoln Heights School. Its free and has all the important information parents need to know about what is happening at our school.
- NZ Police recently launched a new non-emergency number, 105. This is to make it easier to contact them for non-emergency situations. You can call NZ Police on 105 for: lost property; theft from a public place or car; intentional property damage, or to get an update or add information to a previous Police report. You can also email them on 105.police.govt.nz to report non-emergency events.
- > 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 <u>lincolnheights@skids.co.nz</u>

SKiDS are opening at **1.30pm on Wednesday** 7<sup>th</sup> August due to school closing at **1.30pm** for Parent Teacher interviews. Please contact Manel or Sam directly to book your child in for this afternoon. See their website for further information.

