

#### Kia ora Whanau

Thank you to the parents who attended the parent/teacher interviews to hear about all about your child's learning. Overall the attendance rate was 87%. This was a great turnout, but still slightly lower than our goal of 95%. It is hard to believe that prior to 2019 our whanau engagement at Parent teacher interviews was around 35%. I know I have said it before, the greatest achievement for our learners happens when whanau are engaged and there is true partnership. I am looking forward to reaching the 95% goal at the term 3 parent interviews on 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> August! Remember, if those days don't suit, you can always make a time to meet your child's teacher. A strong relationship between home and school will have positive outcomes for all our learners.

Works have begun to demolish the old Western Lights Tavern to be replaced with 69 terraced houses. The demolition site is filled with hazards and is closed to anyone not authorised to be there. This site can no longer be used as a thoroughfare or accessed at any time. We recommend having a chat with your child/children about the dangers of a demolition/construction site and for their safety they should keep away. Thank you for your cooperation.

Plans to celebrate Matariki, on July 1<sup>st</sup> with a hangi meal are pressing ahead. We will be asking for donations of potatoes, pumpkin, cabbage, carrots and kumara from 14<sup>th</sup> June. More information will be coming out soon. If you are able to help, please let your child's teacher or Miss Astrella from Rm 19 know.

A reminder about the upcoming **Teacher Only Day on Friday June 4<sup>th</sup>.** SKiDs will be available to support with childcare if needed. Please contact Sam directly to book your child/ren in. This is followed by **Queen's Birthday on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June** allowing for an extra long, 'long weekend'!

A huge thank you to the generosity of one of our families who have offered to sponsor our Kahukura children to attend the Tramp Park for Term Three. We are really appreciative of their offer.

We have been advised of an upcoming **Paid Union Meeting** for teachers. Our staff will be attending the meeting on **29<sup>th</sup> June at 1:30pm**. School will remain open for instruction with reduced teaching staff. If you are able to collect your child at 1pm, it would be greatly appreciated. We will be sending a letter home with further information and a return slip to indicate if your child will be remaining at school after 1pm so we can ensure a safe and fun plan is developed for the afternoon.

The Whanau and Friends of Lincoln Heights School would like to thank Debbie Iles for her amazing dedication as Treasurer over the past few years. Debbie has now handed over the reins to Tash McLachlan. I am sure that Tash will wear the mantel well! The Whanau and Friends committee are continuing to raise funds for a 'senior student' area. Watch this space for more information or ways you can help us raise funds. If you want to join this amazing team of fun people, please contact <a href="mailto:pta@lincolnheights.school.nz">pta@lincolnheights.school.nz</a> – they would love to see you there!



What is coming out of the library wall? This is an amazing project being undertaken by 'The Creative Souls' team. I can't wait to see the project completed! My vote is for a book dragon, Mrs Auva'a suggested a book taniwha. I have heard it could be Superman smashing his way through, or maybe The Hulk ... What or who do you think it could be?

On Monday last week we were privileged to have been invited to visit Happy Place at Spark Arena by Suzy Cato. We took 20 children from year 5/6 with us. It was a lot of fun! A huge than you to Suzy and the CEO of Spark Arena for making this great opportunity happen.

Ka kite

Leisha Byrnes

## PRINCIPAL

Kahukura are raffling this beautiful big hand made quilt donated by Lynda Steed.



Be sure to get your tickets from Kahukura. Tickets are \$2 per ticket, or three tickets for \$5. Quilts of this quality can retail for more than \$350.00! You can view the quilt hanging just inside the entry to Kahukura.

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Do you have Tikanga knowledge and connections? Would you like to be a voice on the Board? If you have strong knowledge of Tikanga and would like to know more, contact either Leisha Byrnes or Reuben Baker, Presiding Member.

Your parent elected Board comprises of:-

Reuben Baker, Presiding Member	Sean Carter	Raewyn Clark		
Lillian Hansell	Gordon Irving, Staff Representative	2		
The Board can be contacted by emailing the Presiding Member: <u>bot@lincolnheights.school.nz</u>				

We continue to work through updating our policies through School Docs and get these up on our website to allow all our whanau access to relevant policies through a password protected portal in a timely manner and will replace our current hardcopy system.

Step by step together we REACH new heights!

TERM TWO 2021				
May		June		
	eeting, 5.30pm, staffroom	1 <sup>st</sup>	Kauri Team trip to Mangere Mountain, Rms 22 & 23	
27 <sup>th</sup> Norwest Yr 7/8 Girls Soccer Comp 1 <sup>st</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> Samoan Language Week		Samoan Language Week		
31 <sup>st</sup> Kauri tea	am trip to Mangere Mountain, Rms 21 & 24	4 <sup>th</sup>	School Closed. Teacher Only Day	
31 <sup>st</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> June Samoan Language Week		7 <sup>th</sup>	Queens Birthday observance. School Closed	
		15- 18 <sup>th</sup>	National Young Leaders Day, Hamilton	
		18 <sup>th</sup>	Kahukura trip to Kelly Tarlton's Marine Aquarium	
TERM TWO	3 <sup>rd</sup> May – 9 <sup>th</sup> July	21 <sup>st</sup>	3x3 Basketball, Trusts Stadium, 4.15pm Yr 3/4; 5pm Yr 5/6	
TERM THREE	26 <sup>th</sup> July – 1 <sup>st</sup> October		Whanau & Friends of the school meeting, 6.30pm, staffroom	
TERM FOUR	18 <sup>th</sup> October – 17 <sup>th</sup> December	25 <sup>th</sup>	Norwest Book Battle, Yr 5/6, Te Manawa Library, Massey	
		28 <sup>th</sup>	3x3 Basketball, Trusts Stadium, 4.15pm Yr 3 / 4; 5pm Yr 5/6	
		29 <sup>th</sup>	Teachers to NZEI Paid Union Meeting, 1pm	
		30 <sup>th</sup>	Board meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom	

## Our motto – In The Gate by Half Past Eight Guarantees You Won't be Late!

## GENERAL NOTICES

- The Northern Mystics national netball team are returning to Trusts Arena for two home games in a row, Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> May vs Steel, and Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> June vs Stars. Adult general admission tickets have a \$5 discount when purchased online. Doors open 3pm. Promo code MYSTSCHOOL21. Get your tickets by going to <u>https://www.ticketfairy.com/event/northern-mystics-ws-stars-6jun2021/</u>
- Parent Supervised Playgroup sessions are in the room on the top playing field nearest Doone Place on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9.30am until 12.30pm. Email Coordinator Kate at <u>lincolnheights@playgroups.org.nz</u> for more information.
- SKiDS Before and After School care is available for our students and is now operating from Rm 28 beside the Library. Quality care is available from 7am until 8.30am and 3pm to 6pm Monday to Friday. SKiDS will be open for Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June Teacher Only Day. Contact Sam direct by phoning 027 814 0380, or emailing <u>lincolnheights@skids.co.nz</u>
- LHS Music School operates at school on Tuesday afternoons from 3.30pm and Saturday mornings from 9am. Expert tuition is available for Guitar, Recorder, Flute and Violin at all levels. For enrolments contact Coordinator <u>nellie.shaw@gmail.com</u> for more information.
- > Change of contact details. Please email us at <u>lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz</u> if your contact details change at any time. Thank you.



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- Open the Skool Loop App you will land on a welcome page.
- Click the 'Select your schools' this will bring you to a menu you can either search your school
  or follow the country/region prompts.
- Once you reach your school, select it with the tick on the righthand side.
- Tap the 'select schools' button in the top right corner.
- Tap the big orange choose button. This will load your school and bring you to the settings page.
- Subscribe to the groups that are relevant to you, then click the 'go back' button on your phone, which will bring you to the main screen of your schools app.



