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# TOICOINO

Kia ora Whanau

Welcome to week 8 of Term One. As Term One is an 11 week term this means that we only have three weeks to go before the April school holidays begin. The last day of school will be Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April. Parent interviews will be on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April.

**Teacher Only Day – Thursday 14 April for Parent Teacher Interviews.** Parent teacher interviews will be held from 10am throughout the day until 7pm. We are hoping that having the parent interviews throughout the day will allow more families to engage. To make an online booking to meet with your child's teacher, go to <a href="https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz">www.schoolinterviews.co.nz</a>, the code is **9r25j**. Please book a slot for yourself at a time convenient for you. Should you have any issues booking, contact Tash in the office who can do this for you.

**Math-Athon** is getting closer! This event is an annual fundraiser that children can not only participate in and be acknowledged for, but also brush up on their maths basic facts which is our school focus this year. Your child's teacher will be sending home sponsor forms next week for our Math-Athon which is happening next term! There is an amazing class prize for the class that raises the most money, prizes for the class teacher and prizes for individual students! We may even have a family prize this year!

**Communication.** Newsletters come home fortnightly on Wednesdays of even weeks and hard copies are put into cubbies of the youngest child in a family for teachers to distribute to go home. A link is also posted on our Facebook Page (Lincoln Heights School Official), and the newsletter is also uploaded to the free Skool Loop app which we hope you have downloaded onto your phone, and the school website, <a href="www.lincolnheights.school.nz">www.lincolnheights.school.nz</a> We regularly post notices on the Skool Loop app and Facebook as it can be a more timely method of communication with our whanau. The last newsletter coming home for this term will be Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April.

**School lunches.** As part of the government initiative to provide school children with lunches we remind families that a lunch is provided by Spotless Catering for every student at school each day. Lunches continue to be provided even if students are going off-site on a school trip. We encourage families to use this free service.

**Work re-started on the front entrance canopy last week.** The completion date for the front canopy was initially before students returned to school in early February, however due to significant delays caused largely by COVID-19, the project had been stalled. For those parents of Kahukura who drop their children off using the front carpark, please take extra care and avoid the construction site which has been fenced off.

**School attendance numbers are steadily increasing as we pass the COViD-19 hump.** Last week we had less than 20 covid-19 cases reported throughout the week compared to more than 50 at its highest point. If your child is well, please send them to school as most reported cases have occurred in the home through family transmission.

If you have a nearly 5 year old at home, or your little one is turning 5 in the next 6 months, please let the office know as it helps us to plan and ensure our class numbers are not too big. Thank you for your cooperation.

Leisha Byrnes

### **PRINCIPAL**



There has been some amazing learning happening over the last two weeks! Check out these learning stars!

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

The Lincoln Heights School Board are responsible for the governance and direction of our school. Our Board have been working on our Annual Plan and our Strategic Plan and graphics are almost complete to post up on to our website.

The other important work currently being done is reviewing all of our policies and procedures. We have engaged School Docs as many other schools do for this process and once the Board have signed off we will advise parents of the password to access a parent portal on our website in order to view any of our policies at any time.

Our trustees are:

Reuben Baker, Chairperson

Sean Carter

Raewyn Clark

Lillian Hansell

Gordon Irving

Ben Lynch

The Board meet on the last Wednesday of each month in the staffroom at 5.30pm.

If you would like to attend as a visitor you can request this by emailing the Chairperson at bot@lincolnheights.school.nz

## TERM ONE 2022

<u>March</u>		<u>April</u>	
$30^{th}$	Totara team to Auckland Zoo	13 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of school for Term One
		14 <sup>th</sup>	Teacher Only Day. Parent Teacher interviews 10am – 7pm
		15 <sup>th</sup>	Good Friday. School holidays begin.
			School re-opens Monday 2nd May at 8.50am for Term Two

#### **2022 TERM DATES**

TERM ONE 2022 - 3<sup>rd</sup> February - Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April TERM THREE 2022 - 25<sup>th</sup> July - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September TERM TWO- 2<sup>nd</sup> May - Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July

TERM FOUR 2022 - 17th October - Friday 16th December

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

#### **GENERAL NOTICES**

- > 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 Manager Debbie at <a href="mailto:debbie.clarke@aka.org.nz">debbie.clarke@aka.org.nz</a> for more information.
- > **SKIDS** is available for on-site After School care. Contact <u>www.skids.co.nz</u> by email for more information. Book your child into the School Holiday programme now.
- Vistab sponsorship. Vistab is an electronic automated sign in/sign out system for our pupils, staff, relieving teachers, volunteers, contractors and casual visitors to the school. Vistab is used by many schools nationally, including ours. It makes the sign in/sign out process at reception very quick and reliable, especially in the case of an emergency. Do you have a business or know of a business that would like to sponsor Vistab in our school? To find out more phone Tash at reception on 833 7480, or email <a href="mailto:lhs@lincoInheights.school.nz">lhs@lincoInheights.school.nz</a>, subject heading VISTAB.

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Go to www.skids.co.nz/lincoln heights

