Our REACH values stand for Respect. Engage. Aware. Celebrate. Honest.

Me mahi tahi tatou mō te oranga o te katoa – We should work together for the wellbeing of everyone

Kia ora whānau

Only two weeks to go until the end of Term Two on Friday 30th June at 3.00pm. There is still plenty happening around the school.

Term Three will restart on Monday 17th July which is a busy week. On Wednesday 19th July we are holding our **Matariki dawn celebration**, followed by tree planting and then kai in the hall. We welcome our whanau to attend this special service with us starting at 7am. **Parent Teacher interviews** are on Thursday 27th July starting from 1.30pm until 7.30pm. School will close at 1.00pm. Bookings can be made on the Skool Loop app which is a simple process. Simple instructions are in this newsletter. Should you have any difficulties the office can assist you, call between 8.30am and 3.30pm daily. Please put these important dates in your calendars.

Please also diairise the **two remaining Teacher Only Days** for this year, on Friday 18th August, and Monday 13th November. School will be closed on both those days to allow for professional development for our teachers.

A huge thanks to all who assisted in organising the celebration of **Samoan Language Week**. It was an excellent opportunity for all of our children to learn about Samoa and its culture. A huge thanks to the Moemoe Fou Team for their support throughout the week.

This Friday 16th **June we are having a mufti day**, gold donation. All funds raised go towards our playground. Please support us and send your child to school in mufti and with a gold coin.

A major fundraiser for our playground has started! Whanau & Friends are holding a **Quiz night on Friday 23**rd **June, in the hall**. See more information under the Upcoming Community Events tab.

Photolife school photos ordering. To view and purchase the 2023 photographs of your child/children, click on the link, enter your unique access key code which Photolife should have emailed to you. If you did not receive a code, please email the office at natasham@lincolnheights.school.nz who will follow up for you. Note that FREE delivery of your photos ends at midnight, Sunday 25th June 2023. Click on this link to order with your access code https://photolifeonline.co.nz/ordering/access

Because we have Autex wall covering being installed in the hall Tuesday to Thursday in the last week, Kapahaka will be held outside under the Shade structure on Wednesday 28th June. Siva dance lessons will go ahead as usual on the Monday.

As mentioned in the last newsletter, plans are underway for our major **a-thon fundraiser**. We are fundraising for new playgrounds that will be located around the field and have wheelchair accessible equipment. Look out next week for your sponsorship form and information.

Like many schools we are aware many of our children have TikTok, Instagram and Facebook pages. As with any social media, these platforms can become very unsafe spaces. I have included some information on how to block and report unsafe commentators. Please be aware of what your child is accessing as many families we have spoken to have not been aware of the accounts children have or the conversations they are engaging in, or groups they belong to. It is important that we are all vigilant and ensure our children are developing cyber safety and awareness. If you have any concerns about the social media your child is accessing or how to support them, please contact us or https://netsafe.org.nz/

Our amazing school is growing – this week we hit the 470 student mark which is the biggest we have been in 15 years! This makes it even more important that you let us know if you have a **5 year old starting school**. This information helps us to plan and ensure that we are able to keep the classes small. If you have a 5 year old, or know of a child turning 5, please encourage the family to come in and get an enrolment pack. Once we have them on our enrolment plan, Geneva in the office, is able to get in touch and schedule school visits ahead of time.

Please ensure your child is coming to school in the correct uniform each day. If your child is not in uniform, please send a note or text to your child's teacher. It is so great to have the sunshine out — even if it is a bit chilly, especially in the morning. With the changing temperatures, please ensure your child's clothes are named so jumpers can be returned to them.

Leisha Byrnes

PRINCIPAL



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Our trustees are:

Raewyn Clark, Presiding Member <u>bot@lincolnheights.school.nz</u>

Ben Lynch, Kiri McCabe, Doreen Retimana, Ken Tuioti, Sarah Pope and Gordon Irving (Staff Trustee)

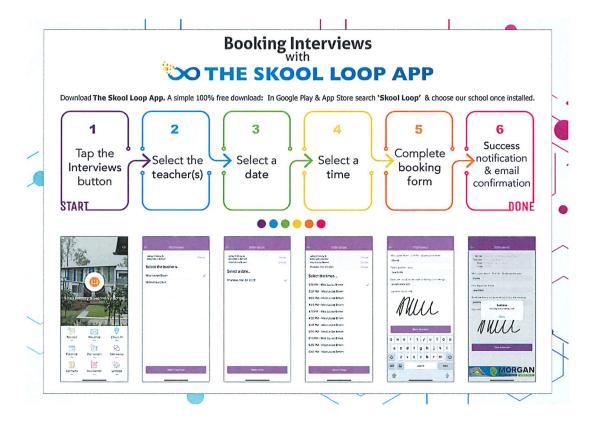
This month the Board are preparing to attend the three day NZ School Trustees Association conference being held in Rotorua. There is a range of professional development on offer that provides Boards across New Zealand with the knowledge that assists them to govern effectively.

WHAT'S COMING UP

TERM TWO 2023		
Week 8	Wednesday, 14 th June Thursday, 15 th June Friday, 16 th June	Kapahaka in the hall, 3.30pm – 4.30pm Yr 5/6 NW Football Zone comp, Huapai Domain Book Battle literary competition at Te Manawa Library, midday to 3pm Kahukura Zoo trip Mufti day, gold coin donation
Week 9	Monday, 19 th June Wednesday, 21 st June Friday, 23 rd June	Siva dance lessons in hall, 3.30pm-4.30pm Kapahaka lessons in hall, 3.30pm-4.30pm Samoan Parent Network meeting, 3.30-pm-4.30pm, Potu Lima Quiz night in hall, 7.30pm
Week 10	Monday, 26 th June Tuesday-Thursday Wednesday, 28 th June	Siva dance lessons in hall, 3.30pm-4.30pm Autex wall covering being installed in hall – out of bounds NW Hockey comp, Rosedale Board meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom
TERM THREE		
Week 1	Monday, 17 th July Wednesday, 19 th July	School re-starts for Term Three at 8.50am Siva dance lessons in hall, 3.30pm – 4.30pm Matariki whole school celebration, 7am start Kapahaka lessons in hall, 3.30pm – 4.30pm
Week 2	Wednesday, 26 th July Thursday, 27 th July	Board meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom SCHOOL CLOSES 1.00pm for parent teacher interviews Parent Teacher interviews from 1.30pm-7.30pm

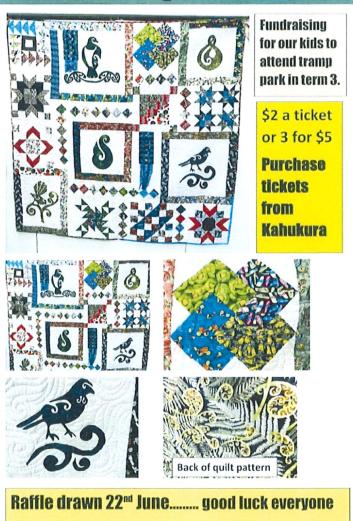
GENERAL NOTICES

- 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 Fonda Rowe at fonda.rowe@aka.org.nz for more information.
- SKIDS are inviting our families to join them in their after school adventures! SKiDS are open from 3pm to 6pm Monday to Friday. From sports and games to arts and crafts, our sKids After School Care programme is designed to spark your child's imagination and help them develop new skills. And with our MSD-approved childcare services, you could be eligible for the OSCAR Subsidy that can make out of school care very affordable. Visit www.sKids.co.nz/lincoln_heights to learn more!
- > Parent teacher interviews Thursday 27 July. Please **download the FREE skool loop app** to book your appointment using these simple procedures:



> If you haven't already, remember to get your tickets to go into the draw for the beautifully hand crafted Kiwiana quilt, drawn on **Thursday 22nd June.** Huge thanks to Lynda Steed for her craftmanship in producing this beauty.

Kahukura Quilt Raffle



UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

Sunday June 18th **is International Day of Yoga** and will be celebrated at Te Pai Courts. Entry is free. Waitakere Indian Association is offering a free yoga session from 10.30am to 11.30am. If you have a yoga mat please bring it along or there will be some there on the day. A light vegetarian lunch will be served after the event. RSVP is mandatory for catering purposes. For more information, please contact Waitakere Indian Association through their Facebook page.

A major fundraiser for our playground has started! Whanau & Friends are holding a **Quiz night on Friday 23rd June, in the hall**. Tickets are \$100 for a table of 8, or \$12.50 for an individual ticket. Pizza, snacks, baking and non-alcoholic drinks for sale on the night. \$30 cheese platters need to be pre-ordered and pre-paid in advance. Payment should be into Whanau & Friends bank account 12-3085-0164293-00 with your surname as Ref.

BYO alcohol. Responsible host rules apply. Doors open at 7am. Quiz night will kick off at 7.30pm and finish at 9.30pm

We have a fantastic MC presenting our quiz and there are prizes for best dressed. Ticket sales from the office, OR into Whanau & Friends bank account 12-3085-0164293-00 with your surname as Ref, OR on the night with cash.

We are looking for sponsors for our Quiz night so if you know of a business or anyone who might like to join in and sponsor the night, please get in touch with President Sarah Pope by emailing PTA@lincoInheights.school.nz

LINCOLN HEIGHTS WHĀNAU AND FRIENDS PRESENT:



BEAT BUSTERS MUSIC TRIVIA SHOWDOWN

FRIDAY JUNE 23RD, 7PM DOORS OPEN

TICKETS AT THE OFFICE OR EMAIL PTA@LINCOLNHEIGHTS.SCHOOL.NZ



Prizes for best dressed

Door Prizes • Raffles

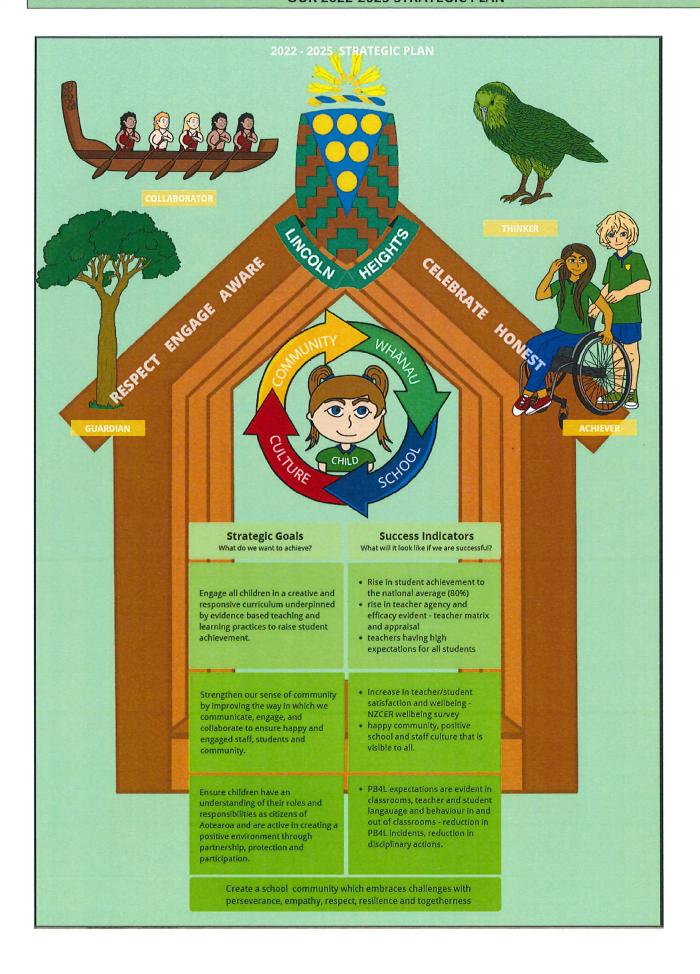
Tables up to 8: \$100. • Cheese Platter for \$30

SPORTS CELEBRATIONS

Last week our Yr 7/8 boys and girls attended the NorWest Basketball Zone competition at Trusts Stadium with Mr Hamlin. Both teams were great ambassadors of our school, with our schools' REACH values on display both on and off the court. Well done!

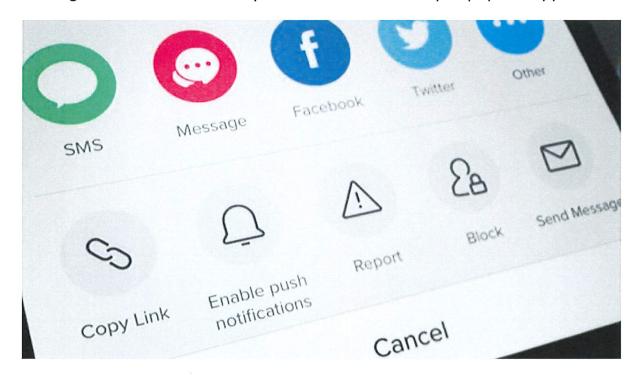






How to Block and Report Cyberbullies on TikTok

Learn how to get the bullies and creeps to back off in this super-popular app.



<u>TikTok</u> isn't the first short-video creation tool (<u>Dubsmash</u> and the now-defunct Vine came before). But its perfect blend of popular songs, fun editing features, and viral challenges have made it one of the <u>most downloaded apps</u> in the world. Tweens and teens use it mainly to express their creativity, get goofy, connect with friends, and follow celebrities.

But the platform can be a little edgy - especially in the comments, which are open to all registered users identified only by screen names. Those registered users include adults, and the anonymity of screen names combined with the envelope-pushing nature of some of the content can lead to age-inappropriate comments. In fact, the comments can be downright gross. If your kids are going to use TikTok, discuss how to handle online bullying, and empower them to stop harassment by blocking or reporting users who bother them in any way. If they're targeted, you may need to escalate the issue to your kid's school, the harasser's parents, or -- if threats are involved -- law enforcement. Also, remind your kids to stand up for others when they witness bullying.

Here's how to block and report cyberbullies on TikTok. And if you're worried about the other person knowing you've blocked or reported them, TikTok doesn't send a notification. After you've blocked them, they won't see you in their Following list anymore, and if they tap on any old tags or comments on your videos, they won't be able to see those videos anymore.

To report or block a person, video, comment, or chat

Report a person:

- Go to their profile.
- Tap on the three dots.
- Tap Report or Block.

Report a video:

- Tap on the right-facing arrow on the video page under the heart and comment icons.
- Tap Report.

Report a comment:

- Tap and hold the comment.
- Tap Report.

Report inappropriate chat message:

- Open the conversation.
- Tap on the three dots.
- Tap on Report.

For more information, click on the link below

https://www.commonsensemedia.org/articles/parents-ultimate-guide-to-tiktok

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