

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

Kia ora Whanau

A very warm welcome back to you all for 2023, including our new to our school families and staff. It's great to be back to normal after the interruptions of the 27th January flooding event and the recent Cyclone Gabrielle. Our thoughts go out to those that have been affected. If you were affected by either event please let your child's teacher know so that they can support if necessary. Don't forget to download the FREE Skool Loop app, and join us on Facebook. These platforms are used frequently to communicate important messages to our school community. Newsletters are published fortnightly on Wednesdays on even school weeks. The next newsletter will be in week 6, 8th March, using the usual mediums; our website, Skool Loop app and Facebook. Our website also has calendar dates worth noting, <u>www.lincolnheights.school.nz</u>

Welcome to our new staff that includes Ms Rebecca Dam, Guidance Counsellor; Finola Stadelmann, Speech Language Therapist; Teacher Aide's Renae White, Mele Vaatausili, Kama Murphy, Paris George, Siobhan Kelly and Mason Bryant, and teachers Shirley Blowers, Tamara Davis, Jackie Van Erven, Taylor Gill and Paige Wright.

On Monday our Yr 5/6 students headed off to **Camp Tupare** in South Head for the week. They will be back tomorrow afternoon with some fantastic stories of the exciting camp. If you are on Facebook you will have seen the photos. Cyclone Gabrielle's arrival meant our Yr 7/8's camp had to be delayed and they will go to Camp Tupare next week, Monday 27th February to Friday 3rd March. Thank you to those parents who have volunteered and staff who will be attending, we appreciate your support. Camp is part of the curriculum and student attendance is compulsory. We are committed to all children attending camp and ensure that the cost is heavily subsidised. If you haven't paid for camp yet, please do, any shortfall in camp income, will mean that the year 5/6 and 7/8 teams won't be able to have as many trips in the term. Those **children attending camp next week should be at school no later than 8.15am** with everything on their list, to allow for gear checks and roll calls before buses depart.

Teachers will be attending a **NZEI Paid Union meeting** on the afternoon of **Tuesday 28th February. School will close at 12.50pm for instruction**. School will be open for supervision for those students who are unable to be collected. Apologies for any inconvenience and we appreciate your patience.

Parent Teacher interviews will be held on Wednesday 8th March from 1.30pm to 7.30pm. Bookings can be made online directly through our Skool Loop app and a simple guide is below. If you have not downloaded the free app, bookings can be made by contacting your child's teacher or through the office. However, we encourage use of Skool Loop app for bookings as this allows for more flexibility for you and you can also receive other important notices. Please note that school will close at 1.00pm on this day. Please make arrangements to collect your child from school at 1.00pm, or alternatively contact SKiDS to arrange for on-site childcare www.skids.co.nz phone 021 922 521.

Our **new look seniors school uniform** is now available for purchase through the portal on our website. This year we are starting to implement our new look senior uniform for Year 7's. You will find the link on our website to place an order online. We have samples in the office to try on for sizing and you can order and pay online directly with our provider. Orders are delivered to your door, not the school as previously. Juniors will be the next stage as we work our way through the school.

Thanks to all the parents who enrolled 80+ students in the Summer Reading Programme and attended over the holidays. Huge thanks to Amanda and the teachers who supported by giving up their time in the holidays to support.

Some of you may have noticed the paint change in colour to our school. The whole school will be painted in a soft pale grey with charcoal trim as buildings need repainting, replacing the heavy cream colour. Thanks to Gordon for the excellent work he has done in repainting the new colour so far.

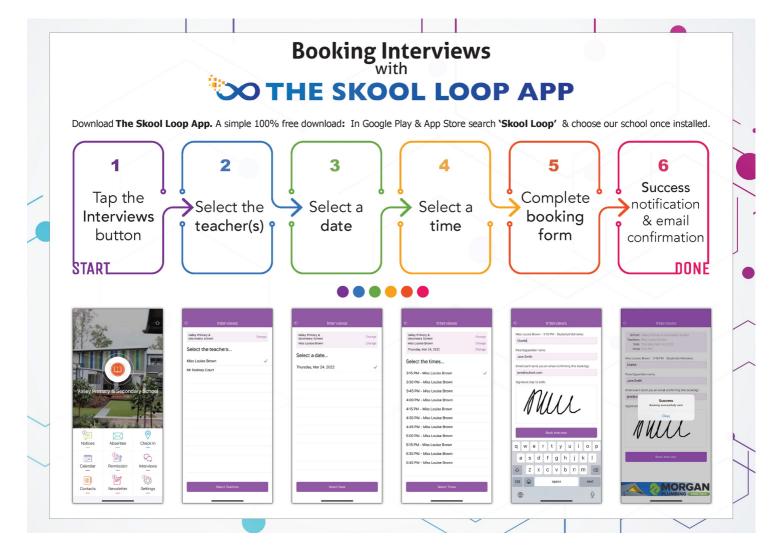
We use **SchoolDocs to update and monitor all of our policies**. Remember that parents can view any of our policies at any time. To view, click on this link <u>https://lincolnheights.schooldocs.co.nz/</u> `Together' is the password. We welcome your feedback, simply email it to <u>lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz</u>

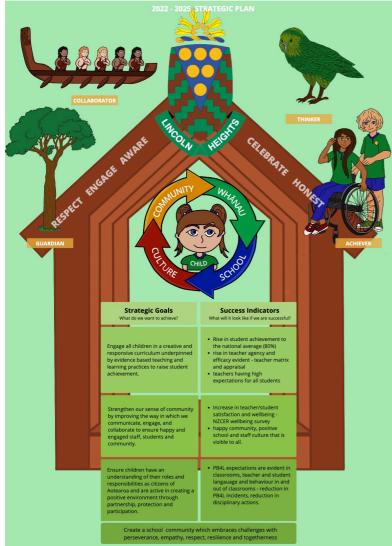
The **mobile dental clinic** will be stationed at our school for Term One from Monday 6th March and a Dental Nurse will be making appointments directly with families of junior children for their dental care. If you are contacted by a Nurse please make use of this free convenient service.

Have a great week.

Leisha Byrnes

PRINCIPAL





Every three years the Board of Trustees develops a Strategic Plan which sets out the direction of the school and identifies the key areas the school will focus on.

The three areas that we identified for this cycle are:

Raising achievement through quality curriculum development

Strengthening our community

Building strong and resilient students.

Throughout this year we will report to you on what we are doing, how we are going and ways that we can work together to achieve these goals.

The first lot of data will be around whanau engagement. We will look at the number of whanau that attend parent interviews. Our highest percentage has been 85%. Our goal for this year is 90%! There will be spot prizes for whanau who attend and for classes with the highest percentage!

Good luck to all the classes! I would love to have a 25 class tie!

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Our trustees are:

 Raewyn Clark, Presiding Member
 bot@lincolnheights.school.nz

 Ben Lynch, Kiri McCabe, Ken Tuioti and Gordon Irving (Staff Trustee)



Meet our Board. This term each of our Board will provide a short statement about their involvement with the Lincoln Heights School Board. This week we introduce Kiri McCabe. *Kia ora koutou*

I'm Kiri McCabe, I joined the LHS Board in term 3 2022, to contribute towards the school's growth and success. I bring skills from the early childhood education and hospitality sectors which include; problem solving & processes, leadership & relationships. I have one son in Y7, we enjoy playing basketball together.

Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi engari he toa takimano - My strength is not that of an individual but that of a collective.

Hapaitia te ara tika pumau ai te rangatiratanga mo nga uri whakatipu – Foster the pathway of knowledge to strength, independence and growth for future generations.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

TERM ONE 2023					
Week 4	Monday, 20 th February Wednesday, 22 nd February Tuesday 28 th February	Yr 5/6 to Camp Tupare, South Head until Thursday 23 rd February Board meeting, staffroom, 5.30pm Music School Flute and Guitar classes begin			
Week 5	Monday, 27th February	Yr 7/8 to Camp Tupare, South Head, returning Friday 3 rd March			
Week 6	Monday 6 th March Wednesday, 8 th March	Mobile dental van at school until Thursday 6 th April Whanau & Friends of the School meeting, 6.30pm, staffroom. All welcome School closes 1.00pm Parent Teacher interviews, 1.30pm to 7.30pm Newsletter published, Facebook, Skool Loop app, website			
		Board meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom			

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 Fonda Rowe at <u>fonda.rowe@aka.org.nz</u> 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. Visit <u>www.sKids.co.nz/lincoln heights</u> to book now!



Come Fly A Kite is a free community event being held this Saturday 25th February at Harbourview-Orangihina Park, Te Atatu Peninsula. There will be free children's activities, a kite library and professional kite flyers, food trucks. Bring a picnic, and your own kite.



Ranui Swanson Football Club are seeking male and female players of all ages and abilities for first kicks, junior, youth and senior football.

To find out more information and to register, please visit:

www.ranuiswansonfc.co.nz



skids	Week 01	Week 02	Week 03	Week 04	Week 05
	sKids New Year	Waitangi Whakanui	The Love Bug	Sun Soaked	Make Believe
Term 1 After School Care	Jump Into the new year at skids with activities all about you and your skids family! Create confetti names, your own wordsearch, art with a musical teamwork twist and more!	Celebrate Waitangi Day with learning new silis through weaving art creating beautiful patterns, playing touch rugby, making a korowai and trying out a new tasty recipe!	DIV some beautiful flowers to gift to someone you love, play a pin the arrow on the heart game and many more love filled activities this week as we get into the Valentines spirit!	Soak up the last of the summer sun by using crayons to create texture and silhouettes for your sunset art. You'll also, invent a new sunscreen applicator, bubble wand and play balloon tennis!	Ogre, giant, goblin c maybe you'll think o a new make believe creature to turn into art this week! Create bubbling potion and play fun games like Dragon nest and monster moves!
	Week 06	Week 07	Week 08	Week 09	Week 10
	Hazard Check	Green means Go	I'm Always Right	Bricks & Blocks	April Fooled Ya
	Learn all about food	Celebrate St Patricks	(angled) Participate in the	Build a self portrait	It's the last day of th
	prep, how to cross the road and use scissors safely before working in teams to put on a drama show demonstrating what to do in a real life emergency!	Day with all things green. Create monochromatic art, play zombie tag, design a Pounamu and discover how to harness chirophyli to blend art and science!	math-lastic fun this week with symmetry and spirolateral art, and geometry puzzlesi Play the number bounce shoot game and create a graph all about you!	from LECO® blocks before using them in a water experiment and to play tic tac toe in the greatest skids champs' competition ever!	year April fools! Thi week you compete wacky races, creatin new jokes and pran putting on a magic show and playing a few rounds of poker face!
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CELEBRATIONS

A huge thank you to Lunch with Crunch for their donation towards our camp food. We really appreciate their support.

A huge thank you to Countdown Lincoln Road for their donation to Camp Tupare – your support is much appreciated!

OUR STUDENTS LEARNING

It has been another interrupted start for many of our students. It is great to see classes setting excellent routines and expectations. I am looking forward to sharing new learning in the coming weeks.

OUR COMMUNITY CONTACTS



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