



Our **REACH** values stand for **R**espect. **E**ngage. **A**ware. **C**elebrate. **H**onest.

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

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Kia ora whānau

It's hard to believe we are reaching the end of Term Three already! A reminder that school closes at 3.00pm this Friday 27th September.

Work has already begun on the front playground, with demolition happening. Don't worry, Sandy will still be an integral part of the new development and will receive a much needed update. Replacement will begin in week 1 with expected completion by the end of week 3. We are very excited for this addition to our play spaces! Please note that the front carpark will have very limited space for taxis.

The Hillside playground is now open and our tamariki are enjoying this natural space and of course the fun of sliding down the hill! Our final new play piece will be a 'Taniwha swing' and work will begin on this around November 18.

'Decathlon-athon'. Please note that a-thon donations **closing date has been extended to Wednesday 16th October** (Week 1, Term 4). There is still time to collect sponsorship funding. A-thon prize draw assembly will be on Friday 18 October. As a school we don't ask our whanau to pay for trips, stationery and we heavily subsidise camps. The only fundraising we do is the annual -athon and the money raised allows us to improve our school grounds, we couldn't do this without your help! Thanks for your support. Remember our goal is \$15,000.00 – if every child was able to get \$30 sponsorship we would hit this target! Even if you can't get \$30, every little bit counts!



Our **New Entrant class** is growing and while Mrs Randall and Ms King have been enjoying team teaching this term, there isn't enough space for both of them and all our new learners in one class anymore! Mrs Randall will stay in Rm 16 and Ms King will be moving to Rm 28 beside the Library from next term. **From Term 4 SKiDS will be operating from the hall.**



swim timetable.

Swimsation **swimming for Yrs 3-6** starts Tuesday 15 October and is part of the curriculum, running consecutively for five weeks. New Zealand has some of the most incredible beaches, lakes and rivers in the world and these are key places our tamariki play in over summer. Sadly New Zealand has one of the highest drowning rates. Ensuring your child is able to safely enter and exit the water and can independently float, could help to save their life. Please ensure your child is coming to school on their swimming day with their togs and a towel. Letters will be going home about your child's

Thank you to all who attended the **Rumaki 2025 hui** in the staffroom in Wk 9, we hope you all enjoyed the hangi. Thank you to those who attended Our next hui is **Wednesday 23 October at 5.30pm** in the staffroom so please put this important date in your calendar. At this stage we are committed to the Rua Reo going ahead and will be asking next term for families to request a place for their child in this class in 2025.

Save the Date: Whanau & Friends Disco Yrs 0-6, Thursday 31st October in the hall, gold coin donation. Snacks available for purchase. **Grandparents Breakfast** in the staffroom, 7.30am-8.30am Friday 8 November, all grandparents welcome.

WestFest – our Kāhui Ako cultural festival will be held on 31 October 2024 at Kumeu Showgrounds. Our Kapa Haka and Siva groups will be preforming. Keep an eye out for more information.



Camp Tupare update. Did you know you can pay for Yr 5/6 and Yr 7/8 camp fees in instalments this year? If fees are fully paid before the end of 2024 the earlybird rate is \$50 for Yr 5/6 and \$70 for Yr 7/8. Payments can be made via our school shop on our school website. Fees paid after 1st January will be \$60 for Yr 5/6 and \$80 for Yr 7/8. Don't forget to come to our Camp evening for parents on **13 November** in the





Moemoe Fou Bake sale fundraiser. Thank you to everyone who baked, donated and purchased. Moemoe are fundraising for their trip to Samoa in 2026. Special thanks to Tash our ex-Receptionist who bid on a cake for auction and won! She kindly donated the cake to the staff, thanks Tash!



Parents of junior students – with the changeable weather and awesome mud and puddles around, we are getting plenty of students getting muddy/wet during play/lunch times. Please put a spare set of clothing in your child's bag in a plastic bag for those times.

Remember to enrol your children before they turn 5. Knowing how many 'in zone' 5 year olds we have coming helps us to plan more efficiently in terms of staffing and property. It also helps the Board to decide how many out of zone places we can offer in the coming year!

If you have **recently changed address or phone number**, please let the office know. From time to time we need to get in touch with whanau urgently and this can be difficult when none of the contact numbers work.

OUT OF ZONE ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS FOR 2025 close on 15 October. If you live outside of our school zone, you need to apply for an out-of-zone enrolment. If we have more applicants than places a ballot will be required, the ballot will then be held on 23 October and parents will be notified of the outcome within 3 working days. *Even if you have children currently at our school and you live out of zone, and have siblings, you will need to do an out-of-zone enrolment for those siblings*. If there is space we may hold additional ballots throughout the year. However, if you are living 'out-of-zone' and want to avoid disappointment, please get your enrolment in before October 15 2024.



We wish our tamariki and whanau a relaxing holiday break and look forward to returning for an exciting Term Four on Monday 14 October at 8.50am.

Leisha Byrnes

PRINCIPAL

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

BOARD

Our trustees are:

Raewyn Clark, Presiding Memberbot@lincolnheights.school.nzBen Lynch, Kiri McCabe, Ken Tuioti, Sarah Pope, Robert Walker and Gordon Irving (Staff Trustee)

Monthly Board meetings are held in the staffroom, commencing at 5.30pm. If you would like to attend a meeting please email bot@lincolnheights.school.nz

This week we farewell Board member Ben Lynch. Ben has been on our Board for two terms, being co-opted in 2021. Our thanks to Ben for his input and our best wishes go with him for the future. We wish our tamariki and our school community safe travels if visiting whanau across the motu. We look forward to an exciting Term Four.

WHAT'S COMING UP

TERM FOUR		
Week 1	Monday, 14 th October	Rm 16 New Entrants class split SKiDS moves to the hall Pirate playground works commence Free Siva dance classes, 3.15pm, all welcome
	Tuesday, 15^{th} October	Out of Zone enrolments ballot closes Swimming Yrs 3-6 @ Swimsation
	Wednesday, 16 th October	Kauri & Moemoe Fou teams MoTaT trip Kapahaka classes, 3.30pm to 4.30pm
	Friday, 18 th October	A-thon prizegiving assembly Yrs 7/8 swimming @ Westwave Auckland Art Gallery permission slips back for Totara team students
Week 2	Monday, 21st October	Auckland Art Gallery trip Rms 20 & 21 Free Siva dance classes, 3.15pm, all welcome
	Tuesday, 22 nd October Wednesday, 23 rd October Thursday, 24 th October	Swimming Yrs 3-6 @ Swimsation Out of Zone enrolments ballot draw Samoan Parent Network meeting, 3.30pm-4.30pm, Potu 19 Rumaki 2025 hui, 5.30pm, staffroom Newsletter published Facebook, Skool Loop app, website Kapahaka classes, 3.30pm to 4.30pm Auckland Art Gallery trip Rms 22 & 23
	Friday, 25 th October	TEACHER ONLY DAY, SCHOOL CLOSED
Week 3	Monday, 28 th October Tuesday, 29 th October	LABOUR DAY, SCHOOL CLOSED Swimming, Yrs 3-6 @ Swimsation

	Wednesday, 30th October	Kapahaka classes, 3.30pm to 4.30pm
	Thursday, 31st October	Board meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom
	Friday, 1 st November	Whanau & Friends Yr O-6 disco, hall Yrs 7/8 swimming @ Westwave Pirate playground completed
Week 4	Monday 4 th November	Photolife New Entrants, team photos and Yr 8 graduates photos in hall
		Siva Dance, 3.30pm
	Tuesday, 5 th November	Swimming, Yrs 3-6
	Wednesday, 6th November	Pohutukawa team Museum trip
		Newsletter published website, Skool Loop app, Facebook
	Friday, 8 th November	Grandparents Breakfast, staffroom, 7.30am to 8.30am
		Yrs 7/8 swimming @ Westwave

GENERAL NOTICES

Massey Swim Club season is starting soon. Massey Amateur Swimming Club is a local volunteer run swimming club for children 5-20 years old. We are a community based alternative to the swimming school based at Massey High School pool and run on a Wednesday night from 6.30pm-8.30pm. Our club provides a lower cost alternative to families for swim coaching and water safety skills. Our season is commencing on 23rd October 2024 to 9th April 2025. Our website is https://www.sporty.co.nz/masseyamateurswimming/Home

For enrolments go to: https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/254973

SKiDS after school care operates from 3pm to 6pm Monday to Friday providing quality care for our students. If you would like to know more about their programme including costs and if you qualify for a WINZ subsidy, email <u>lincolnheights@skids.co.nz</u> or phone 021 922 521/0800 274 172, or go to their website <u>www.skids.co.nz</u>





10am - 1pm Saturday 28th September

Massey Birdwood Settlers Hall Corner Don Buck Road & Red Hills Road

Preloved Market • Free Entry

Gently Loved Markets with a twist, an indoor garage sale filled with preloved treasures including clothing, accessories, books, games, homewares and more for all ages!

OUR ANNUAL PLAN



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- 95% of parents attend parent interviews All teachers show improvement against the teacher matrix -There is a reduction (-15%) in BAL incidents and improved school wide results in NZCER 'Well-Being' survey (+20%) 100% of <u>Focus/Target</u> students will make accelerated progress •



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