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LINCOLN HEIGHTS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Vision: Step By Step Together We Reach New Heights

ACTING PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora everyone

Please remember that the NZEI Teacher Strike Action is taking place tomorrow 15th August. This means that the school is closed for instruction. Please make alternative arrangements for care of your child/children for tomorrow only. sKIDS will be open for business (7am-6pm) if needed, contact details are further below. We really appreciate all the positive support we have had from so many of you and it makes this strike action even more important - we want the best not just for ourselves, but also all OUR children.

It is frustrating that schools cannot consistently access the support needed to ensure the best outcomes for learners, or the resources to support teachers, or just the time to work in a small group or even one to one. Knowing that children with need are being denied support due to a lack of funding or trained professionals is a disappointment we face on a regular basis. If you want to support us further, we will be marching up Queen Street at 11am and also on Lincoln Road at 3:30pm. If you cannot be there, just give us a wave and toot as you drive by.

Sadly, we have no update regarding the shade structure to share with you in this newsletter. We can assure you that we are working behind the scenes to remedy this situation. We are making every effort to ensure the structure repaired to a high standard and ready to use over the summer. We will keep you updated if there are any changes.

You may have noticed that the mobile Life Education caravan is now at our school until Friday 17th August providing our classes with all sorts of curriculum based learning opportunities for our students. Cost per child is \$5. If you haven't already paid, please either send the \$5 to school with your child, or pop in to the office. For convenience you can also pay by internet, using your name as a reference, just ask at the office for our bank account number.

The Board are meeting this Saturday to continue work on the Strategic Plan and your voice will be a valuable part of this process. Keep an eye out for the draft and ways to share your thoughts and ideas.

Spell-ATHON letters to parents will be coming home on 20th August detailing what is expected of children and how to get sponsorship. Your donation to support your child for the Spell-ATHON will go towards fundraising for the new playground which will be installed early Term 4. All children will have the opportunity to help with moving the bark and getting the area ready for playing on.

The Art exhibition is *next week* with both day and evening viewing times. All children have created a piece of art and we would love to share this visual celebration with you. Please feel free to come along and browse through the art works.

Health and Physical Education Consultation - please visit the website and complete the survey online. Results from the survey will be shared next term in the newsletter.

Ka Kite

Leisha Byrnes
ACTING PRINCIPAL

CELEBRATIONS

This fortnight our school is focusing on the Reach value of AWARE. Our students are learning to be aware of others needs, and of the impact of their behaviour towards others.

Rm 13 visiting Harold in the Life Education van this week.



Check out what our Rm 25 students have to say about Teachers in the foyer area.





TERM THREE 2018 DATES

Whole school assemblies are held in the hall on Fridays at 2.00pm on even weeks of the term. All whanau are welcome to attend.

August		Septen	<u>nber</u>
15th	NZEI Union Stop Work action for all teaching staff	7th	Spell-athon test day
	School is closed. sKIDS will be open 7am-6pm	10th	Maori Language week
16th	Yr 6 Girls NW Netball tournament, Te Pai Courts		PD Week, School closes 2pm Monday to Friday
18th	BOT Strategic Planning 1.30pm, staffroom		PTA meeting, 6.30pm, staffroom
23rd	Girls & Boys Rippa Rugby at Moira Park	17th	Science Week Monday to Friday
29th	Choir group practise, lunchtime Rm 12	28th	Last day of term two. School closes 3pm
	BOT meeting, 5pm, staffroom		Whole school assembly, 2pm
30th	Cupcake Day. \$2.00 each from Rm 1 at morning tea and lunchtime		All Library books must be returned to school by today
31st	Daffodil Day		

GENERAL NOTICES

- > Choir practise. A reminder that if your child is in the choir the group practice every Wednesday lunchtime in Rm 12.
- > Tee-Ball enrolment with WAITAKERE BEARS. Registrations are now open for Tee-Ball (ages 3-9) and Junior Softball/Baseball. We are are situated at Starling Park in Ranui. All Tee-Ball games are all played at Starling Park so no travel. To register and for more information please go to our website www.waitakerebears.co.nz
- > Medication to the office. If your child uses medication (for example asthma inhaler) please bring in a spare for the office if you haven't already done so this year. Winter is the time a spare is most needed.
- > Do you have an under 5 child at home that will be starting school soon? We are planning our New Entrant classes. If you have a pre-schooler that will be starting with us either later this year or next please let the office know the child's name and date of birth.
- > Daffodil Day Friday 31st August. For a gold coin donation the office will have Daffodils for sale to pin on lapels.
- Cupcake fundraiser. Kahukura are raising money for activities and will be selling delicious cupcakes for \$2.00 each on Thursday 30th August from Rm 1 at morning tea and and lunchtime.
- > Website. Do check out our website for school information and event dates on www.lincolnheights.school.nz. Important dates have been included for your information.
- > Contact details. It is important to advise the office if any of your contact details change. You can email lhs@lincolnheights.school.nz or send a note to the office via your child at any time.
- > Facebook. Don't forget to Like Us on Facebook: Lincoln Heights School Official and watch for alerts that are regularly posted.

PLAYGROUP

The Auckland Kindergarten Association operates a Playgroup in Room 7 (on the top field) for under 5s.

Parents must be present to supervise their children. Playgroup operates Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursday mornings from 9.30am to 12.30pm. You can contact Coordinator Jordan by emailing lincolnheights@playgroups.org.nz or phoning the office during playgroup hours for more information.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

skids Lincoln Heights in Rm 31 BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAMME from 7.00am to 8.30am and 3.00pm to 6.00pm Monday to Friday. For more information phone 0800 187 000/021 922 521 or email Manel and her team at lincolnheights@skids.co.nz

SKIDS will be open on 15th August for the NZEI Stop Work Action day. Check out their website or contact Manel/Sam direct.

Term Three Planner:

Week 1 Welcome Back
Week 2 Lego Challenge
Week 3 Colourful Unicorn
Week 4 Pompom Pets
Week 5 Marshmallow Names
Week 6 I Love You Dad!!
Week 7 Nature Inspired Crafts
Week 8 Maori Language Week
Week 9 Sports Week
Week 10 Kids Choice & Prize Giving

TERM THREE DAILY ACTIVITIES:

MONDAYS Technology
TUESDAYS sKids Active
WEDNESDAYS FoodStorm cooking
THURSDAYS Zumba
FRIDAYS Fun Fridays