



Newsletter Term 1 / Week 7 - 19th March 2020

From the Principal

Kia Ora Koutou,

What complex times we are living in at the moment.

I can assure you there is a great deal of planning and systems work going on at school to enable us to support our students and families as the Coronavirus situation evolves.

You will all have received a communication from your child/ren's pastoral care teachers yesterday. Please ensure you complete this short document as it will feed directly into our management planning.

We are in the process of building links into our web site which will share up to date information from the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health. You can then access this information whenever you feel the need. We are also sharing links which will show a graphic which identifies the differing symptoms of colds, flu and COVID-19. The questions shared by our families relating to the information requested or the details about students working in an on-line environment have been placed into a Q&A document on our website. We will continue to add to this Q&A document as you share your questions with us. The school website can be accessed here: <http://lincolnprimary.ultranet.school.nz/Web/308/>

Our responses at this stage are being generated by the information and guidelines we are receiving from the Ministry of Education, who are aligning with the Ministry of Health.

Can we please request that you are careful about the amount of information your children are exposed to, and that any of this information is age appropriate. We do have heightened anxiety among some of our students in regards to their safety at school. We feel school is a safe place to be at this point in time, and want all children to feel they can attend. Misinformation, or too much information can seriously undermine this feeling of safety. By all means communicate your questions to pastoral care teachers, or note them on the doc which was shared with you yesterday. We will take all steps possible to either communicate the answers to you or find the answers.

We are making on-going decisions relating to students' safety which to date include:

- Postponing EOTC events such as camps and sports
- Postponing school and syndicate assemblies
- Band practice and music lessons within our school programme will be managed online as of next week
- Kapa Haka will not take place from next week

There is a Board of Trustees meeting this evening which is a meeting open to the public. You are welcome to join us from 6pm in Korimako (Year 4 Learning Space) where the teachers from Korimako will share their report, followed by the agenda business.

Today was the last day of swimming. Our pool has been a huge asset to both the community and our physical education programme.



Our fields are now open for the children to use. They will be lightly fertilised either this evening or tomorrow night then either mother nature or our sprinkler system will water this in to enable students full access next week, weather permitting.

Viv Butcher,
Principal

2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS [Click here to read more](#)

MARCH		APRIL		MAY	
19	BOT Meeting - 6PM	9	Term 1 Finishes	5	PTA Meeting
20	Scholastic Book Orders Due	10	Good Friday (school closed)	21	BOT Meeting
22	What Now	13	Easter Monday (school closed)	29	Teacher Only Day (school closed)
23	Year 8 HPV Vaccination	27	Anzac Day (school closed)		
		28	Term 2 Commences		
		30	BOT Meeting		

School Notices

- COVID-19 - resources for resilience strategies by Lucy Hone and Denise Quinlan (NZ Institute of Wellbeing and Resilience) is available on our website under Learning > COVID-19 Online Learning & Information > Links > [Resources](#)
- For information on how to check your LINC-ED account or pay your balance [please click here](#)
- We have a "Brag book" at reception where you can tell us your child's achievements and successes. These will then be read out at our fortnightly assemblies.
- **Lost property:** Lost property is kept outside the Te Horoeke Year 4 Space. Click [here](#) for more information about lost property and other FAQs

Lincoln Primary School PTA

The PTA Second Hand Uniform Shop will be open every Friday 2.45pm - 3.15pm on the side of the hall beside the senior playground. [Click here](#) for more information.

Scholastic orders for Issue 2 2020 are due by 3:00pm on Friday 20th March. Click [here](#) for more information.

Entertainment books can now be purchased via the following [link](#) This is a great way to help support our school and also save you money at the same time.



Enviro Fact of the week:

We throw away 7.2 million tons of food every year.



Te Reo Maori Phrase of the Week:

Kei hea tōipapa?

Where is your ipad?



For more school & community notices please click on the following links to our website, these notices are updated weekly:

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School Office Hours: Monday- Friday 8am-3:30pm

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