

18th May 2018

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

THE TERM AHEAD:

Parent / Teacher Interviews 22/23 May

School closes at 2 pm these days

Lincoln Zone Cross Country (pp 01 June) 31 May

Queen's Birthday – school closed 04 Jun

BOT Meeting 05 Jun

B.P. Schools' Cross Country (pp 11 June) 08 Jun

REVIEW WEEK

This past week Julie and Mark from the Education Review Office spent three days with us, reviewing what we do, how we do it and what we're achieving for our learners.

Their final report will come to us before the end of term and we will be able to share this with our community just prior to it being published to their website.

The short story is that the Board, staff and I are pleased that they have seen us as we are and made positive comment about what we feel are our strengths.

We do have some areas to improve and all were previously known to us. The regular reviews by ERO act as an objective audit of school systems, statutory requirements, innovations and more recently school culture and steps taken toward ensuring wellbeing.

FAREWELL

To Alex and Marilyn, we wish them the very best for their future. From everyone at Little River School.

BASKETBALL

It's **TOURNAMENT TIME** and we have 2 awesome mixed teams entering into the Year 7/8 competition this year!

Draw for Monday 21st May as follows:

Little River Raiders vs. Ladbrooks Lions 4.00pm LHS New Gym 3

Little River Legends vs. Ladbrooks Leopards 4.30pm LHS New Gym 3

Please remember your mouthguards.

Practice continues on Tuesdays 3.15-4.15pm at the Little River Hall with pam & Bizz.

NB: On Tuesday 22nd May, School closes early for Parent-Teacher Interviews so practice will be held at 2.00-3.00pm instead.

ANTI BULLYING WEEK

The new digital storybook 'Oat the Goat,' provides a way for adults to have a conversation with younger children about what they can do when they come across bullying. Follow this link to experience the book www.oatthegoat.co.nz also available in Tē reo Māori at www.otitenanekoti.co.nz

LITTLE RIVER SUPPORT AGM

Thursday 14th June, 7.30pm at the LR Hotel. Any new members always welcome.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

The dates are **Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd May.**

**School will close early at 2 pm on both these days
(As it has done in previous years).
Therefore the bus will run an hour earlier.**

The smooth running of our event relies on all parents keeping to the timetable. Please consider other parents and end the interview on time. If you need more time with a particular teacher, arrange a separate meeting or phone call.

Reminders:

- Have you booked your parent/teacher interview time(s)?
- Please can the Lincoln Zone basket ballers return their singlets, (unless they are playing for the season) washed carefully, ASAP.
- Please ensure your child signs in or out of the day book in the office if they are running late or picked up early. We need to know where children are at all times.
- Please remember to drive carefully when entering the drop off & pick up area in the domain driveway.

WHOLE SCHOOL ART DAY – Friday 25th May

We will be holding an 'Art Day' working on the production props, scenery and backdrops. All parents/caregivers and grandparents are welcome to come along and help from 10.45am onwards.

QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 25th May at the Little River Hall, 7.00 – 10.00pm. Tickets are \$60 for a table of four. Angus, Nathan, Jack and Gemma are raising funds for the 'World Challenge' trip to Nepal in December. Eftpos, Auction, \$2.00 raffle tickets and bar available. Book through Sue Latham 033251-284

<http://www.littleriver.school.nz>

LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS "Guys and Dolls" a musical fable of Broadway. June 20 – 23 at the Lincoln High School Hall, 7pm. \$20 adults, \$15 students Tickets available on line at lhs.nz/gad

KAHIKATEA AUTUMN POEMS

Autumn

Autumn is a breath of fresh, icy air,
I am swallowed by a wave of fluttering crimson and golden leaves,
Autumn is silver, ghostly silhouettes of the once blooming trees
shadowing the crisp, frosty morning ground,
Autumn is the sun sinking sooner
The nights getting colder as the season ticks over to winter...

By Lola

AUTUMN

Autumn is when colourful leaves fall off the grey trees

The leaves are golden yellow and crunchy apple red

Autumn is when the air is cold and icy

I like to be in my warm house drinking hot chai.

By BLAKE CLARK

AUTUMN

Crisp, fiery leaves flutter and twirl down from the ghostly trees, to settle on the moist Autumn ground.

Scattered, like shrapnel from a bombshell, the amber bodies lie motionless, waiting for frosty gusts of wind to free them from their rustling graves.

Once soaring over the winter ready houses the glistening images, near their demise.

They accept their fate and relax down onto the now golden ground.

This being the final resting place, until the end of Autumn.

As the luscious leaves and crisp air depart,
as does Autumn and does this poem...

BY FLYNN



Little River School NEWSLETTER

