



LINWOOD NORTH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Newsletter No 9: Thursday 29 March



*Take care of our children. Take care of what they hear, Take care of what they see, take care of what they feel.
For how the children grow, so will be the shape of Aotearoa'. Dame Whina Cooper*

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Parent Diary for School Events

This Week	Tomorrow	School officially closed for Easter Weekend (Good Friday)
Next Week	Easter Break Thursday 5 April Friday 6 April	School officially closed on Monday 02 & Tuesday 03 April. School reopens on Wednesday 04 April <i>Parents Coffee Group – PB4L Class Dojos – what are they?</i> 8.30am St Chad's Breakfast Club in the Kidsbase Room Sausage Sizzle <i>2.30pm Shine Time in Room 7</i> Student Reports and Self Assessments home for 20, 40, 60, 80 and 120 weeks at school Term 1 Learning Journals home to share with your whanau
Last week of Term 1	Tuesday – Thursday 10 – 12 April Wednesday 11 April Friday 13 April	20, 40, 60, 80 and 120 weeks at school Learning Conferences 3.15 – 5.00pm 4.00pm Board of Trustees Meeting in Board Room (Rescheduled) Term 1 Learning Journals returned to school <i>2.30pm Whole School Gold Awards Learning Celebration</i> Last day of school for Term 1. School closes at 3.00pm

PB4L-SW@LNS – Week 9

This week our focus is: **Be Respectful – Use appropriate appreciation and manners**

What does this look like at home?



- ⇒ Celebrating others success as a whānau
- ⇒ Encouraging your child to use their manners at all times
- ⇒ Modelling using manners as the adult
- ⇒ Showing appropriate appreciation for things your child does.

Taha Maori Focus



Each week we have a Maori phrase which we try to align with our PB4L focus. This week's phrase is:

Kia ora mo te = Thank you for the.....



We value Being Respectful, Being Responsible and Being a Learner

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Linwood North School
Kia ora koutou katoa! Talofa lava! Mālō e lelei! Greetings everyone!



From the Principal's Desk

Sleep Inquiry Celebration. We had such a great Family Night last night celebrating our learning about Sleep. It was awesome to see so many families supporting their children. Thank you to Mrs Lowe for organising our special event and to all the families who came. The teachers were all delighted to welcome you to their classrooms and share the learning. However, it was extremely disappointing that some whanau did not accompany their children to the family night and teachers had to stay at school with children waiting for parents to collect them long after our evening finished at 6.30pm. For our family nights in the future we will need to specifically ensure an adult must accompany all children back to school.

Congratulations to— Lisa Rae, Mum of Louie in Room 5. Lisa won the lucky draw of a \$50 Warehouse Voucher for the Parent 'Team Up' at Linwood North Community survey we conducted earlier in this term. She was presented with her prize at our Gold Awards Assembly.

School Head Lice Check Update

We have now completed the schoolwide head lice check. Every child received a head lice notice and this was followed up with a second notice to those children who had not returned them. **It is extremely disappointing that only 70% of our students returned their notices, even after the reminder notice.** Earlier this week we checked the hair of the children whose parents had not returned their notices. **Sadly we found 13 children who had the head lice 'nit eggs' in their hair.** These children have been given a treatment pack including treatment, a nit comb and a pamphlet, together with another notice. They will be able to return to school after their hair has been treated.



Please get into the habit of checking your child's hair weekly. The nits only take one week to hatch and treatment does need to be given every week for three weeks if nits or headlice have been found. One treatment is not enough. We will complete another school wide headlice check in May when we sincerely hope we are able to have improved support from our whanau.

Monitoring Your Child's Use of The Internet

Recently we have been made aware of a group of senior girls who had started an online chat discussion with a very unacceptable, disrespectful name. Are you aware of your child's use of the internet and do you monitor their activity? Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest and Snapchat require everyone to be at least 13 years old before they can create an account. Sadly the online environment seems to encourage bullying type behaviours so please do actively monitor your child's online activity. It is our suggestion that devices should be used in family areas e.g. the lounge, kitchen and not in bedrooms



Friendly Reminders

- Daily Aquagym Swimming lessons** for all students commence in Term 2, Week 1 for a fortnight. Please remember that these lessons are heavily subsidised by the Board of Trustees and Sport Canterbury. Mrs Palmer, our Executive Officer requests that you ensure your payments are made before the end of term. As Megan will be on holiday, any payments made during the holidays will not be processed until Day 1 next term which will mean your child will not be able to commence swimming until Day 2. We will be issuing the Aquagym timetable in next week's newsletter.
- Attendance and Lateness Letters** have been sent home to families of students who are having unacceptable amounts of lateness and or absence from school. All children need to be at school daily to be successful learners.
- Winter Uniform** will be required to be worn by all students next term.

Congratulations to Room 6 - They were first last week in our School Newsletter Return Competition with 73%! Well done!

A very warm welcome to Linwood North School.....

We warmly welcome the following students who have enrolled at our school recently. We trust you and your whānau will find our school an awesome, caring school where you will be 'learning to take us places...!'

Stewart Kete Where: Zahrya Linstead Room 9: Kaiden Black Room 10: Hanatia Timms-Waihirere

Kindest regards everyone

Sandra Smith JP
PRINCIPAL – TUMUAKI

Weekly Principal's Class Awards

These awards are presented at Team Whānau Time on Monday mornings at 9am. Families are most welcome to attend.

Class Awards for 'Caught Being Good as Gold' using our school Values:

Ayanna Shire	Room 2	For consistently showing our LNS values
Sililo Fialele	Room 3	For following instructions immediately
Bellah Lamositele	SKK	For being a polite and kind Linwood North Learner
Amelia Campbell	SKW	For being a good friend by being kind to others
Lourdaz Timo	Room 4	For always being kind and doing the right thing
Mason Morgan	Room 5	Is making a big effort to become a Respectful and Responsible LNS learner
Mitchell Shannon	Room 6	For making wise choices by using his WITS
Ngatea Ngatai	Room 7	For always offering to help around the classroom
Alazne Ioane	Room 8	For being a caring and considerate class member
Oliver Nixon	Room 9	For showing his PB4L values by always speaking in a Respectful way
Joseph Mulipola	Room 10	For using his WITS and being a great role model
Jacob Wilkinson	Room 11	For being an amazing role model and consistently showing our school values

Class Awards for Literacy and Numeracy:

Alexis Eades	Room 2	For transferring her early words into Reading
Parker Fisher-Cobb	Room 3	For using reading strategies to read unfamiliar words
Riley Smith	SKK	For being able to retell a story with detail in Reading
Aaliyah Benms-Upston	SKW	For her effort and consistency in Writing
Hyacinth Famitangco	Room 4	For always trying her best to improve her Maths skills
Naeema Ali	Room 5	Can write very interesting recounts of our shared books
Maryanne Tavake	Room 6	For showing some great Maths on the whiteboards
Sasha Gurr	Room 7	For using clues in the text she is reading to make predictions
Aiden Cooke	Room 8	For accurate and well-presented work in Reading
Ava Yazdanpanah	Room 9	For being a great Reader
Joshua McKenzie	Room 10	For taking risks and contributing to creative writing discussions
Salote Vakapuna	Room 11	For taking risks in her learning, trying everything and striving to achieve her best at all times!

Mathletics Results for Week 8

At Linwood North School the Board of Trustees fund Mathletics for each child to access to.

This means that learning can be ubiquitous, learning can happen at home, at school or anywhere.

The top Mathletics Classes were:

Kakano Block: Stewart Kete Whero
Karawha Block: Room 4
Kokari Block: Room 11

The top Mathletics students were:

Kakano: Hezekiah Chadwick (SKW)
Karawha: Lourdaz Timo (R4)
Kokari: Priyanshu Dalai (R10)

Lollipops Visit Linwood North School

On Tuesday we had Lollipops Preschool come and visit us. It was lovely to meet these seven learners and to spend time with them. Many of them are future Linwood North Learners so it was wonderful for them to see where they will be learning, see their brothers at school and explore our special place. We were sad to hear that Leeanne is leaving and starting a new job but we wish her good luck and look forward to building relationships with the new person.



Winter Sport

Winter sport will begin for Year 5/6 in Week 3 of next term. We urgently require parental support to coach students and assist in the management of students at various tournaments. If you are able to help - please contact Mrs Wilson nicole@linwoodnorth.school.nz



Staff Profile: Mrs Joyce Maria Soosai – Teacher in Room 3

My name is Joyce Maria Soosai. I am originally from Singapore but I have studied, lived and worked in New Zealand for 21 years. I am married to Simon and have two school age children Joanna who is 11 and James who is 8. I enjoy doing outdoor activities and art and craft. I spend my weekends with my children and am involved in their sports being a supporter. This year I am looking forward to meeting you all and working alongside your child. Last year I was teaching in the Karawha block in a Year 2/3 class. This year I am with the Year 0/1 class. The children have settled into school this term and have enjoyed doing art and craft activities. They have really enjoyed working together in groups and sharing their creations. I am looking forward to enjoyable and learning moments for the rest of the year.



News from Room 9 and Mr Mitchell

We have had a real focus on our Writing this term and tried writing in a number of different styles. We have written recounts on school and personal events, explanations of our science experiments and fictional story writing. We have also teamed up with Piopio School (near Te Kuiti) as part of the Get NZ Writing project. We are swapping class information and writing metaphors about ourselves.

Reko is a cheetah that runs fast and is strong
Zoe is a Hyena - always laughing
Judah is a playground - always fun to be with
Sophie is a guinea pig - cute and cuddly
Jarrad is a crocodile - strong and good at swimming



We have also completed our learning about sleep and most importantly we know our barriers to a good night's sleep and how to overcome them.

News from the Kokari Team and Mrs Walters

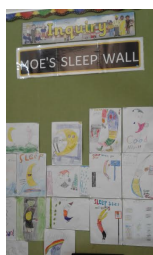
It has been such a busy, exciting term so far in Kokari. Our students are producing some wonderful writing and the amazing ideas and inspiration from Murray Gadd last week is already influencing the way we teach writing at Linwood North School. Our sleep unit has been fantastic and it was wonderful to see our amazing students in their PJ's last night sharing bedtime stories, milk and cookies and talking about the changes they have made to their sleep routines through this unit.

Our classrooms are full of glorious art from our drawing units. It is so exciting to wander our classrooms and see the incredible work our children are capable of. We are seeing and hearing exciting conversations from our budding mathematicians as they engage in challenging and interesting maths questions with their teachers. Have a wonderful relaxing Easter break. We are excited to see everybody back next Wednesday to finish our term with pride!

Below are examples of the wonderful work being done around Kokari at the moment.

Kate Walters

Associate Principal / Kokari Team Leader



Community Notices

New Brighton Seaside Market Bubble Day: Saturday March 31 from 10am – 2pm.

Tsunami Siren Testing: On Sunday 1st of April at 11am the tsunami sirens installed along Christchurch's coastline from Brooklands to Taylors Mistake will be tested as part of a biannual testing exercise to coincide with daylight savings. The sirens will sound for up to three minutes and can usually be heard a few blocks from the coastline. If you live near the coast, it's a good time to check whether you are in a tsunami evacuation zone and to work out a plan with your family. To find more information about the different tsunami evacuation zones and to learn what to do, refer to: <https://www.ccc.govt.nz/services/civil-defence/hazards/tsunami-evacuation-zones-and-routes/>

WEEKLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER RETURN SLIP: Newsletter No 9



Please sign and ask your child to return this section to their class teacher. There will be a class weekly treat for the class who has the most returns. Your child will receive 5 house points and enter their slip in the class box for their class lucky book draw at our monthly Gold Awards Learning Celebration.

I have received and read the L.N.S. Newsletter 9

Student's Name: _____ Room: _____ Signed: _____

We welcome your comments: