



LINTON CAMP SCHOOL

**NEWSLETTER
TERM 1 WEEK 3
15 FEBRUARY 2024**

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Kia ora e te whānau

We have had a wonderful start to the year so far. You may have already noticed that our classes are much smaller than last year, as we have seven classes this year, and this is helping with excellent conditions for learning. We must be one of the best schools in the entire region for class sizes! We have so many happy tamariki coming to school each day and doing some great learning.

Last week we restarted **kapa haka**. We have engaged a tutor, **Whaea Tūrehu** Simon-Mokai, who will work with the whole school every Thursday morning. Te Ao Māori is one of the core parts of our Strategic Plan and we listened to our community who clearly wanted kapa haka. It was a great first week and I can hear them practicing this morning as I write this! At the end of Term 2 we will be taking the whole school to participate in Pae Tamariki at the Regent Theatre, so that is what we are working towards. No doubt you will want to come down and watch them in June.



Kapa haka with Whaea Tūrehu

The other exciting project that started last week is called **Creatives in Schools**. Linton Camp School was awarded funding for this from the Ministry of Education. We are lucky to have the services of **Matua Charlie** Matenga (Rangitāne) as our Creative. Matua Charlie is a master carver among other things, and will be in our kura every Friday during Terms 1-2. We have some exciting projects that he will work on with different groups of tamariki.

I'd also like to welcome LA who has started in Mānuka. So much good stuff going on! Our kura is in good heart. Have a great weekend.

**Matua Matt
Tumuaki**

SWIMMING

It has been great to see students coming to school with the right gear to swim with! Seniors swim on Mondays, juniors on Tuesdays. They must wear school hats & shoes to walk to the pools. Thanks to all the whānau who came this week to help.



UPCOMING DATES

Friday 16 February
School Assembly 2:15pm
(hosted by Matai)
**Linton Community Movie
Night** 6-8pm

Tuesday 20 February
**Junior team Literacy Evening
for whānau** 5:15-6pm

Wednesday 21 February
Board meeting 4:30pm

Tuesday 27 February
Hui Tuatahi 3:20-5:20pm

Wednesday 28 February
Hui Tuatahi 3:20-5:20pm

Saturday 2 March
NZDF Family Day 10am-2pm



Matua Charlie at work



HERO APP

Thanks to all those who have engaged so well with Hero! At our picnic last week we drew some spot prizes for those who responded to our survey on Hero. Congrats to **Gavin Lindsay, Shani Head, and Leif Schwencke** who all won \$20 Warehouse vouchers. There will be another draw in future weeks!

A reminder - Hero will be used for:

- Reporting absences (well done lots of you already!)
- Booking whānau conferences (see below)
- School notices
- School reports
- Sports organisation - and lots more.



HUI TUATAHI

On **Tuesday 27 & Wednesday 28 February** (week 5) we are holding Hui Tuatahi. This is our first 'formal' opportunity of the year to meet your child's teacher and have a conversation about goals for 2024. They are only 10 minute slots, and this time around we have decided to keep these to after school to make life easier for you.

You can now go onto Hero and book your time yourself - should be easy as! Just open your [Hero app](#) and on the home screen click on [School Bookings](#) then [Manage Bookings](#). Select a time under your child's name and you have booked your hui. Any problems please pop in and see Lisa and she can help.

SUPPORTING LITERACY AT HOME - JUNIOR TEAM

Our school has adopted a new approach to teaching junior students how to read. This will have some implications for how you can best support reading and writing at home. It will look a little different to how you have done this before with older siblings! We would love you to come along and hear about this and the reasons why we have made this change. It's next **Tuesday 20 February** from **5:15-6pm** at school.



SPORT - NETBALL (YR 1-2, 3-4)

We have got just enough players to enter a Yr 1-2 netball team (more welcome), but need a couple more to get a Yr 3-4 team. We would love to have teams in both of these. If you would like your child to play (and we believe team sports are essential for kids!) please contact Ariana by tomorrow morning.

We have a Facebook page for all our Sport organisation: [LCS Sport 2024](#). You can contact Ariana via that page or on email: sport@lintoncamp.school.nz

SPORT 2024



BABY NEWS!

A big congratulations to Mr and Mrs McKeever who welcomed baby Ollie on Waitangi Day. We are all thrilled for you and can't wait to meet him! Thanks to Amy and Whaea Emma for taking good care of Kauri class while Mr McKeever has been spending some time with his whānau.



LINTON LEGENDS

A big congratulations to these Linton Legends. Week 1 certificates were given out at our last assembly; weeks 2-3 will be presented at assembly on Friday.

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Mānuka	Peria Patu	Arlen McGowan	Kailani Larkins
Kōwhai	Te Aroha Dean-Bryan Kyson Lancaster	Aria Harris Ocean Sweet	Elijah Rimene
Miro	Aneira Kahukura Macie Squire	Amelia Packer Lyla Shepherd	Emma Beck Stella Fahina
Kauri	Ptolemy Lindsay Ivan Allan-Yushkov	Arlo Hadley	Emilia Arrubla Echavarria
Karaka	Stasia Waiari Hayden Tiller	Leiana Cannon Isabel Bennett	Joey Mainland Kyla Rangitakatu
Mataī	Arlia McGahey Elliott Hercoe	Ayla Alexander Elye Lawrie	Scarlett Abel Devereau Brougham-Barclay
Tōtara	Mason Hadley Finlee Peters	Chayna-Lee Alo Dillon Lowery	Amelia Barr Arie Rangitakatu

MOBILE PHONES

You will have seen that the government have banned mobile phones from schools within school hours. This is no change from our existing policy. If students need a phone for after school, this must be handed in to the office when they arrive, and collected at 3pm. If not, it will be confiscated until a caregiver collects it from the office. Please ensure your child knows to do this.

SCHOOL POLICIES

One of the main jobs of the School Board is to manage the Policies of the school. We use SchoolDocs to help us with this. To see our school policies, please go to: lintoncamp.schooldocs.co.nz Enter the username (lintoncamp) and password (LCS2386).

PNCC COMMUNITY MOVIE NIGHT

Tomorrow (Friday 16 Feb) from 6-8pm behind the Community Centre - the City Council have arranged an outdoor movie night. This is a FREE event (with free popcorn!) that all are welcome to attend. The movie is 'Spirit'. Bring friends!

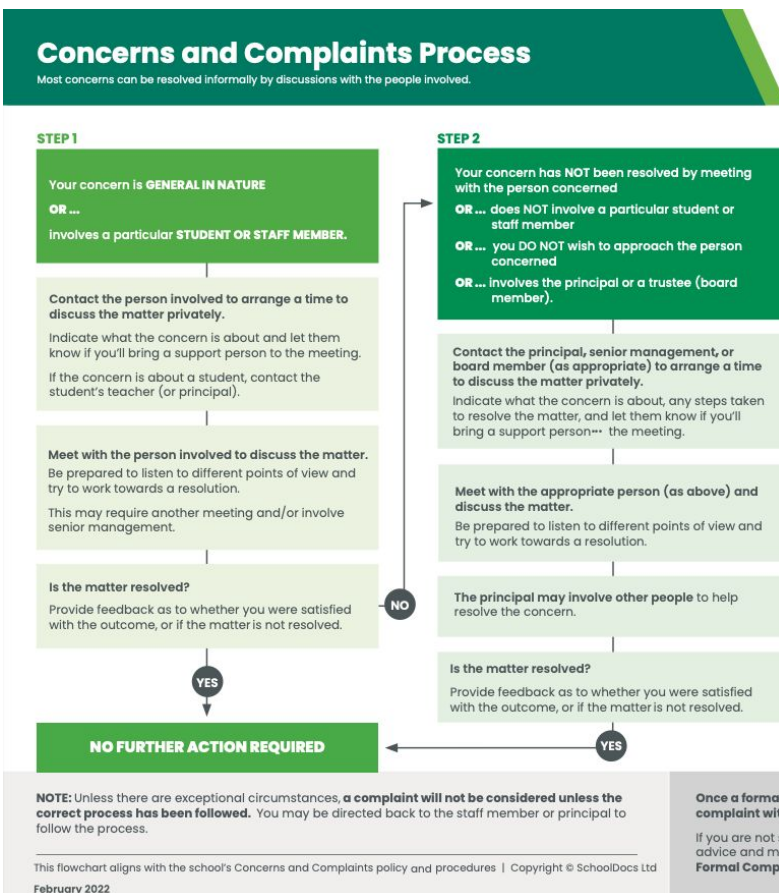


NZDF FAMILY DAY

If you haven't seen any promos for this yet, it looks to be an incredible day! This is not just for NZDF families - they have opened it up to our whole wider school community. There will be tons of rides and bouncy castles and they are all free! The day will finish with a Colour Run. Stay tuned via Facebook for more info.

CONCERNS AND COMPLAINTS

Lastly, one important policy to remind you of is what to do if you have a concern or a complaint. Click on the image below to open a large size copy (taken from the School Docs site).



Once a formal complaint has been resolved, there are no further avenues to pursue the complaint with the school.

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of your complaint, you are encouraged to take advice and may wish to consider contacting other agencies. See the school's **Making a Formal Complaint or Serious Allegation** procedure (SchoolDocs).