

Community Newsletter

Term 4, Week 4, 30 October 2025





Kia Ora, Bula Vinaka, Bonjour, Kon'nichiwa and Olá

We have had a very busy last two weeks. The highlights being Pet Day and BP Athletics Day. Pet Day was glorious and the tamariki really showed off their creative talents as well as their much loved pets. The hall looked beautiful with all the lego, plant and homemade creations as well as painted rocks. Not to mention the beautiful class art work around the theme of plants. We send our thanks to the members of the community who came down to enjoy the show as well as the judges - Ben, Charlotte, Helen, Carolyn and Sue who gave their time so generously. Lastly, thanks to Di Cameron for organising the day and making it such a wonderful experience.

He manako te kōura i kore ai Acting on your dreams makes a big difference.

Classroom News

Kahikatea

This term has certainly started with a hiss and a roar, with a fantastic array of extra-curricular events! Our students have shown incredible spirit and enthusiasm by diving into:

The Huxster Mountain Bike competition Pet Day Banks Peninsula Athletics

I've been so proud of their willingness to push their boundaries and get involved!

We also enjoyed a great visit from last year's Year 8s, who shared their fresh experiences of Lincoln High School. Our current class gained valuable insights, hearing all the high school "dos and don'ts," learning about their favourite subjects, and getting the lowdown on the uniform and the bus. We wrapped up the reunion with afternoon tea and a lively game of Jailbreak!

Upcoming Events

Friday 31 October - Visit from Cashmere Year 10 Kapa Haka ropu.

Monday 3 November - Lincoln High School Entrance testing for Year 8 students

Tuesday 4 November - School Photos

Tuesday 4 November - School Board meeting in the staffroom 6.30pm

Friday 7 November - LZ athletics (qualifying students only)

Thursday 13 November - Mobile Library Visit **Friday 14 November -** Canterbury Anniversary day (School closed)





Sean coming first in the distance running at Athletics Niamh made a magnificent throw in Discus.



Tōtara

The last term of the year always seems to be extra busy! With many events happening alongside all our reading novel study and comprehension, writing - information reports and letter writing and maths.

Huxster Mountain Bike relay -

It was fun, there was uphill and downhill and we got to bike some really cool trails. The marshalls were very kind - and cheered us all along. Stella

The Huxster was tiring, but I really enjoyed it. I did get nervous when people passed me though as I didn't want to crash! Gina

Pet Day -

It was a great day, people got to see all the horses, lambs, calves, dogs and also all the creations, and I got quite a few firsts!! William

Waffles (my pet Rabbit) and I really enjoyed pet day and watching the dress ups. I liked Daisy in her pyjamas! Ella

Athletic sports

A great day out on the domain, doing lots of events with all the kids from the other schools, as well as Little River. I liked throwing the vortex and eating hotdogs! Ryan

In science we have been learning about plants, petals and pollination.

This also inspired our art works.





Have a Great Weekend! From Little River School.

Kānuka

In amongst the Term 4 busyness of Pet Day, Athletics and Parihaka, Kānuka have been getting well and truly excited by the CCC Libraries Mānuka Stories campaign to motivate our tamariki to read more! We set ourselves a goal of 224 books for the 8 week period to the end of November and are well on track. Chapter books, picture books and school 'readers' have been eaten up leading us to make our first journey down the road to the Library to watch our Mānuka tree blossom!

I've been reading Death Caster, The Shattered Realm series. They're about fighting and death. There's a lot of mystery and action - Dom

I've finished the first of the *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* books and Oliver gave me 2 more. I'm already on p25 of Big Shot and they're interesting and they do cool stuff and say cool words. - Matthew

I'm reading a book called The Ugly Truth. Before that I read Astro Chimp and it's about a chimpanzee who went out in outer space to see if they would survive so that they could see if humans could because that's what we evolved from. Chump comes up with a plan to get back to earth. -Oliver M

I've been reading chapter books for Mānuka stories. I like mysteries and the Babysitter series. My aunty gave me all the originals and they're really different from the newer ones which I have also read - Isobella

I've been reading a humongous book about Billie B Brown. There are 12 stories in the book and I have read 5. They're interesting and Billie always has good ideas. -Isobel

I've finished A Bunny Called Clover It was so good! I loved the bunny and it reminds me of my bunny. - Julie I've been reading a chapter book called The Fairytale. It's kind of about it being important not to tell lies. - Sarai

Get Ready with your Giant Pumpkins!

If you're tickled with the idea of winning \$250 cash 3 at the Pumpkin Fest by growing a Big Boy, now's the time to

sow your Giant Pumpkin seeds

Mel is selling these on behalf of the Support Group, all

proceeds go directly to the fundraising.

Order online to browse the entire selection or buy what's in

stock from the produce stall at the Craft Station Please consider buying seeds for friends, for family or

Anyone else growing these is likely to be spreading the word about our Pumpkin Fest through their networks = free advertising = more people to the event = more fun & funds raised!

Why not give it a go yourself? Let's put this rain to great

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Link to the online order form

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Julie at shotput