

LINTON COUNTRY SCHOOL

‘Learning Together For Success’

Ka ako tahi kia angituu



TERM 1 | WEEK 11 | 12TH APRIL 2019

NEWSLETTER

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Dear Parents/Caregivers

At the time of writing this we are having a wonderful time at Pariroa Marae. We would like to thank St Joseph's School in Patea for their generosity and hosting our school at their marae. We look forward to returning the hospitality at our kura in term 4.



Part of our cultural development for our learners at Linton Country School is teaching Maori customs which can be put into practice in a traditional environment. This exchange is providing us with a wonderful opportunity. This has given our learners the opportunity to engage with other learners and support them with more writing opportunities throughout the year.

This trip has also given our children the opportunity to manage-self and build resilience while continuing to build their knowledge of New Zealand history and developing their knowledge of tikanga. They have all done us so proud and achieved this above and beyond our expectations.

Our learners have learned about the history of the Patea area, weaved flax flowers, designed mouldings of kowhaiwhai patterns, learned set moves of maurakau using a rakau and courageously recited their pepeha.

This term our learners participated in the Firewise programme. They learned Safety around candles, matches and lighters, the speed of fire and smoke alarms, how to respond and get out of your house in the event of a fire, our school procedures and what learners must do in the event of a fire at school, lastly the demonstration of what the firemen wear in the event of a fire and what they will sound like (breathing apparatus).

This term we have focussed on our golden rules: we are honest, hard-working, we are gentle, we are kind and helpful we look after property and we listen.

**STUDENTS
CONSISTENTLY
DEMONSTRATING
OUR VALUES**

**Liam, Harley,
Cruiz, Chloe &
Trey**

Demonstrating

**Team Work -
Whakawhanungatanga**

**Respect -
Whakaute**

**Creativity -
Auahatanga**

**Perseverance -
Manawanui**

STUDENT WRITING

The learners consistently demonstrating these are recognised for their efforts. Our students who have demonstrated these are Cruiz, Harley, Chloe, Liam and Trey. Well done.

As part of our mathematics programme we participate during the week in a programme called mathletics. The learners work through a series of problems earning points and are awarded certificates. Five bronze certificates earns you a bronze medal and places you into the next level. Learners will work their way up to gold. We have had another one of our learners achieve a bronze medal this term. Well done Kayla. What a great achievement. You've worked hard.



Our learners continue to work hard at maintaining the silver status to our environment. They are constantly talking about ways we can help our environment. One idea that has been discussed is eliminating waste. Well done to Liam for embracing the learners' suggestion of ways to eliminate litter in our environment and taking action to litterless lunchboxes.



Also another congratulations goes out to Liam who was the proud recipient of a winning prize in the FMG colouring competition what a surprise this was. Again well Done Liam.

It was great to have Te Kohanga Reo O Hanana of the Kohanga and Shannon play centre join us in our treasure hunt to celebrate Easter. It was a great day enjoyed by all.



Katy Marsh, Claire Gregory, Karen Lett, Rochelle Pratt



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Hararei hari! - Happy holidays!



School Dates 2019

Term 2: Monday 29 April - Friday 5 July

Term 3: Monday 22 July - Friday 27 September

Term 4: Monday 14 October - Friday 13 December

WHAT'S ON?

Bike Safety Week
6-12th May

Parent Meeting
Lambs, Goats and Calves
7th May

Swimming Sports
To Be Confirmed
9th May

BOT Meeting
22nd May



STUDENT WRITING

This term during Science we have been learning about floating and sinking. Our learners were asked to write a scientific explanation about their understanding of floating and sinking. Here is a sample of one of our students writing well done Kayla a great explanation.

What Is Positive Buoyancy + Negative Buoyancy?

Written - by Kayla

What is Positive buoyancy?

Positive buoyancy, (floating) is when an object sits on the top of the surface. For example a basketball, a basketball has air in it so it has less mass, (less weight) so it will float because it is light and has less mass(less weight).

What is negative buoyancy?

Negative buoyancy, (sinking) is when an object lies on the bottom of the seabed or bottom of the pool. For example a concrete block is more dense because it is a solid object.

What is density?

To understand positive buoyancy and negative buoyancy you first need to understand density. Density is something that is large and heavy and has mass (weight). For example a concrete block is large, solid and heavy and has lots of mass. On the other hand a bouncy ball will float because it has less density and is full of air.

What is displacement?

Displacement is when an object is heavier than the water and makes the water rise and move around. So when the object hits the bottom of the seabed or bottom of the pool the water will displace and rise. For example a bowling ball will sink because it is heavy and is more dense. When the bowling ball hits the bottom of the seabed or bottom of the pool the water will displace and rise.

Archimedes Principle

We also need to know about Archimedes Principle. Archimedes is an intelligent greek. His mission was to explore what floating and sinking was? One day Archimedes decided to take a bath, when he hopped into the bath he realised the water had displaced and risen. As soon as he discovered this he jumped out of the bath and ran down the street naked to his laboratory shouting Eureka! (which means I got it!) And that is how we discovered Positive buoyancy and Negative buoyancy.

Fun facts!

Did you know?

That a plastic coin sinks and floats because if you drop it in sideways it will sink but if you drop it on the surface flat then it will float. Why is this? Well it is because of the volume of the coin. (volume means the change of shape). For example a canoe made out of tinfoil and put into water, it will float because it is less dense but if you scrunch it up into a ball and put it into water it will sink because it is more dense.

Did you know?

That fish can sink and float because they have an inflating internal bladder. Why is this? This is because they can change their volume which helps them to float or sink. In order to do this the fish have to change their shape. They do this by inflating or deflating their bladder.

In conclusion I hope you understand more about Positive and Negative buoyancy.

SCHOOL NEWS

BOT News

Kia ora guardians, community and whanau

Your Board of Trustees would like to take this opportunity to congratulate your principal "Katy" on her resilience, commitment and significant achievement recently, she received her "Certificate Of Completion" last month for two years of beginning principal support and we would like to thank her for her continued loyalty belief and persistence with your children and Linton Country as a school.
CONGRATULATIONS KATY AND THANK YOU!!!

Please look out for future dates in May to come along and learn about what it is to be a trustee as elections are in June and we would like to de-myth what you may believe to be its role and where you may add value and contribute to the betterment of your child's education and your community's existence.

Please contact your Board Chair Vanessa, hsvness@hotmail.com, if you would like more information on being a trustee and we the board wish you all safe and happy holidays and enjoy your chocolate and hot cross buns, HAPPY EASTER FROM US!!!!

Linton Country School Board of Trustees

Easter Raffle Results

Thank you to all the amazing people and families who contributed to our raffle and for the amazing effort put into selling raffle ticket. The raffle was drawn this morning and the results are as follows:

1st	Derek Underwood
2nd	Caleb
3rd	Peter Sinclair
4th	Sophia Crow



Thank you all for your continued support.

ATHLETICS RESULTS

CLUSTER ATHLETICS SENIORS

Alexander

2nd Discus, 2nd High Jump, 2nd 400m Race and 2nd Place Overall

Liam

1st Long Jump, 2nd Sprint, 3rd High Jump and 2nd Place Overall

Congratulations fantastic!



FOR SALE

FIREWOOD

We still have firewood for sale. If you know of anyone who wants firewood please contact the office or Graham Irvine on 0212345736 as soon as possible.

Every dollar raised is a help to our school!

SCHOOL VALUES

Values:

Our School Values have been developed through consultation with all stakeholders. These values are intended to form the foundation of our curriculum and foster the attitudes of our lifelong learners.

Love of learning -
Arohatia matauranga

Fun & enjoyment -
Rekareka

Team Work -
Whakawhanungatanga

Respect -
Whakaute

Creativity -
Auahatanga

Perseverance -
Manawanui

TE REO

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KŌREREO O TE WIKI

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tahi

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working together

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