

TE PĀNUI O TE POARI / THE BOARD NOTICES

Ni hao, kia ora and welcome to term 3! We had a Board hui/meeting on Monday night and were excited to hear all about our international ākonga/students from China. Thank you to all our host whānau for looking after them and making them feel welcome. The Lynmore manaaki/hospitality has certainly been on display in our community as well as in our akomanga/classrooms. We are very appreciative of all the kaimahi/staff and ākonga for making our Chinese manuhiri/guests' time here a memorable one. This is a great learning opportunity for our whole kura/school and we will be well prepared for our next rōpū/group (which is much bigger) when they arrive in August.

Last week Lynmore hosted two whakatau/welcome ceremonies, one for our cohort of new five year olds (as well as any new starters across the kura) and a second, hosted by our amazing middle school, to welcome the Chinese manuhiri. Our Heamana/Chairperson (or Presiding Member as we're now supposed to call her), Annamarie, was fortunate enough to attend both the whakatau and was incredibly proud of the school values demonstrated by all our ākonga from the littlest newbies to the senior and middle school leaders. Everyone made us all proud. A huge nau mai/welcome to all the new whānau joining our Lynmore community. We are glad to have you here!

As always, there are a lot of property and maintenance challenges around the school. This is because we have some ageing buildings and funding is always a challenge. We have some remedial works about to happen on some of our roofs, most importantly in our administration block where the damage was worse than we'd expected. And the fencing company still has some gates and small parts to complete, but we're hoping this job should be completed next week.

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We approved the purchase of seven shade sails that will be installed in time for Summer. These will go into our upper junior block to provide much needed shade where we lost our big tree and onto the grassy areas between the hall and senior block where our juniors also play outside during play-based learning. We think this will create some safer outdoor spaces in the summer months and enhance our outdoor education opportunities. We can't wait to see them up!

Our Poari/Board is now two thirds of the way through our term. This means that this time next year the school will need to fill five parent spots to maintain a full Board. Not all of our existing Board will stand again, so we want to plant the seed with our parent community early. If you are interested in governance (policies, processes, property, finance) and supporting our amazing management team to continue all their mahi/work, then have a think about being on the Board. There is training available to support you if you don't have experience in this area, however, it will mean a time commitment. If you want more information on what a Board does or want to sit in on a hui to see what it's like, please email us.

As always, please contact us if you have any concerns or comments via the anonymous box in the office or email bot@lynmore.school.nz. Our next hui is on the 9th of September at 6pm in the SLT office at school. Anyone is welcome to attend, we just need prior notice for our agenda. Our policies and strategic plan can be found on our website and our minutes can be accessed at any time in Kerrie's office, which is next to Hinei's in the admin block.

We hope all your tamariki/children have had a good start to the term.

Zai jian and ka kite ano,

The #Team Lynmore Poari/Board

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