



*Kia ora kia tahi, kia tahi kia ora*  
Together, we learn to live and  
live to learn



## TEACHER ONLY DAY - FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER

### WELCOME

A massive welcome to a fantastic week at Lytton Street School. Camps, comedy nights and ice skating have highlighted the last few days. Bringing exciting events such as this to our kura is what makes us so special - we hope your tamariki thoroughly enjoyed their week.

### ...AND A SKATING RINK CAME TO LSS

This week will go down in Lytton Street School history as the first time we have ever hosted an ice rink... and what enormous fun it was. All our kids have had the opportunity to chuck on a pair of skates and a helmet and hit the ice (well plastic ice). I have been incredibly proud of how the kids have embraced the challenge; for some it was way out of their comfort zone, but with determination, bags of grit and enthusiasm they got the absolute most out of the experience. The Disco Ice Skating experience was a cool but not a cold adventure for our kids. A huge thank you to the Ice Skate Tour. The Ice Skate Tour travels around New Zealand with state of the art, artificial ice rinks. They look like ice and have 97% same gliding capacity as natural ice; surrounded by an inflatable boarding. A massive thank you to our staff (especially Whaea Kathy) who have given up their evenings to monitor the rink and also set it up and take it down. This was a magic experience for our kids, one which we will most certainly repeat in the future.

The Ice Skate Tour leaves Lytton Street School tonight to a new destination that will surely wow their tamariki.



### COMEDY NIGHT

Last Saturday our amazing Parents Association of Lytton Street School (PALS) held their inaugural comedy night. Comedians from all over the local region, as well as nationally, hit the school hall for a night of fun, laughs and tremendous entertainment. This fundraiser took hours and hours of planning and preparation over many months. Our PALS team are a phenomenal group who are working tirelessly to raise funds to benefit our tamariki. The comedy night had in excess of 100 people who attended. A special thank you to the Caldwell whānau who arranged the comedians and organised the online ticketing.



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CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE - [WWW.LYTTONSTREET.SCHOOL.NZ](http://WWW.LYTTONSTREET.SCHOOL.NZ)



## TE AO MĀORI AT LSS

### Cultural Diversity and our Māori Dimension @Lytton Street School

Our school reflects New Zealand's cultural diversity and promotes the uniqueness of New Zealand's bi-cultural society. The school is continuing to build a strong connection with Ngāti Kauwhata, our local iwi. All of our students are encouraged to value Te Reo Māori me ōna Tikanga in their daily lives. Our school acknowledges the vital role cultural understanding, identity, languages and the Treaty of Waitangi play in the development of an inclusive and diverse society.



Our ongoing commitments towards providing effective Tiriti responsive practices whilst providing opportunity for all learners to grow their understanding of te ao Māori include:

#### Community

- Te Kāhui Ako o Kawakawa
- Feilding Matariki Ceremony
- Te Wiki o te Reo Māori Celebration Festivals
- Te Pae Tamariki Kapa Haka Festival
- Local Curriculum integration
- Local Histories/ Narratives
- Marae Noho
- Board of Trustees representation
- NZEI Board representation

#### School

- Close links with Mana Whenua Ngāti Kauwhata- 'Kauwhatatanga'
- Te Rerenga Kōtare Kapa Haka Performance
- Te Pae Tapū
- Lytton Street School Te Reo Māori Progressions
- School wide Kapa Haka
- Lytton Street School Matariki Hautapu & hangī
- Māhuru Māori
- Te Wiki o te Reo Māori
- Whānau Hui
- Weekly Te Ao Māori newsletter articles
- Termly Pōwhiri & Mihi Whakatau
- Consultation of whānau Māori
- Ākonga Māori awards
- Waharoa development
- School signage

#### Staff

- Te Tiriti o Waitangi
- Te Ahu o te Reo Māori Professional Development
- Māori Made Easy Reo Programme
- Niho Taniwha professional readings and reflections
- Te Akatea Māori Principals Association
- Māori Achievement Collaborative
- Tātaiako- Cultural Competencies
- Ka Hikitia- Accelerating Success
- Tū Rangatira- Model of Leadership
- Pūrākau development & delivery
- Karanga Professional Development

As you can see, the work we put in to add effect to our responsibility as an effective Tiriti partner is long and varied. This is a huge testament to the efforts of our Board, the school leadership and the staff and their willingness to provide ample opportunities for all learners to celebrate what an education in Aotearoa can offer for all.

Ko te manu kai i te miro, nōna te ngahere. Ko te manu kai i te mātauranga, nōna te ao.

For the bird that feeds on miro berry, the forest is theirs. For the bird that feeds on knowledge, the world is theirs.

## THE GREAT LSS CHRISTMAS DROP

Our school would like to once again provide a \$5 gift for each child to be given out in the last week of Term 4. In order to make this happen we need support from the local Feilding community. If you, a local business, or anyone you know would be able to provide some financial support or sponsorship, this would be much appreciated. Please email me at [principal@lyttonstreet.school.nz](mailto:principal@lyttonstreet.school.nz) or ring or text me on 021 525 410 and our office will contact you shortly. Any sponsorship will be acknowledged in our school newsletter and on Facebook.



## Predator Free Feilding - Logo Competition

We invite school age children to design the official logo for Predator Free Feilding.

The design needs to feature the words 'Predator Free Feilding' and an image (some ideas include something that represents Feilding, bird, lizard, etc)

Artist Joe McMenamin will turn the winning design into a stencil which will be painted on future traps distributed to the community.

The winning design will also win 5 Traps for their school. Entries due by Monday 18th December, 3pm.

Please email your designs to:

[manawatutrapping@gmail.com](mailto:manawatutrapping@gmail.com)

Or drop them into the box in the St Joseph's School Feilding office

Joe  
McMenamin

