

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome back to term 4. This is the last term of the 2019 academic year and is only 9 weeks in length. The last day of school is Thursday, December 12.

**Important Dates for the term :**

Friday, October 18	Pet day
Monday to Friday, October 21 - 25	Ako Swim Week (Please note no swimming on 23rd)
Wednesday 23 October	School Athletics with Dorie and ACS at Rakaia School
Monday 28 October	Labour Day, No School
Monday to Friday, November 4-8	Whanau Swim Week
Friday, November 8	County Athletics
Thursday 14 November	Teacher Only day - School Closed
Friday 15 November	Christchurch Show Day, School Closed
Monday, December 2	School Picnic - Tinwald Domain
December 4-9	Life Education at school
Monday- Wednesday, Dec 9-11	Year 5-8 Camp in Hanmer
Thursday, December 12	Prizegiving and last day of school



As we move into this last term it is important that if you have not yet engaged with the Linc Ed application on your phone or computer you will need to get the updates on your child's progress and achievement. If you want to meet with the teacher then please contact them for an appointment and they will do their very best to fit one in with you. The E-mail also works very well for communication.

● **How do I access my child's LINC-ED page?**

Step 1

- Visit <https://rakaia.linc-ed.com/wp-login.php?action=lostpassword>
- LINC-ED is supported on all modern browsers, for example, Google Chrome or Safari.

Step 2

- Click the Lost your Password button.

Step 3

- Enter the email address you have given the school to send you communication. Click Get New Password.

#### Step 4

- An email will be sent to you containing a link for you to click on. The link will take you to a page where you will see your new password.
- If you choose to, you can delete the automatically-generated password and enter your own strong, secure password then click Reset Password.

#### Step 5

- Enjoy reading, viewing and listening to your child's learning. Become part of the conversation by writing a comment or adding a 'Like' to the post.
- If you have any problems with access please contact: add the details of your school's LINC-ED administrator.markellis@rakaia.school.nz

Class levels for 2020 will be the same with Year 7-8 together, 5-6 together and 3-4 together. We will have separate Year 2 and 1 classes as well as new entrants. Class teachers and their positions will be confirmed very soon with the possibility of some teacher changes for their professional experience and the benefit of our learners.



This term we will also have three Teacher Trainees with us. It is an important part of their learning to work in schools while they study and these placements are great for the school culture as well. They will spend 2-4 weeks with us.

- Mrs Sally Parris will be with Year 7-8 under the support and guidance of Mrs Jenkins
- Miss Clancy Brown will be with Year 5-6 under the support and guidance of Miss Gardyne
- Miss Westen Ingham will be with Year 0-1 under the support and guidance of Miss Grant

On the athletics day we will be looking for some support with our senior Bake Sale. Children will be rostered to support at break times but will have to compete and so we will be looking for some helpers to work on the table and sell, sell, sell. Thank you.

A huge thank you to Mr Eddington and the young men and families who helped get the new bike track ready at school. We are looking forward to a lot of fun.