

Te Manawanui 2020

Kia hiwa rā, kia hiwa rā! Hear us now, hear us now! Tēnā tātou te whānau whānui o Te Manawanui, 2020.

Welcome back to you all, the whānau of our Te Manawanui team. It is really pleasing to see so many smiling faces back at school. This notice is not just to welcome you and your children back to Lytton Street School, but to introduce our Te Manawanui teaching staff for 2020. If you have any questions regarding anything school related, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher.



We look forward to a great 2020 for our children, and whānau alike. Our plan for our classrooms has evolved over the break and it is hoped that Room 18 and 19 will be finished at the end of Term 1.

Kind regards,

Pā Ronald & Whāea Kathy

Te Manawanui Team Leaders



Pā Ronald Nolan- Rm 10 Yr 3. Team Leader. Within School Leader (WSL). Te Reo Māori me ōna Tīkanga Lead teacher.
Kia ora whānau, my name is Pā Ronald Nolan. I will be teaching Yr 3 tamariki starting in Rm 10, and then moving to Rm 18, later in the year. I am honoured to be one of the team leaders in Te Manawanui, alongside Whāea Kathy for 2020. I live here in Feilding with my partner Janie & 4 of our tamariki. My passions are Te Reo Māori me ōna Tīkanga, sports, and spending time with my whānau. I have been teaching for 18 years, with the last 5 years here at Lytton Street School.
Mā pango, mā whero ka oti ai ngā mahi. Working together we will achieve our goals.



Whāea Kathy Lauridsen - Rm 17 Year 5/6. Team Leader. Within School Leader (WSL), Mentor teacher
Hi everyone, I have been teaching at LSS for nearly 7 years and over 20 years in total. I am married to Jon (25 years this year) and we have Emily who is 20 (studying Occupational Therapy in Hamilton) and Kirsty who is 18 years old and working as a learning support teacher at Whakarongo school. We live on a lifestyle block at Whakarongo with 8 acres and 1 acre of garden, (you can guess what I do on the weekend). My strengths lie in Numeracy and Digital Technology. This year I have great expectations for our team and our students as we journey through 2020.



Whāea Janie Revell - Rm 9 Yr 1/2. Kaiako. Music teacher
Tēna koutou, ko Whāea Janie Revell āhau. Ko au te kaiako i te ruma tuaiwa ki Lytton Street School. I am the teacher for Room 9. I have been teaching at Lytton Street School for a year alongside my partner, Ronald Nolan and our tamariki. Together we have a blended whānau of 7 children. My passion is in The Arts: puoro/music and drama, Tīkanga Māori and Te Reo Māori. I am so excited to be part of the whānau o Te Mānawanui this year and I look forward to sharing this year with you and your tamariki! *Ehara taku toa i te toa taki taki, engari ko te toa taki tini. My strength is not that of an individual but that of the collective.*



Whāea Katy Sowman - Kaiako o ruma 20 - teacher of Room 20. Kaiako Reo Māori me ōna tikanga - Māori language teacher
"Poipoia te kākano kia puawai" - Nurture the seed, and it will blossom.
Tēnā rā koutou katoa e te whānau whānui o Te Manawanui. Ko Whāea Katy ahau! This will be my 6th year of teaching at Lytton Street School. I am looking forward to teaching my year 4 students in Room 20 - building new relationships with tamariki and strengthening those that have already been made with others. I am originally from Wellington and was fortunate enough to be raised in a Māori environment since I was a baby. I have my parents to thank and be grateful for, for putting me through kohanga reo and full immersion Te Reo Māori primary to allow me to be where and who I am today. I currently live in Feilding with my partner Tim, who is a medic in the army. My passions are Te Reo Māori me ōna tikanga, netball and salsa dancing. Tihei Mauri ora!!



Whāea Aimee Reid - Room 23 Yr 1/2.
Kia ora , my name is Aimee Reid. I have been a junior teacher for 5 years and I am thrilled to be carrying on my career here at Lytton Street School. I live in Palmerston North with my husband Mark and my children Tom (4.5 years old), Sophie (2.5 years old) and our latest addition Pepper the kitten. I have a passion for learning and I continue to develop my teaching knowledge. This year I am enrolled in a Te Reo course and look forward to sharing what I learn with my students. I am very excited for what the year 2020 is going to bring our whānau in Room 23 and the wider Te Manawanui Team.



Whāea Kehlsi Ramsay - Room 16 Yr 5/6.
Tēnā koutou, my name is Kehlsi Ramsay or Whāea Kehlsi. I am new here at Lytton Street School and will be venturing into my second year of teaching! I have recently moved back to the Manawatu, with my newly titled fiancée (Ryan), after spending two years experiencing life in the Big Smoke. I am from a large blended family (the eldest of four girls), and grew up in beautiful Taupō. I am very excited to continue my teaching journey at Lytton Street, as the Kaiako in Room 16, teaching year 5/6. I hope to bring a lot of character, passion and excitement into the classroom. I am very passionate about finding ways to individualise teaching and learning experiences, through the inquisitive minds of my students. My strengths are in maths and literacy and I am looking forward to what 2020 brings us in the Te Manawanui Team.