

## **NEWSLETTER 15**

## 26 October 2012

| 26 October 2012                      |                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
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| Coming Events:                       |                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Week 3                               | Mon 29 <b>Oct</b><br>Wed 31<br>Thu 1 <b>Nov</b>                                      | Board of Trustees Meeting In-class priority time continues this week. Year 13 Music Performance Evening, 7pm in the Hall Year 9 Assembly & Attitude Presentation Period 1 Pasifika Parents Evening, 6pm in the Staffroom                                                                                                                           |
|                                      | Fri 2                                                                                | Last day for Year 13 – Final Assembly, issue reports and exam entry slips, <b>Year 13 then released</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Week 4                               | Mon 5                                                                                | Last day for Year 12 – Final Assembly, issue reports and exam entry slips, <b>Year 12 then released</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                      | Tue 6                                                                                | Last day for Year 11 – <b>normal school day</b><br>SENIOR PRIZEGIVING, 7pm in the Hall                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Week 5<br>Week 6<br>Week 7<br>Week 8 | Wed 7 - Fri 9 Mon 12 Mon 19 Wed 28 Tue 4 Tue 4 & Wed 5 <b>Dec</b> Thu 6 Fri 7 Fri 14 | YEAR 11 PRIZEGIVING, 9am in the Hall, Year 11 reports and exam entry slips issued after prizegiving Junior Exams NCEA EXAMS BEGIN South Pacific Ed Course Uniform Shop late night NCEA Exams finish Year 9 & 10 Caring for our Community programme Leavers' Dinner Book return and clearance day Year 9 Prizegiving, 9am Year 10 Prizegiving, 11am |
|                                      |                                                                                      | Term 4 ends                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| First Week 2013<br>Thu 24 Jan        |                                                                                      | Student Peer Support Training Day in the Library 9am – 3pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|                                      | Mon 28                                                                               | Auckland Anniversary – Public Holiday, school closed                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|                                      | Tue 29                                                                               | Year 9 - assemble in the Hall at 1.30pm, then go to form rooms (released 3.00pm) Senior student course confirmation 1.00 – 2.30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|                                      | Wed 30                                                                               | Year 9 – Attend from 9.00am – 3.00pm<br>Year 11 – assemble in the Hall at 8.45am (released 10.40am)<br>Year 12 – assemble in the Hall at 9.30am (released 11.30am)<br>Year 13 – assemble in the Hall at 10.15pm (released 12.15pm)                                                                                                                 |
|                                      |                                                                                      | Senior student course confirmation 11.00am – 2.30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|                                      | Thu 31                                                                               | Year 9 – Attend from 9.00am – 3.00pm<br>Year 10 – assemble in the Hall at 1.30pm (released 2.30pm)<br>Senior student course confir                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|                                      | Fri 1 <b>Feb</b>                                                                     | All year levels attend from 8.45am until 3.10pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|                                      |                                                                                      | All students must wear full, correct uniform.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

#### Dear Parents/Caregivers

The Festival Awards Evening, held on Tuesday 23 October, was a special occasion which recognised the efforts of students, parents, staff and members of the wider Lynfield community, who have contributed to the College extracurricular activities in 2012. We celebrated the success of sporting, arts and cultural aspects of the College, with awards for outstanding achievement and contribution at the senior level.

Congratulations to all those who have won awards, with particular mention of the following students who have achieved the supreme awards:

#### Dux Ludorum (Boys): Tane Leilua

Tane is an outstanding sportsman who has made significant contributions to Lynfield sport in many codes. This year, he has been a member of our Senior Softball, Tag, Touch and Volleyball teams, as well as being named Most Valuable Player in both the Rugby League and 1<sup>st</sup> XV Rugby teams. He is also the Senior Boys Tennis Doubles Champion for 2011 and 2012. Tane has chosen to give back to Lynfield sport by co-coaching our Junior Boys Volleyball team.

#### Dux Ludorum (Girls): Tyla Nathan-Wong

In 2012 Tyla has been a member of the Auckland Rugby Women's 7s, Counties Manukau Invitational Women's 7s, Counties Manukau Maori Women's 7s and Counties Manukau Open Women's Touch team. Tyla's outstanding performances at this level were recognised by her selection nationally in the NZ Open Women's Tag, NZ Rugby Union Women's 7s, Aotearoa Maori Women's 7s (who won the Roma 7s in Italy) and NZ Touch Black Open Women's teams. Tyla has competed internationally in each of these teams, earning NZ Caps at senior level in 3 different sports – Touch, Tag and Rugby 7s. With her sights firmly set on the 2016 Olympics, we will watch with interest and pride the progress of this Lynfield Legend.

Tyla is a fully committed athlete who is our Senior Girls Athletics Champion, Senior Girls Road Race Champion and a member of the Senior Mixed Tag team. She received Colours with Honours and Most Valued Player of the Senior Girls Touch team, and has chosen to share her knowledge and skills in a tangible way by coaching this successful team. Tyla is this year's female Sports Captain, assisting with the organisation of all House Competitions.

#### Dux Artium: Michael Howell

Michael is an outstanding musician who has contributed to Jazz Combo, Big Band, Production Band, Guitar Ensemble and Concert Band. He received Colours and Colours with Honours in his chosen fields and Most Valuable Player in both the Big Band and the Jazz Combo. He won regional recognition in 2011 and 2012 by being part of the finalist Big Band in the KBB Music festivals. Even more significantly, he has won national recognition by being selected for the New Zealand Youth Jazz Orchestra in 2011 and 2012.

#### Group Achievement Award: Lynfield College Big Band

Directed by Mr Paul Norman, the Big Band competed against 41 big bands from the greater Auckland area at the KBB Music Festival, the largest festival of its kind in New Zealand. Chosen as one of the best 4 bands in the competition, the Lynfield College Big Band went on to be overall winner of this prestigious competition.

#### Teams of the Year (jointly awarded):

Premier Boys Basketball

Awarded in recognition of this team's outstanding success in the Greater Auckland Basketball Championship where they finished 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 24 teams, qualifying them to compete in the NZ Secondary Schools Basketball competition. This is a great achievement for our boys who have just completed their first season in the premier grade

#### Premier and UNISS 2012 Netball

Awarded in recognition of the team members' outstanding reliability, commitment and their determination to give a 110% effort in every game. This team's performance in the West Auckland Competition was exceptional, finishing runners-up in the top grade. They went on to finish 6<sup>th</sup> in the B grade at the Upper North Island Secondary Schools tournament where the top teams from 100 schools competed.

Outstanding Sportsperson of the Year: Tyla Nathan-Wong

Arts and Culture Scholarships: Billy Scarfe, Yash Vyas

Sports Scholarship: Acelin James

Winning House Award: Faumuina House

## 2012 ASB Bank Scholars

Congratulations to the following Year 13 students who have been names this year's Lynfield College ASB Bank Scholars. These prestigious leadership awards provide some financial assistance towards tertiary study and were presented at a regional luncheon held on Thursday 25 October at the Logan Campbell Centre.

Maddie Hughes Megan Ferreira Wendy He Nalin Choudhary Yash Vyas

#### 2013 Student Executive

These elections were completed earlier this week, with a large number of very enthusiastic and capable students standing for positions. This involved preparing speeches which were presented at their form level assemblies. Applicants will receive election result letters at the end of the school on Monday 29 October. The Leadership positions will be announced at the Year 12 and Year 11 Final Assemblies. Our 2013 Student Executive and House Captains will have their first meeting on Friday 7 December, 8.45am in the Seminar Room.

#### **Board of Trustees Student Representative**

Congratulations to Kylie Clarke who has been elected to this position. The term of office for this Student Executive role will run from October 2012 until September 2013.

#### **Prizegivings**

We warmly invite families to attend the following academic prizegivings, which will be held in the College Hall.

#### Senior Prizegiving (Years 13 & 12) - Tuesday 6 November at 7.00pm

It is expected that Year 13 and 12 students attend this formal school occasion, but given the limited capacity of the College Hall it is not compulsory. Prizegiving will end at about 9pm.

## Year 11 Prizegiving - Wednesday 7 November at 9.00am

Students attend form class at 8.40am. This prizegiving will end at about 10.30am. Students will then collect their NZQA candidate code slips and reports.

## Year 9 Prizegiving – Friday 14 December at 9.00am

Students attend form class at 8.40am. At the conclusion of the prizegiving, students return briefly to form class to be issued with their Reports.

#### Year 10 Prizegiving - Friday 14 December at 11.00am

Students attend form class at 10.30am. At the conclusion of the Prizegiving, students return briefly to form class to be issued with their Reports and Junior Diplomas.

L Ridling Acting Principal

#### Student Leader Profile - Reid House Captains

What an exciting year 2012 has been, albeit very challenging. The year started off well for the Reid House with the first of the competitions being Athletics Day. We managed to stay in the top sector of the morning events but unfortunately slipped back later in the day. However, this did not crush our spirit and we remained enthusiastic about events to come. Thank you to all the girls of 13SN who put in many hard hours of work to make our fairy tale themed banners look amazing.

The first of the smaller competitions were the Touch games. We had a huge effort from everyone for these games and had a lot of fun. In the Football competition our seniors did an amazing job during the rounds but weren't able to beat Lewis in the finals; we were still glad that we were able to come second. Next up was the House Quiz. Special thanks to the juniors of 10HS and Numia who helped represent the Reid House juniors and Mikey, Shantrelle and James for representing the seniors. We did our best, had a blast even though we couldn't secure a top placement.

We would like to thank everyone who participated and made this year a memorable one and Ms Hunt for being our House Leader for 2012. Even though we did not dominate the events, we all had fun and did our best. Next year Pita is planning on studying engineering and is enrolled with MIT Maritime School and Hayley is enrolled in a Bachelor of Health Science at AUT University majoring in Occupational Therapy.



We wish the 2013 Reid House Captains a successful year, go hard!!

Hayley Browne & Pita Tagicakiverata

#### Leavers' Dinner

The Year 13 Leavers' Dinner will be held on Thursday 6 December at the Sorrento Restaurant, One Tree Hill. Tickets cost \$50 for a seated buffet. The dinner is limited to 220 tickets so students are encouraged to buy their ticket as soon as possible. Tickets are currently on sale at lunchtimes in the Hall quad. Students should bring the correct cash amount or a cheque as no eftpos will be available.

#### **Homework Centres**

The College Library remains open after school every day <u>until 3.40pm</u>, providing an excellent homework space for all students.

#### **Pasifika Homework Centre**

The homework centre for Pacific Island students continues this year on **Mondays and Wednesdays after school** in the College Library. The centre opens from 3.15 to approximately 4.30pm. Please contact Brian Tonks (627 0600 extension 746) if you would like any further information.

#### **Mathematics Clinic**

Got a maths question? Stuck on your maths homework? Help is available! Where? **G9** When? **Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday lunchtimes (and Tuesday afterschool)** 

#### **Chemistry Clinic**

Need help with NCEA Level 1 Science (Chemistry), Level 1 Chemistry (SCP), Level 2 and 3 Chemistry? Help is available!

When and where? Tuesday and Thursday lunchtime in G3 AND Wednesday afterschool in F3

#### **ESOL Homework Centre**

Held every Wednesday after school in L6. Provides help and guidance to students for whom English is not their first language. Students receive help with language, use computers and the internet for language exercises and research and complete homework assignments.

#### **Enrolment Process for Year 9 / 2013**

#### **Home Zone**

Enrolment of these students should now be completed. If you are in zone and have not yet enrolled your son or daughter for Year 9 in 2013, please do so **URGENTLY**. Students who are being enrolled must attend the enrolment interview.

#### **New Home Zone Streets**

From 2013 our College home zone will extend further west than previously. The main change is the addition of all streets in the area between Blockhouse Bay Road and Portage Road. A map and list of streets can be found on our website <a href="www.lynfield.school.nz">www.lynfield.school.nz</a>

#### Out of Zone, category 6 applicants

Applications for this category closed Wednesday 5 September. If you missed this deadline but wish to enrol your child at the College, please complete an application form which will be placed on the waiting list.

## Year 10 - 13 / 2012 Out of Zone categories 2 - 6

Applications closed Tuesday 23 October. If you missed this deadline but wish to enrol your child at the College, please ring reception on 627 0600 extension 700.

More detailed information about enrolment is available from our website www.lynfield.school.nz

#### **EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACHIEVEMENT**

Congratulations to the following students who have achieved outstanding results in a variety of fields:

## **Australian National Chemistry Quiz**

Excellence Plaque for Outstanding Performance: Taeo Kim (Y10), Jake Krishnamurti (Y10)

#### **Senior Maths Competition**

Top 100: Hannah Kashkari, Wendy He, Nalin Choudhary

Merit: Kevin Yu, Tim Hight

#### **Australian Maths Competition**

Year 9

Prize: Grun Wua Hong

High Distinction: Tone Xie

Distinction: Atrey Gajjar, Cody Marsh, Alan Wu, Joel Boasman, David Johnson, Mercy Lin, Meet Patel, Jin Kim,

Shaneel Singh, Ashvini Chelliah, Kiran Patel, Jade Elizabeth Guptill, Maddy Poland, Elizabeth

Fa'amamafa, Eldon Xu

Year 10

Distinction: Tae Hyouk Kim, George Qiao, Astha Gajjar, Pyongkang Her, Diana Lim, Harsham Choksi,

Andrew Sampson, Prashant Kumar

Year 11

High Distinction: Steven Ling

Distinction: Amy Liu, Jessica Yao, Guan-Hong Li, David Wu, Dayna Jackson

Year 12

Distinction: Kevin Yu, Yen-Kai Chen, Nicolaas Waddington, Andrew Coffin

Year 13

Distinction: Nalin Choudhary, Jane Yang, Jacob Couper, Sukky Huang, Jack Cao, Yiming Yuan

#### **Otago Junior Maths Competition**

Year 9 Year 10

Top 30: Top 30: Numa Wadhwania Sachi Rathod, David Wu

Top 100: Atrey Gajjar, Kate Heslop Top 100: Tae Hyouk Kim, Jake Krishnamurti Reshika Fonseka, Jin Kyu Kim, Meet Patel Top 200: Diana Lim, Naomi Moraes, Simran Top 200: Merit:

Adya Choudhary, Gianni Gambassi, Francis Chandhok, Jessica Yao

Jones, Sahil Kapadia, Mercy Lin, Caleb Prashant Kumar, Raynil Laxmidas, Kieran Merit:

Moffat, Kiran Patel, Tone Xie van Leeuwen

#### **ICAS Science Competition**

Distinction: Nalin Choudhary

## **ICAS English Competition**

Year 9 High Distinction

99<sup>th</sup> percentile in NZ schools

Kate Heslop, Joel Boasman, Atrey Gajjar

**Year 9 Distinction** 

90<sup>th</sup> to 98<sup>th</sup> percentile in NZ schools

Nithya Narayan, Richard Ng, Mercy Lin, Sahil

Kapadia

Year 10 High Distinction

99th percentile in NZ schools

Kieran Van Leeuwen, Naomi Moraes

**Year 10 Distinction** 

89<sup>th</sup> to 98<sup>th</sup> percentile in NZ schools

Astha Gajjar, Shirley Xiao, Gauri Prabhakar, Harsham Choksi, Diana Lim, Sachi Rathod

**Year 11 Distinction** 

98th percentile in NZ schools Steven Ling, David Wu

**Year 12 Distinction** 

95<sup>th</sup> percentile in NZ schools

Andrew Coffin

**Year 13 Distinction** 

97<sup>th</sup> percentile in NZ schools

Hannan Kashkari

#### **ICAS Writing Competition**

Year 9

Distinction: Adya Choudhary, Jack Winterburn

Year 10

Distinction: Erica D'Souza, Harshaa Prasad, Andrew

Sampson

Year 11

Distinction: Alisha Imran

Year 12

**Andrew Coffin** Distinction:

#### **SPORT**

With our senior students attending for only one more week before departing on exam study leave, we have only 3 volleyball, 1 softball and 2 cricket teams involved in regular competitions this term and these competitions have just begun. However, during the holidays a number of our students competed successfully in sporting events nationwide.

Khusboo Patel (Y12) has been selected to play in the Auckland U18 Girls' Cricket team.

**Michael Durham (Y10)** won his second national title and is now the NZ Intermediate Men's Ice Skating champion. He will represent New Zealand, wearing the coveted black jacket with the silver fern on it, at the Australian National competition held at Brisbane in December.

**Grace Kukutai (Y11)** is one of only ten girls from Greater Auckland to be selected to attend the NZ Netball National Development Camp in December. Prior to the camp top netballers such as Temepara Clark will be mentoring her weekly.

**Juee Bhide (Y11)** competed in New Zealand Junior Squash Nationals at Palmerston North. She placed 2nd in New Zealand in the Girls U17 event, winning a silver medal. Juee was also selected in Auckland U19 Girls Team and their Auckland team won the championship.

**Jemma Read (Y11)** represented Auckland as assistant captain of the Auckland Junior Women's Inline Hockey team which was placed second in the recent national competition.

**Aiden Moffatt (Y11)** is in only his second year of refereeing and is still the youngest Auckland Football referee. His exceptional skills in this field were recognised at the Auckland Football Federation Referee Awards where he received two Awards:

Highway Electrical Trophy: Most Professional Youth Countrywide Bank Cup: Most Improved Assistant Referee

He starts his appointment to the ASB <u>National</u> Women's Youth League at the end of this month. It is fantastic to see students involved in the management of sport in this way.

National Honours (and 'Sister Magic')

**Shee Nathan-Wong (Y11)** has been selected to play for the NZ Open Women's World Cup Tag team and is the youngest player in the team! The tournament involves 110 teams from all over the world and will be held at North Harbour Stadium in December. She joins her sister, Tyla (Y13) who is also a member of this team.

If your son/daughter has achieved representative status (Auckland or NZ) or has competed in such events, the Sports Office would very much like to hear about this. Please either ask them to bring proof of the team they made/level they achieved (eg certificate, letter of selection, etc) so we have the exact wording of their achievement, or email these details to fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz

#### **CAREERS NEWS**

"It's been great to see so many students from all year levels using the Careers Centre this year for researching, using the career assessment tools, online applications and careers counselling.

There may be work, apprenticeship, course and scholarship information available into the new year, so look out for these. I will be available until 13 December for any student who would like to make a careers appointment prior to this. Best wishes for your external assessments and enjoy your well-earned summer holiday."

Mrs Keir, Careers Advisor

Making the right decisions about jobs, training and careers can be difficult. Career Services can help you and your family make sense of the huge amount of information available to you. Career Services is the government agency that provides free and independent information and advice about jobs, courses, training and careers. The Career Services website <a href="https://www.careers.govt.nz">www.careers.govt.nz</a> has information on over 5000 study and training options, with information on funding and scholarships. There are 670 job profiles, interviews with people doing the job, salary ranges, skills and qualifications needed and workplace demand. The Career Services free telephone advice line (0800 222 733) puts you in touch with an experienced careers advisor who will help you find the information you need, post you information and tell you about study, training and funding options in your area. There are also interactive tools to match your interests, skills, strengths and wants, complete a CV or resume and find out about the latest NZ job market demands.

#### End of year school leavers

We would like to remind students that it is important to get their tertiary course applications into the universities, polytechnics and tertiary providers of your choice well before the published closing dates. Full details of these are available on the tertiary providers' websites. Students not going to tertiary, and considering applying for jobs, apprenticeships, etc are welcome to have their CV critiqued by careers staff before the end of the year. Just bring along a copy on paper or on a USB.

Remember there are all levels of learning available if you are not accepted into the course that is your first choice. It is a good idea to have not just a Plan A, but a Plan B, C and D!

Have you ever wondered what an **occupational therapist** does? Have you had trouble explaining to your family and friends what occupational therapy is? Are you interested in working with people and assisting them to achieve their goals? Well then this video might be of interest to you.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UiGurOm2hh8 http://youtu.be/ncqQBoxPz3Y

**Espresso Coffee School** are offering a 1 day and 2 day barista courses. After your exams, school leavers may be interested in doing one of these if they are planning on working or travelling in 2013. <a href="www.espressocoffeeschool.co.nz">www.espressocoffeeschool.co.nz</a>

**MAINZ Open Day** this Saturday 27 October, 1pm-4pm. Courses available in contemporary music, audio engineering, live sound, DJ and electronic music production, music business courses in events, artist management, marketing and creative enterprise. <a href="www.mainz.ac.nz">www.mainz.ac.nz</a> 150 Victoria St, City

**Southern Wings** (based in Invercargill) have interviews scheduled in Auckland on 2 & 3 November for any Y13 students wanting to commence aviation training in 2013.

AUT have a new Maritime Engineering Degree for 2013. www.aut.ac.nz

#### **Scholarships**

The Scholarship "Breakout" website is available to access at no cost at school. This fantastic site details many different scholarships available for students in NZ planning tertiary study next year. There are literally thousands of scholarships on offer, so it is definitely worth taking the time to see if there are any that you can apply for. Please talk to Mrs Keir if you need help with these. <a href="https://www.breakout.org.nz">www.breakout.org.nz</a>

Students considering applying for overseas universities may like to look at this link to see if there are any scholarships they can apply for. There are also some scholarships listed for NZ tertiary institutes. http://www.scholarshipstimes.com/category/scholarships-worldwide/newzealand-scholarships/

#### **Careers Office**

Wendy Keir, Careers Advisor – ext 744 Raewyn Fairley, Gateway & AWE Co-ordinator – ext 745 Karen Hughes, Secretary – ext 743

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## \$250 donation to Lynfield College

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ASB Blockhouse Bay Branch Debbie Grace Branch Manager, Phone 337 2331

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#### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

#### **West Links Family Services**

Supporting families with invisible disabilities, eg AD/HD, Aspergers, ASD, ODD, CD, etc. We are located at: Waitakere Community Resource Centre, 8 Ratanui Street, Henderson

Phone: (09) 836-1941

Email: wlfs.2009@gmail.com

We offer support, information and advocacy for families.

Individual appointments are available.

#### West Auckland AD/HD and ASD Support Group for Parents & Caregivers

Do you or someone you know, have a child with ADHD or ASD?

#### **EVENING SUPPORT GROUP:**

Ignite Waitakere, 184 Lincoln Road, Henderson 7.30 – 9.30pm Dates for 2012: 7 and 19 November, 5 and 17 December

#### DAYTIME SUPPORT GROUP:

Waitakere Community Resource Centre, 8 Ratanui Street, Henderson, 10.00am – 12.00pm. Dates for 2012: 30 November 21 December

Enquiries, please call 09 836-1941