



LYNFIELD COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER 10

27 July 2012

Coming Events:

Week 2	Sat 28 Jul	Enrolment morning 9am – 12noon
Week 3	Mon 30	Course Selection begins ICAS English Board of Trustees Meeting 6.30pm in the Admin Building
	Tue 31	Blood Donor Day
	Thu 2 Aug	Australian Maths Competition Progress Conferences (A – L), 4 – 7pm, students released 2.20pm HCD bus departs from Boundary Rd 2.30pm
	Fri 3	Junior Student Council Meeting
Week 4	Mon 6	Mt Maunganui College – Lynfield College Exchange (home)
	Tue 7	Progress Conferences (M – Z), 4 – 7pm, students released 2.20pm HCD bus departs from Boundary Rd 2.30pm
	Thu 9	House Quiz
	Fri 10	Cross Country Senior Student Council Meeting Newsletter No. 11 emailed
Week 5	Mon 13	13GEO Muriwai trip
	Tue 14	House Competition – Netball Prefects that Peak training session 3
	Wed 15	Year 12 & 13 Music Evening, 7pm in the Hall
	Thu 16	WINTER SPORTS PHOTOS
	Fri 17	Teacher Only Day (no classes on this day)
Week 6	Mon 20	Mid-Term Break (the College is closed on this day)
	Tue 22	13 Childcare – Alongside Work Experience
	Tue 21 – Sat 25	Singapore Economics Quiz trip
	Fri 24	Newsletter No. 12 emailed
Week 7	Mon 27	Board of Trustees Meeting 6.30pm in the Admin Building
	Tue 28	13 Childcare – Alongside Work Experience
	Wed 29	Year 13 Assembly & <i>Attitude</i> Presentation Year 11 Music Evening
	Thu 30	Dance 2012 (Mardi Gras)
Week 8	Fri 31	Year 10 Assembly & <i>Attitude</i> Presentation <i>A period of in-class priority time begins (3 – 11 Sep). Students should not make external appointments during school time.</i>
	Mon 3 Sep	Winter Tournament Week
	Fri 7	Newsletter No. 13
Week 9	Wed 12 – Fri 21	SENIOR EXAMS

Enrolment dates for Year 9 in 2013

Enrolment continues for home zone and out of zone students in categories 2 – 5, Monday to Friday 9.30 – 11am, 3.15 – 4.30pm, no appointment necessary.

Please note: There will be guided tours of the College every Thursday at 4pm during August, starting from Reception.

Sat 28 Jul	Enrolment morning 9am – 12pm
Wed 5 Sep	Out of Zone applications close 5pm for Year 9/2013 Category 6 students
Wed 12	Out of Zone Category 6 applications ballot date
Tue 23 Oct	2013 Year 10 – 13 Out of Zone applications close 5pm
Wed 24	2013 Year 10 – 13 Out of Zone applications ballot date

Out of zone, category 6 applications for 2013 will be taken at any time up until the closing date; application forms are available from our website.

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Welcome to Term 3, which has particular importance for senior student achievement. We have progress conference evenings on Thursday 2 and Tuesday 7 August from 4 – 7pm. Students will be released at 2.20pm on those days. This is an opportunity to get feedback on your child's progress and find out what work may need to be done for successful results in the senior exams that begin in week 9 of this term.

Course selection for 2013 begins next week when this year's Year 10, 11 and 12 students will be issued with Senior Course Information booklets. A file copy of the Senior Course Information booklet can be opened from the front page of e-LynC. Students will be briefed on the importance of making careful and informed choices and encouraged to talk to their subject teachers about which courses to take. I would urge parents and caregivers to spend time discussing possible courses with their child, while being guided by the important qualifications, awards and prerequisite information contained in the Senior course Information booklet.

Enrolment for Year 9 students in 2013 is continuing. We have an enrolment morning tomorrow from 9am – 12noon for home zone and out of zone category 2 – 5 students. If you have an out of zone students at the College and wish to enrol a brother or sister for next year, this must be done by Wednesday 5 September. Further information about enrolment is contained in this newsletter.

S W Bovaird
Principal

Student Leader Profile – Assistant Arts & Culture Captains

Hello everybody, we are James Johansson and Jasmine Low, the Assistant Arts and Culture Captains for 2012. Our passion and love for the Arts at Lynfield have made our position as leaders extremely enjoyable and we love working with the many talented students who are here.

Being male Assistant Arts & Cultural Captain and involved with the Music Department has made this position truly worthwhile. I had the privilege this year of being the drummer in our school's prestigious Big Band. My position in the Student Executive has helped me to understand that I really do make a difference with the choices I make. I plan to become a music producer, but in order to do that, I need to look for opportunities to learn as much as I can; through being part of a band, going to open days which involve studio work and becoming familiar with all kinds of music. I know that enjoying and learning from my band experiences will make me a better producer, because I know how different genres *should* sound. At Lynfield, we strongly encourage one another to follow our career aspirations and to prioritise our future.



Being female Assistant Arts & Culture Captain I have the privilege of working alongside amazing staff and students who are highly talented in their own way. This position attracted me as it gave me an opportunity to work with different people and also allowed me to explore new cultures and different aspects of arts. I love exploring and learning about different cultures as I myself come from a multicultural background. To enhance my passion, I was given the opportunity to join many cultural groups and help organise Lynfield College's Cultural Festival. Even though I plan to head towards the sciences for my future studies, I will still continue looking for new things to try and to experience different cultures when I leave Lynfield.

A lot of dedication and commitment has been put into our leadership role and it has been an amazing year, working with each other and supporting each other along the way. Cultural Week, being our biggest event so far was a great success, running smoothly and getting the students to participate as much as possible. It has been a pleasure working alongside Mr Ratnam, Shantrelle Pendigrast and Michael Howell and we look forward to upcoming events such as Talent Quest and Festival Awards Evening.

Jasmine Low & James Johansson

NZQA Fees for 2012

NZQA fees are now well overdue and the College will not be accepting payment after 1 August. If you have lost your invoice, please contact Mr Delgrosso, Dean of Administrative Services, as a matter of URGENCY at rdelgrosso@lynfield.school.nz

2012 Lynfield College Ball – Award Winners

Congratulations to this year's award winners.

Queen of the Ball (Year 13)	Shivani Pragji
King of the Ball (Year 13)	Shafaa'at Ali
Belle of the Ball (Year 12)	Wiki Maihi
Beau of the Ball (Year 12)	Euan Reilly
Best Couple	Mr and Mrs Allfrey
Best Dancer	Sherif Rayan
Best Dressed Students	Avril McIntyre & Russell Geddes
Best Dressed Teacher	Mrs Clark

Thank you to parents for collecting their students from the venue at the end of the evening.

Booking Parent Interview Times Online

Progress Conference evenings are to be held at Lynfield College on Thursday 2 August (A – L) and Tuesday 7 August (M – Z). On-line booking sheets were issued to all students this week. These sheets should help you set the interview times with the teachers you wish to meet. On line bookings offer you as parents the opportunity to directly select the time at which you wish to meet teachers.

Access to the School Interviews website is through the internet using the URL address <http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz>. All students have been given written instructions on how to access the School Interviews website. Included with both this email and the information sheet is the special password for the Term 3 interviews - **5WNEB** - use this to access the appointment booking sheet.

Once logged in there are three simple steps to follow in order to complete the booking process. The information sheet given to students includes a printed copy of their courses and teachers' codes; this information is used to ensure you make interview times with the relevant staff. Parents should print out the email confirmation and bring it to the interview to enable the booking times to be followed.

Any parents unable to access the booking website should complete the manual booking slip on the instruction sheet and send this back to the school office with their child. Receptionist staff will also be able to make bookings through the school office number - phone 6270600. The exact times for the interviews will be confirmed either by email or on the student's slip.

We trust you will continue to find the on-line interview bookings efficient - it has certainly ensured Progress Conferences proceed in a scheduled and timely manner.

Any feedback or queries can be addressed to Deputy Principal Mr M Black on 6270600 extension 705.

Enrolment process for 2013

New In 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 Rd and Portage Rd. A map and list of streets can be found on our website www.lynfield.school.nz

The Board of Trustees has confirmed that the College will be accepting all Category 2, 3, 4 & 5 out of zone applicants for Year 9/2013 and these students should enrol at the same time as the home zone students.

- Category 2 (siblings of current students)
- Category 3 (siblings of past students)
- Category 4 (children of past students)
- Category 5 (children of Board employees)

These out of zone enrolments must be completed by Wednesday 5 September 2012.

Please note that we will be having guided tours of the College each Thursday at 4pm during August, starting at reception.

Below are important dates for your information:

Saturday 28 August	Year 9/2013 enrolment morning 9am – 12noon
Wednesday 5 September	Year 9/2013 category 6 out of zone applications close (ballot date is Wed 12 Sep)
Tuesday 23 October	Out of zone applications for Years 10 – 13/2013 close (ballot date is Wed 24 Oct)

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

The Trusts Community Foundation Scholarships

There will be nine TTCF academic scholarships and five non-degree scholarships available to Lynfield College students this year. Students must be permanent NZ residents and live in within the Portage Licensing Trust geographical boundary. Scholarships will be awarded to students with academic or technical ability who have demonstrated a contribution to the school and other attributes and will definitely be studying in 2013 (not taking a gap year.)

Application forms and more information will be available from the Deans' corridor in week 10 of this term and these are to be returned to Mr Waddington before 3.15pm Friday 19 October 2012.

If you have any questions see Mr Waddington nwaddington@lynfield.school.nz or Mrs Hameed shameed@lynfield.school.nz

**The New Zealand Blood Service will be collecting blood at the Lynfield College Hall
Tuesday 31 July 2012, 9.00am to 2.00pm**



Information for Parents, Guardians and Whanau

The Care of Children Act 2004 allows people 16 years and over to make their own decisions about whether or not they wish to give blood. Students may choose to donate blood at this session.

The NZBS recommends students discuss blood donation within their family. If families have any particular objection to the student choosing to make a blood donation then please make those issues known to the student and to the school before the collection date stated above. More information about blood donation will be available on the day of collection. If you need more information now please call 0800GIVEBLOOD or look at www.nzblood.co.nz

It is important that we encourage students into a lifetime habit of donating blood and making a worthwhile contribution to their community.

Becoming a Blood Donor...

Age:	<u>First Time Donors</u> 16 to 65 years of age	<u>Existing Donors</u> Up to 71 years of age
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Weight: You must be 50 kg or over

Health:

- You must be in good health.
- You cannot donate if you have a cold, flu, sore throat, cold sore, stomach bug or any other infection.
- If you have recently had a tattoo or body piercing you cannot donate for 6 months from the date of the procedure.
- If you have visited the dentist for a minor procedure you must wait 24 hours before donating; for major work wait a month.

Travel: You must not have lived in the United Kingdom, France or the Republic of Ireland between 1980 and 1996 for 6 months or more.

Food: You must have eaten some food during the four hours prior to donation.

Important Facts on Blood:

- There is no substitute for human blood—healthy donors are the only source of supply.
- Only 4% of New Zealand's population currently donate blood—yet over 80% of us will need a blood product in our lifetime.
- A blood donation is separated into different components, each of which is used to treat different patients—accident trauma, patients undergoing surgery, people with leukaemia, transplant patients and many others. Blood products are also used for immunisation to help prevent diseases such as hepatitis A and B, tetanus and chicken pox.
- Each donation is able to help up to 3 people—blood donors are literally lifesavers.

Parents are welcome to come to the school to donate blood at this collection session. Please ensure you bring suitable identification with you.

Either photo identification or two other forms of identification will be acceptable. One must confirm date of birth e.g. school ID card, passport, birth certificate or driver's license etc. With your consent we may also ask the school to confirm you are least 16 years of age.

Year 9 & 10 Health Programme for Term 3

Year 9 and 10 Health students are soon to be starting a Sexuality unit. I would like to inform parents of the topics we will be focusing on and to invite parents to discuss these with us. Parents are encouraged to suggest further topics that they feel are important for their students to explore.

Year 9 – Main Objectives

Students will identify the characteristics of positive relationships and explore relationships in their own lives.

- To identify the physical and emotional changes of puberty.
- To encourage greater acceptance of their own body, by helping students to become aware of the negative influence of the media.

Year 10 – Main Objectives

Students will identify the characteristics of positive friendships and relationships. Students will explore and learn to recognise assertive behaviours in themselves and others and how this can enhance relationships.

- To identify appropriate methods of contraception and how to use them, with an emphasis on abstinence.
- To identify appropriate protection against sexually transmissible infections.
- To identify services available to teenagers at Lynfield College and in the wider Auckland area.
- Students will learn the dangers of 'sexting' and using internet chat rooms.
- Students will explore the pressures that they face from peers and from the media regarding sexuality.

If you have any questions about any of these topics please contact Kathryn Wells HOD Health kwells@lynfield.school.nz

Homework Centres

The College Library remains open after school every day until 3.40pm, 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)**

THE EXTRA CURRICULAR SCENE

Congratulations to the following students who have achieved highly in their chosen field.

Michael Howell (Y13) who has been selected for the NZ Youth Jazz Orchestra for the second year in a row. This 18 piece jazz band is made up of under 20 year olds who have auditioned from across the country. The band will spend time in Wellington rehearsing under the direction of well-known jazz educator and trombonist Rodger Fox before touring and performing around the lower North Island.

National Honours

Again we congratulate some of our top sportspeople for receiving national honours. These athletes are extremely motivated, hardworking and self-disciplined both in their chosen sports and in the classroom. Their successes are a direct result of their commitment.

Tyla Nathan-Wong (Y13) has been selected as a member of the NZ Women's Rugby Sevens Team to play in a tournament next week. This is another wonderful opportunity for her to get further international experience in this code.

Juee Bhide (Y11) has been selected as a member of the New Zealand World Junior Squash Squad and is training for the 2013 World Junior U19 Championships. Following her successes last year (Auckland Girls U15 Champion, 3rd North Island Junior Girls) she is currently ranked 4th in NZ in the Girls U17 age group. With these credentials her ranking is too high to compete in a school team and has elected to give something back to her school and sport by coaching our Senior Girls team.

Rebecca Smith (Y12) scored a round of 72 when playing golf last term. This earned her the title of Auckland Golf District Junior Home Links Champion for both Gross and Net scores. Each district winner's score is submitted to find the national winner. Rebecca's amazing round was better than any other junior in the country winning her the NZ Junior Best Net Home Links Score title.

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 (e.g. certificate, letter of selection, etc) so we have the exact wording of their achievement, or email these details to fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz

Team Talk

Weekly winter sports competitions are in their final few weeks and some teams are performing exceptionally well.

2nd XI Girls Football finished league games this week after suffering only 2 losses all season. They now move into the playoffs in 2nd position.

U15 Boys Hockey lost just twice and recently had some amazing wins e.g. 10-0 v Liston College! Their success has been made possible by the dedication of their volunteer coach, Raj Chauhan (a parent of one of our students), with the unerring support from other parents who have spent a lot of game time watching from the dugout while sheltering from the rain!

Premier Development Netball remains undefeated throughout the entire season. Watch this space!

Premier 1 Netball, together with Avondale College, leads the top grade in Netball Waitakere's secondary schools competition.

1st XV Rugby pulled off a big win last Saturday against De La Salle College by kicking a penalty after the final whistle for an infringement in the last seconds of the game. This puts them in a very good position to get into the play-offs.

Sports Office

Director of Sport – Felicity Walbran
Sport Co-ordinator – Joanne Smith
Sport Administrator – Su Yim
627 0600 extension 595

We would love to hear if your child has had success in any cultural or sporting events outside the College. Please email details to welldone@lynfield.school.nz

CAREERS

NCEA L1, L2 & L3 revision classes, October school holidays at Unitec.

If you would like help with subject revision for your end of year external exams, these very popular revision classes might be good for you. Most subjects are available but these courses fill up really quickly so please book ASAP if you would like to do one. Further details and enrolments at www.stepup.unitec.ac.nz

Y13 & Y12 Unitec Try It For A Day opportunities available in Communication Studies, Civil Engineering & Surveying, Marketing & Management. www.unitec.ac.nz

Y13 & Y12 MIT (Manukau Institute of Technology) Experience Day opportunities available in Shipping, Freight & Logistics and Performing Arts (singing, dancing acting), Creative Writing. www.manukau.ac.nz

Thinking about studying at a university outside of Auckland next year? If so, you might need to apply for accommodation at the university's hall of residence. Details available on the various university websites.

Want to pursue a career on stage and screen? You can be a Student For A Day at the School of Performing Arts, NASDA, in Christchurch. www.nasda.co.nz

Visitors To Our School

- **Studylink “Apply Online” Session** – Wed 1 Aug, 12.50pm, E6. 50 places available for Y13 to be assisted enrolling for student loans and allowances with the help of Studylink staff here at our school. Bookings essential, Sign up at S/S.
- **AUT International Student Info** – Fri 10 Aug, 12.40pm, A1
- **Victoria University of Wellington** – Wed 15 Aug, 10.40am, A1

- **University of Auckland Course Information** – Thu 2 Aug. Course planning and enrolment advice. Timetable subject to change.
 - P1 – Engineering (Hall), Arts, Law & Theology (Seminar Room)
 - P2 – Medical Sciences (Hall), Business (Seminar Room)
 - P3 – Education (Hall), Creative Arts (Seminar Room)
 - P4 – Science, Optometry, Technology (Hall)

Open Days & Information Evenings (Full details on school website “Career Events”)

- **Massey University, Manawatu Campus Open Day** – Wed 1 August www.masseyopendays.ac.nz
- **NASDA** (National Academy of Singing and Dramatic Arts) Student For A Day – Wed 1 & 15 & 17 Aug, Christchurch www.nasda.co.nz
- **Elam Studios Guided Tour** – Thu 2 & 9 & 16 Aug, 1pm www.creative.auckland.ac.nz/elam
- **NZ Police Recruiting Seminar** – Tue 7 Aug, 7pm, 111 Great South Rd, Greenlane www.newcops.co.nz
- **Engineering Futures Info** – Wed 8 & Thu 9 Aug, 6.30pm, The University of Auckland, Engineering Faculty, 20 Symonds St, City
- **AUT Communications Info** – Thu 9 Aug, 6pm, Wellesley St, City www.aut.ac.nz
- **University of Canterbury Auckland Info** – Thu 9 Aug, 6pm, Novotel Ellerslie, 72-112 Greenlane Rd East. www.canterbury.ac.nz

Scholarships

Y13 students considering tertiary study next year are encouraged to visit www.breakout.org.nz This site holds a database of thousands of scholarships (ie. money you don't have to pay back!) available to secondary school students who are going on to university or polytechnics in 2013. University and polytechnic websites also have details of the scholarships they have available. Most scholarships applications are now online. Please familiarise yourself with the application process as these can be quite involved eg. essays, principal endorsement, verified copies of documentation, etc. We are happy to help you with any questions you may have. Please drop by during your break.

University of Auckland scholarships – these are now done online. Students must first complete an application for admission to the university BEFORE they apply for any scholarship. Go to www.auckland.ac.nz and click on “Apply Now”. Closing date for the 4 main entry level scholarships is 3 Sep.

Massey University High Achiever (academic or arts) and **Massey University Sport Scholarships** – close 30 Aug. <http://awards.massey.ac.nz>

Are you Y13 wanting to study architecture, quantity surveying, construction, engineering, property management, real estate, valuation or planning (a course associated with the **property industry**)? If you genuinely face **financial hardship** that might prevent you from studying without the help of a grant, you should apply for the Keystone Trust Scholarship www.keystonetrust.org.nz Close 30 Aug.

Careers Office

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