



LYNFIELD COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER 11

10 August 2012

**Coming Events:**

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| Week 5  | Mon 13 <b>Aug</b><br>Tue 14<br>Wed 15<br>Thu 16      | Year 13 Geography Muriwai trip<br>House Competition – Netball<br>Year 12 & 13 Music Evening, 7pm in the Hall<br>WINTER SPORTS PHOTOS<br>UNISS Netball Parents Meeting, 7.15pm in the staffroom  |
|         | <b>Fri 17</b>  | <b>Teacher Only Day (no classes on this day)</b>  |
| Week 6  | <b>Mon 20</b><br>Tue 22<br>Tue 21 – Sat 25<br>Fri 24 | <b>Mid-Term Break (the College is closed on this day)</b><br>Year 13 Childcare – Alongside Work Experience<br>Singapore Economics Quiz trip<br>Newsletter No. 12 emailed  |
| Week 7  | Mon 27<br>Tue 28<br><br><b>Wed 29</b>                | Board of Trustees Meeting 6.30pm in the Admin Building<br>Year 13 Childcare – Alongside Work Experience<br>Year 13 Graphics Exhibition, 5.30 – 7pm in the staffroom<br>Pink Ribbon Breakfast, Hospitality students<br>Year 13 Assembly<br><b>TEACHERS PAID UNION MEETING – students released at 12.30pm, HCD bus departs Boundary Rd at 1.00pm.</b> |
|         | Thu 30<br>Fri 31                                     | Year 11 Music Evening, 7pm in the Hall<br>Dance 2012 (Mardi Gras)<br>Year 10 Assembly & <i>Attitude</i> Presentation  |
| Week 8  |  | <i>A period of in-class priority time begins (3 – 11 Sep). Students should not make external appointments during school time.</i>   |
|         | Mon 3 <b>Sept</b><br>Fri 7                           | Winter Tournament Week<br>Newsletter No. 13 emailed   |
| Week 9  | Wed 12<br>Fri 14                                     | SENIOR EXAMS begin<br>Lynfield College Kapa Haka perform at Halsey Drive School   |
| Week 10 | Mon 17 – Fri 21<br>Fri 21                            | SENIOR EXAMS continue<br>Newsletter No. 14 emailed  |
| Week 11 | Mon 24<br><br>Tue 25<br><br>Thu 27                   | Year 12 Beauty Therapy applied services course<br>Lynfield College Shinagawa Friendship Group departs for Japan<br>Year 12 Beauty Therapy applied services course<br>Year 13 PE Camp departs (returns Fri 28 Sep)<br>Junior Quizzex, lunchtime in the Hall  |
|         | <b>Fri 28 Sept</b>                                   | <b>Term 3 ends</b>  |
|         | <b>Mon 15 Oct</b>                                    | <b>Term 4 begins</b>  |

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**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.**

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

Our annual sports exchange with Mt Maunganui College held on Monday of this week, was a great success with Lynfield coming away with the exchange trophy. The fine break in the recent wet weather made the day even more enjoyable and I would like to compliment the competing students from both schools on their excellent conduct and sportsmanship. Thank you to all participating staff members, in particular our Sports Office staff, Ms Walbran, Mrs Yim and Mrs Smith, whose organization ensured the events of the day went very smoothly.

Thank you to the many parents and caregivers who attend the student progress conferences held during weeks 3 and 4. Over 3,000 interview bookings were made over the two evenings, which ensured that valuable feedback on students' progress was gained by parents and teaching staff. Over the next four weeks senior students should follow through on any advice and revision guidelines recommended by their teachers to ensure success in the senior exams which begin in week 9 of this term.

Many parents and students also took this opportunity to gain further information and advice on course selection for 2013. All Year 10 – 13 students have now been issued with the 2013 Course Selection booklet. Students who were absent at the time these booklets were distributed should see their form teachers. Please take time to discuss option choices and career paths with your children. It is essential that pages 2 – 7 of this booklet are read very carefully before making course selection decisions. Within these introductory pages are listed the school staff who are able to assist you in making these important decisions. Course selection forms should be handed to your child's form teacher by Friday 31 August.

This month Year 10 – 13 students have been issued personal login details to use the FutureSelves online questionnaire, which is designed to help students think about possibilities and opportunities for their future. Please encourage your child to use this tool to check out their 2013 course selection in relation to their goals. [www.futureselves.net](http://www.futureselves.net)

The NZ Post Primary Teachers' Association (PPTA) has advised us that there will be a Paid Union Meeting on Wednesday 29 August. All students will be sent home at the end of form time (12.50pm) on this day. However, supervised study will be available for students if they are waiting for a bus or to be collected by family. These students should report to the Hall at 1.20pm. The HCD bus will depart from Boundary Road at 1.00pm.

S W Bovaird  
Principal

### **Student Leader Profile – Assistant Academic Captains**

Kia Ora everybody! We are Marisha Aya and Yash Vyas, the Deputy Academic Captains for 2012. When we got elected for this role at the end of last year, both of us were very honoured, proud and excited to step into this role and were keen to take up any opportunities we could to raise Lynfield College's academic profile and also to further raise academic awareness within our own student body.



Being part of the student executive has been absolutely amazing. With their constant support with any events that we hosted throughout this year in conjunction with the Academic Captains and the Academic Council we were able to ensure that Lynfield College maintained and improved its rich learning experience.

Very recently, the Academic Council hosted the annual Quizzex competitions for our senior students, with the Junior Quizzex coming up shortly. It has been awesome to see so many students taking a keen interest in the event and taking up the opportunity to get involved in the academic side of their student year! We ended up with a large turnout and record participation of over thirty teams all with a very competitive spirit and their eyes set not only on the chocolate up for grabs, but more importantly the considerable amount of knowledge they would take away with them.

With the September Exams as well as the final examinations not far from the horizon, in conjunction with the Academic Council and the Captains, we are on the brink of starting up our Academic Mentoring Programme. This programme aims to introduce the idea of examinations and their importance to our new junior students, most of whom are new to this concept from their leap from intermediate schools into high school. We aim to equip them with the best of knowledge we can provide them with in terms of how to go about maintaining their time prior to examinations, study methods as well as basic tutoring with any minor problems that the students may face in their classes and homework.

A lot of dedication and effort has been put into making these events and programmes possible for the students at Lynfield College and we would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every teacher as well as students who have supported us and helped us to accomplish our goals. We hope to take this invaluable experience with us as we pursue our careers at university and future leadership opportunities.

*Marisha Aya & Yash Vyas*

## 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](http://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:**

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| 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](http://www.lynfield.school.nz)

### NZQA Fees for 2012

Payment of NCEA fees must now be made directly to NZQA in Wellington, using the appropriate form. Check the NZQA web site for the timing of late payment penalties.

## 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](mailto:nwaddington@lynfield.school.nz) or Mrs Hameed [shameed@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:shameed@lynfield.school.nz)

## Scholarships for Lynfield Students

**AUT:** The Vice-Chancellor's scholarship is available to the top academic student going from Lynfield College to AUT. The Significant Student scholarship is for those who have contributed significantly, show leadership and academic ability. These are contestable, with one issued for every two AUT partner schools.

**UNITEC:** Lynfield College can nominate two students for a Partner Schools award.

**University of Auckland:** Lynfield College can only support the application of ONE student for the Alumni Scholarship, where one of the main criteria is financial hardship.

APPLICATIONS FOR ALL OF THESE ARE AVAILABLE OUTSIDE MR WADDINGTON'S OFFICE. THE APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR ALL THREE UNIVERSITIES IS **FRIDAY 25 AUGUST AT 3.15PM**. Late applications will not be accepted.

## 2012 ICAS Computer Skills Results

ICAS Computer Skills are back and we are very proud of the students' results. Ten Year 9 students participated and one student, Adya Choudhary gained Distinction which ranked her in the 91 percentile for New Zealand. Three gained Credit Awards (Steven Barker,



Janice Han and Nithya Narayanan) and five gained Participation Certificates.

Seven Year 10 students entered the competition and two students, Ishmeen Dhaliwal and Harsham Choksi, gained Distinction which gave them both a 97 NZ percentile ranking. (and two gained Credit (Jake Krishnamurti and Raynil Laxmidas) and three gained Participation Certificates.

Eight students from Year 11 entered and two students, Joel De Zoysa (with a 92 percentile) and Logan Small (97 percentile, gained Distinction, one gained Credit (Tian Cooke) and five gained Participation.

### 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)**

### EXTRA-CURRICULAR

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

#### Umpiring/Refereeing

Two of our students have pursued a path in umpiring/refereeing and will be controlling several games during Winter Tournament Week early in September.

**Tiffany McGregor (Y13)** has qualified as a Netball NZ Regional Umpire and will umpire at the Upper North Island Secondary Schools netball tournament where the top teams from 99 schools will compete.

**Aiden Moffatt (Y10)** has been invited by the Auckland Football Federation to referee at the National Secondary Schools Football Tournament.

This is a time consuming and exacting task. It is easy to forget that without committed people such as these, no sport competitions would be possible. Congratulations and thanks to these students for their work in this field.

#### Regional Honours

**Juee Bhide (Y11)** and **James Rutter (Y11)** have both had success in squash and are travelling to the South Island to represent Auckland in national finals. Juee is a member of the Auckland Women's B Grade team and will compete in Christchurch while James will compete in Invercargill for the F Grade team championship.

#### National Honours

**Nick Weaver (Y11)** was a member of the NZ baseball team which recently won an international tournament in Guam, earning the Asia-Pacific region title. As a result Nick will now compete for NZ in the World Series where winners from various regions compete for the World title. This is the first time a NZ Baseball team has won an international competition and the first time NZ has earned a place at a World Series.

**Rebecca Smith (Y12)** and **Jocelynn Katu (Y10)** teamed up to compete in the NZ Foursomes Golf Competition. Their scores earned them 4<sup>th</sup> in the NZ Foursomes and 1<sup>st</sup> Net in NZ Foursomes.

#### International Competition

**Natalie Woodgate (Y12)** recently competed in the inaugural Samoa Swim Series. Natalie has proven herself as a successful Open Water swimmer and while in Samoa had 3 wins and a 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 4 race series, taking the title of top female swimmer of the series.

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](mailto:fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz)

## WE HAVE THE CUP!!

The annual **Lynfield/Mt Maunganui sports exchange** took place on Monday 6 August – the only fine, sunny day in about 2 weeks! This exchange has been a highlight on the sporting calendars of both schools for 53 years. The top teams in 11 codes competed for the overall trophy based on the number of games won and lost. This year Lynfield showed its dominance losing only 2 games and drawing another 2. The remainder were very convincing wins. Congratulations to our students for their fine sportsmanship and hospitality. They played hard and fair and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the day.

### Results

|                                   | Lynfield | Mt Maunganui |
|-----------------------------------|----------|--------------|
| Golf                              | 0        | 4            |
| Basketball Boys                   | 102      | 60           |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> XI Football Boys  | 14       | 2            |
| Touch Mixed Team                  | 6        | 0            |
| Waterpolo Mixed Team              | 1        | 17           |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> XI Football Girls | 1        | 1            |
| Netball Premier 1                 | 42       | 13           |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> XI Hockey Girls   | 1        | 1            |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> XI Hockey Boys    | 7        | 0            |
| Netball Premier 2                 | 44       | 25           |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> XV Rugby Boys     | 5        | 8            |

### Team Talk

**2<sup>nd</sup> XI Girls Football** This team played its way to the semi-finals of the U19 Senior B grade and as this goes to print it is playing Henderson High for a position in the final which will be played next Wednesday.

**Premier 1 Netballers** have finished their championship round in 2<sup>nd</sup> place and now enter the play-offs for final positions in the top grade of the West Auckland Secondary Schools Competition. This is excellent news as we have worked hard over the past 5 years to raise the standard of netball throughout the school.

**Premier Development Netballers** continue their undefeated record finishing at the top of their grade! Over the next 2 weeks these teams, together with 4 other of our netball teams (**Premier 2, Senior Gold, Senior Grey and Senior Black**) will play semi-finals and finals for their grades. Y9 and Y10 teams still have one more game in their championship round.

#### Sports Office

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

### CAREERS NEWS

“Future U”, is a national video competition for 13-18 year olds. The competition encourages teens to share their vision for NZ in 2050, in a video message of up to 2 minutes. Have your say and share your unique vision. Create a unique and energetic video message and be in to win an awesome prize package for both you and your school.

[www.engine.ac.nz/Future-U](http://www.engine.ac.nz/Future-U) [www.facebook.com/FutureU](http://www.facebook.com/FutureU)

### EF High School Year Overseas Scholarship

Worth \$2500 for the successful student interested in travelling with EF. EF are looking for a student who is curious and outgoing, academically motivated and who will be a great ambassador for NZ. Deadline 10 September.

[www.ef.co.nz/highschool](http://www.ef.co.nz/highschool).

### School Course Selection for 2013

The government careers website has great information to assist students choosing their school subjects for next year. There is an easy three-step guide that both students and their parents can use. Visit: [www.careers.govt.nz/education-and-training/still-at-school/choosing-school-subjects/](http://www.careers.govt.nz/education-and-training/still-at-school/choosing-school-subjects/) This information is also in the [Choosing School Subjects Action Plan](#) which can be printed off and used as a hand-out if you wish.

## **NCEA L1, L2 and 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](http://www.stepup.unitec.ac.nz)

## **ESITO Taster Course, MIT, 8-11 October**

This course will introduce you to a number of work relevant areas and activities within the electricity supply industry which could include: knowledge of the industry, practical activities such as electrical or mechanical workshop projects, making a simple generator, making extension leads, digging trenches, rope work, health and safety and wearing personal protection equipment, working at heights or abseiling, a range of site visits to electricity supply companies. [www.esito.org.nz](http://www.esito.org.nz) Closing date for applications 20 August.

Y13 considering studying **Visual Arts at MIT** (Manukau Institute of Technology) next year might like to attend the MIT Visual Arts Experience Day on Monday 3 September. Own transport essential. See Mrs Hughes ASAP. [www.manukau.ac.nz](http://www.manukau.ac.nz)

**AIS St Helens** have introduced two new qualifications: Bachelor of Information Technology and a Bachelor of Hospitality Management. [www.ais.ac.nz](http://www.ais.ac.nz)

**Visitors to our School** (Appointments need to be made at Student Services)

- **Victoria University** of Wellington – Wed 15 Aug, 10.40am, A1
- **Lincoln University**, Christchurch – Wed 19 Sep, 11am, A1 (during senior exam time)
- **AUT Course Planning** – Thu 23 Aug (details TBA)

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

- **University of Otago Info Night** – Mon 13 Aug, 6pm-8pm, North Shore Stadium, ASB North Room
- **Faculty of Education, University of Auckland** – Tue 14 Aug, 4pm-7.30pm, Epsom Campus (Teaching, Social & Youth Work, etc)
- **University of Auckland Asian Language or Asian Studies** – Wed 15 Aug, 9.30am-12.30pm. Find out how to apply and how to build up your secondary school learning record, sit in on one of the first year classes and be a tertiary student for an hour, soak up the academic atmosphere on a campus tour. Email [asianstudies@auckland.ac.nz](mailto:asianstudies@auckland.ac.nz).
- **Swiss Hotel Management** - Mon 20 Aug, 7pm, Hilton Hotel, Princes Wharf, City.
- **Maori & Pasifika Finance Information Evening, University of Auckland** – Wed 22 Aug, 6pm, Fale Pasifika, 20 Wynard St, City.
- **University of Auckland Courses & Careers Day** – Sat 25 Aug, 9.30am – 3.30pm. Programmes and free bus sign up at S/S.
- **University of Waikato Info Evening** – Tue 28 Aug, 6pm-8pm, Alexandra Park Raceway, Hobson Room, Greenlane
- **Study at Vic Open Day, Wellington Campus** – Fri 31 Aug (Programme at S/S or online)
- **Massey University, Wellington Campus** – Fri 31 Aug
- **Elam Fine Arts Portfolio Preparation Workshop** - Sat 1 Sep. Bookings essential [www.creative.auckland.ac.nz/elam](http://www.creative.auckland.ac.nz/elam)

## **Scholarships**

Y13 students considering tertiary study next year are encouraged to visit [www.breakout.org.nz](http://www.breakout.org.nz) This site is free to access on the school computer network and 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 Waikato Scholarships** for those that excel academically, in sports or creative and performing arts. Applications close 31 Oct [www.waikato.ac.nz/hillary](http://www.waikato.ac.nz/hillary)
- **Computer Power Plus Scholarship** - for those wanting to study IT at Computer Power Plus Campus. Close 2 November [www.computerpower.ac.nz/scholarship2012](http://www.computerpower.ac.nz/scholarship2012)
- **AUT** – for those wanting to undertake BA (Japanese), BA (Chinese), or BA (international Studies) – Close 30 September.
- **EIT (Napier & Gisborne)** Study grant available for those interested in studying viticulture & wine. Campus tours etc [www.eit.ac.nz](http://www.eit.ac.nz)
- **AUT Business** scholarship details are now available online. [www.aut.ac.nz](http://www.aut.ac.nz)
- **University of Auckland** – closing date 3 September. Students must apply for admission first, before applying online for a scholarship.
- **For those that have already applied for UoA scholarships** - an unforeseen technical issue has affected some applications. Please logon to the university website and check your application has been received by the university. Any questions, please see Mrs Hughes ASAP.
- **University of Canterbury** have many scholarships available including:
  - **Law** (closes 1 September)
  - **International First Year Scholarships** (closes 1 October) - for top achieving international students who will gain UE from a NZ school
  - Many more available. Full details at [www.canterbury.ac.nz/scholarships](http://www.canterbury.ac.nz/scholarships) Info sheet available at Student Services.
  - **International College of Hotel Management, Adelaide** – specifically for a NZ applicant. Applications close 17 Oct. Details at [www.ichm.edu.au](http://www.ichm.edu.au) Talk to Mrs Keir for more info.

**Careers Office**

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