

LYNFIELD COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER 12

24 August 2012

Coming Events:		
Week 7	Mon 27 Aug Tue 28	Board of Trustees Meeting 6.30pm in the Admin Building Year 13 Childcare – Alongside Work Experience Year 13 Graphics Exhibition, 5.30 – 7pm in the staffroom
	Wed 29	TEACHERS PAID UNION MEETING – students released at 12.50pm, HCD bus departs Boundary Rd at 1.00pm. Year 11 Music Evening, 7pm in the Hall
	Thu 30 Fri 31	Dance 2012 (Mardi Gras) Year 10 Assembly & <i>Attitude</i> Presentation PISA testing – Year 11
Week 8		Course selection forms should be returned to Form Teachers by today A period of in-class priority time begins $(3 - 11 \text{ Sep})$. Students should not make external appointments during school time.
	Mon 3 Sep Wed 5 Fri 7	Winter Tournament Week Jazz Concert, 7pm in the Hall Newsletter No. 13 emailed
Week 9	Tue 11 – Fri 14 Wed 12	Year 9 Business Tip Top trips SENIOR EXAMS begin Pink Ribbon Breakfast, Hospitality students
Week 10	Fri 14 Mon 17 – Fri 21 Fri 21	Lynfield College Kapa Haka perform at Halsey Drive School SENIOR EXAMS continue Newsletter No. 14 emailed
Week 11	Mon 24 Tue 25	Year 12 Beauty Therapy applied services course Lynfield College Shinagawa Friendship Group departs for Japan Year 12 Beauty Therapy applied services course
	Wed 26	Year 13 PE Camp departs (returns Fri 28 Sep) Year 13 Assembly & <i>Attitude</i> presentation P5
	Thu 27 Fri 28	Music Department Concert, 7pm in the Hall Junior Quizzex, lunchtime in the Hall Term 3 ends
Week 1	Mon 15 Oct	Term 4 begins
	Wed 17	2013 Student Elections held this week Prefects that Peak session 4 Year 12 Music Performance Evening, 7pm Hall
	Thu 18 Fri 19	6 th House Meetings – voting for 2013 House Captains 6 th House Meetings – voting for 2013 House Captains
Week 2	Mon 22 Tue 23 Sat 27	LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY – schools closed on this day Festival Awards Evening – please note date change from 25 Oct Lynfield College Diwali Show
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 Wed 12		Out of Zone applications close 5pm for Year 9/2013 Category 6 students Out of Zone Category 6 applications ballot date
Tue 23 Oct Wed 24		2013 Year 10 – 13 Out of Zone applications close 5pm 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

In two weeks there will be an exam period for our senior students. The results from these exams play an important part in determining derived grades, should this be necessary due to illness in the external NCEA exams in November. Therefore, it is important that senior students prepare themselves fully and have a programme of revision underway. All students have been issued with draft exam timetables and will receive instruction information sheets on exam rules and procedures. Any clashes should have already been reported to Mr Waddington, Academic Advisor. The final version of the timetable will be available next week and parents will be able to access this from our College moodle site, eLynC and the website <u>www.lynfield.school.nz</u>

When students are not attending exams, they are expected to be home studying for forthcoming exams.

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 school bus will depart from Boundary Road at 1.00pm.

Student Representative, Board of Trustees 2012 – 2013

Students are invited to nominate themselves or another student to be the Student Representative on the Board of Trustees for 2012 – 2013. The role of the student representative is to provide input to the BOT, based on the perspectives of the students they represent. They can make valuable contributions to decisions that affect the strategic direction of the school. Nomination forms and additional information are available from the Returning Officer, Mr Waddington. Nominations will close at noon on Tuesday 11 September and the election will be held on Tuesday 25 September.

S W Bovaird Principal

Student Leader Profile – Year 13 Social Committee

Kia Ora

We, Megan Ferreira, Jason Qu, Kendra Wright and Ben Zhu are the Social Coordinators for 2012. We are extremely honoured and privileged to be elected by our peers and teachers to take on this leadership position during our last year at Lynfield College. It is a fantastic opportunity but surely not an easy one. With power comes great responsibility along with the pressure, stress and the need to step up and take actions for ourselves.

The year started off with assisting the Head students in planning and organising the Senior Ball together with the Ball Committee. Organising such a huge event with over 350 students attending is not an easy job, but we did it! The extra hours at school, countless intervals and lunchtimes, hours over



the weekend that went towards it were all worth it! Not only did we have both students and staff ball attendees saying it was "the best ball I've been to" but we've gained a lot of skills such as organisational skills, time management skills, team work, budgeting skills and event planning skills which will surely help us all in the future. We now know what it's like dealing and working with people from big companies and venues which have made us more mature and realistic in our thinking. These are skills that will last a lifetime and will surely help us in our future career pathways. Jason plans to head off to University of Auckland to undergo a degree in Pharmacy, Ben plans to study Engineering at University of Auckland, Kendra wishes to obtain a Bachelor degree in International Hospitality Management at AUT and Megan is interested in studying Nursing at University of Auckland.

Even though we have our own events to plan, we are constantly supporting and helping our other student prefects in the Student Executive with their events by leading the Promotions Committee. This is a small group of talented students who design posters and tickets for any upcoming events around school. With only a few weeks left before we leave, the planning and organising is still going strong. Currently we are well underway in organising the Leavers gear as well as a memorable Leavers' Dinner to be held in early December as a farewell for our Year 13s. We aim to make the Leavers' Dinner a night that the class of 2012 will never forget!

Megan Ferreira, Kendra Wright, Ben Zhu, Jason Qu

NZQA Fees for 2012

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

Parenting Adolescents – Tough Love Seminar

Toughlove Auckland is returning to repeat the professional seminar "Parenting Adolescents" which was so successfully run for Lynfield parents last year. The seminar will again be facilitated by experienced Toughlove representatives who are all parent volunteers.

Toughlove is a loving solution for families that are being torn apart by unacceptable adolescent behaviour.

Parenting adolescents can be a challenging and frustrating time in the dynamics of family life. This seminar will offer you some handy tips and techniques to take away and use at home. To know you are not alone, that most parents experience issues with their teenagers and that Toughlove can offer additional support, can be a relief. Come and learn about parenting dilemmas, setting boundaries and consequences, manipulation and blackmail, resolving conflict and communication, and the brain hijacking during adolescence.

Tuesday 4 September 7.00 – 9.00pm Lynfield College Staffroom Gold coin donation to Toughlove appreciated All Welcome

If you are keen to attend this seminar please phone Lynfield College reception on 627 0600 extension 700 to provide an indication for catering purposes for supper.

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:

Wednesday 5 September
Tuesday 23 OctoberYear 9/2013 category 6 out of zone applications close (ballot date is Wed 12 Sep)
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 or Mrs Hameed

College Library

In an exciting development - eBooks are now available for borrowing! So far we have about 100 eBooks, both fiction and non-fiction, and more titles are being added to the collection each week. These can be downloaded at home with a loan period of three weeks. Students are asked to see Library Staff for logon and password details.

Auckland History Teachers' Association Quiz

Last Thursday we took two teams of Year 11 History students to the annual AHTA Quiz at Diocesan. Out of the 77 teams that took part our teams came 6th and 7th equal. This is an impressive result given that only two schools managed to get two teams in the Top Ten – Lynfield College and Auckland Grammar.

The Auckland Grammar team that won the competition managed to accumulate 72 points over the 8 rounds of the quiz – our top Lynfield team was well within range with a very respectable 66 points. It was particularly pleasing to hear Lynfield College being publicly recognised as one of the teams to beat after the first three rounds.

Congratulations to Logan Small, Tian Cooke, Mia Foskin, Isaac Williams, David Wu, Anton Stuart on their performance.

New Zealand's Most Inspiring Teachers 2012

Warehouse Stationery is again running this promotion which this year includes Early Childhood Education as well as Years 1 - 13. Nominations are now being taken. Every entry earns the nominated teacher's school 50 Support Your SchoolTM points. Visit the website <u>www.inspiringteachers.co.nz</u>

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

EXTRA-CURRICULAR

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

National and Regional Honours

- Recently returned from competing as a member the NZ Women's Rugby 7s Team, **Tyla Nathan-Wong (Y13)** has now been selected in the NZ Women's World Cup Tag Team. Congratulations to Tyla for gaining her 3rd international cap this year!
- Lauren Irving (Y11) competed in the NZSS National Gymsports Championships, placing 2nd in Women's Artistic Gymnastics, Level 6. This is an excellent result, particularly considering the level of competition.

Sports Scholarship

Tyla Nathan-Wong (Y13) is one of only three very talented young West Auckland athletes to have been awarded a Don Oliver Youth Foundation Gold Scholarship. This award was based on her dedication, sporting performances and achievements during the past year and will be a very significant financial help for Tyla as she pursues her goal of being selected to represent NZ in the next Olympic Games.

Team Talk

Most winter teams are completing their competitions in the next two weeks. Premier Basketball, Girls 1^{st} XI Football and UNISS Netball teams are preparing for tournaments during Secondary Schools Winter Tournament Week, 3 - 7 September. Girls Football will be played in Whangarei while the other two teams will be playing in Auckland – Netball at Netball North Harbour and Basketball at the Trusts Stadium in Henderson. If you have time to visit the venues I am sure you will be entertained by some excellent, first rate sport.

Under 15 Hockey unfortunately lost their "must win" game last week against Kelston Boys 0-2. However, the boys played remarkably well with fighting spirit and a lot of enthusiasm. They played their last game for the season on Monday night and won 4-1 against Waitakere, at Waitakere. Coached by Raj Chauhan and managed by Mr Vaunois, they finished the season 2nd in a pool of 5 teams, with 6 wins and 2 losses. They have had such a great time together they have asked to continue training as usual on a Thursday afternoon!

Senior Netball finals and playoffs were contested this week on Tuesday evening. Five Lynfield teams were involved in these games. Special congratulations to the three teams who gained gold or silver medals:

GOLD to the Premier Development team who soundly defeated St Dominic's to maintain their undefeated record for the season and win the Premier Development grade. This team is comprised of promising Year 9, 10 and 11 netballers and coached by Joanne Smith and Lynelle Southey. Our netball future is looking very promising!

GOLD to Senior Green who fought hard to pull off a well-deserved 2 goal win in one of the social grades. This team has played together for two seasons, have improved enormously under their coach, Rhondda Bowen, and really enjoy every game.

SILVER to Premier 1. For the first time our top netball team, coached this year by Debbie Neville and managed by Sheryl Kukutai, played their way to 2nd place in the championship round of the top Premier grade at Netball Waitakere! This is a truly remarkable achievement. Avondale was always going to be tough opposition in the final and after staying within 3 goals throughout the first 3 quarters, Lynfield couldn't quite push through for a win. There was a huge crowd of Lynfield supporters – parents, staff and students – who were treated to a fast paced game which showcased the talents of both teams making it a very entertaining game to watch.

Premier Basketball boys finished their competition with a 4 goal win over Auckland Grammar which secured our team a place in the Auckland Premier League for 2013.

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

Sports Office

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

CAREERS NEWS

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

- Massey University (Albany, Palmerston North, Wellington) Mon 10 Sep, 12.40pm
- Lincoln University, Christchurch Wed 19 Sep, 11am, A1 (during senior exam time)

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

- University of Auckland Courses & Careers Day Sat 25 Aug, 9.30am 3.30pm.
- University of Waikato Info Evening Tue 28 Aug, 6pm-8pm, Alexandra Park Raceway, Hobson Room, Greenlane
- Unitec Info Evening Wed 29 Aug, 4pm 7pm, all 3 campuses. Programme available online www.unitec.ac.nz
- Study at Vic Open Day, Wellington Campus Fri 31 Aug (Programme at Student Services 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

Scholarships

- Best Pacific Institute of Education \$1000 towards any course fees. See Mrs Keir <u>www.best.ac.nz</u>
- Hands-On Science A weeklong residential science camp for Year 11 & 12 students run by the University of Otago in Dunedin,13-18 January 2013. The cost is \$620 excluding flights. The goal of Hands-On Science is to demonstrate, in a friendly and interactive environment, some of the activities that scientists are involved in and to encourage talented young New Zealanders to consider science as a career. Projects include anatomy, biochemistry, chemistry, computer science, food science, forensics, genetics, geography, geology, human nutrition, marine science, pharmacology, physical education, physics, physiology, pharmacy, psychology, zoology plus more. Scholarships available for Year 11 Maori students (applications close 19 October) and for Pacific Island students (applications close 12 October). Full details at <u>www.otago.ac.nz/handsonscience</u> Enrolments to attend the camp close 19 October.
- Year 13 Pacific Island students interested in a career in Health but not quite ready for first year university can apply for a new Pacific Foundation programme at University of Otago. Please see Mrs Keir ASAP for full details.
- Excel School of Performing Arts are taking audition applications for their 2013 intake. One year full time performance course in music, dance or drama. <u>www.excel.ac.nz</u>
- Qualifications in **film and television production, commercial broadcasting and computing** are now available through Whitireia Polytechnic in Auckland. <u>www.whitireia.ac.nz</u>
- What's new at MIT Bachelor of Creative Arts (specialisations in Visual Arts, Performing Arts & Creative Writing), Cert in Conservation (L4), Cert in Parks & Reserves (L3), Cert in Welding (L3). <u>www.manukau.ac.nz</u>
- New Youth 2013 Developments at Best Pacific, with no fees tertiary programmes available to youth 18 years and older for the first time. Enrolments are currently underway for the NCEA Youth Guarantee programmes starting in January 2013. There is a new programme the Certificate in Pre-Teacher Education L4 commencing January 2013. Scholarships worth \$1000 towards course fees are also available see Mrs Keir. www.best.ac.nz
- Bachelor of Health Sciences new at University of Canterbury in 2013. <u>www.canterbury.ac.nz</u>

Careers Office

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