



LYNFIELD COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER 14

21 September 2012

Coming Events:

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| Week 11 | Mon 24 Sep | Year 12 Beauty Therapy applied services course Lynfield College Shinagawa Friendship Group departs for Japan |
| | Tue 25 | Year 12 Beauty Therapy applied services course Year 13 PE Camp departs (returns Fri 28 Sep) |
| | Wed 26 | Voting for 2012-2013 Board of Trustees Student Representative Year 13 Assembly & <i>Attitude</i> presentation Period 5 |
| | Thu 27 | Music Department Concert, 7pm in the Hall Senior Speech Competition Junior Quizzex, lunchtime in the Hall |
| | Fri 28 | Term 3 ends |
| Week 1 | Mon 15 Oct | Term 4 begins |
| | Wed 17 | 2013 Student Elections held this week |
| | Thu 18 | Year 12 Music Performance Evening, 7pm Hall 6 th House Meetings – voting for 2013 House Captains Prefects that Peak session 4 |
| | Fri 19 | 6 th House Meetings – voting for 2013 House Captains |
| Week 2 | Mon 22 | LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY – schools closed on this day |
| | Tue 23 | <i>In-class priority time – students should not make outside appointments in school time during weeks 2 and 3.</i> |
| | Tue 23 – Thu 25 | FESTIVAL AWARDS EVENING – please note date change from 25 Oct |
| | Wed 24 | Year 9 Business class Tip Top trips |
| | Sat 27 | Year 11 Music Performance Evening, 7pm in the Hall |
| Week 3 | Mon 29 | Lynfield College Diwali Show Board of Trustees Meeting <i>In-class priority time continues this week.</i> |
| | Wed 31 | Year 13 Music Performance Evening, 7pm in the Hall |
| | Thu 1 Nov | Year 9 Assembly & <i>Attitude</i> Presentation Period 1 Pasifika Parents Evening, 6pm in the Staffroom |
| | Fri 2 | Junior Student Council Meeting, Period 4 in the Seminar Room |
| Week 4 | Mon 5 | Last day for Year 13 – Final Assembly, issue reports and exam entry slips |
| | Tue 6 | Last day for Year 12 – Final Assembly, issue reports and exam entry slips Last day for Year 11 – Final Assembly, issue reports and exam entry slips |
| | Wed 7 | SENIOR PRIZEGIVING, 7pm in the Hall |
| | Wed 7 – Fri 9 | YEAR 11 PRIZEGIVING, 9am in the Hall Junior Exams |
| Week 5 | Mon 12 | NCEA EXAMS BEGIN |
| Week 6 | Mon 19 | South Pacific Ed Course |
| Week 7 | Wed 28 | Uniform Shop late night |
| Week 8 | Tue 4 | NCEA Exams finish |
| | Tue 4 & Wed 5 Dec | Year 9 & 10 Caring for our Community programme |
| | Thu 6 | Leavers' Dinner |
| | Fri 7 | Book return and clearance day |
| Week 9 | Fri 14 | Year 9 Prizegiving, 9am Year 10 Prizegiving, 11am |
| | | Term 4 ends |

Dear Parents/Caregivers

The exam period for senior students finished today and they return to normal timetable on Monday. Staff are busy marking assessment papers and students will have the opportunity to go through these with their course teachers to find out what areas of their studies require a higher level of revision in preparation for the external exams in November. Year 11, 12 and 13 students have only three weeks of school in Term 4 before they go on study leave for NCEA exams.

Congratulations to the Advanced Hospitality students, who, as part of their recent assessment planned, prepared and served a wonderful three-course 'Pink Ribbon Breakfast' on Wednesday 12 September in the Technology block. Funds raised will be donated to the Breast Cancer Foundation. Special thanks to our Advanced Hospitality teaching staff Mrs Townsend and Mrs Weeks for creating this superb event and also to Fresh Connection for their very generous sponsorship.

On Monday a group of Lynfield College students depart for Shinagawa in Tokyo, Japan on a two and a half week cultural exchange. Some of the members of this group hosted visiting Shinagawa students when they were here in August and will in turn be hosted by those families while in Japan. This is a wonderful opportunity to experience the culture and customs of Japan and I wish them a safe and enjoyable trip.

The first of our major Prizegivings for the year, the Festival Awards Evening, will be held on Tuesday 23 October, week 2 of next term, and further details are contained in this newsletter. I welcome family of students who receive nominations to join us in celebrating the 2012 sporting and cultural achievements of our very talented and committed senior students.

Ongoing Year 9 Career Development Programme

We have invested in an internationally recognised career development programme called FutureSelves, which aligns with the important student career management competencies from the NZ Secondary School Career Benchmarks. Year 9 students will be completing a computerised questionnaire and an individual Learning and Career Plan through their Health course in Term 4. The programme is designed to help students think about possibilities and opportunities for their future. Please encourage your child to share their results and ideas with you.

Ben Te Ninihi Tawhiti 1934 – 2012



Kua hinga te totara i te wao nui o Tane ... A totara has fallen in Tane's forest

Ben Tawhiti, the Kaumatua of Lynfield College, passed away on Saturday 15 September in Waitakere Hospital.

Ben initially came to Lynfield as the teacher of Te Reo and he instilled a love of Te Reo and tikanga among his students. Staff and students enjoyed travelling with Ben on camps to his tribal home near Matakana Island in the Bay of Plenty.

As outside commitments to music, radio, schools, community and Unitec prevailed on his time, Ben took the role of school Kaumatua and officiated at formal school functions.



He served on the Board of Trustees for many years.

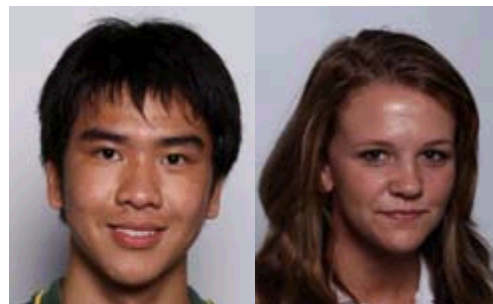
Lynfield College had a very special place in Ben's heart and we will always be grateful for his love, support and expertise. We thank his family for sharing him with us.

A group of staff and students assembled at the College on Sunday afternoon to farewell our Kaumatua as his funeral procession made its way to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre and Tatai Hono Marae in Khyber Pass. He remained there until Tuesday morning when he was moved to the Bay of Plenty. Representative staff from the College attended Ben's tangi in the Bay of Plenty.

S W Bovaird
Principal

Student Leader Profile – Lewis House Captains

2012 has proved to be a challenging year for us as Lewis House Captains. We came last on Athletics Day, which as the biggest sporting event of the year was quite discouraging. But it wasn't over for us. With determination and a motivated background, we continued our struggle to keep the spirit of the competition within our house. It paid off as we were successful in other events during the year such as Senior Football, Junior Netball and the House Quiz. In the leadership position of House Captains we have been tested on our teamwork, team leadership and organizing skills. The most challenging aspect of it has been communicating between house members, leaders and of course between we house captains. We believe that this position has been a valuable experience and will definitely be useful in our future careers. Overall, it has been an important and fun year that we definitely won't forget.



Bryan Chong & Tiffany McGregor

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 are available from outside Mr Waddington's office and these are to be returned to him 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

Music Department Variety Concert

Following on from the very successful Jazz Concert held earlier this term, the Music Department Variety Concert will be held next **Wednesday 26 September, 7pm in the College Hall**, featuring the Concert Band, Orchestra, Choir, Stage Band and Jazz Combo B. Entry by gold coin donation, finishing time approximately 9pm.

Festival Awards Evening

This prizegiving, which celebrates the school-based sporting and cultural achievements of our senior students, will be held early in Term 4. *Tickets for this popular event will be sold at reception from Monday 15 October.*

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| Date: | Tuesday 23 October |
| Venue: | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Albert Street, Auckland Central |
| Time: | 6.00pm |
| Cost: | \$27 per person |
| Transport: | A bus will be available to and from the venue (please indicate when purchasing tickets) |

Supper will be provided part way through the evening

Please note: All outstanding sports uniform must be returned and sports fees paid before tickets will be issued.

Junior sport and cultural achievement will be recognised at the Junior Prizegivings on Friday 14 December.

NZQA Fees for 2012

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

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 www.lynfield.school.nz

Out of Zone, category 6 applicants

Applications for this category closed on Wednesday 5 September. If you missed this deadline, ring reception on 627 0600 ext 700 to put your name on the waiting list.

Year 10 – 13 / 2012 Out of Zone categories 2 – 6

Applications close Tuesday 23 October. The ballot date is Wednesday 24 October.

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

Auckland Trash to Fashion Award Winners

The girls modelling the garments designed and made by the Learning Support Soft Materials class, were excited to be shoulder tapped for the finale. Their excitement turned to delight, when the class was presented with the Special Achievement Award for the 'Call of the Wild' category.

The class entered the Auckland Trash to Fashion Awards for the first time this year. Eight students were guided by Mrs Tagaloa, Mrs Wensor and Mrs Marevich to create two garments titled "Gone Bush" and "In Search of Nemo". They worked co-operatively, cutting, painting, arranging, gluing and sewing, recycled and natural materials, to complete the garments for the selection show at Green Bay High School in July.

Sophia May and Ashley Phillips volunteered to be the models and represent the class on the day. The girls and their garments impressed the judges and they were selected to go through to the main competition at the Corbans Arts Centre. Mrs Marevich and the girls spent three weekends practising and performing and made it to the finals. On the Awards afternoon each class member was acknowledged with a certificate for their contribution. The girls, their teachers and the school are proud of their achievement.



Music Department CD

The Music Department is proud to announce the release of their Big Band album, 'Take the A Train'. The CD features 9 tracks, 4 vocals and 5 instrumentals in swing, Latin and funk styles. Samples of each track can be heard on the Lynfield College Website. This professionally produced CD is of superb quality and can be purchased from the Music Department or reception for \$20. Eftpos is available at the Accounts Office.

If you would like to go on an email list to receive information about future Music Department events such as concerts, NCEA performance evenings and opportunities for students, please send an email to lnorman@lynfield.school.nz with the subject 'music email list' and your name in the email content.

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 School™ points. Visit the website www.inspiringteachers.co.nz

Uniform and Stationery Shop

If parents/caregivers or students wish to purchase uniform or stationery items from the College shop during the last week of this term, please enquire at the main reception desk in the Admin block and staff will assist you.

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.

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)**

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**

Cup / Trophy Return

If you still have a cup or trophy which was awarded in 2011 (Festival Awards, Senior or Junior prizegivings), please return them urgently to the main reception desk in the Admin Building. These are needed now, in preparation for this year's Prizegivings. (It is not necessary to polish cups before return; we will take care of that.)

TEAM TALK

The first week of September was NZ Secondary Schools Tournament Week. This year we had three teams competing in regional tournaments and two competitors in the NZ Secondary School Swimming Championships:

Netball

Our Premier Netball team competed in the Upper North Island Secondary Schools netball competition. This year the top teams from 100 schools north of Taupo played 10 games over 5 days at Netball North Harbour's courts in Northcote. Having won the C grade last year we had our sights set on taking out the B grade. In torrential rain and strong winds Lynfield won their 1st pool and moved through to the top 16. Again they finished 1st. Winning these pools put the team on the tough side of the draw and as a result they had losses to the 2 teams who eventually were winners and runners-up in the B grade. However, they surprised Taupo who, until they played Lynfield, were undefeated throughout the winter season! Finishing 6th in the B grade is an excellent result especially since it is only the second year Lynfield has entered this competition. Much was learned and enjoyed from this tough competition and this will be used to build an even stronger team for 2013.



Basketball

The U19 Boys Basketball team beat Massey High School by 9 points to take 3rd spot in the Auckland Regional Basketball Competition. 1st and 2nd placings went to Westlake Boys and Rosmini College.

This is a great achievement for our boys who have just completed their first season in the premier grade. The team has now qualified for the New Zealand Nationals in Nelson, to be held in the first week of the October school holidays. **With a total of only three weeks to find the funds to finance this, our Premier Basketball team is seeking any sponsorship &/or fundraising opportunities which could help them in their efforts to get to Nelson for the Nationals.**

Girls' Football - Whangarei

During Tournament Week, a team of 1st and 2nd XI Girls Football competed in the 'Kathy Seaward' Tournament along with 24 other teams from the greater Auckland area.

The girls woke up to torrential rain on the first day of the tournament, only to find all the day 1 matches cancelled! This put a lot of pressure on the rest of the week but high levels of self-discipline and commitment meant the girls stayed enthusiastic and match fit for all 8 of their games.

During the group stages we were the 'draw game' specialists, scoring draws against all but one of the teams, including a 0-0 'thriller' against the eventual tournament 3rd placed team.

The next round brought a thrilling win on penalties against St Dominic's after the game finished 1-1. Danielle Bradley pulled off two huge saves, after all four of our first takers score, to help us progress for a chance to finish in the top 10. It was at this stage when the team came up against arch rivals Green Bay who we had beaten twice in the last two meetings. The thrilling game saw a controversial, disallowed first goal from a superb Kayla Kesby free kick-Jodie Loveday finish, after which Green Bay stepped up their game to finish 2-0 winners.

The last game on the Friday afternoon was played on tired legs, resulting in a spirited but eventual loss to Howick leaving the team fairly satisfied in 12th place.

Special mention to Sonil Metha, Danielle Bradley, Kayla Kesby, Stevie Harris and Kelsey Sutton who all achieved 'Player of the Day' as voted for by the students.



NZ Secondary School Swimming Championships

This event was held for the first time last year, where swimmers Kieran Sumner and Stephanie Hett represented the school. This year Kieran again competed, along with Matt Roach. The event attracted many more swimmers this year and was expanded from a two day event to a three day event. Some of the best young swimmers in NZ were competing.

Kieran was our most successful swimmer, gaining a bronze medal in the 100m butterfly (Medal ceremony photo at right).



Our **Special Olympics** Basketball team was promoted to Division 1 after an excellent performance in 2011. On Wednesday they played four fantastic games, winning two of them to finish third in Division 1. This is an outstanding result.

National and Regional Honours

Congratulations to the following students who have achieved highly at this level of competition.

Shee Nathan-Wong (Y11) has been selected for the NZ U15 Girls Touch Football team which is currently competing in Australia against Australian U19 teams. It will be a tough competition but the experience will be invaluable. As this goes to print Shee has played one game and did two spectacular dives which saved two tries!

Sonia Mehta (Y10) has just returned from Australia where she competed as a member of the New Zealand Oceania Karate Team. Sonia won a gold medal!

Zak Scott (Y13) also represented New Zealand at the Oceania Karate Championships held in Sydney. Zac achieved Bronze in the under 55kg category for Junior Male Kumite (Fighting).

Robin Vortanov (Y10) was selected in the Auckland U16 team to compete in the NZ Ice Hockey Junior Elite league in Christchurch.

After taking up competitive cycling this year, **Michael Carswell (Y9)** has competed in the North Island U15 A Grade competition. Across the three aspects (hillclimb, time trial, points race) he finished 12th overall out of a field of 120. Fantastic result!

As a result of his outstanding refereeing at the Malcolm Cowie Cup Football Tournament for secondary schools, **Aiden Moffatt (Y10)** was selected to referee the final! This is an outstanding achievement especially as he was the youngest referee at the tournament. As a direct result of this, Aiden has been invited to participate as an Assistant Referee for the 2012 ASB National Women's Youth League (NWYL).

Athlete Profile – Joshua Head (Y9)

Joshua wasted no time in organising a competition licence and motorbike when he turned 13 (the minimum age for competitors). He started racing on Go-Kart tracks and is now preparing to race his modified, customised 150cc bike on full size tracks of 2 – 3km and will be riding under the Lynfield College banner. Joshua practises in Mt Wellington, enters monthly competitions, was named "Most Improved Rider" for his club and has already won the North Island series for B Grade. He hopes to ride internationally within the next 3 years. Watch this space!

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

CAREERS NEWS

October school holiday work – if you are a student looking for part time school holiday work, or a home or business owner who might be interested in hiring some local young people to do odd jobs over the holidays, then contact **Roskill Youth Zone** – Ph 620 0593, 740 Sandringham Rd Extn, Mt Roskill, roskillyouthzone@gmail.com, Fb: Roskill YouthZone for more information. Flyers available at Student Services.

Scholarships - Further details at S/S

- **International College of Hotel Management, Adelaide** – for NZ citizens or residents. Closes 17 Oct. www.ichm.edu.au
- **Crown Institute of Studies** - 1 scholarship for each of Travel & Tourism, Hospitality, Business. Closes 7 Dec. www.crown.ac.nz
- **Raffles College of Design & Commerce** – Closes 31 Oct. www.raffles.ac.nz
- **Law scholarships** – if you are planning on studying law in 2013 then you might like to apply for these scholarships being offered:
 - West Auckland law firm www.smithpartners.co.nz
 - University of Auckland <http://www.auckland.ac.nz/uoa/cs-search-for-scholarships-and-awards?form=details&detailCode=500629>

Win a free place to the USA, France, Germany or Spain. Get paid to work as an Au Pair and live overseas for 12 months. Four winners will be drawn on the last business day in November. www.aupair.org.nz

Best Pacific Institute of Education, Student For A Day opportunity, Thursday 27 September. Try one of the following NCEA Youth Guarantee programmes – Freight, Business and Computing, Tourism or Sport.

Y12 and Y13 students - Massey University is strongly committed to West Auckland and are looking at how they can meet the needs of the community in the short and long term. They are currently undertaking some new work looking at what the future requirements will be for students in this region for tertiary education, and are asking secondary school students about their intention to study, including where they plan to enrol and what course of study they are most interested in. This will help Massey in their planning for the future in terms of courses offered, facilities and services provided. It would be great if you could assist them by completing this online survey <http://sgiz.mobi/s3/Massey-University-Student-Survey>

Guided tour of Elam Studios at 1pm, Thursday 4 October. Book online at www.creative.auckland.ac.nz/elam

NASDA Musical Arts Auditions in Auckland, Mon 1 – Fri 5 Oct. www.cpit.ac.nz/nasda12

Best Pacific Institute of Education, Student For A Day opportunity, Thursday 27 September. Try one of the following NCEA Youth Guarantee programmes – Freight, Business and Computing, Tourism or Sport. See Mrs Keir ASAP.

Monday 1 October is the **closing date for Halls of Residence applications at most universities**. If you are going to university outside of Auckland, please ensure your application has been completed and received by the university.

Y12 and Y13 interested in costume, lighting, sound, stage management, scenery, props etc may be interested in attending a Unitec Try It For A Day experience, Week 1, Term 4. Please see Mrs Hughes in S/S ASAP for further information.

Careers Office

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

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Bubble Dome September/October School Holiday courses

Don't miss out! Book now! For students ages 6 to 18 years. Learn the latest in 3D Animation and Games Design on a Bubble Dome School Holiday workshop these holidays! We run other exciting courses in Lego & Engineering, Junior & Ultra App Building for iPads & iPods, Celebrity Cooking and more.

Bring a friend* and you both get \$25 off but you need to book by 10 September to get this deal. *(*Please note: If you book online put (friend) next to your name and we will apply the discount. Discounts cannot be combined or used in conjunction with another special.*

Tel: 0800 438 282

Email: info@bubbledome.co.nz

Book online: www.bubbledome.co.nz

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: wlfes.2009@gmail.com

- We offer support, information & advocacy for families.
- Individual appointments are available.

West Auckland AD/HD & 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:

3 & 15 October, 7 & 19 November, 5 & 17 December

Daytime Support Group:

Waitakere Community Resource Centre, 8 Ratanui Street, Henderson, 10.00am – 12.00pm.

Dates for 2012:

26 October

30 November

21 December

Enquiries, please call 09 836-1941