



LYNFIELD COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER 17

30 November 2012

Coming Events:

Week 8	Mon 3 Dec	Junior Softball Tournament
	Tue 4	NCEA Exams finish
		Lynfield College Big Band plays at Jazz and Blues Club
	Tue 4 and Wed 5	Year 9 and 10 Caring for our Community programme
	Thu 6	Leavers' Dinner
	Fri 7	2013 Student Leaders first meeting, 8.45am in the Seminar Room
		Senior Book return and clearance day
		Year 11: 9.15 – 11am
		Year 12: 11am – 12.40pm
		Year 13: 1.25 – 3pm
Week 9	Thu 13	Last day in 2012 that the HCD School bus runs
		Newsletter No. 18
	Fri 14	Year 9 Prizegiving, 9am
		Year 10 Prizegiving, 11am
		Term 4 ends

When the Deans will be available in 2013:

Mrs Sofia Hameed, Year 9 Dean	from Wednesday 23 January
Mr Dennis van Dijck, Year 10 Dean	from Wednesday 23 January
Mr Mark Sizer, Year 11 Dean	from Wednesday 23 January
Mrs Raneeta Prasad, Year 12 Dean	from Wednesday 23 January
Mrs Gabrielle Clark, Year 13 Dean	from Thursday 24 January

First Week 2013

Year 12 and Year 11 students should email their Deans with any course change queries from 23 January 2013. Mrs Clark gclark@lynfield.school.nz Mrs Prasad rprasad@lynfield.school.nz

Thu 24 Jan	Student Peer Support Training Day in the Library 9am – 3pm
Mon 28	<i>Auckland Anniversary – Public Holiday, school closed</i>
Tue 29	2013 Student Leaders meet at AUT for Leadership Camp (29 and 30 Jan)
	Year 9 - assemble in the Hall at 1.30pm, then go to form rooms (released 3.00pm)
	Senior student course confirmation 1.00 – 2.30pm
Wed 30	Year 9 – Attend from 9.00am – 3.00pm
	Year 11 – assemble in the Hall at 8.45am (released 10.40am)
	Year 12 – assemble in the Hall at 9.30am (released 11.30am)
	Year 13 – assemble in the Hall at 10.15pm (released 12.15pm)
	Senior student course confirmation 11.00am – 2.30pm
Thu 31	Year 9 – Attend from 9.00am – 3.00pm
	Year 10 – assemble in the Hall at 1.30pm (released 2.30pm)
	Senior student course confirmation 11.00am – 2.30pm
Fri 1 Feb	All year levels attend from 8.45am until 3.10pm

All students must wear full, correct uniform.

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Year 9 and 10 students will take part in a special programme next week to promote their understanding of the community. The organisation of this programme is an enormous logistical exercise, accounting for 808 students, which are being divided into groups to work on a project that supports the community.

The feedback from the community groups we have worked with in the past two years has been extremely positive with our students being invited back. Thanks to those who have contributed resources for students to use, those who have provided contacts and those who are supporting the students. It will be a wonderful learning experience for our students, challenging their level of comfort, but will be very beneficial to the community.

Friday 14 December is a very important day, when we celebrate the achievements of our Year 9 and Year 10 students. We welcome family and friends to join us at these Prizegivings in the College Hall. Each lasts about an hour and a half. The times are listed below.

Year 9 Prizegiving – Friday 14 December at 9.00am

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

Year 10 Prizegiving – Friday 14 December at 11.00am

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

The 2012 Year Book will also be distributed. Our thanks go to Mr Alec Hutchinson who has produced yet another fantastic record of all the events in our College Year. It is in full colour and includes a CD containing all the extra photos and information that is not able to be included in print. A tremendous amount of work has gone into creating a very polished and state of the art Year Book.

S W Bovaird
Principal

Student Leader Profiles

Bray House Captains

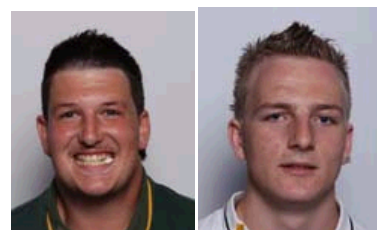
Between Terms 1 and 3 Bray House was busy with events, from Athletics Day and indoor soccer, to touch rugby and netball. Our juniors and seniors always gave the other houses a tough battle. Our Athletics Day was a huge success for us, and we proudly showed our banner, wore our house colours and gained a sea of points. Putting aside our wins and losses we think it was a fantastic year, and being House Captains was both successful and rewarding. We would like to thank Mrs Carswell and Mrs Karan for helping us throughout the year – your tutelage and empathy helped us to grow as people. Best of luck to Bray House for next year!



Shivani Pragji and Joshua Worthington

Fatialofa House Captains

2012 has been an exceptional year for Fatialofa House. We made history by being first in the House competition for the second half of the year. This was refreshing and a major milestone for Fatialofa. Athletics Day was a sea of red, with wonderful creative costumes; our fantastic banner turned heads and took first placing. The house was led ably by Captains Ricky Smith and Russell Geddes, who were also another first, two male captains. Some of our other successes included senior touch, junior indoor soccer and the junior quiz. The opportunity to earn points in cross country this year was limited due to the more challenging new format of this event, renamed Road Race.



Nonetheless, Fatialofa rounded out a fantastic year. We hope to build on our successes for 2013 and carry on the legacy. A special acknowledgement goes to our House Leaders, Mrs Black and Mrs Singh, for their on-going commitment and guidance.

Russell Geddes and Ricky Smith

Faumuina House Captains

Bang! And they're off. Legs a blur. Colours flying. And there they are, right at the front, leading the pack– but these are not just any athletes, because from head to toe they're bedecked in yellow. And as they cross the finish line, cheers rise up in support. "Go Faumuina!" they scream. "Go! Go! Go!"

The numbers both supporting and participating for Faumuina this year were incredible. It was great to see everybody come together and really knuckle down and have fun! The results for Faumuina were: 4th on Athletics Day, 2nd and 3rd for senior and junior touch, 3rd for indoor soccer and 1st for both juniors and seniors in the House Quiz (proving once and for all that we have the biggest brains☺). The huge amount of effort, support, commitment and participation paid off – Faumuina House came 1st overall, with a massive 3,625 points! Congratulations to everyone in Faumuina House!



However, it's not really about the winning (well, maybe a little). It's also about bringing a diverse group of people of varied ages together to get involved in some fun and wonderful events. We truly think Faumuina was a heap of fun! Thanks for the massive support from everyone in the Yellow House who got behind us and brought with them laughter, skills and memories. Here's to a great year!

Wiki Maihi and Charlotte Nield

NZQA Entries

Students are urged to log on to the NZQA web site to check their entries and results. If there are any discrepancies, they should see Mr Delgrosso, Dean of Administrative Services URGENTLY. Log in at www.nzqa.govt.nz/login
The College is not able to deal with NZQA queries regarding missing credits until late January 2013.

NZQA External Exams

Should students be unable to sit their external exams they need to apply for a derived grade (the work done during the year provides evidence of the level of achievement). All derived grade requests must be in writing using the official form from NZQA, which is available from Mr Black, Deputy Principal. The completed forms must be handed in to Mr Black by **4 December** and must include supporting documents such as a medical certificate.

The 2012 results are published in early 2013. Results will only be available online through the student login. Students should ensure they have login details before the end of school in 2012 as the school is closed in January. Students can order a printed Result Notice from their Learner login by the end of 2012. Scholarship Result Notices will be sent to all students in February.

Year 9 and 10 Programme – *Caring for our Community (C4C)*, Tuesday 4 and Wednesday 5 December

As you are aware all Year 9 and 10 students and teachers will be involved in the Caring for our Community cross-curricular project that is being run on Tuesday 4th December and Wednesday 5th December.

The aim of the 'Caring for our Community' programme is to encourage the students to be actively involved in the community in which they live. This is a good opportunity to encourage them to look at the world from another point of view and to look beyond themselves. Doing something for someone else is a way of achieving this. This supports many of the principles, values and key competencies of the New Zealand curriculum including community engagement, integrity, participating and contributing and relating to others.

The normal school timetable will not run on these days as ALL students and ALL teaching staff will be involved in the workshops. Students have signed up for over 30 different workshops. Letters explaining what is involved in the workshop that they have selected, any costs and where they need to meet on the Tuesday and Wednesday were issued to the students on Friday 30 November.

We are excited about the enthusiastic response that we have received from the Community Groups we are working with and look forward to having a focus on 'giving to others' at this time of the year. The students will get an opportunity to see what the other workshops achieved during a video presentation (prepared by the Lights, Camera, Action workshop) on Monday 9 December.

Ms C Knell
Deputy Principal – Teaching and Learning

Ms B Wilson
TIC – Caring for our Community

Do you have any of these items that you could donate to help us with the C4C programme?

Old sheets (to plait into chew toys for puppies), pet toys that are no longer needed (must be intact), 2nd hand clothes (must be wearable). Non-perishable items for the Christmas Mission boxes and tins of cat and dog food.

Ingredients required for Christmas cakes and puddings - Pure plain flour, butter, dried fruit, almonds, Brazil nuts, hazelnuts, glazed cherries (*Thanks to Gilmours for donating some of the required ingredients already*).

Donations will be greatly appreciated and can be left at the Admin building reception, by Tuesday 4 December.

Senior Book Return and Clearance Day

This will take place in the Hall on **Friday 7 December** at the following times:

Year 11: 9.15 – 11am

Year 12: 11am – 12.40pm

Year 13: 1.25 – 3pm

- Clearance forms will be given to students when they arrive in the Hall.
- If students *do not* owe books or fees, they *do not* need to get signatures from the Accounts office or the Library.
- When all is cleared the students return to their Form Teachers and hand in their form. Then they may collect their testimonial and Yearbook, if appropriate.

Uniform and Stationery Shop

Lost Property – There is a considerable quantity of lost property at the Deans' Reception. Students should check this as soon as possible, before it is disposed of at the end of term. Lost property will finally be displayed outside the Performing Arts Centre on Friday 7 December from interval until the end of lunch.

Donated School Uniform - With Year 13 students leaving and Year 11 students changing to senior uniform next year, we would be very appreciative of any donations of clean, tidy uniform for use as spares. It can be left at Reception or at the Uniform and Stationery Shop. **A reminder – students are required to be wearing the College uniform while sitting external NZQA exams.**

PE Uniform - Our PE Department would greatly appreciate donations of PE uniform from senior students who will no longer be using it in 2013. It can be left at Reception or at the Uniform and Stationery Shop.

HOMESTAY FAMILIES WANTED

We are seeking new families to join our homestay programme to host international students arriving in 2013.

Our students prefer local families with

- Interests in music, sports, outdoors
- English as a first language
- School aged children

Families receive excellent support and remuneration.

For more information please call 627 0600 ex 748 or email homestay@lynfield.school.nz

PUT THAT SPARE ROOM TO USE!

Year 10 Stationery Packs – These can be purchased now by Year 9 students moving into Year 10 next year. They are very competitively priced at \$16.00. The Year 10 workbook pack for Science and Maths IS \$28.00.

Shop Hours for 2013

10am – 12 noon and 12.30 – 1.30pm, Monday to Thursday during the school term.

January 2013 Opening Hours

Saturday 19 January from 10am – 3pm

21 – 25 January from 10am – 5pm, with a late night on Thursday 24 January until 7pm

Monday 28 January closed (Auckland Anniversary)

Tuesday 29 and Wednesday 30 January 10am – 2pm

Homework Centres

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

ESOL Homework Centre

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

Enrolment Process for Year 9 / 2013

Home Zone

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

New Home Zone Streets

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

Out of Zone, category 6 applicants

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

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

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

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

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACHIEVEMENT

Congratulations to Ben Hammond (Y10) who competed at the Brisbane International Salsa Competition in Australia mid-November where he achieved 2nd place.

Sport

Individual Honours

You may have seen a feature article on the front page of both the Western and Central Leaders last week highlighting **Tyla Nathan-Wong's** achievements. Recently her achievements in Tag, Touch and Rugby 7's have been recognized at sports awards functions. She was won the ASB College Sport award for Touch and was 1 of only 5 finalists in the Young Sportswoman of the Year Award.

She was also a finalist for the Maori Junior Sports Women of the Year and Sport Auckland Junior Sportswoman of the Year. She has been awarded the Skills Active Scholarship worth \$5000. We are thrilled for Tyla as she has worked incredibly hard, making many sacrifices to achieve the level of sporting excellence needed to be selected in NZ teams in 3 different codes in 1 year!! She is currently in Dubai playing in the NZ Women's Rugby 7's team.

Team Talk

Team competitions finished on a high this year.

Cricket

The 1st XI Boys Cricket team remained undefeated this term. This included another big win where they thrashed Howick College 1st XI by 8 wickets! Howick batted first and were bowled out for just 72 runs (Rugved Deshpande and Shyam Mehta took 3 wickets each). Our boys reached this target in 13 overs with the loss of only 2 wickets. What an awesome effort!

Considering the 2nd XI, consisting of juniors, were entered into a senior grade they have performed extremely well finishing about the middle of their grade.

Volleyball

The volleyball team of the term would have to be the Junior Girls A team which showed promise from the beginning. These girls showed huge improvement throughout the term. Having won their semi-final they were out to show Avondale Premiers they are not to be taken lightly. Lynfield won the first set and was narrowly defeated in the second. After a hard fought 3rd set Lynfield finished 2nd in the competition. This is an excellent effort from these girls.

The Junior Boys team had a mixture of wins and losses as did the Junior Girls B team. The players in these teams were committed, enjoyed the challenge of playing more experienced teams and are looking forward to more competitions next year.

We look forward to seeing you and your son/daughter at sports events next year. Our goal is to involve all interested students in sport. Please contact the Sports Office if you have any questions relating to Lynfield College Sport. Enjoy your summer holidays – get fit, stay fit!

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

COMMUNITY NOTICES

YOUTHTOWN Break away summer holiday adventures
FREE, ages 14 – 17, transport available, attendance rewarded. Spaces are limited, sign up today.
www.youthtown.org.nz
phone 09 379 5430
email info@youthtown.org.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: wfs.2009@gmail.com

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

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

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

EVENING SUPPORT GROUP:

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

DAYTIME SUPPORT GROUP:

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

Enquiries, please call 09 836-1941

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\$250 donation to Lynfield College

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Branch Manager, Phone 337 2331

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