

NEWSLETTER 4

30 March 2012



Coming Events:

Week 9	Sat 31 Mar	CULTURAL FESTIVAL 11.30 – 4pm China Cultural Exchange trip departs (returning 18 Apr) <i>Daylight Saving Ends</i>
	<i>Sun 1 Apr</i>	
Week 10	Tue 3 Apr	Year 10 Business Port of Auckland trip Year 12 <i>Attitude</i> Presentation
	Wed 4	Progress Conferences (surnames M - Z), 4 – 7pm SUMMER SPORTS PHOTOS Students released 2.20pm (staff farewell)
	Thu 5	Teacher Only Day (no classes on this day) Term 1 ends
Week 1	Mon 23 Apr	Term 2 begins
	Wed 25	ANZAC Day (public holiday - no classes on this day)
	Thu 26	3 rd House Meetings
	Fri 27	3 rd House Meetings
Week 2	Mon 30	Year 11 <i>Attitude</i> Presentation Board of Trustees Meeting, Admin Building 6.30pm
	Wed 2 May	Year 13 <i>Attitude</i> Presentation
	Thu 3	Junior Student Council Meeting
	Fri 4	Year 10 <i>Attitude</i> Presentation
Week 3	Mon 7	A week of in-class priority time. Students should not make appointments during class time.
	Wed 9	Senior Student Council Meeting, Period 4 Year 12 Music Performance Evening, 7pm in the staffroom
	Fri 11	CROSS COUNTRY
	Sun 13 – Mon 14	Year 13 Geography trip to Rotorua
Week 4	Tue 15	Year 12 WorkChoice Day
	Wed 16	Year 13 Music Performance Evening, 7pm in the staffroom
	Thu 17	Senior Mathematics Competition
Week 5	Mon 21	4 th House Meetings
	Tue 22	4 th House Meetings
	Wed 23 – Fri 25	SENIOR ASSESSMENT OPPORTUNITIES
Week 6	Mon 28	Board of Trustees Meeting, 6.30pm in the Admin Building
	Wed 30	Prefects Training Programme, session 2
	Fri 1 Jun	Mid-Term Break – no classes on this day
Week 7	Mon 4	Queen's Birthday public holiday
	Tue 5	Teacher Only Day – no classes on this day

Dear Parents/Caregivers

This week we held the first of two Student Progress Conference evenings. The second evening is next Tuesday 3 April, when students will be released at 2.20pm and the interview appointments are from 4 – 7pm.

If you were unable to attend the conferences this week I would urge you to make appointments for next Tuesday as these evenings are a valuable opportunity to discuss your son's/daughter's progress with their teachers. Students should bring their reports and student handbooks to these conferences. Our on-line booking system is a very efficient way to directly select the time at which parents wish to meet teachers. Please refer to the on-line booking instructions in Newsletter No. 2.

Maintaining dialogue over the academic and pastoral welfare of all students is a clear goal of Lynfield College. I hope the advice given by the subject teachers will prove valuable for continuing classroom focus. Many senior students have assessments in week 5 of Term 2 and need to have a revision schedule underway near the beginning of that term.

An invitation is extended to students, families and friends of Lynfield College to attend our **Cultural Food and Performance Festival** tomorrow, **Saturday, 31 March**. This annual festival begins at 11.45am with a powhiri, then continues until 4pm with food stalls and performances from at least 15 different cultural groups. The festival is a special day out in our school calendar and the student groups are looking forward to being able to share aspects of their culture with the wider school community. This week there have been a variety of cultural events for students at the College, with musical performances, a cultural mufti day and fashion show. It has been wonderful to see so many students participating enthusiastically in these events.

With the cooler weather approaching, it is important that students are prepared for Terms 2 and 3 with winter uniform items. Please ensure that your child has wet weather gear and warm clothing to wear. We are often asked for dry clothing by students and this demand is not possible for us to meet. Please remember too, that canvas shoes are not permitted; shoes are to be leather and polishable.

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Acting Principal

Student Leader Profile – Sports Captains

Hi my name is Acelin James and I am one of the Lynfield Colleges Sports Captains for 2012. I have had a passion for sport ever since I first started playing football in England when I was 5 and since then have never stopped playing sports and I am looking forward to the challenge and responsibility of being a Sports Captain. My main codes are Football, Hockey and Squash and have competed in all of these sports for both the school and club. Next year I plan to go to University to either study Sports Science or Outdoor Education so that I can have a career in the sporting industry.

Kia ora. My name is Tyla Nathan-Wong and I am also a Sports Captain for 2012. I am passionate about sport and have represented New Zealand in Touch Rugby.

We are extremely honoured and privileged to be selected by our peers and teachers to take up the role of Sports Captain within our school. Acelin and I are both very excited to be a part of the Student Executive Team this year.



Our aim is to encourage students to get more involved with and to enjoy the various sporting activities available to them at Lynfield. As Sports Captains, our role is to be ambassadors of sport for the school, acting as a link and communicating between the staff and students. Our responsibilities as began first with Athletics Day. We have recently been busy organising and running the House Touch competition between the different houses within the school. We have had great weather and the event has so far been a success, with lots of students taking part and enjoying themselves. We look forward to the rest of 2012 with the House Netball and Soccer competitions still to come.

Acelin James & Tyla Nathan-Wong

Year 12 Geography Tongariro Trip

Active volcanoes, snowy peaks and pristine streams were the classroom for the Year 12 Geography students and teachers Mrs Moore and Mr Welsh recently. With excellent weather over the two days, 45 students gathered data about water velocity, vegetation types and slope angles for their Research internal assessment. They also collected information about people's uses of the Tongariro National Park for their Geographic issue internal assessment.

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)**

NZQA Fees and Financial Assistance

The 2012 NZQA fee for domestic students is \$76.70, with a maximum of \$200 per family. This includes up to three Scholarship subject entries. Extra Scholarship entries are \$76.70 per subject.

The cost for International fee paying students is \$383.30. This does not include Scholarship entries, which are \$102.20 per subject. Financial assistance cannot be claimed for International fee paying students.

Financial assistance is available for those who:

- are receiving a Work and Income or Study Link benefit, or
 - have a Community Services Card, or
 - have a joint family income that would qualify for a Community Services Card, or
 - have two or more children entered as candidates this year with fees totalling more than \$200.
- (Where fees are payable for more than one candidate, a maximum of \$100 per child and \$200 per fee payer)

The fee for those qualifying for financial assistance in the first three categories is \$20, with a maximum of \$30 per family.

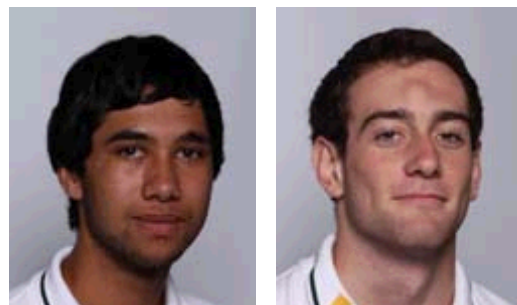
You must fill in an application form to receive financial assistance. A new application has to be filled in each year – if you received financial assistance last year it does not carry over.

Financial assistance application forms are now available from the Deans' Reception. The form should be completed and returned to school as soon as possible to ensure that students receive an invoice for the reduced amount when the billing run is done. Fee collection will be during next term.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR

Basketball

Congratulations to the under 19 Boys Basketball team for winning their promotion relegation game versus Kelston Boys 68 - 47. They played really well and showed true character. With a nervous start the boys dug deep and came through in the end, writing history by being the first Lynfield College basketball team to qualify into the Auckland Premier Grade and the first team to knock out heavyweights Kelston Boys after 20 years in this grade. **James Schuster and Jordan Maher were also selected to trial for the U18 NZ Squad and have BOTH made the Emerging Tall Blacks team to take on the Aussies. This is a fantastic achievement and we congratulate them both.**



Touch

Our Senior Girls Touch team continued to dominate and took out their competition by winning their final against Marist A. Two of the members of this team, sisters Tyla and Shee Nathan-Wong have also gone on to represent Counties in the Touch Nationals. Tyla's Open Womens team came second with Shee's Under 15 team winning gold. Congratulations to Tyla, who has once again been selected into the NZ Womens Touch Blacks team.

Gymnastics

Congratulations to Taine Murray who has made the New Zealand Gymnastics team which will represent New Zealand at the Australian National Championships in Sydney in June. This is a great achievement by Taine and his first international competition.

Auckland Cup Secondary School Cross Country 2012

Well done to Amy and Dale Pitout for their fantastic results.

Dale came 5th overall in the boys race and 2nd in his grade of under 16 intermediate boys.

Amy managed 3rd overall in the girls race and placed 2nd in her under 14 junior girls grade.

Wrestling Auckland Novice

Well done to the following students for their placings.

Junior Males

46kg 2nd Dayne Burke

63kg 3rd Li Ta'ufo'ou

76kg 3rd Mathew Ho

85kg 1st Ata Ioteba

Senior Males

63kg 1st Aidan Bradley 3rd Mac Wynn

Seniors Females

58kg 1st Chantal Van Weelie

Athletics

A great effort from Noel D'Souza saw him continue on from his win at the Western Zones to take first place in the intermediate boys 300m final at the Auckland Secondary Schools meet.

Volleyball

Our Senior Girls team finished off the season with a 2-0 loss to Mt Albert Grammar and a satisfying win against Marcellin 3-2.

Cricket

The 1st XI continued their mixed season last week with a good win over the Mt Albert Senior A team. Lynfield batted impressively for 174/4 then dismissed the opposition for just 63.

Tennis Championship Results for 2012

Almost 70 students took part in the school tennis champs this year. Congratulations to the following winners and runners up.

Event	Winner/s	Runner/s Up
Senior Boys Singles	Jason Pimenta	Tsubasa Kubota
Senior Girls Singles	Nadia Coombes	Kayla Kesby
Senior Boys Doubles	Jason Pimenta Tane Leilua	Tsubasa Kubota Jason Sun
Senior Girls Doubles	Nadia Coombes Stephanie Larkin	Kayla Kesby Maddy Dryland
Year 11 Boys Singles	Steven Ling	Omkar Kaul
Year 11 Boys Doubles	Steven Ling Sherwyn D'Souza	Omkar Kaul Anton Jones
Year 11 Girls Singles	Brooklyn Chitty	Danita Anesi
Year 11 Girls Doubles	Brooklyn Chitty Danita Anesi	
Year 10 Boys Singles	Callum Magee	Jerome Schischka
Year 10 Boys Doubles	Callum Magee Jerome Schischka	Raynil Laxmidas Andrew Sampson
Year 9 Boys Singles	Kiriffi Leilua	Simon Stanimiroff
Year 9 Boys Doubles	Simon Stanimiroff Jaeyoung Heo	Steve Barker Tone Xie
Year 9 Girls Singles	Maddy Poland	Adya Choudhary
Year 9 Girls Doubles	Maddy Poland Adya Choudhary	

Message from the Sports Office - If any family members are willing and able to help with coaching or managing a sports team this winter, please contact the Sports Office on 627 0600 ext 595.

CAREERS NOTICES

Holiday Programmes

Y11-13 “Drawing Skills for Character Design” school holiday course at Freelance Animation School.

www.freelanceanimation.com

Free Youthtown Breakaway April School Holiday Programme (14-17 years) – free pick up and drop off from Glen Avon School. Activities include kayaking, cooking, windsurfing, paintballing, art workshops, outdoor adventures, team challenges plus more. 10-13 April and 17-20 April. Details at Student Services or alternatively contact Youthtown - ph 379 5430 or email info@youthtown.org.nz www.youthtown.org.nz

Visitors to our School

Victoria University, Wellington Mon 2 April, 12.40pm, A1 – info about courses available, enrolment requirements, application details, scholarships, etc.

University Student Talk, Tue 3 April, 12.40pm, A1 - A past Lynfield College student will be here to talk about attending university outside of Auckland. Hear all about living away from home, life in the halls of residence, and campus life from a student's point of view.

University of Waikato, Hamilton Fri 27 April – 12.40pm, A1 - info about courses available, enrolment requirements, application details, scholarships, etc.

Open Days and Information Evenings

Cut Above Academy – Sat 31 March, 10am-4pm, Lvl 6, 242 Queen St, City

Queenstown Resort College Career Week – 10-13 April, Queenstown

Crown Institute of Studies – Friday 13 April, 10am-2pm, Be A Student For A Day, 10 Lorne St, City

Crown Institute of Studies – Thursday 19 April, 11am-2pm, 10 Lorne St, City (business, hospitality, travel tourism & airline)

Dunedin Tertiary Open Day (University of Otago & Otago Polytechnic) – On Campus, Dunedin, Monday 30 April

University of Canterbury Open Days – On Campus, Christchurch, 5-6 July www.canterbury.ac.nz

AUT Info Sessions – various dates in May, 6pm-8.30pm. Full details at www.aut.ac.nz Register at course.information@aut.ac.nz

- Sport & Recreation, Tue 15 May, AUT Millennium Campus
- Business, Wed 16 May, City Campus
- Law, Wed 16 May, City Campus
- Sciences, Wed 16 May, City Campus
- Engineering, Thu 17 May, City Campus
- Creative Technologies, Thu 17 May, City Campus
- Computing & Mathematical Sciences, Thu 17 May, City Campus
- Language & Culture, Tue 22 May, City Campus
- Social Sciences, Tue 22 May, City Campus
- Hospitality, Tourism & Event Management, Tue 22 May, City Campus
- Te Ara Poutama, Maori Development, Tue 22 May, City Campus
- Art & Design, Wed 23 May, City Campus
- Health – Thu 24 May, North Shore Campus
- Education, Thu 24 May, City Campus
- Communication, Thu 9 Aug, City Campus

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Blockhouse Bay Primary School Fundraiser

BHB Primary will be holding regular car boot sales, beginning tomorrow, Saturday 31 March 9am – 1pm, \$15. For more information phone Shari on 021 629 5469.

St Dominic's (Blockhouse Bay) Catholic Primary School is celebrating its 50th Jubilee on Queen's Birthday Weekend, 1 & 2 June 2012. We invite all ex-pupils, staff, PTFA and BOT to join us. For further information and to register go to www.stdominics.school.nz