



LYNFIELD COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER 9

29 June 2012

Coming Events:

	Fri 13 Jul	School Ball (last Friday of the holidays)
Week 1	Mon 16 Jul Tue 17 Wed 18	Term 3 starts Open Day Open Day
Week 2	Mon 23 Tue 24 Thu 26 Fri 27 Sat 28	5 th House Meetings Enrolment Information Evening 5 th House Meetings Home zone & out of zone, categories 2 – 5 enrolments begin (as below) CULTURAL & LEADERSHIP PHOTOS Australian Chemistry Quiz Pasifika Parents Evening 6pm in the Staffroom Talent Quest Enrolment session
Week 3	Mon 30 Tue 31 Thu 2 Aug Fri 3	Course Selection begins ICAS English Board of Trustees Meeting 6.30pm in the Admin Building Blood Donor Day Australian Maths Competition Progress Conferences (A – L), 4 – 7pm, students released 2.20pm Junior Student Council Meeting
Week 4	Mon 6 Tue 7 Thu 9 Fri 10	Mt Maunganui College – Lynfield Exchange (home) Progress Conferences (M – Z), 4 – 7pm, students released 2.20pm House Quiz Cross Country Senior Student Council Meeting
Week 5	Mon 13 Tue 14 Wed 15 Thu 16 Fri 17	13GEO Muriwai trip House Competition – Netball Prefects that Peak training session 3 Year 12 & 13 Music Evening, 7pm in the Hall WINTER SPORTS PHOTOS Teacher Only Day (no classes on this day)

Enrolment dates for Year 9 in 2013

Tue 17 Jul	Open Day – guided tours of the College at 11am & 4pm
Wed 18	Open Day – guided tours of the College at 11am & 1.30pm
Mon 23	Enrolment Information Evening, 7pm in the College Hall
Tue 24	Enrolment begins for Home Zone and Out of Zone categories 2 – 5
Thu 26	Enrolment evening, 6-8pm
Sat 28	Enrolment morning 9am – 12pm
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 applications for 2013 will be taken at any time up until the closing date; application forms are available from our website.

Dear Parents/Caregivers

This is the last newsletter of Term 2, with students finishing for holidays today. Mid-Year reports were issued to senior and junior students yesterday. These documents are an important indicator of your child's current progress and signal what they should do in order to continue to improve. The overall standard of the reports is very high with Deans delighted at the effort of most students. Progress Conferences will be held for students and their parents in weeks 3 and 4 of next term (Thursday 2 and Tuesday 7 August).

I would like to congratulate everyone involved in our production of Romeo & Juliet last week. Presenting one of Shakespeare's plays was a change from our musicals of recent years and it was pleasing to see how the students involved had developed a superb grasp of Shakespearian language. The week began with two very well received matinees for local intermediate students on Tuesday, before opening to the general public. I would like to congratulate everyone involved in producing a wonderful rendition of this classic play, which showcased the tremendous amount of talent our students possess, whether it is acting, singing, dancing or in technical roles such as costumes, sound and lighting. Special congratulations must go to Ms Celia Nicholson for her excellent direction of the production.

On Wednesday we hosted a large group of elderly members from our local community at a Mid-Winter Music Concert in the hall. Our very talented student musicians entertained the group while a selection of our Year 12 and Year 13 Hospitality students prepared and served a delicious morning tea. The visitors, some of whom have mature sons and daughters who are past pupils of the College, thoroughly enjoyed the morning. Thank you to Ms Wilson who organised the event and the Music and Technology faculty staff for their involvement. Photos of the event will shortly be on our website.

I wish everyone safe and happy holidays and look forward to seeing the students return refreshed and ready for the challenges and rewards of the second half of this year.

S W Bovaird
Principal

Student Leader Profile – Assistant Sports Captains

Hi! I'm Kate Hughes and I was selected to be Deputy Sports Captain, with Gage Loomans, for 2012. I was very proud and excited to get this role as I love sports and was keen to get involved with the schools sporting events, to help run them smoothly and successfully. Being part of the Student Executive this year has been great. Working with so many talented students has made my role even more enjoyable and I have loved being part of this team. Working also with Acelin James and Tyla Nathan-Wong has been great and we have so far this year helped run Athletics Day and the House Touch Competition. Currently the House Soccer Competition is happening and it has been awesome to see so many students involved and making the most of the opportunity to gain their house points. The year is so quickly speeding by, but still with House Netball, the Mt Maunganui Exchange and Cross Country to come, I look forward to being involved and making the most of the rest of the sporting year.



Hi, I'm Gage Loomans, Deputy Sports Captain along with Kate. Half a year has gone and to be honest, it's been an eye opening and really enjoyable experience. Working with Ace, Tyla and Kate has been really great and I look forward to the rest of the year. With the Athletics, Touch and Soccer Competitions down and the Cross Country and Netball to come, the rest of the year seems like it's going to be equally exciting. The organisation we are part of as Deputy Sports Captains has been a great opportunity for me to grow in maturity and experience and will hopefully be good preparation for university next year.

Kate Hughes & Gage Loomans, Assistant Sports Captains

Uniform

Please check your child's uniform over the holiday break. Black leather shoes are the only shoes allowed - no canvass, no boots, no sports shoes. Winter jerseys, jackets, beanies and scarves are available from the uniform shop and non-uniform sweaters and jackets are not permitted. Similarly, black jeans are not acceptable under any circumstances. We have attached the list of items available at the uniform shop for purchase. Please note that items are to be worn as designed - for example, the girl's senior pencil skirt is to be worn at knee length and if shortened will have to be replaced. We have received concerns from the public about the dramatically short skirts that a small number of students are wearing.

From Term 3 we will send senior students home if they are incorrectly dressed so that they can change into the correct uniform.

Thank you for your support of the college.

NZQA Fees for 2012

Payment of NZQA fees became OVERDUE at the College as from **Friday 29 June**. The Accounts Office will be open in the holidays to receive late payment on Monday 2, Tuesday 3, Thursday 12 and Friday 13 July.

Financial assistance applications are also **now overdue**. **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.** If you need to make an application this should be done as a matter of URGENCY. Forms will be available from the Accounts Office.

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.

Below are the important dates for your information:

Tuesday 17 & Wednesday 18 July	Open Day – guided tours of the College
Monday 23 July	Enrolment Information Evening, 7pm in the College Hall
Tuesday 24 – Friday 27 July	Year 9/2013 home zone enrolment starts (late night Thursday 26 July)
Saturday 28 August	Year 9/2013 enrolment morning 9am – 12pm
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

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 NEWS

MIT Schools Barista Competition

Two of our senior students received excellent results at the MIT Schools Barista Competition on 21 June. Both contestants earned gold medals, Mele Cama with a score of 90 out of 100 and Dan Aitchison with a score of 98 out of 100. The distinctive thing this year was the difference in our two Baristas, both with very different styles. Dan is a very technically precise Barista who perfected his art with a mathematical, analytical approach. Dan has a strong passion for coffee and works at The Lodge café in Mt Albert over the weekends. Mele Cama has a more flowing, creative approach and mastered her skills with elegance and charm. Both have been working since the last holidays, in their own time, to master the sensory and technical skills of the Barista. The hours that go into earning a gold medal total over 100 hours on the machine. One of the reasons Lynfield College does so well in this competition is because of our fantastic café facilities.

Our thanks again go to Karajoz Coffee Company for their support, especially to Justin Hoyland the training Barista at Karajoz.

Mrs Weeks, Food Technology Teacher



SPORT

We have had a very busy sporting term with 42 teams participating in weekly secondary school competitions in 10 different codes. Most teams are entering their final round of competition to determine places in their grade for the season which finishes mid-August. Also, several of our students have competed in single day events in 6 further codes at zone, regional or national level. Our students have had numerous notable successes, most of which have been highlighted in previous newsletters. Congratulations to all our students who have played hard and fair while being excellent sporting ambassadors for our school.

Michael Carswell (Y9) represented Lynfield College in the Bay of Plenty Mini Tour, Cambridge. He finished 2nd in the time trial, 2nd in the hill climb and 3rd in the criterion (a lap race), placing him 2nd overall in this cycling event.

Two of our boys recently performed particularly well in the Australasian Ice Skating Competition in Sydney. **Michael Durham (Y10)** placed 1st in Intermediate Men event and **Thomas Woodbridge (Y11)** placed 3rd in Novice Men event.

The NZ Secondary Schools Cross Country was held two weeks ago at St Kentigern College. In a field of 126 Year 9 girls from all over NZ **Maddy Poland** finished 25th and **Amy Pitout** 26th (and were 5th and 6th out of the Auckland girls competing) – an outstanding effort. **Dale Pitout (Y11)** competed in the U19 boys section and ran extremely well to come in at 105th of the 242 starters. Dale has another two years to compete in this age group so watch this space!

After a very hard fought game against St Pauls in the semi-final, our U85kg **Rugby League** team went down 14-10. They finished 3rd in their competition. Congratulations.

This week our 1st **XI Girls Hockey** played Avondale College (the second time in two weeks) for 3rd and 4th placings in the Open B Grade. This is a grade higher than we expected to be in at the beginning of the season. The previous game was completely one sided - we suffered an 8 - 1 defeat. However, this week's game was very different! We held them scoreless, until the last ten minutes when they scored the one and only goal! A fantastic, strong performance by all the team members.

Two of our teams had very big wins last week. The 2nd **XI Girls Hockey** won 9-0 against EGGS which is a fantastic result. The **Premier Development Netball** team (comprised of Year 9, 10, 11 girls) won against the equivalent Waitakere College team 51-23. This is an exceptional score for Netball at this level with a score rate of 5 goals every 4 minutes. The girls' teamwork was extraordinary and is very exciting for the future of Lynfield Netball.

All Netball teams are now into their championship round. The **Premier 1** team started this round with a close win against Waitakere College this week and our **Senior Green** team, as underdogs, had a 1 goal win over our **Senior Black!** The **1st XI Boys Football** team has a number of young players and is in a building phase. They played a hard fought game against Howick College last week and came away with a 3-1 win. This is an outstanding result with goals from Shamal Bhorik, Gage Loomans and Acelin James.

To celebrate Matariki, a **Ki O Rahi Tournament** was held on Wednesday at the Trusts Stadium. Twelve schools competed with all other competitors being from Maori immersion schools. All instructions were in Maori and it was a very enriching experience for our students. Mayor, Len Brown, made special mention of the 'manu aute' (kite) our students made to represent Lynfield College and met our team after the powhiri. Our team performed very credibly, drawing the semi-final then losing to the eventual tournament winners in extra time. They finished 4th and are inspired to pursue this further next year.

Sports Office

Sports Director – Felicity Walbran
Sports Assistants – Su Yim, Joanne Smith
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We would love to hear if your child has had success in any cultural or sporting events outside the College. Please email details to welldone@lynfield.school.nz

CAREERS NEWS

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

- Crown Institute of Studies Student For A Day – Wed 4 July, 10am-2pm, 10 Lorne St, City www.crown.ac.nz
- University of Canterbury Open Day, Christchurch Campus – Sat 5 & Sun 6 July www.canterbury.ac.nz
- Lincoln University Open Day, Christchurch Campus – Wed 11 & Thu 12 July www.lincoln.ac.nz
- University of Waikato Science Open Day, Hamilton – Wed 11 July www.sci.waikato.ac.nz/sciopenday
- University of Waikato Engineering Open Day, Hamilton – Wed 11 July www.sci.waikato.ac.nz/engopenday
- Crown Institute of Studies Open Day – Wed 18 July, 11am-2pm, 10 Lorne St, City www.crown.ac.nz
- Swiss Hotel Management School - Fri 20 July, 7pm, Hilton Hotel, City www.shms.com
- Victoria University Auckland Info Night – Thu 26 July, 6pm, Novotel Ellerslie www.victoria.ac.nz
- Massey University, Manawatu Campus Open Day – Wednesday 1 August www.masseyopendays.ac.nz
- NASDA (National Academy of Singing and Dramatic Arts) Student For A Day – Wed 1 Aug, Christchurch www.nasda.co.nz

Careers Office

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Raewyn Fairley, Gateway & AWE Co-ordinator – ext 745
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