

## NEWSLETTER 8

10 June 2011



### Coming Events

Week 7	Tue 14 Jun Thu 16  Fri 17	Reserve day for Leader Training Day 4 <sup>th</sup> House Meetings Year 13 Childcare – Alongside Work Experience Pasifika Parents Meeting, 6pm in Staffroom 4 <sup>th</sup> House Meetings
Week 8	Mon 20 Tue 21  Wed 22 Thu 23 Fri 24 Sun 26	Year 9 Tip Top trip (9WS) House Football Competition begins ICAS Writing Competition Year 9 Tip Top trip (9RS & 9ST) Year 13 Childcare – Alongside Work Experience Newsletter No. 9 emailed Year 11 Geography trip to Rotorua
Week 9	Mon 27  Tue 28 Wed 29 - Sat 2 Jul	PRODUCTION WEEK Year 11 Geography trip returns Production matinees for local primary schools Production evening performances
Week 10	Tue 5 & Wed 6 Tue 5 Thu 7 Fri 8 Sun 10	Open Day – guided tours of the College Pasifika Parents and University of Auckland Meeting, 6pm in the Staffroom LEADERSHIP & CULTURAL PHOTOS Newsletter No. 10 emailed Year 13 Geography trip to Rotorua (returns Mon 11 Jul)
Week 11	Mon 11 Tue 12  Thu 14  Fri 15	Enrolment Information Evening, 7pm in the Hall Home zone enrolment for Year 9/2012 begins Australian National Chemistry Quiz Year 12 Biology Zoo trip Full student council meeting, Period 2 in the Hall Senior and Junior Mid-Year Reports issued Trash to Fashion parade, lunchtime in the Hall
<b>Term 2 ends</b>		
Week 1	Mon 1 Aug  Tue 2 Thu 4  Sat 6	<b>Term 3 begins</b> Course Selection for 2012 begins ICAS English competition Australian Mathematics competition Progress Conference Evenings (A – L) Shinagawa Summer School arrives
Week 2	Mon 8 Tue 9  Thu 11  Fri 12	5 <sup>th</sup> House Meetings 5 <sup>th</sup> House Meetings Progress Conference Evenings (M – Z) Mt Maunganui-Lynfield College Sports Exchange Blood Donor Day Mt Maunganui-Lynfield College Sports Exchange
Week 3	Wed 14	WINTER SPORTS PHOTOS

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Congratulations to Katie Bowen and Tyla Nathan-Wong, two top sporting students at Lynfield College, who will both be representing New Zealand at world cup events this year.

Katie has been selected for the New Zealand Women's team, the Football Ferns, to compete at the FIFA Women's World Cup Germany 2011, which takes place over June – July.

Tyla has been selected for the New Zealand Women's team, the Touch Blacks, to compete at the Touch World Cup in Edinburgh, Scotland, which takes place this month.

This is a fantastic achievement and we wish them all the best.

Our annual musical production this year is *'Guys and Dolls'*, beginning with matinees for local primary and intermediate schools on Tuesday 28 June. Evening performances are on the following four nights, Wednesday 29 June to Saturday 2 July. The production provides a wonderful experience for the numerous students involved and an opportunity for the school community to enjoy the musical, dramatic and technical talents of these students. We hope many families and friends of the College are able to come and enjoy the show.

At this time of the year colds and flu are on the increase. Students can take some simple precautions to reduce the impact of these illnesses on themselves and fellow students by wearing appropriate winter school uniform, having adequate wet weather protection and washing and drying their hands properly. Those who are not well should remain at home so that they can recover more quickly and not spread their illness.

If any student is on medication or has health issues which are likely to impact on any aspect of their schooling, parents/caregivers should directly contact our school nurse and discuss the situation with her. Our school nurse, Mrs Glynne Newton is available on 627 0600 extension 607. In an emergency, our nurse is likely to be the first medic on the scene. Nurse Newton also needs to be notified by a parent when a student requires medication during the day. All medicine required by a student during the school day must be stored in her office. Your child's Dean should also be notified. If a student feels unwell after arriving at school, then he or she should go and see the Nurse in the first instance, who will contact parents or caregivers.

#### **Mardi Gras Cancellation**

Our annual Mardi Gras dance was cancelled this year due to poor ticket sales. This has been very disappointing for those students who purchased tickets and also for the Student Executive who were superb in their efforts to plan a wonderful event. A special thank you to Ethan Miller, Malika Hariharan, Anna Carroll, Nalin Choudhary, Nishita D'Silva, Jonathan Feki, Holly Stokes, Yash Vyas and Priyanka Nair who were working hard behind the scenes to make this year's Mardi Gras a great success. Students who purchased a ticket were able to obtain a refund on presentation of their student ID and/or ticket.

#### **Payment of Materials Costs and GP Donation by direct credit**

The Accounts Office is receiving increasing numbers of payments via internet direct crediting. It is important that the Accounts Office is given the appropriate documentation for these payments, including the name of the student, for audit purposes and for the breakdown of what the payment is intended for. We appreciate the support of parents on this matter.

S W Bovaird  
Principal

#### **Student Leader Profile – Board of Trustees Student Representative**

Since my OPC Governance Challenge course at the beginning of the year, my role as student trustee on the Board at Lynfield has followed suit, being full of opportunities and responsibilities for me to participate in and fulfil.

Part of my position as student trustee is to run the student council at school. This is made up of class representatives from all of the form classes across all year levels that help to create a group that can be my link between the Board and the students. We have held several student council meetings already, with a strong focus on the school's environment and litter as well as motivating students to get involved with the 40 Hour Famine that took place on the weekend of 27-29 May. We had over 170 students sign up to participate in the famine which was great for us, and great for World Vision.



Being a part of the Board of Trustees at Lynfield College means that I am able to give a student's opinion to the decisions that are made for the better of our school. Some of the projects I've been able to be a part of are the creation and design of some new classrooms and renovations to the old gym, as well as approving the new uniform that will be in place for 2012 that was put into motion last year before I took up my position.

This role is something totally different to anything I've done before, and it's been a fantastic experience to have in my final year of college. I hope other students considering taking up a leadership role for 2012 will seriously think about the position of BOT student representative because it opens up a lot of opportunities for you and grows your confidence immensely. I look forward to the rest of my time on the Board and helping to train up another representative at the end of my official duties in October.

Amie Mellor

### **NZQA Fees and Financial Assistance**

Invoices were issued to students at the beginning of term. If you did not receive an invoice, please contact Mr Delgrosso urgently. **The deadline for payment is Friday 8 July.** The invoice **MUST** be returned when payment is made. **Cheques should be made out to Lynfield College.**

Financial assistance applications are well overdue. If you have any queries please contact Mr Delgrosso, Dean of Administrative Services, 627 0600 extension 872 or [rdelgrosso@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:rdelgrosso@lynfield.school.nz)

### **2011 School Ball**

This year the Lynfield College School Ball will be held at the Events Centre on top of the Auckland War Memorial Museum. The Event Centre is situated under the copper dome and is a circular, fully glazed room with fantastic views of Auckland City and the harbour. Dress is formal and will be guided by a theme of 'Cirque de Lumieres'. Information concerning the night of the event was issued to all Year 12 and Year 13 students this Thursday. Our school ball has developed an excellent reputation for being enjoyable, well run and trouble-free.

Date:	Saturday 30 July (Note: this is the last Saturday of the school holidays)
Time:	7pm to 12 midnight
Tickets:	\$95

The ticket price has increased this year to cover the cost of increased venue pricing, GST and inclusive photography. Students will be able to download unlimited prints and a photographer will be circulating throughout the evening as well as providing more traditional photography against a backdrop.

Our Ball Committee is conscious of the considerable expenses some of our students incur in preparing for the ball and are encouraging students to limit their spending by searching second hand shops and assisting each other with hair and makeup.

Ticket purchase is conditional on the student meeting all outstanding obligations to the College, having less than 10% unexplained absences and having presented two signed and completed permission forms (to be sent home with students next week). Parents must ensure that they have arranged for their son/daughter to get home safely after the Ball.

If you have any queries, please contact Leisa Munro, Deputy Principal on 627 0600 extension 871.

### **2011 Production – 'Guys and Dolls'**

#### **Evening Performances**

Wednesday 29 June - Saturday 2 July, 7.00pm

#### ***Ticket Cost***

Adults \$15, students \$6, under 5s free

This year Lynfield College will be presenting a production of the classic "Guys and Dolls". This Hollywood musical promises drama, laughs and catchy musical numbers that will have you tapping your toes and dancing in your seats. Once again we have a talented cast, with Shawn Cleaver, Chantal Van Weelie, Dion Pritchard and Holly Stokes playing the lead roles. Armeet Singh and Billy Scarfe provide some comic relief with their interesting characters Benny and Nicely. There is also a fabulous chorus of dancing girls for your entertainment.

Guys and Dolls, by Jo Swerling and Abe Burrows with lyrics and music by Frank Loesser, is the story of a hardened gambler who arrives in town only to fall for a trick bet with Nathan Detroit. He bets that he can take any woman he likes

to Havana for the night. To his horror, Nathan Detroit selects Sarah Brown, a Salvation Army member who is full of religious fervour, as the woman he must persuade. As the unlikely couple fall in love, the rest of the gamblers are forced to confront their sins.

The show will have some surprising visual touches which will be revealed on opening night. Suffice to say, technology will be well-employed. This year's band will be larger than usual to accommodate the wider range of instruments. Mrs Lisa Norman the musical director, has assembled some fine talent to play one of Hollywood's most famous musical scores.

Tickets will be on sale from 15 June and students will be able to purchase tickets from a sales desk during lunchtimes. Tickets may also be purchased by members of the public from Reception after 15 June.

## Enrolment Process for 2012

Because of the altered school term dates this year we will be starting the enrolment process at the end of this term, instead of at the beginning of Term 3. Please note that there is a new out of zone category for 2012 (*Fourth Priority: child of a former student of the school*).

At its last meeting, the Board of Trustees confirmed that the College will be accepting all out of zone applicants for Year 9 in 2012 students from Categories 2 (sibling of current student), 3 (sibling of a former student), 4 (child of a former student), 5 (child of a Board member or employee). Students from these four categories must be enrolled by Thursday 1 September.

Below are the important dates for your information:

Tuesday 5 & Wednesday 6 July	Open Day – guided tours of the College
Monday 11 July	Enrolment Information Evening, 7pm in the College Hall
Tuesday 12 – Friday 15 July	Year 9/2012 Home Zone enrolment starts
Holiday enrolments	Enrolments can be made each morning, 9am – 12pm on weekdays during the holidays, no appointment necessary.
Saturday 6 August	Year 9/2012 Enrolment 9am – 12pm
Thursday 1 September	Year 9/2012 Category 6 (no existing association with the College) out of zone applications close (ballot date is Thu 8 Sep)
<i>Monday 3 October</i>	<i>Out of zone applications for Years 10 – 13 closes (ballot date is Fri 7 Oct)</i>

More detailed information about enrolment is available from our website [www.lynfield.school.nz](http://www.lynfield.school.nz)

## Are you a top scholar? Scholarship Entry Forms

Scholarship Exam Entry forms now available from outside Mr Waddington's office. They must be returned by 12 July (last Tuesday of this term). Thousands of dollars available for top academics!

## National Excellence in Teaching Awards - Nominate a Great Teacher

Nominations have opened for the 2011-2012 ASG National Excellence in **Teaching** Awards and the Cognition Education Excellence in **Leadership** Awards. This is an opportunity to acknowledge those who positively influence learning and performance in our school. Parents, secondary student councils, boards of trustees, management committees and community organisations can nominate teachers and leaders for professional development grants from a pool worth \$35,000. Entry closing date is 31 August 2011. Nominations can be done online at [www.neita.co.nz](http://www.neita.co.nz) or forms are available from College reception and local libraries.

## 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 850) if you would like any further information.

## Mathematics Clinic 2011

Got a maths question? Stuck on your maths homework? Help is available! Where? G5  
When? **Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday lunchtimes (and Tuesday afterschool)**

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR

### Badminton

Congratulations to Crystal Liu 13KM who has been selected to represent Auckland in the U19 representative Badminton team for the 2011 season. Crystal attended the U19 National Champs held in Dunedin over Queen's Birthday weekend, competing in both the inter-association and individual events.

## SPORT ROUNDUP

### Football Boys

The 1<sup>st</sup> XI boys had a tough 1-1 draw with Whangaparaoa College last week. Player of the day was goal keeper Ali Hulameh. In their Queen's Birthday weekend catch-up match against Waitakere College on Tuesday the team found the going tough with several players out and went down 3-0.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> XI defeated Western Springs 6-2, the junior premier team drew 2-2 with Westlake Boys and the Junior B boys lost 1-0 to Kaipara College.

### Football Girls

The 1<sup>st</sup> XI Girls team played a committed St Mary's side last week. The opposition dominated territory and possession and eventually won 1-0. The girls showed plenty of spirit to come back and almost snatch a draw in the final seconds. Players to shine for Lynfield were Sonil Mehta and Jade Valamaka in midfield and Hayley Browne in defence. On Wednesday the team played Rutherford and drew 1-1.

The Junior girls played Dioscesan and won 7-0, with Roma Kalyan scoring an incredible 6 goals. This team is undefeated in its grade.

### Netball

Lynfield College netball is riding a wave of success at present. The Premier A team has qualified for the Top 6 pool in the Netball Waitakere competition for the first time in many years. The 9A and 10A teams are both undefeated in the top grades. The Senior Gold team is also unbeaten in their grade. According to our Netball co-ordinator Mrs Walbran, the experience of playing in Australia last year has been hugely beneficial to our senior players. The Premier team will attend the Upper North Island Championships this year.

### Boys Basketball

The U17 Boys Basketball team continued their unbeaten run on Wednesday with a 48-21 win over Waitakere College. The boys are averaging 50 points per game and look on course for a place in the finals.

### A note to parents

If your son or daughter has made an Auckland or New Zealand provincial rep team or has been placed at a provincial or national tournament, could you please send in this information in writing, with evidence such as a certificate or letter, to the sports office. This information is used to update the honours board.

All sports fees are to be paid before the first game. The sports office will not allow students to participate if they have outstanding fees. Fees can be paid to accounts office.

Football \$25 - Rugby \$30 - Hockey \$60 - Netball \$65 – Badminton \$40 – Basketball \$65

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### School Sport – SKY TV Rugby Channel Fundraiser

SKY TV will donate \$15 to Lynfield College Sport for each customer who subscribes to the Rugby Channel for 6 months. Call SKY on 0800 759 759, quote the **code 6803** and let them know the name of the school they wish to support. Easy!

### The Great Anchor Milk Run

Anchor is giving New Zealand schools the chance to win their share of a total \$500,000 prize pool. The *Great Anchor Milk Run* competition started on 4 April and over 80 days schools and consumers have the chance to win a share of this prize pool by purchasing any specially marked Anchor milk. Every litre of milk equals 1 entry into the draw. Enter the unique code on the reverse of Anchor milk bottles by texting to 311 or enter on-line at [www.anchor milkrun.co.nz](http://www.anchor milkrun.co.nz) Closes Sunday 26 June.

**Do we have your current phone numbers, email and postal addresses?**

Please ensure that we have appropriate contact details for you that enable you to receive this fortnightly newsletter and any other notices, reports, etc. Email [notice@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:notice@lynfield.school.nz) , indicating your child's name and form class in your email message.

**CAREERS NEWS**

Year 13 students wanting to study property management, planning, engineering, valuation, real estate, architecture, quantity surveying, construction or landscape architecture – there is a scholarship available for students with a genuine need for financial assistance. Details at Student Services or [www.keystone.org.nz](http://www.keystone.org.nz)

Year 12/13 – check out current trade vacancies in the **NZ Army** available for the next recruit course 6 Feb 2012. See careers noticeboard.

**Victoria University, Wellington main open day for prospective students is on Friday 26 August.** Please register at Student Services if you are considering attending. Full details at [www.victoria.ac.nz/srca/events/study-at-vic.aspx](http://www.victoria.ac.nz/srca/events/study-at-vic.aspx)

Get free professional career guidance and job search skills at Botany Library every Friday from 9.30 - 11am. [www.careers.govt.nz](http://www.careers.govt.nz)

**Careers Office**

Wendy Keir, Careers Advisor – ext 862  
Raewyn Fairley, Gateway & AWE Co-ordinator – ext 653  
Karen Hughes, Secretary – ext 867

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**6<sup>th</sup> Auckland Girls Brigade (Blockhouse Bay)**

Attention all girls! Come to Girls' Brigade for fun, friendship, camps, crafts and more. All girls from 5 years of age are most welcome. We meet on Thursdays from 6 – 8pm at Iona Presbyterian Church, 38 Donovan Street, Blockhouse Bay. Come along and check us out! For more information, phone Dorothy on 442 5055 or check out our website [www.westaucklandgirlsbrigade.org.nz](http://www.westaucklandgirlsbrigade.org.nz)

**Mercy Hospice Shops**

Your local Mercy Hospice Blockhouse Bay shop (at the roundabout) offers a huge range of quality new and second hand clothing and accessories (**great for the Ball season!**), home ware, CDs, books and more! Other Mercy Hospice shops are at Point Chevalier, Royal Oak, Ponsonby, Mt Eden and Ellerslie. Shop funds directly support the care of patients. Visit [www.mercyhospice.org.nz](http://www.mercyhospice.org.nz)