

# LYNFIELD COLLEGE

## **NEWSLETTER 12**

# 6 September 2013

| Coming Events: |  |  |  |  |
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| Week 7         | Mon 9 & Tue 10 <b>Se</b><br>Wed 11<br>Thu 12 & Fri 13  | <ul> <li>p In-class priority time. Students should not make outside appointments<br/>during school time.</li> <li>SENIOR ASSESSMENT begins</li> <li>Uniform &amp; Stationery Shop closed</li> </ul>  |  |  |
| Week 8         | Mon 16 – Fri 20<br>Mon 16 – Wed 18<br>Thu 19<br>Fri 20 | SENIOR ASSESSMENT continues<br>Year 9 Business Tip Top trips<br>Year 11 Drama Performance Evening<br>2014 Student Leader applicants' speeches due in by today  |  |  |
| Week 9         | Mon 23<br>Wed 25<br>Thu 26<br>Fri 27                   | Board of Trustees Meeting<br>Tickets on sale for Festival Awards Evening<br>Year 9 Business classes market day<br>Technology Evening and Fashion Show<br>Talent Quest<br>BOT Student Representative for 2013/2014 announced<br>Term 3 ends   |  |  |
| Week 1         | Mon 14 <b>Oct</b>                                      | Term 4 begins<br>Festival Awards Evening, 6pm at the Crowne Plaza<br>2014 Student Leaders election week  |  |  |
| Week 2         | Mon 21<br>Tue 22<br>Wed 23<br>Thu 24                   | In-class priority time. Students should not make outside appointments<br>in school time during this week.<br>5 <sup>th</sup> House Meetings – voting for 2014 House Captains<br>Board of Trustees Meeting<br>5 <sup>th</sup> House Meetings – voting for 2014 House Captains<br>Year 10 – 13/2014 Out of Zone applications close<br>Year 12 Music Performance Evening<br>All Senior Drama students' trip |  |  |
| Week 3         | <b>Mon 28</b><br>Tue 29<br>Wed 30<br>Thu 31            | Labour Day (public holiday)<br>In-class priority time. Students should not make outside appointments<br>in school time during this week.<br>Year 13 Music Performance Evening<br>Pasifika Parents' Evening   |  |  |

## Enrolment dates for Year 9 in 2014:

Home Zone enrolments can be made Monday to Friday between 3.20 – 4.30pm, no appointment necessary. These enrolments should be made as soon as possible. The student who is being enrolled must attend the enrolment interview.

Out of Zone applications closed on Wednesday 4 September for Year 9/2014 Category 6 students. *If you have missed this deadline, please submit an application form to be put on the waiting list.* 

| Tue 22 Oct        | 2014 Year 10 – 13 Out of Zone applications close 5pm   |
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| Wed 23 <b>Oct</b> | 2014 Year 10 – 13 Out of Zone applications ballot date |

#### **Dear Parents/Caregivers**

In 2014 Lynfield College is going to be implementing a programme, **Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)**, in which students will bring their own device to school in support of their learning. This programme will involve all Year 10 students in 2014. The aim of the programme is to enhance student learning through the integration of technology into the classroom. BYOD will enable teachers to work in new innovative ways that will be more interactive and engaging for students. It will also challenge students to collaborate with one another and extend their learning beyond the classroom walls.

Last Wednesday meetings were held in the staffroom with Year 9 parents to explain the programme. Our advice to parents is to wait before buying a device as there are a number of changes coming, some from different manufacturers. In Term 4 the school will hold sessions for parents in the Library (Tuesdays 4 - 5pm) so that they can look at a range of devices to help make a choice. We also encourage parents to go to the BYOD link on our website. If you have questions please email them to <u>admin@lynfield.school.nz</u> with BYOD in the subject.

These are exciting times for all those involved with student learning.

I would like to congratulate the many Lynfield College students who have recently succeeded very highly in extracurricular activities. Please see our website for information and photos, including the following:

- KBB Music Festival Big Band wins one of just two Gold awards; Concert Band wins Silver, Chamber Group wins Silver and Orchestra wins Bronze.
- Trash to Fashion 7 finalists, 4 prizes.
- New Zealand Senior Mathematics Competition students achieve in the Top 12, Top 100 and Top 200.
- Third place in the Auckland Geography Teachers' Association annual Year 12 and 13 Geography Competition.
- Year 10 student wins the Vegemite Spelling Bee Auckland Regional final; 4 out of the 7 students in the penultimate round were from Lynfield College.

Senior Assessment begins on Wednesday 11 September. The finalized timetable has been made available to students on the College website and e-LynC. Paper copies have been available at Deans' reception. It is important that students are fully prepared for these exams by:

- Knowing their timetable
- Seeing Mr Waddington, Academic Advisor as soon as possible if they have any clashes
- Knowing what is being assessed and how
- Knowing the format of the exam
- > Carefully reading the Examination Instructions for Students sheet that was issued to them
- Having a study timetable
- Studying at home and using exam leave for study

S W Bovaird Principal

#### Student Leader Profiles – Ambassador Co-ordinator Year 13

Being the Ambassador Co-ordinator this year gave me great opportunities within leadership at Lynfield. My main responsibilities focused around being a part of the Student Executive, but more specialised with the school's open days and encouraging potential future students to spend their secondary time at Lynfield College.

My plans for next year begin with living in Germany for approximately half a year, to work and travel and make good use of the language I've studied and enjoyed throughout the past five years. On my return I am considering studying a degree in photography, which I will then use to progress into medical photography and hopefully become a medical photographer.



Bridget McCarthy, Ambassador Co-ordinator Year 13

#### Student Representative, Board of Trustees 2013 - 2014

Students are invited to nominate themselves or another student to be the Student Representative on the Board of Trustees for 2013 – 2014. The role of the student representative is to provide input to the BOT, based on the perspectives of the students they represent. They can make valuable contributions to decisions that affect the strategic direction of the school. Nomination forms and additional information are available from the Returning Officer, Mr Waddington. Nominations will close at noon on Tuesday 10 September and the election will be held on Tuesday 24 September. Results will be announced Friday 27 September.

#### NZQA Fees for 2013

Payment of NCEA fees must now be made directly to NZQA in Wellington, using the appropriate form. NZQA will not release results to students who have not paid the fee. Later in the year NZQA will impose an extra \$50 late fee. Check the NZQA web site for details.

As we are no longer accepting NCEA fee payments at the College, PLEASE DO NOT make these payments by direct credit.

#### The Trusts Community Foundation Scholarships

There will be ten TTCF academic scholarships and three non-degree scholarships available to Lynfield College students this year. Students must be permanent NZ residents. 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 2014 (not taking a gap year.)

Application forms and more information will be available from the Deans' corridor in week 9 of this term and these are to be returned to Mr Waddington **before 3.15pm Friday 18 October 2013**.

If you have any questions see Mr Waddington <u>mwaddington@lynfield.school.nz</u> or Mrs Clark <u>gclark@lynfield.school.nz</u>

#### 2013 ICAS Writing Competition Results

Year 9

**Distinction:** Jia Dua, Karan Kalsi, Phoebe Liu, Ryan Mills, Kitty Yu Sun (all top 8%) **Credit:** Neha Mistry, Aleece Monkman, Shivanee Ram, Nancy Sun, Gillian Xie, Xinyue Zhang **Participation:** Angela Competente, Hyo Joon Kwon, Ratan Josh Mukherjee, Renee Prasad, Suwesh Ranjitkar, Nathan Varney, Helen Xia, Carrie Runze Zhang, Yan Jun Zheng

Year 10

High Distinction: Nithya Narayanan (top 1%) Distinction: Nisarag Bhatt (top 4%), Adya Choudhary (top 2%), Emily Scopes (top 6%), Jack Winterburn (top 9%) Participation: Lovise Shaji

Year 11

Credit: Erica D'Souza, Ashleigh Harris, Naomi Moraes

Year 12

**Distinction:** Alisha Imran (top 8%), Jahnvee Solanki (top 8%) **Credit:** Bhavish Kapadia, David Wu **Participation:** Alvina Rathod, Simon Yang

Year 13

**Distinction:** Andrew Coffin (top 7%), Georgia Harris (top 2%) **Credit:** Max Gruebner, Alana Murphy **Participation:** Christine Lee

#### 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 our Dean of Administrative Services, rdelgrosso@lynfield.school.nz, indicating your child's name and form class in your email message.

#### **Homework Centres**

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

#### **Pasifika Homework Centre**

This homework centre is held in the Library 3.10 - 4.30pm Mondays and Wednesdays.

#### **ESOL Homework Centre**

On Thursdays afterschool from 3.10pm – 4pm in L6 there is help and support for students whose first language is not English.

#### **Mathematics Clinic**

Have a Maths question?Stuck on your Maths homework?Help is available!Where?G15When?Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday lunchtimes (and Tuesday afterschool)Image: Comparison of the second seco

## **EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACHIEVEMENT**

## **All Blacks Coaching Clinic**

Ten Lynfield College Rugby boys have been selected to attend a coaching clinic at Eden Park on Monday 9 September for Auckland region schools, where they will have the opportunity to meet some of their rugby heroes and receive expert coaching. The lucky boys are Eddie Kennedy, Liam McLennan, Henry Samuels, Ata loteba, Jaay Asiata, Cree Braithwaite, Nathan Seu, Victor Manavahetau, Lineni Ta'ufo'ou and Jamie Harder.

#### **Sports Scene**

#### **Team Talk**

With only one week of winter competition this year it is time to reflect on the season for the various sports. Over the next two newsletters we will cover all codes.

#### Football

This year we had more junior boys interested in playing football so we formed 3 junior teams, namely 13<sup>th</sup> grade (Y9), 14<sup>th</sup> grade (Y10) and Junior Prems (a combination of Y9 and Y10). This has proven to be an excellent combination of junior teams allowing full participation for all our juniors as well as catering for those boys showing real potential in football.

## 13<sup>th</sup> grade (Y9)

This team was entered into a grade in the weekly secondary schools competition that suited them perfectly. They played some very exciting early games with last minute equalisers. All the boys were given equal time on the field (apart from goalie) and were happy with that concept. They played with a great spirit, as did the opposition, with Lynfield finishing mid table. Many thanks to a large number of parents for their support on the side-line and also their help with transport to games.

## 14<sup>th</sup> grade (Y10)

The Year 10 Boys Football team rounded off a good season by qualifying for the top four play-offs. This proved a little tough as the final games were played with no substitutes. Throughout, the boys put into practice the skills learned in training and by the season's end were playing a much improved style of Football. Whilst finishing 4<sup>th</sup> overall, the boys were a credit to themselves and the school. They also mastered the art of putting up the nets together as a team and the importance of turning up on time! The most improved player was Dylan Kay.

#### **Tournament Week**

As this goes to print our top Netball and Girls' Football teams are at the annual NZSS Tournament Week. The Premier Netball team is undefeated after 6 games and have made it into the top 8 for the B grade. They have four more games in the next two days as this competition really heats up. There are 32 schools in the B grade and 112 schools over all 3 grades. 1<sup>st</sup> XI Girls Football is playing in the Kathy Seaward Cup and is currently 3<sup>rd</sup> in their pool. There are 24 schools in this tournament.

#### Mt Maunganui Exchange

Our annual sports exchange with Mt Maunganui College took place last week. This year Lynfield travelled to the Mount to compete in 12 sports and also in debating. Unfortunately the Mount had the home advantage and pulled off wins in 7 sports as well as 1 draw. Lynfield took out the debating cup though. Results as follows:

| Basketball Girls                  | Mt Maunganui     | 55 - 28 |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------|
| Basketball Boys                   | Lynfield College | 49 -42  |
| Touch Senior Boys                 | Mt Maunganui     | 7 - 1   |
| Golf Mixed Team                   | Mt Maunganui     | 3-1     |
| Waterpolo Mixed Team              | Mt Maunganui     |         |
| Netball Premier 1                 | Lynfield College | 43 - 29 |
| Netball Premier 2                 | Mt Maunganui     | 27 - 26 |
| Football 1 <sup>st</sup> XI Boys  | Lynfield College | 4 - 0   |
| Football 1 <sup>st</sup> XI Girls | Mt Maunganui     | 3 - 1   |
| Hockey 1 <sup>st</sup> XI Boys    | Lynfield College | 7 - 0   |
| Hockey 1 <sup>st</sup> XI Girls   | DRAW             | 1 - 1   |
| Rugby 1 <sup>st</sup> XV Boys     | Mt Maunganui     | 36 - 3  |
| Debating                          | Lynfield College |         |

#### **Uniform Return**

With most winter sports now finished for the year **please return all sports uniforms to the Sports Office as soon as possible**. When the uniform is returned most of the uniform bond will be refunded via your child, as per the letter your son/daughter brought home at the beginning of the season. The cash bond money that will be refunded upon correct return of uniform is listed below:

- Rugby 1<sup>st</sup> XV Boys \$75 (uniform bond and Adidas tracksuit bond)
- Netball Premier Teams \$65 (uniform bond and tracksuit bond)
- 1<sup>st</sup> XI teams \$50 (uniform bond and prem jacket bond)
- Other teams \$25 (uniform bond)

## Sports Office Staff

If parents/caregivers have any questions or concerns about sport at the College, please contact us on 627 0600 extension 595

Felicity Walbran, Sports Director fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz Joanne Smith, Sports Co-ordinator Su Yim, Sports Administrator

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

# CAREERS

Y12 or Y13 in 2014 and love science? "Hands on Science" will again be hosted by University of Otago, during the school holidays 12-17 January 2014. This is a friendly and interactive science programme for secondary students to take part in. A great way to check out science as a career, as well as university and campus life. Scholarships available for students who are deaf, have a disability or are of Maori or Pacific Island descent, plus more. Check out <u>http://handsonscience.otgo.ac.nz</u>

**Food Science** is an exciting and multi-disciplinary science that studies the physical, chemical and biological properties of food components and food products and the various techniques used in engineering to produce new products for the world's growing markets. Food scientists work in diverse environments from airlines to the armed forces, to food manufacturers to policy makers and in R&D both in NZ and overseas. Lots more information at <u>www.lincoln.ac.nz</u> plus details on the other land based courses available at Lincoln University.

**University of Otago –** Physics and chemistry summer school classes available for those that may need a "catch-up" prior to the start of their degree programme in Dunedin. Details at <u>www.physics.otago.ac.nz</u> or <u>http://neon.otago.ac.nz/chemistry/studying/CHEM150</u>

Tertiary Visitors To Our School - to assist with course planning. Registrations are essential. Victoria University, Wellington – Tue 24 Sep, 12.40pm – 3pm, A1 Unitec – Wed 25 Sep, 12.40pm – 2.20pm, A1. University of Otago, Dunedin – Fri 18 Oct, 12.40pm – 3pm, A1

## **Open Days & Information Evenings**

**Electricity Training Open Day (ETCO)** Tue 10, Wed 11, Tue 24 & Wed 25 Sep. 24A Allright PI, Mt Wellington (9am, 10am, 11am, 12pm, 1pm, 2pm) Info on apprenticeships etc. <u>www.etco.co.nz</u> **Crown Institute of Studies Open Day** – Wed 11 Sep, 9am-4pm, 10 Lorne St, City <u>www.crown.ac.nz</u>

Urban Planning Tour, University of Auckland – Thu 12 Sep, 12pm, Bldg 421, Lvl 6, School of Architecture & Planning Reception

Best Institute of Education "Youth Guarantee" Student For A Day – Fri 13 Sep, New Lynn Campus Cut Above Academy Open Day – Fri 13 Sep, 10am-4pm, Lvl 6, 242 Queen St, City Media Design School Open Day – Sat 14 Sep, 92 Albert St, City

Best Institute of Education "Youth Guarantee" Student For A Day – Thu 19 Sep, Manukau Campus Best Institute of Education "Youth Guarantee" Student For A Day – Fri 20 Sep, New Lynn Campus Massey University School of Aviation, Palmerston North – Sat 21 Sep <u>www.massey.ac.nz</u>

## Scholarships

Y13 students considering tertiary study next year are encouraged to visit <u>www.breakout.org.nz</u> This site is free to access on the school computer network and public libraries, and holds a database of thousands of scholarships (ie. money you don't have to pay back!) available to secondary school students who are going on to university or polytechnics in 2014. University and polytechnic websites also have details of the scholarships they have available. Most scholarships applications are now online. Please familiarise yourself with the application process as these can be quite involved eg. essays, principal endorsement, verified copies of documentation, etc. We are happy to help you with any questions you may have. Please drop by during your break.

#### Vote for your outstanding teacher

Teachers are top-of-mind for families with the winter school term underway and nominations now open for the ASG Teaching Awards and Cognition Education Leadership Awards.

Every two years parents, Boards of Trustees, parent associations, secondary student councils and community organisations can nominate the outstanding teachers and leaders in their school community who inspire learning.



Terry O'Connell, chairman of the NEiTA Foundation, which facilitates the awards programme, says these awards are an opportunity for the consumers of education to acknowledge those teachers and leaders whose inspirational approach stimulates student learning and success. "Your nomination demonstrates recognition of outstanding teachers and leaders at early

childhood education centres, primary, intermediate and secondary schools nationwide who provide children with the desire, confidence and enthusiasm to learn and do well."

Nominations are open until September 30 online at <u>www.neita.co.nz</u> or download a nomination form. Forms are also available at schools and early childhood education centres nationwide, or through the NEiTA Foundation on 09 308 0576 or email <u>mventer@asg.co.nz</u>

Nominated teachers and leaders receive a NEiTA Certificate of Nomination once verified, with 20 area representatives selected to go forward to receive Regional Awards in Wellington in May 2014. From these, 10 will receive National Awards and professional development grants of up to \$5000 at their schools or centres later in the year.

## **Discovery Foundation Inc - Discovery for Teens**

Auckland FREE Information Evening 2013

Tuesday 17 September 7.30pm - 9pm

All Welcome

Youthline House 13 Maidstone Street, Grey Lynn Auckland

## Confidence - Motivation – Goal Setting – Self-awareness

*Discovery For Teens* is a powerful and incredibly successful seven day programme designed for all Kiwi teenagers from 14 -18 years. It provides teens an opportunity to discover their true potential and use it.

# Find out more about our next exciting *Discovery for Teens* programme happening soon October 6 - 12 at our new Auckland venue.

Led by a team of New Zealand acclaimed educators, *Discovery* is presented in a dynamic format that is interactive, stimulating and fun!

#### Bubble Dome – Minecraft and Games Design courses (for students 6 – 18 years)

Learn the latest in Minecraft on one of Bubble Dome's four exciting Minecraft courses. Ph 622 0670, email <u>Candice@bubbledome.co.nz</u>, book online <u>www.bubbledome.co.nz</u>