



LYNFIELD COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER 8

14 June 2013

Coming Events:

Week 7	Tue 18 Jun	Year 13 Childcare – Alongside Work Experience
	Wed 19	Prefects that Peak ICAS Writing Competition Year 11 Musical Performance Evening
Week 8	Mon 24	TravelWise Week Board of Trustees Meeting
	Tue 25	Year 13 Childcare – Alongside Work Experience
	Fri 28	Teacher Only Day – there are no classes on this day
	Sun 30	11 Geography trip to Rotorua departs
Week 9	Mon 1 Jul	Year 11 Geography trip returns PRODUCTION WEEK - Back to the 80s
	Tue 2	Auckland University Economics Competition
	Thu 4	Pasifika Fathers & Sons Evening, 6 – 8.30pm, Staffroom
Week 10	Tue 9	Senior Quizzex, lunchtime Hall
	Thu 11	Mid-Year Reports issued to students
	Fri 12	TERM 2 ENDS
	Fri 26 Jul	Lynfield College Ball (last Friday of the school holidays)

Week 1	Mon 29 Jul	TERM 3 BEGINS
	Tue 30	Blood Donor Day
	Wed 31	Enrolment Open Day, tours at 1.30 & 4pm
	Thu 1 Aug	ICAS English Competition Culture & Leadership Photos Australian Mathematics Competition
	Fri 2	Year 13 Geography Muriwai Beach trip Enrolment Open Day, tours at 11am
Week 2	Mon 5	COURSE SELECTION (WEEKS 2 – 4) Enrolment Information Evening 7pm
	Tue 6	Enrolment of in zone and out of zone Category 2-5 Year 9/2014 students begins, further information contained in this newsletter
		Australian Chemistry Competition Student Council Committee Meeting Board of Trustees Meeting
	Thu 8	4 th House Meetings Enrolment evening, 6 – 8pm Pasifika Parents Evening
	Fri 9	4 th House Meetings
	Sat 10	Enrolment morning, 9am – 12pm
Week 3	Tue 13	Prefects that Peak House Netball Competition begins
	Wed 14	Year 12 & 13 Music Performance Evening
	Thu 15	Year 10 <i>Attitude</i> Presentation Progress Conferences (A – L), 4 – 7pm
	Fri 16	Year 13 <i>Attitude</i> Presentation Student Council Meeting

Dear Parents/Caregivers

We are now six weeks through Term 2 with four weeks to go. Our senior students have had 18 weeks of class time and are well over half way through their school year with 15 weeks of class time remaining before they go on study leave prior to their NCEA exams. Reports are currently being written and these will be issued to all students in the last week of this term.

This past week has been Book Week at Marshall Laing Primary School. Amongst the activities organised for the week was a session where students from four of our Year 9 classes went down to Marshall Laing, each being given a small group of students to read to. Feedback from Marshall Laing was that this activity was "hugely successful with both Lynfield and Marshall Laing students fully engaged and appearing to enjoy the experience". Our students were seen as "wonderful role models. They were polite, respectful and enthusiastic".

We have also been working with Blockhouse Bay Intermediate with 29 of their students visiting us for sessions on maths and science. It was great to see such enthusiastic learners excitedly making use of the opportunity.

With the weather changing, our fields have become very muddy. This, along with the construction work on the new pavilion blocking the footpath, has led to the Kimberhall gate being closed for student access. Current progress on this project should see us able to use the building, which will also house the school Café, when we return after the Term 2 holidays. Access to the Kimberhall gate will be reopened once the construction has been completed.

Tickets go on sale next week for our annual production and this year our students will perform the show ***Back to the 80s***.

Auditions were held at the end of February and the very regular rehearsals have required considerable commitment from the staff and students involved. The production will provide a wonderful opportunity for the school community to see the dramatic, musical and technical talents of these students. We hope many families and friends of the College are able to attend. Details of performance times are included in this newsletter.

Board of Trustees

Thank you to the parents/caregivers who stood for election, and to the parents/caregivers who exercised their vote in the election. The Lynfield College Board of Trustees for the next three years has its first meeting on Monday 24 June.

Parent Representatives	Clive Hudson Mu Kaleta Kristine Mellor Neil Purdie Steven Taylor
Staff Representative	Kathryn Wells
Student Representative	Kylie Clarke
Principal/Secretary to the Board	Steve Bovaird

Teacher Only Day

The College will be closed on Friday 28 June for a Ministry of Education allocated teacher only day.

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Acting Principal

Student Leader Profile – Board of Trustees Student Representative

Hi I'm Kylie Clarke, the Board of Trustees Student Representative at Lynfield College. I am honoured to be in this position, especially as a Year 12 student and feel privileged to be able to do my part on the Board of Trustees.

Being on the Board has given me many opportunities, more than I thought it would when I first was elected, such as attending a Student Trustee camp at OPC, Great Barrier Island earlier this year. This opened up a new world to me, about what it means to be a part of the Board and how it works alongside the Ministry of Education. Along with this, we also participated in thrilling activities such as kayaking at sea, coasteering and rock-climbing, only to name a few, as well as create great bonds with students in the same position as me from different schools.



Over the past months, I have attended Board meetings monthly, and have written reports based on activities around Lynfield College and the student voice. As the Student Trustee, I also chair the Student Council and Student Council Committee meetings. Recently, I created a questionnaire that all class representatives sent out to their form classes to discuss. This questionnaire gave the Student Council Committee a heads-up in terms of what students believed would improve our school. I feel this questionnaire was a great success, as the results were taken to the Senior Management Team and the BOT (Board of Trustees) and various aspects of it have already been addressed.

I look forward to working with any new members of the recently elected Board of Trustees for the remainder of my term.

After school, I intend to study Digital Technologies and Creative Photography. The skills I have learnt in this experience, as BOT Student Representative, will also support me in my future career.

Kylie Clarke, Board of Trustees Student Representative

Uniform - For the Parents of Year 11 Students

As you know, Year 11 students are the last to wear the old style uniform. As Year 11 students out-grow or wear out their existing uniform, from now on they are able to replace it with the senior uniform. However, girls should only purchase the knee-length pencil skirt, as the long skirt is reserved for students who are in Year 12 or Year 13 only. If you have any queries regarding this, please contact Mr Eyre, Acting Deputy Principal on 627 0600 extension 707.

Ask.fm

Ask.fm is a social networking internet site your son or daughter will probably be familiar with. This site has the potential to be used in destructive ways and deans and guidance staff are frequently seeing upset students who have been bullied via Ask.fm. You may be aware of the media coverage of this. The New Zealand Herald recently published some pertinent advice from Netsafe:

- Users of Ask.fm can prevent anonymous questions being posted by choosing “do not allow anonymous questions” in their privacy settings.
- It is possible to block an abusing user after receiving a second message by pressing “block” next to each question.
- Users can also press the “report” button to notify the Ask.fm site of the abuse.

The College is currently surveying students on their internet use and the findings will be discussed at a parents evening scheduled for Term 3. Details of this evening will be posted once they are finalised.

If you have any concerns about cyber bullying, please contact Deborah Kevany (Counsellor & Faculty Leader Student Services ext 747), Brian Tonks (Counsellor ext 746) or the appropriate year-level dean.

Matariki Festival

Lynfield is celebrating Matariki from the 22nd of this month and we are promoting the Māori New Year and taha Maori within the college with a range of student activities planned up until the end of the term. Everything from making harakeke gifts and poi, to hangi and traditional kai for sale. Proceeds from sales will contribute to fundraising for new carvings (pou and waharoa) for the entry to the school and for our marae, Te Ringa Awhina (MCC).

In traditional times, Matariki was a season to celebrate and to prepare the ground for the coming year. Offerings of the produce of the land were made to the gods, including Rongo, god of cultivated food. This time of the year was also a good time to instruct young people in the lore of the land and the forest. The name Matariki is used also for the central star in the Pleiades cluster which is visible at this time of the year.

The Maori Focus Group at Lynfield College welcomes whanau involvement. To get in touch please email our Head of Te Reo Māori, Jennifer Leauga jleauga@lynfield.school.nz or phone Leisa Munro, Deputy Principal, Student Services on ext 706.

Waiho I te toipoto, kaua I te toiroa
Let us keep close together, not wide apart

Update of Student Details

Thank you to parents who have returned their updated address, phone and email details. The primary caregiver email is particularly important as this email address will be used later this term to send your personalised password which will enable you to login to our Parent Portal. The Parent Portal will allow you to check your son or daughter's attendance and also their NCEA entries and results where this is relevant.

Please support this process by asking your son or daughter if they have returned your checked printout.

If you have any queries about this process please do not hesitate to email or call Leisa Munro, Deputy Principal on extension 706, lmunro@lynfield.school.nz Thank you for your support.

2013 School Ball

Tickets are on sale next week from Thursday 20 June.

Venue Rendezvous Grand Hotel, Mayoral Drive, Auckland City

Date Friday 26 July (Note: this is the last Friday of the school holidays)

Time 7pm to 12 midnight

Tickets \$95

The ticket price covers the cost of photography.

If you have any queries, please contact Leisa Munro, Deputy Principal on 627 0600 extension 706.

Keep up-to-date with what is happening now at the College. Go to
www.lynfield.school.nz

NZQA Fees and Financial Assistance

The 2013 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 overdue. If you think you qualify for financial assistance, please contact Mr Delgrosso urgently on 627 0600 extension 728.

Invoices have been issued to senior students, with payment due by the end of this term (12 July). Please plan for this payment so that you can help us to meet our NZQA deadlines. For most students, the fee will be \$76.70.

Enrolment Process for 2014

New In Zone Streets - From 2013 our College Home Zone extended 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 confirmed that the College will be accepting all category 2, 3, 4 & 5 out of zone applicants for Year 9/2014 and these students should enrol at the same time as the home zone students.

Out of zone application forms can be printed from our website and must be received at College reception by 4 September.

Below are the important dates for your information.

Wednesday 31 July & Friday 2 August	Open Day – guided tours of the College
Monday 5 August	Enrolment Information Evening, 7pm in the College Hall
Tuesday 6 August	Year 9/2014 home zone enrolment starts
Thursday 8 August	Late night, 6 – 8pm
Saturday 10 August	Year 9/2014 enrolment 9am – 12pm
Wednesday 4 September Sep)	Year 9/2014 category 6 out of zone applications close (ballot date is Wed 11
Tuesday 22 October	Out of zone applications for Years 10 – 13/2014 close (ballot Wed 23 Oct)

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

2013 Production – Back to the 80s

This year Lynfield College is presenting the teen favourite “Back to the 80s”. This is the story of a man looking back to his high school years during the 1980s and his painful coming of age as well as dealing with the school bully. It is studded with fantastic 80s hits like, “Girls just wanna have fun”, “Material Girl”, “Man in the Mirror” just to name a few.

The show opens on Tuesday 2 July with matinee performances for local intermediate and primary schools.

Evening Performances	Wednesday 3 – Saturday 6 July, starting at 7.30pm
Ticket Cost	Adults \$10 Senior Citizens, Students, Children \$5
Door sales from 7pm	
Food and drinks are on sale at interval	

Tickets will be on sale from Monday 17 June and students will be able to purchase tickets from a sales desk during lunchtimes.

Members of the public may also purchase tickets from Reception after 17 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 our Dean of Administrative Services, rdelgrosso@lynfield.school.nz, indicating your child's name and form class in your email message.

AT HOP Card

The AT HOP card – a one card system for all public transport fares, was introduced to trains and ferries last year. The AT HOP system will be progressively installed on Auckland buses between June and November 2013. Please note – it will not be implemented on privately chartered school bus services.

Urban Express will be the first bus service to launch AT HOP on Sunday 23 June 2013.

Information about the changes is available at www.ATHOP.co.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

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

Got a maths question? Stuck on your maths homework? Help is available! Where? **G15**
When? **Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday lunchtimes (and Tuesday afterschool)**

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACHIEVEMENT

Individual Honours

It is great to see our Lynfield students being so successful in a wide variety of sports. In the last newsletter we congratulated Shantael Ligaliga on winning an AKSS golfing title. Lawn Bowls, like golf, is a sport which over the last 5 - 10 years has attracted a very significant number of young competitors. On Monday, **Liam van Rijn (Y13)** was one of six boys from throughout Auckland in the final section of the AKSS Bowls Singles Championship. He won his semi-final game convincingly (17 – 4) earning a place in the final. In a tight game, Liam kept focussed and bowled consistently eventually winning 10 – 4 to become the Auckland Secondary Schools Lawn Bowls Singles Champion. Congratulations Liam.



Brayden Silby (Y13) and **Liam van Rijn (Y13)** have both been selected in the Auckland Secondary Schools Lawn Bowls team to compete in a tournament in Hamilton next month.

In the holidays **Sonia Mehta (Y11)** competed in the NZ Open Karate Championships winning a gold medal.



Nathan Stokes (Y13) is competing in the World BMX Championships to be held late next month at the Vector Arena. We wish Nathan well in this prestigious event.

Sports Scene

Team Talk

All our winter teams are now almost half way through the competition season. They are focussing on improved performance each week and continue to produce some excellent results. Of particular interest are some of our junior teams which have players who have never played the sport before but are keen to have a go. It has been very exciting to see the enormous improvement in these players and teams, especially U15B Boys Basketball, 9D Netball, (Y9) Boys Football and U14 Rugby. These students are provided with the same opportunities to enjoy all aspects of team sport as our top teams and are really making the most of this. There is so much excitement generated by these players and the huge smiles on the faces of coaches, spectators and players say it all!

Result of the week has to be the Junior Premier (Development) Boys Football team's result of a 0 – 1 loss to MAGS – top ranked team in their competition. Senior teams' results are showing the benefit of real commitment with netball, football and hockey leading the way.

All Blacks visit

Last term our 1st XV won an Adidas Sports Scholarship. On Friday 7 June there was huge excitement as All Blacks Israel Dagg, Beauden Barrett, Francis Saili and the Adidas team were welcomed to our school with a powhiri and cultural haka in the Sports Centre. They were visiting to present the boys with the team's prize of a complete playing strip, tracksuits, boots and gear bag. The senior players in the team had made a video which showed why they were "All in" when it comes to rugby. After winning the scholarship they designed the new jersey, shorts, socks and track suit then Adidas had all items custom made to fit the measurements of each team member. All boys were individually fitted with boots of exactly the right size and design for their playing position. While this was happening there was the opportunity to meet and chat with the three All Blacks as well as have some photos taken with their heroes!



Road Race Results

This was a very successful event with some excellent results produced by the lead runners. Well done to all who ran with such good spirit.

Placing	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
Senior Boys	Dale Pitout 18:08	Richard Allen	Haseeb Ahmed	Michael Peck	Karan Patel	Brian Wang
Senior Girls	Grace Kukutai 22:03	Lizelle Borges	Kalei Kennerley			
Year 11 Boys	Callum Drew 21:15	Jaay Asiata	Andy Tea	Callum Magee	Cree Braithwaite	Jalal Irfani
Year 11 Girls	Alice Neville-Smith 23:25	Harshaa Prasad				
Year 10 Boys	David Bedingfield 12:40	Kaleb Bowles	Milan Sundermann	Arnin Chhiba	Tadele Wakjira	Alastair Maisey
Year 10 Girls	Amy Pitout 15:10	Maddy Poland	Yana Dombrowsky	Rayna Wang	Woinitu Asmare	Eva Zheng
Year 9 Boys	Anthony Jones-Lewis 12:54	Josh Mukherjee	Yaro Sundermann	Sam Le Marquand	Deepak Prasad	Jonathan D'Souza
Year 9 Girls	Bhavina Rathod 17:02	Sivani Vetukuri	Phoebe Liu	Jun Zheng	Nikhita Prasad	Vishaka Murthy

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

July School Holiday Programmes:

- Bubble Dome has many different workshops available over the July school holidays. Web development & mobile apps; minecraft inventions & challenges; minecraft tekkit; 3D animation & games design; lego engineering & robotics, ultra minecraft – java & plugins; app building for ipad & ipod; ultra games & 3D animations. www.bubbledome.co.nz
- Vanity Walk Modelling & Grooming Course – 10% discount for school students. www.vanitywalk.co.nz

Open Days & Information Evenings:

SAE Institute Open Day (Film Making & Production Industry) – Sat 15 June, 12-4pm, 12 Heather St, Parnell
University of Otago Law Career Auckland Info Evening – Mon 17 June, 7pm, Pullman Hotel, Cnr Princes St & Waterloo Quadrant

Victoria University of Wellington, Auckland Info Session – Tue 18 June, 6.30pm, Bruce Mason Centre, Takapuna
MIT “Industry Connect” (NZ business leaders share career trends and opportunities in their industries, and what young people can do to create relevant and viable career pathways from school to tertiary to employment. Featuring CEO from Telecom, Orion and reps from Microsoft, Fuji Xerox) – Tue 18 June, 7-8.30pm, Macleans College, Eastern Beach
Experience Engineering Auckland, hosted by The Young Engineers Association, NZ – Sat 22 June, Massey University, Albany Campus (8am – 4pm). Y11 – Y13, work to solve problems, perform practical experiments to find solutions and optimise various systems. Speakers from engineering industry and institutions will also talk. Cost \$20. See Mrs Hughes

Qatar Wings Pilot Programme – Sat 22 June, 10am-2pm, CTC Aviation Training, 131 Boyd Rd, Hamilton

MIT Early Childhood Experience Day – Mon 24 June. Book with Mrs Hughes

Projects Abroad Info Evening (volunteer and work experience) – Wed 26 June, 6pm, Mt Albert Community Centre

Cut Above Open Day – Fri 5 July, 10am-4pm, 242 Queen St, City

Full time

- **Apprentice Drainlayer** – An Otahuhu based drainage company is looking for a school leaver to train as a full time apprentice. Applicants should have L2, some practical experience and an interest in mechanical and machine operation.
- School leaver – a job is available for a fit person with their restricted licence to work in insulation.

Part Time Jobs

- **Support Carer** – A caring young adult with their full drivers licence is needed to be a buddy for a 19 year old man (living locally in the Lynfield area) with some developmental delays.
- **Y13 English students** – if you would be interested in a part time job tutoring English (creative writing, reading, etc) to an 11 year old in the Blockhouse Bay area, please see Mrs Hughes.

Unitec START Award for those wishing to start study at Unitec at the beginning of Semester 2.

Student for a day opportunities for Y13 & in some cases Y12 students (see Mrs Hughes at lunchtime)

Animation College – Sat 31 August (graduates work as app developers, game designers & film-makers)

Unitec – Choose from Acting, Automotive, Carpentry & Multiskill Building, Civil Engineering, Computing Systems/IT, Contemporary Dance, Electrical, Furniture & Cabinet Making, Marine Engineering, Osteopathy, Plumbing, Product & Furniture Design, Screen Arts, Welding & Fabrication.

Whitecliffe College of Arts & Design - Graphic Design, Fashion Design, Fine Arts, Photography

The University of Auckland have the following events (see Mrs Hughes at lunchtime)

- **Y13 girls interested in Engineering.** Visit the university for the day and find out about the different specialisations and problem solving that goes into engineering, as well as looking around the facilities & campus.
- **Y13 boys & girls & families – “Engineer Your Future”** – Interested in enrolling in engineering for 2014? Come along to this open night and find out about course planning, enrolment requirements, scholarships, etc.
- **Y12 girls interested in Engineering.** Open evening for students & families. A chance to meet women engineers and engineering students, and consider a career in engineering.
- **Y12 & Y13 interested in Science.** Exploration of science based careers.

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 www.neita.co.nz 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 mventer@asg.co.nz

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.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

6th 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 Thursdays 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 (daytime), email dorothyf@girlsbrigade.org.nz or check out our website www.westaucklandgirlsbrigade.org.nz

Girls-only Futsal and Badminton is on each Tuesday at the Lynfield Recreation Centre, Margaret Griffen Park. For further information go to www.connect2sport.org.nz/girlsonly

Rotary Australia - New Zealand Student Exchange 2014

This exchange runs between families in Australia and New Zealand during Term 2 and Term 3 of the school year. Each student spends one school term living in the other's home and attending their school. In 2014, the Australian students will live in New Zealand for school Term 2 and in Term 3 the students from New Zealand will live in Australia. It is available to students aged between 13 ½ and 16 years on 1 January 2014 (a date of birth between 1.1.1998 and 1.7.2000), usually Year 10 – 11. Each student is sponsored by a Rotary Club and the student's school must agree to support the exchange. For further information visit www.ranzse.org