



## LYNFIELD COLLEGE

### NEWSLETTER 16

22 November 2013

#### Junior Students

Tue 3 & Wed 4 Dec  
Year 9 and Year 10 Caring for our Community programme

Fri 6 Dec  
Junior Festival Awards Assembly – 9.00am in the Lower Gym

Fri 13 Dec  
YEAR 9 PRIZEGIVING – 9.00am  
Students attend form class at 8.40am. At the conclusion of the prizegiving, students return briefly to form class to be issued with their reports.

YEAR 10 PRIZEGIVING – 11.00am  
Students attend form class at 10.30am. At the conclusion of the prizegiving, students return briefly to form class to be issued with their reports and junior diplomas.

#### Senior Students – Book Return and Clearance Day

Year 11: 9.15 – 11.00am  
Year 12: 11.00am – 12.40pm  
Year 13: 1.25 – 3.00pm

#### Start dates for 2014

Year 12 and Year 11 students should email their Deans with any course change queries from 22 January 2014. Mrs Prasad [prasad@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:prasad@lynfield.school.nz) Mr Sizer [msizer@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:msizer@lynfield.school.nz)

*Mon 27 Jan  
Auckland Anniversary – Public Holiday, school closed*

Tue 28 Jan  
Year 9 – assemble in the Hall at 1.30pm, then go to form rooms (released at 3.00pm)

Wed 29 Jan  
Year 9 – attend from 9.00am – 3.00pm  
Year 11 – assemble in the Hall at 8.45am (released 10.40am), return on Fri 31 Jan 8.45am  
Year 12 – assemble in the Hall at 9.30am (released at 11.30am), return on Fri 31 Jan 8.45am  
Year 13 – assemble in the Hall at 10.15am (released at 12.15pm), return on Fri 31 Jan 8.45am

Thu 30 Jan  
Year 9 – attend from 9.00am – 3.00pm  
Year 10 – assembly in the Hall at 9.00am (released at 12.00pm), return on Fri 31 Jan 8.45am

Fri 31 Jan  
All year levels attend from 8.45am – 3.10pm

**All students must wear full, correct uniform**

Dear Parents/Caregivers

In just over a week our Year 9 and 10 students will take part in a special programme to promote their understanding of the community. The Caring for our Community programme is an enormous logistical experience, arranging for over 700 students to divide into groups to work on a project that supports the community.

Many community groups who were involved in the programme last year have extended an invitation to our students to return this year. This is a wonderful learning experience for our students, often challenging their level of comfort, but very beneficial to the community.

Further information about this programme is contained in this newsletter. If you are able to assist with any of the materials required for the activities, it would be greatly appreciated.

### **Junior Festival Awards Assembly**

This year for the first time we are holding an assembly specifically to congratulate junior award winners in Sports, Arts and Cultural activities for 2013. We are following on from the success of the senior event which has been held at the beginning of Term 4 for several years. Prizewinners will be informed soon and parents of prizewinners are invited to attend. It will be held in our lower gymnasium at **9.00am on Friday 6 December**.

### **Academic Prizegivings**

We warmly invite families to attend the following junior prizegivings.

#### **Year 9 Prizegiving – Friday 13 December at 9.00am in the Hall**

Students attend form class at 8.40am. At the conclusion of the prizegiving, students return briefly to form class to be issued with their Reports.

#### **Year 10 Prizegiving – Friday 14 December at 11.00am in the Hall**

Students attend form class at 10.30am. At the conclusion of the prizegiving, students return briefly to form class to be issued with their Reports and Junior Diplomas.

S W Bovaird  
Principal

### **Senior Leadership Team 2014 Meeting**

All students elected to Senior Leadership positions for 2014 must attend a meeting at 8.45am in the Seminar Room. Students should bring their signed camp permission forms to hand in. The meeting will last for approximately half an hour and students will then be able to begin their clearance process.

### **Senior Book Return and Clearance Day**

This will take place in the Hall on **Thursday 5 December** at the following times:

**Year 11:** 9.15 – 11am

**Year 12:** 11am – 12.40pm

**Year 13:** 1.25 – 3pm

- Clearance forms will be given to students when they arrive in the Hall.
- If students *do not* owe books or fees, they *do not* need to get signatures from the Accounts office or the Library.
- When all is cleared the students return to their Form Teachers and hand in their form. Then they may collect their testimonial and Yearbook, if appropriate.

### **Leavers' Dinner**

The Year 13 Leavers' Dinner will be held on **Wednesday 4 December** at The Sorrento Restaurant, One Tree Hill. Tickets cost \$50 for a seated buffet. The dinner is limited to 220 tickets so students are encouraged to buy their ticket as soon as possible. Tickets are available from Ms Munro's office.

### **NZQA External Exams**

The 2013 results are published in early 2014. Results will only be available online through the student login – [www.nzqa.govt.nz/login](http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/login). Students should ensure they have their NZQA login details correct before the end of the year as the school is closed in January. The College is not able to deal with queries regarding missing credits until late January 2014. Students can order a printed Result Notice from their Learner login before the end of December. Scholarship Result Notices will be sent to all students in February.

## School Uniform 2014

Next year, all students will wear the “new” uniform that has been phased in over the past two years. This means that no students at any level will be able to wear grey sweatshirts, black trousers or polo shirts. These items are no longer stocked in our uniform shop. Please look on our website [www.lynfield.school.nz](http://www.lynfield.school.nz) for the full and correct uniform items list. Black leather shoes, either lace-up or slip on remain the school uniform shoes. Year 11 students entering Year 12 in 2014 will wear the senior uniform while Year 10 students entering Year 11 continue to wear the junior uniform. Only Year 12 and 13 girls wear the pencil, knee-length skirt and the long skirt. Junior girls wear the pleated knee-length skirt. Please note that if girls shorten their skirts to an unacceptable length, they will be required to purchase a new one of the correct length. Thank you for your support of our College in relation to uniform and do not hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns.

L Ridling, Associate Principal

## Important BYOD opportunities for parents

In 2014 all students in Year 10 will be expected to have an electronic device to use for their classwork by connecting to the College's wireless network. Students should bring their device to school on the first day (Thursday 30 January 2014) to set it up and login to the school wireless network.

To help parents prepare for the 2014 start-up the following BYOD information opportunities have been organised:

### **Tuesday 26 Nov 6.00pm to 8.00pm**

**HARVEY NORMAN Mt Roskill** (167-169 Stoddard Road) will be opening their store especially for Lynfield College parents. This will be an opportunity to view and purchase the right device at the right price. Lynfield College staff will also be present to answer questions about the BYOD programme in 2014.

On **Tuesday 10 Dec 7.00pm to 8.00pm** there will be a **BYOD Information Meeting** in the Staffroom with a range of the recommended devices on display in the library. Parents and students can compare the ways in which each different type of device can be used and teachers will be available to answer any questions and discuss issues concerning BYOD.

**CYCLONE COMPUTING** (<http://www.cyclone.co.nz/>) have opened their on-line store for parents to be able to make purchases from the recommended list. You will need to select Lynfield College from the dropdown menu on their website and put in the password **lc1958**

**Further Retail purchase opportunities will be arranged for the end of January 2014 – [click here](#) to check the “BYOD POTENTIAL DEVICE GUIDE” on the College webpage so you can be sure you get the best device when you make a purchase.**

## Enrolment process for Year 9 in 2014

### **Home Zone**

Enrolments of these students can be made Monday to Friday between 3.20 – 4.30pm, no appointment necessary. *If you are in zone and have not yet enrolled your son or daughter for Year 9 in 2014, please do so **urgently**.* Students who are being enrolled must attend the enrolment interview.

### **Out of Zone category 6 applicants**

If you missed the deadline of 4 September but wish to enrol your child at Lynfield College, please ring our reception desk on 627 0600 extension 700.

### **Year 10 – Year 13 / 2014, out of zone categories 2 – 6**

If you have missed the deadline of Tuesday 22 October but wish to enrol your child at Lynfield College, please ring our reception desk on 627 0600 extension 700.

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

### **Park safely and keep our kids safe**

This term our school is participating in Auckland Transport's 'Safety at the School Gate' programme. Drivers who stop in the wrong place to drop off passengers put the safety of children at risk. Parking officers will be on patrol outside the school this term and will be issuing tickets to drivers who park illegally.

**The agreed approach is 'zero tolerance'** – There will be no warnings issued, you will receive a ticket if you are double parked, parked on yellow lines, or over someone's driveway – or for any other vehicle safety offence.

Please park legally to keep our children safe and to avoid being ticketed.

## Year 9 & 10 Programme – *Caring for our Community (C4C)*, Tuesday 3 & Wednesday 4 December

Registrations for our 'Caring for our Community' programme have gone well with most students having signed up before the 3:10pm Friday close off.

Students who haven't already signed up online will need to see Ms Knell ([cknell@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:cknell@lynfield.school.nz)) or Ms Wilson ([bwilson@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:bwilson@lynfield.school.nz)) to be added to a workshop that still has places available.

Information on what workshops are on offer and which workshops still have spaces can still be accessed through eLynC (<http://moodle.lynfield.school.nz/course/view.php?id=257>).

There are a number of workshops that would appreciate the donation of materials, including:

- any double knitting wool (drop off at Dean's Reception)
- clean quality used clothing and functional household goods (drop off at the Drama Office)
- cotton (not polycotton blend) fabric for backing quilts. Anything from ½ metre upwards (drop off at the Maths Office)
- cans of food, soaps, toiletries etc that you would like to donate to the City Mission (drop off at the front office)
- self raising flour, butter, jam, cooking oil, cream (drop off at the MCC)
- butter, eggs, dried fruit, sugar (drop off at the Technology Office)
- any type of dressed wooden planks (drop off at the Technology Office)
- sponges (for car washing), cans of dog/cat food (drop off at Dean's Reception)

Once the workshop lists have been confirmed, each student will be issued with a letter to bring home to parents giving the exact details of their workshop. Students going off site will be required to bring a signed permission form back which will be given to the organising teacher of their workshop.

Ms C Knell  
Deputy Principal – Teaching & Learning

Ms B Wilson  
TIC – Caring for our Community

### 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)**

#### **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](mailto:rdelgrosso@lynfield.school.nz), indicating your child's name and form class in your email message.

### Sports Uniform Return

With 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 premier jacket bond)
- Other teams \$25 (uniform bond)

**All Senior students must return ALL sports uniform (summer and winter). Senior students will not get clearance if they have outstanding sports uniform.**

**FREE** Rugby, basketball and badminton.  
Holiday programme specifically for 13 – 18 year olds  
Lynfield Recreation Centre "Breakaway Programme"  
Monday – Friday (bring your own lunch and water)  
16 – 20 December, 2013 and 6 - 24 January, 2014  
Registration forms available from:  
Lynfield College Sports Office or Lynfield Recreation Centre

#### **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](mailto: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](mailto:fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz)*

## **CAREERS**

### **Youthtown Breakaway FREE Holiday Programme for 11 – 17 year olds**

17 December – 24 January

Want something to do these holidays?

Does this sound like you?

Water sports, team challenges, outdoor activities, art workshops, sports and games, cooking and awesome day trips.

Limited spaces available.

Enrolment forms are at Student Services or online at [www.youthtown.org.nz](http://www.youthtown.org.nz).

Get in quick.

**All Y13 Students** – we would appreciate you completing the Y13 Careers Evaluation on e-LynC before you leave school.  
Many thanks. Mrs Keir

**A Gap Medics Work Experience Placement** - Aspiring medics between 16 – 25 years can join this summer on a trip to Thailand or Tanzania from 5 January (or at other times). The cost is US\$2190 + airfares. Full details at Student Services or [www.gapmedics.com.zu](http://www.gapmedics.com.zu)

**United World Colleges Scholarships, Y11 & Y12** – UWC is looking for students that present all-round ability, which includes potential, social and community awareness and academic achievement. Students must have turned 16 years old, but not yet turned 18, on the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2013 (normally Y11 & Y12). Students are selected for the 2 year UWC scholarship solely on merit, not their family's ability to pay fees. This means that anyone is welcome to apply, and should not feel that money will hinder their chances at gaining a scholarship. Applications at [www.nz.uw.org](http://www.nz.uw.org) close shortly on 22 November. Questions to [selection.nz@nc.uwc.net](mailto:selection.nz@nc.uwc.net)

**Creative Week on Campus 2014, University of Auckland Epsom Campus** – workshops to explore and develop your creativity in art, writing, photography and language. Full workshop details or to enrol phone 0800 864 266 or visit [www.cce.auckland.ac.nz](http://www.cce.auckland.ac.nz)

**2015 Defence Career Intake Information** – Application closing dates for fulltime employment with the forces is during 2014, so please check out full details at [www.defencecareers.mil.nz](http://www.defencecareers.mil.nz). Intake information for Navy, NZ Army and Air Force is thoroughly covered here.

**2014 Defence Careers Experience 2015** – 2 or 3 day residential stays to provide students in depth information about a potential career in the NZ Defence Force. This experience is a realistic job preview providing students with a taste of military life whilst living on a military camp or base. The April/May 2014 experience is for those considering officer roles across the Navy, Army and Air Force. Applicants should have at least NCEA Level 2 including a minimum 12 credits in L2 English. The September/October 2014 experience is for students considering the wide variety of trades across the Navy, Army and Air Force. Applicants should have at least NCEA Level 1.

#### **Open Days & Information Evenings:**

**MIT "Drop In" Evening** – Thu 28 Nov, until 7pm, Manukau Campus

**Cut Above Open Day** – Fri 22 Nov, 10am-4pm, Lvl 6, 242 Queen St, City

**Cut Above Open Day** – Fri 29 Nov, 10am-3pm, 5A Ryan Place, Manukau City

**Massey University Enrolment Day** – Wed 4 Dec, 10am-2pm, Albany Campus [www.massey.ac.nz](http://www.massey.ac.nz)