

## LYNFIELD COLLEGE

## **NEWSLETTER 10**

## 1 August 2014

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Coming Events:		
Week 3	Mon 4 Aug	COURSE SELECTION BEGINS (until 15 Aug)
	Mon 4 & Thu 7	KBB Music Festival
	Tue 5	13GEO Muriwai trip (Wed 6 Aug reserve day)
	Thu 7	Australian Mathematics Competition
		Progress Conferences (A – L), 4 – 7pm
	Fri 8	Year 13 Attitude Presentation
	Sat 9	KBB Music Festival Gala Performance
Week 4	Mon 11	CULTURAL PHOTOS
VVEEK 4	Tue 12	Senior Quizzex, lunchtime Hall
	Tue 12	
	Wed 13	Progress Conferences (M – Z), 4 – 7pm
		Level 2 & 3 Music Group Performance Evening 7pm Hall
	Thu 14	Student Council Committee Meeting
		House Quiz, P5 & 6 Hall
	Fri 15	BLOOD DONOR DAY
	T	Shinagawa Summer School students depart
Week 5	Tue 19	Prefects that Peak, interval & Period 3
	Wed 20	Music Department Concert 7-9pm Hall
	<b>T</b> I 04	Casio Mathex Quiz Evening
	Thu 21	Access-It Roadshow (Professional Development – Library closed)
	Fri 22	Mid-Term Break – school closed on this day
Week 6	Mon 25	ARTS WEEK
		MAINZ Concert, lunchtime Hall, free
		Board of Trustees Meeting, 6.30pm Admin Building
	Mon 25 – Wed 27	Year 9 Business Tip Top Factory trips
	Tue 26	Mt Maunganui College – Lynfield College Sports Exchange (at home)
	Wed 27	Music Department Concert 7-9pm Hall
	Thu 28	Talent Quest, lunchtime Hall (students-only event)
	E.: 00	Spoken Word Evening, 6.30pm (TBC) Performing Arts Centre
14/2 21. 7	Fri 29	Daffodil Day – gold coin donations collected at form time
Week 7	Mon 1 Sep	NZ Secondary Schools Winter Tournament Week begins
		In-class priority time. Students should not make outside appointments
	Mar 0	during school time this week.
Week 8	Mon 8	In-class priority time.
	Wed 10 – Fri 19	SENIOR ASSESSMENT
Week 9	Tue 23	Festival Awards Evening (venue: Eden Park)
	Thu 25	Technology Evening & Fashion Show
	Fri 26	Term 3 ends
	Mon 13 <b>Oct</b>	Term 4 begins
Enrolme	nt dates for Year 9 i	n 2015:
Enrolment continues for home zone and out of zone students in categories 2 – 5.		
Sat 2 Au	g - TOMORROW	Enrolment morning 9am – 12pm
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Wed 3 Sep		Out of Zone applications close 5pm for Year 9/2015 Category 6 students
Wed 10 Sep		Out of Zone Category 6 applications ballot date
Tue 21 <b>Oct</b>		2015 Year 10 – 13 Out of Zone applications close 5pm
Wed 22 (	Oct	2015 Year 10 – 13 Out of Zone applications ballot date
Out of zone, category 6 applications for 2015 will be taken at any time up until the closing date; application		
forms are available from our website or reception.		

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

Welcome to Term 3, which has particular importance for senior student achievement. We have progress conference evenings on Thursday 7 and Tuesday 12 August from 4 - 7pm. Students will be released at 2.20pm on those days. This is an opportunity to get feedback on your child's progress and find out what work may need to be done for successful results in the senior exams that begin in week 8 of this term. Further information is contained in this newsletter about booking interview times online.

Course selection for 2015 begins next week when this year's Year 10, 11 and 12 students will be issued with a Senior Course Information booklet and the relevant Course Selection form. An electronic copy of the Senior Course Information booklet can be opened from the front page of e-LynC or from our website (<u>http://www.lynfield.school.nz/Curriculum/Courses.html</u>) Students will be briefed on the importance of making careful and informed choices and are encouraged to talk to their subject teachers about which courses to take. I would urge parents and caregivers to spend time discussing possible courses with their child, while being guided by the important qualifications, awards and prerequisite information contained in the Senior Course Information booklet. There will also be an opportunity to discuss the courses that students are best placed to take with the subject teachers at the Progress Conferences next Thursday (7 August) and Tuesday (12 August).

Students are required to hand their completed course selection forms to their Form Teacher before **Monday 18 August**. Parents are encouraged to enter their child's selections on the Parent Portal. The Course Selection function on the portal will open on Monday 4 August and close on Monday 18 August. An email will be sent on Monday with further instructions.

Enrolment for Year 9 students in 2015 is continuing. We have an enrolment morning tomorrow from 9am - 12noon for home zone and out of zone category 2 - 5 students. Further information about enrolment is contained in this newsletter and on our website.

S W Bovaird Principal

## Student Leader Profile – Assistant Arts & Culture Captains

Ni-hao and Namaste

Our names are Lygia Verhoven and Gavin Feng and we are the Assistant Arts & Culture Captains for 2014. Lynfield College is a school which holds a strong sense of cultural diversity as well as a passion for the arts. We work with the Arts & Culture Captains to showcase the College's cultural and arts groups through events such as Cultural Week, Cultural Day, Arts Week, and numerous musical and drama performances.

This term, we will be assisting with the organisation of school events such as, the Talent Quest and Festival Awards Evening. The events we organise are to showcase the students' talents as well as acknowledging students' achievements in Arts and Culture.

The first Indian Prime Minister, Jawaharal Nehru, once said, "Culture is the widening of the mind and of the spirit."

## 2014 Lynfield College Ball – Award Winners

This event, held at The Wharf, will be remembered by all as a fantastic evening. Congratulations to this year's award winners. White Door Photography has opened its website and to view photos of the evening the password is *Iblc2014*.

Queen of the Ball (Year 13) – Shannon Murray King of the Ball (Year 13) – Imraan Khan Belle of the Ball (Year 12) – Alice Neville-Smith Beau of the Ball (Year 12) – Cree Braithwaite Cutest Couple – Jahnvee Solanki and Kavin Natali Best Dancer – Bradley Grove Best Dressed Male – Ben Hammond Best Dressed Female – Lute Sikalu Best Dressed Teacher – Russell Christie

## NZQA Fees for 2014

NZQA fees were due at the end of Term 2. The last day fees will be accepted at the College is **Wednesday 13 August**. After that date students will have to deal directly with NZQA in Wellington. Please pay these fees as a matter of urgency at the Accounts Office.

If you have lost your invoice, please contact Mr Delgrosso, Dean of Administrative Services, at rdelgrosso@lynfield.school.nz



Gavin Feng & Lygia Verhoven

## **Booking Parent Interview Times Online**

Progress Conference evenings are to be held at Lynfield College on Thursday 7 August (A - L) and Tuesday 12 August (M - Z). On-line booking sheets were issued to all students with their Mid-Year Reports at the end of last term. These sheets should help you set the interview times with the teachers you wish to meet. On line bookings offer you as parents the opportunity to directly select the time at which you wish to meet teachers.

Access to the School Interviews website is through the internet using the URL address <u>http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz</u> All students have been given written instructions on how to access the School Interviews website. Included with both this email and the information sheet is the special password for the Term 3 interviews – **H472U** - use this to access the appointment booking sheet.

Once logged in there are three simple steps to follow in order to complete the booking process. The information sheet given to students includes a printed copy of their courses and teachers' codes; this information is used to ensure you make interview times with the relevant staff. Parents should print out the email confirmation and bring it to the interview to enable the booking times to be followed.

Any parents unable to access the booking website should complete the manual booking slip on the instruction sheet and send this back to the school office with their child. Receptionist staff will also be able to make bookings through the school office number - phone 627 0600. The exact times for the interviews will be confirmed either by email or on the student's slip.

We trust you will continue to find the on-line interview bookings efficient - it has certainly ensured Progress Conferences proceed in a scheduled and timely manner. Any feedback or queries can be addressed to Deputy Principal Mr M Black on 6270600 extension 705.

## Lynfield LynC App

The Lynfield College app has been launched to students and staff. This app enables the community to keep up to date with what is happening at Lynfield College. Features of the app include:

- Daily Notices
- Newsletters
- Events Calendar
- Absence Form
- Parent Portal access

The students are also able to access the:

- Senior Assessment Calendar
- Tuck Shop Price List
- Exam Timetable
- e-LynC

The app is available for free download from the Play Store on Android devices and the App store on Apple devices.





## Enrolment Process for 2015

Enrolments are now being taken for Year 9/2015 home zone students and out of zone categories 2, 3, 4 & 5 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)

TOMORROW, Saturday 2 August is an enrolment morning from 9.00am-12noon.

From Monday 4 August enrolments can be made between 3.20 – 4.30pm Monday to Friday, no appointment necessary.

Year 9 category 6 out of zone applications can be made by printing the application form from our College website <u>www.lynfield.school.nz</u> and either leaving it at our reception desk or posting it to the College. Applications close at 5.00pm, 3 September 2014 (ballot date 10 September).

Year 10 - 13 out of zone applications close 21 October 2014 (ballot date 22 October).

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

## The New Zealand Blood Service (NZBS) will be collecting blood at the Lynfield College Hall Friday 15 August 2014, 9am to 2pm



## Information for Parents, Guardians and Whanau

It is important that we encourage students into a lifetime habit of donating blood and making a worthwhile contribution to their community. The Care of Children Act 2004 allows people 16 years and over to make their own decisions about whether or not they wish to give blood. Students may choose to donate blood at this session.

NZBS recommends students discuss becoming a blood donor with their family. If families have a particular objection to the student choosing to donate blood, please make this known to the student and to the school before the collection date stated above. More information about blood donation will be available on the day of collection.

Parents are also welcome to come to the school to donate blood at this collection session. If you require any further information please call 0800 GIVEBLOOD or visit <u>www.nzblood.co.nz</u>

## Becoming a Blood Donor...

Age:

Existing Donors: 16 to 65 years of age Existing Donors: Up to 71 years of age

Weight: Weigh at least 50 kg

## Health:

- You must be in good health.
- You cannot donate if you have a cold, flu, sore throat, cold sore, stomach bug or any other infection.
- If you have recently had a tattoo or body piercing you cannot donate for 6 months from the date of the procedure.
- If you have visited the dentist for a minor procedure you must wait 24 hours before donating; for major work wait a month.

**Travel:** You must not have lived in the United Kingdom, France or the Republic of Ireland between 1980 and 1996 for more than 6 months or received a blood transfusion in ANY of these countries since 1980.

Food: You must have eaten some food during the four hours prior to donation.

**Identification:** You must bring suitable identification with you. Acceptable ID is a document or combination of documents containing three (3) separate identifiers (e.g. NZBS Donor ID number, Full name, Photograph, Date of Birth, Home Address). A Student ID Card is acceptable if it features a photograph and two of the identifiers listed above. With your consent we may also ask the school to confirm you are at least 16 years of age.

## Important Facts about Blood:

- There is no substitute for human blood—healthy donors are the only source of our blood supply.
- Only 4% of New Zealand's population currently donate blood.
- 42,000 patients are treated with blood or blood products in New Zealand each year.
- A blood donation is separated into different components, each of which is used to treat different patients—accident trauma, patients undergoing surgery, people with leukaemia, transplant patients and many others. Blood products are also used for immunisation to help prevent diseases such as hepatitis A and B, tetanus and chickenpox.
- Each donation is able to help up to 3 people blood donors are literally lifesavers.

**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 from 3.10 – 4.30pm Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

## Mathematics Clinic 2014

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

Congratulations to these students who gained NZ titles while competing during the holidays:

**Sonia Mehta (Y12)** blitzed her opposition winning **2 golds** (Kumite and Kata) when she competed in the NZ Secondary Schools Karate competition in Wellington. She also competed in the NZ Karate champs winning gold in Kumite and silver in Kata.

Jocelyn Katu (Y12) is now the NZ Foursomes Golf Champion after competing against the best female golfers in the country.

Grace Kukutai (Y13) was named in the U17 NZ Netball tournament team.

Jocelyn Katu (Y12) and Shantael Ligaliga (Y11) were selected to attend the NZ Golf National Junior Girls' training camp.

If your son &/or 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 (e.g. certificate, letter of selection, etc) so we have the exact wording of their achievement, or email these details to fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz.

## **Sports Scene**

## **House Competition**

House netball is now under way with juniors starting this week and seniors selecting their teams for next week's competition. With the points table locked up, this is looking to be a very tough battle. Then there is the House Quiz....bring on August 14!

## **On-site Physiotherapist**

Alistair Prentice, principal physiotherapist at our local Physiotherapy clinic, Active Physio BHB, holds 2 clinics each week at our school. **These are for ACC cases only** and are on a Monday and Friday. Students **must** book an appointment. Appointments should be booked through the school nurse, Glynne Newton.

## Team Talk

With the Winter sports season now in playoff rounds we have a number of teams playing for the top spot in their competition.

## Hockey

1<sup>st</sup> XI Girls' team continues their domination and are at the top of their grade - undefeated!! This is an outstanding record for a team which is in a re-building phase.

U15 Girls' team enter their championship round at the top of the table having won all their games except 2. This is outstanding as half this team had never played hockey before joining this team.

1<sup>st</sup> XI Boys' continues to impress with their ability to dig deep when needed and have pulled off some amazing wins.

2<sup>nd</sup> XI Boys' continue their undefeated record too. Several of these boys had not played hockey before this season!!

## Netball

The Premier 1 team has suffered 2 very close losses but remains near the top of the West Auckland competition and are looking forward to the playoffs.

## **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

Pt Chevalier Community Centre is hosting an Indoor Kids Only Market on Saturday 9 August from 9am - 1pm at the Western Springs Garden Community Hall, 956 Great North Road, Western Springs. At this market all of the stall holders will be children and youth. They will be selling toys, games, books, crafts, sports gear, kids' clothing and more! Stalls are available for \$5 each and bookings are essential. For more information, or to book a stall ring (09)846 1094 or email ptchev.communitycentre@xtra.co.nz.

## Changes to public bus timetables

To view recent changes to the Western bus timetables go to: Online – AT.govt.nz Mobile web – AT.govt.nz/vpid Txt – text to 3666 (texts cost 20c incl GST)

## CAREERS

## SCHOLARSHIPS: Check out online or visit Student Services for more information

## The University of Auckland –

- Students should go to <u>www.auckland.ac.nz</u> Prospective students Scholarships and awards to find information and regulations about the scholarships available and how to apply.
- To apply for a scholarship, students will first need to apply for admission to the University.
- After submitting their application to The University, applicants will be able to apply for one or more entry-level scholarships. More information about the online process is available on the Scholarships website.
- Please note the closing date for completed applications is Wednesday 3 September 2014. Referees' reports and
  other supporting documents must also be received by this date as late or incomplete applications cannot be
  accepted. This is earlier than the application closing dates for entry into university, so it is important for students to
  remember this date.
- Major scholarships include:
  - UoA Scholarships Academic Excellence, all-round ability and leadership potential
  - UoA Chancellor's Awards for top Maori and Pacific Scholars
  - UoA Alumni for academic achievement and financial hardship
  - UoA Jubilee Awards for academic merit, potential to succeed at university and financial need

**AUT University** – If you are planning to study at AUT in 2015, check out the scholarships available at <u>www.aut.ac.nz</u>. Many close 1 September, so act quickly!

**University of Waikato Sir Edmund Hillary Scholarship Programme** – Along with financial support, this programme provides support for students to achieve a high academic standard in a programme at the university, excellence in their sporting code, creative or performing arts, and provides a tailored leadership and personal development programme which offers students unique opportunities to develop their leadership qualities. <u>www.waikato.ac.nz/scholarships</u>

Considering studying at **Massey University** next year? Check out the many scholarships available – High Achiever, Art, Sport, Engineering, Natural Sciences, Business plus many more. <u>www.massey.ac.nz</u>

# **\$15,000 scholarship available to study Electrical & Electronic Engineering at the University of Canterbury**. <u>www.epecentre.ac.nz</u> for more info and to apply.

**Scholarships** are being offered by **Auckland Institute of Studies** for Undergraduate Degree programmes in 2015: Chairman's Scholarship (4 full fees), Maori Grants Scheme (20 at 50% fees). AIS offer Bachelor of Tourism Management, Bachelor of International Business, Bachelor of Hospitality Management and Bachelor of Information Technology.

**IPENZ Foundation Scholarships** – helping students launch their **engineering studies**. Scholarships worth \$4000 are offered this year by the IPENZ Foundation and IPENZ Branches, giving students the chance to study for an IPENZ accredited engineering degree. Entries close 10 October 2014. Apply for your chance at <u>www.foundation.org.nz</u> To find out what it's like to be an engineer visit <u>www.futureintech.org.nz</u>

If you are planning to **study at University of Otago in 2015**, please book an appointment at Student Services to meet with the Otago school liaison staff when they visit our school early next term. They will be able to help with your course planning and application, and any questions you may have. <u>www.otago.ac.nz</u>

**AUT Communication Design Portfolio & Open Evening – Thursday 14 August**, 6pm-8pm, AUT's South Campus, MC Building, Room MC211. Prepare your portfolio and experience AUT's South Campus. Communication Design at AUT's South Campus offers a studio-style learning environment for graphic and motion graphic design. Ready your portfolio and experience a taster of life on the South Campus. To register and find out more visit: <u>www.aut.ac.nz/art-design/south-portfolio-day</u>

## AUT CONCH www.aut.ac.nz

A day of workshops, activities and fun for Maori and Pasifika Year 12 and Year 13 students interested in Communication Studies. The world of communications and the media is growing and constantly changing. Print, broadcast and online media are central to our lives and shape our perception of the world.

If you want a career in communications or the media, the Certificate of Communication Studies or Bachelor of

Communications degree could be your first step. Come and find out more at CONCH.

- Date: Friday 15 August
- Time: 9.00am to 3.00pm

• Venue: AUT, City Campus Registration open from 8.30am, WG306 - WG Building

Students will experience a taste of the course and information about careers in the media and communication industries. This will include mini-lectures and practical activities in classrooms and studios. Registrations essential.

**Would you like to know what employers are looking for** when recruiting graduates into Business and Information Technology? Come along to IndustryConnect and find out directly from NZ business and information technology leaders, employers, current students and successful graduates about career trends and opportunities. This event will be held on Thursday 7 August at MIT Manukau, Floor 1 Theatre, Cnr Manukau Station Rd & Davies Ave, at 6.30pm. **Unitec Contemporary Dance Auditions** – 25, 26, 27 October (Labour Weekend). Closing date for applications is 17 October. Full details <u>www.unitec.ac.nz</u>

**Duke of Edinburgh's Hillary Award** – if any students are interested in working towards this award, S/S have details of local organisations that offer support and guidance in our local area.

"Preparing for Uni" is an on-line tool to help you to understand yourself, make sense of your options and find out what you need to know to make great decisions about your life. Visit <u>www.learn.canterbury.ac.nz/uniprep</u> for more details. Log-in instructions: under 'not from a Tuakiri member institution', Log-in with the following details: username – uniprep password - uniprep

Upcoming Careers Events: More info on e-Lync or at S/S

Massey University Manawatu (Palmerston North) Campus Open Day – Wed 6 Aug

Engineering Info Night, University of Auckland – Thu 7 Aug, 6-8pm, Engineering Building, 20 Symonds St, City University of Melbourne Information Evening – Thu 7 Aug, Rydges Hotel, Cnr Federal & Kingston Streets, City University of Auckland Education Open Evening, Epsom Campus – Tue 12 Aug, 4-7pm (programme at S/S) Massey University Albany Open Day – Sat 16 Aug

University of Otago Auckland Info Evening for students and parents – Mon 25 Aug, 6pm-8pm, QBE Stadium (formerly North Harbour Stadium), Albany

Study at Victoria Day, Wellington Campus – Fri 29 Aug Massey University, Wellington Campus – Fri 29 August

