

NEWSLETTER 17

21 November 2014

Coming Events:

Week 7 Mon 24 BOT Meeting, 6.30pm Admin Building

Thu 27 Junior Softball Tournament Finals (rain day 28 Nov)

BYOD - Harvey Norman, Stoddard Road Evening 6-8pm

Week 8 Tue 2 **Dec** NCEA Exams finish

Tue 2 & Wed 3 Year 9 & 10 Caring for our Community Programme

Wed 3 Whanau Hui 6-7.45pm, Te Ringa Awhina

Thu 4 Year 13 Book Return and Clearance Day, 9am Hall

2015 Student Leadership Team meeting, 11am I2 & I3

Year 13 Leavers Dinner

Week 9 Mon 8 Junior Festival Awards Assembly, 1.30pm Lower Gym

Wed 10 Year 9 Prizegiving, 9am Hall

Year 10 Prizegiving, 11am Hall

Term 4 ends

Start dates for 2015

In 2015 Year 13 and Year 12 students should email their Deans with any course change queries from 27 January.

Year 13 - Mr Christie <u>rchristie@lynfield.school.nz</u>

Year 12 - Mr van Dijck dvandijck@lynfield.school.nz

Fri 30 Jan

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

Mon 2 Feb

Year 9 – attend from 9.00am – 3.10pm

Year 11 - assemble in the Hall at 8.45am (released 10.40am), return on Wed 4 Feb, 8.45am - 3.10pm

Year 12 – assemble in the Hall at 9.30am (released 11.30am), return on Wed 4 Feb, 8.45am – 3.10pm

Year 13 – assemble in the Hall at 10.15am (released 12.15pm), return on Wed 4 Feb, 8.45am – 3.10pm

Tue 3 Feb

Year 9 - attend from 9.00am - 3.10pm

Year 10 – assemble in the Hall 9.00am (released 12.00pm), return on Wed 4 Feb, 8.45am – 3.10pm

Wed 4 Feb

Full day for all year levels, 8.45am form time and normal timetable, students released 3.10pm

All students must wear full, correct uniform from the first day of school

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Congratulations to Mr Russell Christie (Acting Faculty Leader Health & PE) who has recently been appointed Year 13 Dean, beginning January 2015 and to Ms Karen Tattersall (Acting Year 9 Dean) who has been appointed as Year 10 Dean for 2015.

In just over a week our Year 9 and Year 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 was contained in Newsletter No. 16 and below. If you are able to assist with any of the materials required for the activities, it would be greatly appreciated.

S W Bovaird Principal

BYOD Update

In preparation for BYOD for Years 9 – 11 in 2015, we held a well-attended evening on Tuesday this week for parents. If you were unable to attend, please see the BYOD section on the College website.

There will also be an open night at Harvey Norman, Stoddard Rd on Thursday 27 November for parents to come along and view the range of devices available to students.

From now until 18 January 2015, Noel Leeming is offering BYOD deals to Lynfield College students. Click **here** to open the flyer.

Prizegivings

We warmly invite families to attend the following junior prizegivings in Term 4.

Junior Festival Awards Assembly - Monday 8 December at 1.30pm in the Lower Gym

This special assembly is to congratulate junior award winners in Sports, Arts and Cultural activities for 2014. Access to the Lower Gym is off White Swan Road, with parking available on the tennis courts. We would appreciate only soft-soled shoes being worn in the gymnasium.

Year 9 Prizegiving – Wednesday 10 December at 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. Parking will be available on the tennis courts.

Year 10 Prizegiving - Wednesday 10 December at 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. Parking will be available on the tennis courts.

Senior Clearance 2014

We have changed the way that we administer senior clearance this year, so that the Clearance Day on 4 December is <u>ONLY</u> for those who are leaving school. ALL leavers MUST return to school on 4 December to formally complete the leaving process.

Students who are returning next year received an individualised clearance form with their school report. They can complete their clearance obligations any time and from 26 November can take their completed Clearance Forms to their Dean at Interval or Lunchtime to receive their yearbook.

We recommend that students return their text books to the Library on the last day of their examinations.

Year 13 students will complete Clearance Day as in previous years, <u>reporting to the school Hall at 9 am on 4 December</u> to receive their clearance form, then completing their obligations and receiving their Yearbook and Leaving Certificate.

Uniform

A reminder: The school uniform is sold only from our on-site shop.

Please note: Black trousers, polo shirts and grey sweatshirts are not part of the school uniform.

Year 13 – second-hand uniform items in good condition will be gratefully received at reception in the Admin block. These can be used to help needy families.

Enrolment Process for 2015

Enrolments are now being taken for Year 9/2015 home zone students and should be completed as a matter of urgency. **Enrolments can be made between 3.20 – 4.30pm Monday to Friday, no appointment necessary.**

Late Year 9 out of zone applications can be made by printing the application form from our College website www.lynfield.school.nz and either leaving it at our reception desk or posting it to the College. These applications will be put on a waiting list and places offered as and when they become available.

Late Year 10 - 13 applications: An application form should be completed and left with reception. These applications will be put on a waiting list and places offered as and when they become available.

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

Year 9 and Year 10 - Caring for our Community (C4C) Programme, Tuesday 2 & Wednesday 3 December

Students are currently registering for their selected workshop on e-LynC. Please make sure that you are happy with their selection. Details of what is involved in each workshop can also be viewed on e-LynC. Permission letters will be issued next Friday.

If you have any queries about this programme, please contact Cath Knell, cknell@lynfield.school.nz or Bronwen Wilson, bwilson@lynfield.school.nz

Below is a list of materials that will be used in the workshops. Donations will be gratefully received and can be left at Admin reception.

Ms C Knell
Deputy Principal
Teaching and Learning

Ms B Wilson Tic, Caring for our Community

Workshops	Materials Required
Christmas Cakes for Aged Concern and	Dried fruit, nuts, eggs, flour, butter, sugar
West Auckland Hospice	
Quilting for the Elderly	Cotton print or plain cotton light-weight fabric
Auckland City Mission	Tinned food, non-perishable general items
Santa Sacks for Starship	Fabrics, any haberdashery items (ribbons, buttons, beads, sequins, etc)
Cat Rescue	Tins or sachets of cat food
Ronald McDonald House	Brown sugar, icing sugar, golden syrup
Rainbow Youth	Coffee, tea, sugar

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 has closed for 2014.

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)**

NZQA Fees for 2014

Payment of NCEA fees must now be made directly to NZQA in Wellington, using the appropriate form available either from the NZQA website or from the Deans' Secretary.

NZQA will not release results to students who have not paid the fee.

From the end of September students will be able to pay online through their NZQA login.

NZQA imposes an additional \$50 late fee after 1 December

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

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACHIEVEMENT

Sports Scene

Team Talk

Next week the summer season for junior sport comes to a close with the finals being played for both boys and girls Touch.

After a very close fought semi-final our Junior Girls Volleyball team finished 3rd in Division 1 of the Central competition – a very good result.

The Junior Boys Cricket team continue to impress. In their latest game they played St Peters College. St Peters scored 88 off their 20 overs, but we won off the second to last ball with 8 wickets in hand.

ASB Young Sportsperson of the Year Awards

This prestigious award evening was held at Eden Park on 20 November. The best of the best in secondary school sport were present and amongst them were **Grace Kukutai (Y13)** and **Jocelyn Katu (Y12)**. They were being recognised as 1 of the 3 best in their sports (netball and golf respectively) for Greater Auckland. This is well deserved recognition for the all the long hours of training and outstanding successes they have had throughout this year.



Academy development

The basketball and netball academies continue to be very popular and deliver interesting and varied programmes while upskilling our aspiring sportspeople. Term 1, 2015 will see the start of a football academy. Applications for places in this academy are now open and application forms are available from the Sports Office and will soon be online too. We anticipate this academy will be very popular and it is open to Y9 –Y13 players.

Junior Festival Awards

This celebration of success in both sport and cultural activities will take place on Monday 8 December and families of our Y9 and Y10 students are warmly invited to this event.

Uniform Return

Please return all sports uniforms to the Sports Office as soon as possible unless they are currently being used for junior touch or cricket. 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.

Can you help?

We are currently seeking coaches and managers for our 2015 teams. If you, or anyone you know, is interested in helping in any way by becoming a part of the Lynfield Sport team, please contact the Sports Office. (Remember, to be a team manager, no knowledge of the sport is needed. It is simply a communication role.)

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.

CAREERS

Victoria University Foundation Trustees' Scholarship – This scholarship is for a student who is first in their family to attend university, and preference will be given to applicants who, because of financial hardship, may not otherwise be able to undertake a University degree. If you missed out on being awarded the Victoria Achiever Scholarship, and you meet the criteria for this one, you should apply. Applications are due by 30 November. http://www.fis.org.nz/BreakOut/vuw/schols.phtml?detail+500621

Animation College are now offering a new degree, Bachelor of Animation. This is a 3 year course with an option to go on to a 4th Honours Year. The degree's first two years offer core learning in which students develop vocational, technical and academic skills before choosing their specialist skill from one of the three majors – Story & Character; World-Building & Special Effects; Interactive Media & Games. www.animationcollege.co.nz

MIT – the MIT Information Centre will be open Saturday mornings 8.30am – 12pm and Thursday nights until 7pm until 20 December, to help with student enquiries and enrolments for 2015.

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

Sir George Seymour National College of Airline, Travel & Tourism Open Day – Wed 26 Nov, Wed 10, 17 Dec, 10am-2pm, 7 Queen St

International Travel College of NZ Open Day – Thu 27 Nov, Sat 6 Dec, Thu 11 Dec - Lvl 4, ITC House, 9 City Rd, City Travel Careers & Training Open Day – Thu 27 Nov, 11, 18 Dec, Lvl 6, 131 Queen St, City

Massey University Enrolment Help Day – Fri 28 Nov, Albany Campus

International College of Camille Beauty Therapy Open Day -Sat 6 Dec, 11am-2pm, Lvl 4, 393 Khyber Pass Rd

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Christmas Cracker – a FREE local community event supported by Whau Local Board and Auckland Council Fun – Food – Entertainment

Eftpos available

Evening concludes with Christmas carols and fireworks display

Saturday 6 December, 5pm – 9pm at the Blockhouse Bay Community Church, Blockhouse Bay

Phone 09 626 6284 info@bbcc.org.nz