

## LYNFIELD COLLEGE

## **NEWSLETTER 4**

# 4 April 2014

Coming Events:			
Week 11	Mon 7 Apr	CULTURAL WEEK	
		Early finish for students at 2.20pm (HCD bus departs 2.30pm)	
	Tue 8	Year 11 Attitude Presentation, Period 1	
	M/ 10	Year 13 Drama Performance Evening, 6pm PAC	
	Wed 9	Teachers' Paid Union Meeting – students released 12.30pm,	
	Thu 10	(HCD bus departs Boundary Road 12.40pm) Progress Conferences (surnames A – L) 4 – 7pm	
	Fri 11	China Exchange Group departs (returns 29 Apr)	
	Sat 12	Cultural Festival Day at Lynfield College, 12 – 4pm	
Week 12		Progress Conferences (surnames M – Z) 4 – 7pm	
	Wed 16	Student Council Committee Meeting	
		Farewell Evening for German Exchange Group 6.30-9.30pm Staffroom	
	Thu 17	Year 12 Attitude Presentation, Period 1	
		Newsletter No. 5 emailed	
		German Exchange Group departs	
		Term 1 ends	
	Fri 2 <b>May</b>	Te Reo Maori Group Rarotonga trip departs (returns 10 May)	
Week 1	Mon 5 May	Term 2 begins	
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Year 10 Attitude Presentation, Period 1	
	Thu 8	CAREERS DAY	
Week 2	Tue 13	Student Council Meeting	
	Wed 14	Gifted and Talented Student Conference	
	Wed 14 – Fri 16	Year 9 & Year 11 Leadership Camp	
	Thu 15	Senior English students attend Writers & Readers Festival	
Week 3	Mon 19	In-class priority time – students should not make appointments during class time	
	Tue 20	WorkChoice Day	
	Thu 22	NZ Senior Maths Competition	
	Sun 25	13GEO – Rotorua trip (returning Mon 26 May)	
Week 4	Mon 26	In-class priority time – students should not make appointments	
		during class time	
	Thu 29	Pasifika Parents' Evening 6.30pm Staffroom	
Week 5	Mon 2 Jun	QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY – public holiday, College closed on this day	
	Tue 3 – Fri 6	SENIOR ASSESSMENT WEEK	
	Thu 5 – Sun 8 Thu 5	NZ Chamber Music Contest NetSafe Parents' Evening 7pm Staffroom	
Week 6	Mon 9 – Wed 11	9BUS Tip Top factory trips	
	Mon 9	3 <sup>rd</sup> House Meetings	
	Tue 10	3 <sup>rd</sup> House Meetings	
		13CHC Alongside Work Experience	
	Wed 11	Lynfield College ROAD RACE	
	Thu 12	House Football Competition begins	
	Fri 13	Trash to Fashion	
Week 7	Mon 16 Tue 17	ICAS Writing (this week)	
	Tue Tr	13CHC Alongside Work Experience Prefects that Peak AUT programme	
	Wed 18 – Thu 19	13BIO Liggins Institute trip	
	Sat 21	Trash to Fashion semi-final date	
	Sun 22	11GEO Rotorua trip (return 23 Jun)	
Week 8	Tue 24	Production Week	
	Thu 26	Student Council Committee Meeting	
	Sat 28 – Sun 29	Trash to Fashion semi-final dates	
Week 9	Wed 2 Jul	12SCI Stardome trip	
	Thu 3	Mid-Year Reports issued	
	Fri 4	12DRA & 13DRA trip Term 2 ends	
Week 1	Mon 21	Term 3 begins	

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

Next Thursday 10 April we have the first of two Progress Conference evenings for this term, with the second evening on Tuesday 15 April. Students will be released at 2.20pm on these days and the interview appointments are from 4 – 7pm. We urge all parents/caregivers to take this opportunity to discuss your son's/daughter's progress with their teachers. If you have not yet made appointments, information on how to use our online booking systems is contained in this newsletter. Progress reports were issued to students on Thursday 27 March and students should bring these to the conferences. I hope the advice given by the subject teachers will prove valuable for continuing classroom focus. Senior students have a week of assessment in week 5 of Term 2 and need to have a revision schedule underway at the beginning of that term.

#### **Cultural Day**

An invitation is extended to students, families and friends of Lynfield College to attend our Cultural Food and Performance Festival next Saturday 12 April. This annual festival begins at 12-midday with a powhiri, then continues until 4pm with food stalls and performances from many of our cultural groups. The festival is a special day out in our school calendar and the student groups are looking forward to being able to share aspects of their culture with the wider school community. During next week there will be a variety of cultural events for students at the College, including foreign films, a mufti day and fashion show.

There will be three early finish days for students next week, detailed below.

#### Professional Learning Meeting for Teachers – Monday 7 April

Students will be released at 2.20pm. The HCD bus will depart from Boundary Road at 2.30pm.

#### Paid Union Meeting - Wednesday 9 April

The Post Primary Teachers' Association has advised us that there will be a paid union meeting on this day. Students will be released at 12.30pm. The HCD bus will depart from Boundary Road at 12.40pm.

#### Progress Conferences – Thursday 10 (and Tuesday 15) April, 4 – 7pm

Students will be released at 2.20pm. The HCD bus will depart from Boundary Road at 2.30pm.

In all cases supervised study is available in the College Library until the normal finish time of 3.10pm for students who are waiting for a bus or to be collected by family. On Wednesday 9 April, the supervised study will commence at 1.30pm.

S W Bovaird Principal

#### **Progress Conferences Reminder**

The Progress Conferences, to be held between **4.00pm and 7.00pm on Thursday 10 April and Tuesday 15 April**, offer you a significant opportunity to meet your child's teachers. During the evening you will be able to discuss the achievement and progress in each course and help set goals or targets for the rest of the year.

In order to make an appointment you will need to use an internet connection to login in to <u>www.schoolinterviews.co.nz</u> The event code or password for this web page and the lists of course codes and teacher codes from your child's timetable are included on the instruction sheet issued with your child's report.

If you need another copy of the instruction sheet or would like any assistance with making the interview appointments please contact the school office (627 0600) or email directly to Mr Black (<u>mblack@lynfield.school.nz</u>).

As school finishes early at 2.20pm on each of the Progress Conference days there will be supervised study available in the school Library until the normal finish time of 3.10pm.

You are encouraged to attend and can bring your child with you to be involved in the conversations with their teachers. We look forward to seeing you and trust that you will contact us if you need any help or advice.

M Black Deputy Principal Achievement, Assessment and Reporting

#### Student Leader Profile – Sports Captains

Hi, my name is She^e Nathan-Wong and I am your female Sports Captain for 2014. I am honoured to be given such a huge responsibility within the school. I am a committed and determined person and I look forward to working with the House Captains this year to run a great house competition.

Hi, my name is Jonty Pendigrast and I am your Male Sports captain for 2014. I am excited and grateful to be voted into this role. I aim to ensure we have a successful sporting year and generate enthusiasm within the school towards the annual house competition. I look forward to working with my fellow exec members to make our final year a memorable one.

We are honoured to be given this role and are excited to be working with the entire Student Executive to create a school environment that embraces a culture of enthusiasm towards sports. We are committed and motivated students and we will try our best to make this year unforgettable. Our role involves working with the House Captains to organise Athletics Day which was run successfully this year and also lunchtime inter-house sports. We will be involved with the annual Mt Maunganui exchange and the sports and cultural Festival Awards evening at the end of the year. We enthusiastically look forward to these prospects.

Jonty Pendigrast and She^e Nathan-Wong

#### **Upcoming Careers Event**

The Year 13 Careers Expo Visit will take place during the first week of Term 2 on Thursday 8 May, periods 2-4. All Year 13 students along with their form teachers will be attending this event at the ASB Showgrounds. The Expo will be set up with exhibitors representing all vocational sectors. Students will have the opportunity to chat with tertiary and industry representatives as well as view short seminars that will be running throughout the day. More information will be sent home with students next week.

http://www.careersexpo.org.nz/auckland-2014



#### Cup / Trophy Return

If you have a cup or trophy which was awarded in 2013 (at Festival Awards, Senior or Junior prizegivings), please return them to the main reception in the Admin Building by **THURSDAY 17 APRIL 2014** (end of this term). It is NOT necessary to polish cups before their return. Thank you.

#### Automobile Association Free Driving Lesson Programme

This programme was launched in Auckland at the beginning of March, after a very successful response in other New Zealand cities.

- The free driving lesson is with an AA driving instructor and is for new drivers, to help set them on the right path towards achieving the skills necessary to be safe and competent drivers. Most students who have taken up the offer already are ages 16, so many students in Lynfield College will be eligible.
- To be eligible for the free driving lesson, the new driver needs to have held their learner's driver licence for less than two months and be either an AA member or the son or daughter of an AA member.

For more information or a 'Drive the AA Way' booklet, contact our Student Services office on extension 743.

#### NZQA Fees and Financial Assistance

The 2014 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.

Full financial assistance details, including income thresholds for entitlement for a Community Services card can be viewed at:

#### http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/qualifications-standards/qualifications/ncea/entry-into-ncea/fees-for-ncea/financial-assistance/

You must fill in an application form to receive financial assistance. <u>A new application has to be filled in each year</u> – if you received financial assistance last year it does not automatically carry over.

Financial assistance application forms are now available from the Deans' Reception. The form should be completed and returned to school as soon as possible to ensure that students receive an invoice for the reduced amount when the billing run is done.

Invoices will be issued early next term, with payment due by the end of the term (4 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.

#### Auckland Transport's Make it Home – Youth Road Safety Package

As part of Road Safety Week 19 - 26 May, Auckland Transport has planned a number of road safety events to help address the high number of young people being killed or seriously injured as a result of crashes in the Auckland region\*. The following evening may be of particular interest to parents and caregivers:

#### Nigel Latta "Live" - Keep your teen safe on the road

Monday 19 May, Dorothy Winston Centre, Auckland Girls' Grammar School, 7.30 – 9.00pm Psychologist Nigel Latta will deliver an hour presentation offering practical advice for parents on how to help their teen driver develop safer driving skills. For more information go to <u>www.at.govt.nz/roadsafetyweek</u>

\*In 2012, young drivers aged 15-24 were involved in 13 fatal crashes and 100 serious injury crashes in the Auckland region (Crash Analysis Report).

#### 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, <u>rdelgrosso@lynfield.school.nz</u>, 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?G15When?Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday lunchtimes (and Tuesday afterschool)

#### **EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACHIEVEMENT**

#### **Sports Scene**

#### Individual Honours

**Michael Carswell (Y11)** competed in the Teams event at the National Age Group Cycling Champs in Invercargill winning a bronze medal in the 300m Team Pursuit.

**Maddison Wesche (Y10)** became a double gold medallist when she convincingly won **two national titles** at the NZ National Athletics Championships in Wellington last weekend. She took the gold medal in both the U18 Youth Women's Shot Put with a throw of 14.26m using a 3kg shot put, and the U20



Junior Women's Shot Put (throwing 12.45m with a 4kg shot put). This is an amazing result....and Maddi only started this event less than a year ago!! She is at Masterton this weekend competing in the North Island Secondary Schools Track and Field meet. Watch this space!

If your son and/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.

#### 2014 Tennis Championship Results

The College Tennis Championships were held on Tuesday 25 March. All participants demonstrated excellent sportsmanship and fair play, and there were some impressive matches of a very high calibre. Congratulations to the following winners and runners up:

#### Senior Boys Singles

Winner - Jason Pimenta, Runner Up - Vincent Schimanski

Senior Boys Doubles Winners Jason Pimenta and Simon Stanimiroff, Runners Up - Callum Magee and Vincent Schimanski

Senior Girls Singles Winner - Brooklyn Chitty, Runner Up - Vanessa Pimenta

Senior Girls Doubles Winners - Vanessa Pimenta and Diana Lim, Runners Up - Brooklyn Chitty and Heather Jones

Year 11 Boys Singles Winner - Lorenzo Dorian, Runner Up - Kiriffi Leilua

Year 11 Boys Doubles Winners - Lorenzo Dorian and Caleb Mellor, Runners Up - Scott Out-O'Reilly and Ric Gozon

Year 11 Girls Singles Winner - Adhya Choudhary, Runner Up - Maddy Poland

Year 11 Girls Doubles Winners - Adhya Choudhary and Maddy Poland

Year 10 Boys Singles Winner - Felix Barrett, Runner - Casey Newbrook

#### Year 10 Boys Doubles

Winners - Felix Barrett and Casey Newbrook, Runners Up - Andrew Isdale and Filip Trifunovic

Year 10 Girls Singles Winner - Casey Scott, Runner Up - Neve Stanimiroff

Year 10 Girls Doubles Winners - Casey Scott and Neve Stanimiroff, Runners Up - Hannah Purdie and Sabrina Subritzky-Cowen

Year 9 Boys Singles Winner - Aaron Zhang, Runner Up - Harrison Quilter-Clarke

Year 9 Boys Doubles Winners - Josh Boasman and Aaron Zhang, Runners Up - Josh Moraes and Kinsh Chhabra

Year 9 Girls Singles Winner - Caitlin Schischka, Runner Up - Emily Liston

Year 9 Girls Doubles Winners - Caitlin Schischka and Amy Cui, Runners Up - Emily Liston and Jackie de Pont

#### Team Talk

#### Summer Sports

All secondary sports competitions have finished for Term 1 apart from tennis and waterpolo, which have their final games this week.

#### Waterpolo

The senior team has performed well against some very tough competitors and have had some excellent wins from exciting games. The junior Waterpolo team played a one day tournament on 22nd March at Kings College. They won all their three games beating Takapuna Grammar 9-1, St Kentigern A 6-5 and Kings College C 9-4. The team is made up of four Year 10s and eight Year 9 students. This is the first time the team has played together in a competition this year, so this is very impressive. The second one day tournament will be held on April 12 and their weekly competition starts in October.

#### Cricket

The 1stXI have continued to have some good wins and close losses. Darshan Mehta (Y12) scored 95 and Ben Roughan 49 not out against Avondale 2<sup>nd</sup> XI in a tight game which saw Lynfield win by 11 runs.

#### Orienteering

Danielle Matthews (Y9) has qualified for the finals of the Auckland Orienteering competition! This is a fantastic achievement, especially as she had never done orienteering before signing up to compete for Lynfield. These will be held on Saturday 5 April. She will compete at St Kentigern College in the morning and at Orewa in the afternoon. We wish her well for these events.

#### **Dragon boating**

After 6 weekly training sessions at Westhaven, 77 Lynfield students descended on Lake Pupuke on Sunday 23 March for a day of fun and rivalry in the Auckland Secondary Schools Dragon boat Regatta. Having to arrive at school at 6.15am didn't seem to dampen any enthusiasm; in fact everyone seemed pumped and ready to put their best paddle forward from the moment we arrived at the lake. There were 29 teams from a wide variety of schools throughout Auckland. Each team has 20 paddlers, a caller and a sweep so, in all, about 700 competitive students. It was great to have ex-student, Linden Rose, as sweep and coach for two of our teams.

This year we were wearing our new, exclusive and unique singlets which were designed especially for the event by Oksana Zhang (Y12). They are extremely distinctive!

Our three crews all improved markedly throughout the

day but could not keep up with the teams who train two or three times each week! Results were: Lynfield Legends 1 Lynfield Legends 2 Lynfield Legends 1

3<sup>rd</sup> Mixed Bowl final 2<sup>nd</sup> Mixed Plate final 4<sup>th</sup> Mixed Plate final

#### Winter Sports

Many trials are now complete and teams named so students will be starting regular team trainings. It is essential they check dates and times carefully and remember to bring a change of clothes and any specialist equipment needed for their sport e.g. boots, shin pads, mouthguards, etc. (Mouthguards are available from the Sports Office for \$5.) Once they have been placed in a team they must meet all training and game commitments, as well as pay their fees to secure their place in the team. All fees must be paid prior to the first game of the season. Each player will be given a letter with important details relating to their team and sport. All winter competitions begin in the first two weeks of Term 2.

#### HELP!

Thank you to those of you who have offered your time and/or expertise to help with coaching or managing a team. It is very much appreciated. We are entering over 50 teams in weekly winter competitions. We are now desperately trying to finalise coaches and managers for several teams:

Football	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI Boys
Netball	Senior (games are on Tuesday night at Te Pai PI, Henderson) Junior (games are on Saturday morning at Te Pai PI, Henderson)
Hockey	Junior Boys
Squash	Boys
Rugby	U65kg boys
	Girls
Badminton	Transport to and from the games at Gillies Ave

Without your help to manage, coach or transport one of our teams this year, we will not be able to provide sporting opportunities to such a large number of students. Remember, to manage a team you do not need knowledge of the sport, just to be a channel for communication between coach and players as needed and help organise (not necessarily provide) transport to games.

#### We will not enter a team into a competition unless it has both a coach and a manager!

If you, or anyone you know, is able to help us in any way we would really like to hear from you. Please contact the Sports Office 627 0600 ext 595 or email Felicity Walbran (Sports Director) fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz



#### CAREERS

A reminder that the school website and e-LynC have full details of tertiary open days and information evenings. Please check it regularly.

"Like" Student Services at Lynfield College on Facebook to receive updates from careers, counselling and the health centre.

**Y9 Pasifika students –** "Like" the Student Services Facebook page and see photos of yourself enjoying the Pacific Pride Leaders last month.

**Y13 - If you are seriously considering studying at Unitec or MIT in 2014 or 2015**, there is the opportunity to attend one of their "Experience Days" or "Student For A Day" opportunities. See Mrs Keir or Mrs Hughes ASAP.

**Student Exchange** opportunities in Europe, Americas and Asia. Increase your language skills and make new friends. Stay with a local family while attending school for between 6 weeks – 1 year. <u>www.student-exchange.co.nz</u>

**Free Youthtown School Holiday Programme** at Avondale Intermediate or Mt Albert Grammar, for those aged 11-17 yrs. Activities include watersports, team challenges, outdoor adventures, art workshops, sports & games, cooking and day trips. Enrolment forms at Student Services. <u>www.youthtown.org.nz</u>

#### Jobs:

#### Full time position for a school leaver as a Trainee Manager at Milford Kings Plant Barn.

<u>Visitors to our school:</u> (Info on courses, entry requirements, scholarships, accommodation, etc) Unitec – Thursday 15 May, 12.40pm, A1

#### Upcoming Open Days & Info Evenings:

Sir George Seymour College – Wed 9 April, 10am-2pm, Lvl 3, 7 Queen St, City. <u>www.sirgeorge.co.nz</u> Airline, Travel & Tourism

International Travel College – Thu 10 April & 1 & 15 May, 9am-6pm, Level 4, 9 City Rd, City. <u>www.itc.co.nz</u> Airline, Travel & Tourism

Crown Institute of Studies – Thu 10 April (80 Anzac Ave) & 8 May (10 Eden Cres), 9am-4pm <u>www.crown.ac.nz</u> Travel, Hospitality & Business

**Queenstown Resort College Careers Week** - 22-24 April, Queenstown <u>www.queenstownresortcollege.com</u> Hospitality Management & Adventure Tourism

Lifeway College Animation & Gaming School Holiday Camp – 28 April – 2 May <u>www.lifeway.ac.nz</u> Dunedin Tertiary Information Day – Mon 12 May in Dunedin <u>www.op.ac.nz</u> and <u>www.otago.ac.nz</u>

Massey University Information Evening – Tue 13 & Wed 14 May, Sir Neil Walters Lecture Theatre Building, Albany Campus www.massey.ac.nz

Air New Zealand Airline Pilot Info Session – Thu 15 May, 4-9pm, Air NZ Aviation Institute, 7 Rennie Dr, Mangere University of Waikato Open Day, Hamilton Campus – Fri 16 May, 9am-2pm. Free bus can be booked at S/S National Academy of Dramatic Art (NASDA) Student For a Day – Thu 29 May, CPIT, Christchurch Campus

# Supporting success in your school.

For every new ASB home loan over \$150,000 taken out before 30 June 2014, ASB will donate:

\$500 cash to participating schools.

Download the voucher from asb.co.nz/schoolbanking Terms and conditions apply, offer ends 30 June 2014.

# WE NEED PEOPLE TO CARE FOR OUR YOUTH



WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT

> BEING A CAREGIVER



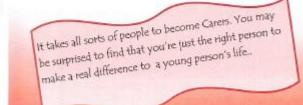
# CHILD YOUTH & FAMILY ARE LOOKING FOR A RANGE OF CARERS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 12-17 YEARS FOR:

#### Short term care

Long Term care

#### THE YOUNG PEOPLE WE WORK WITH

- Live in West Auckland
- · Can be involved with Police
- Can have behavioural and relationship difficulties
- Need a stable and caring place to stay



## IF THIS SOUNDS LIKE YOU COME ALONG TO OUR INFORMATION

#### EVENING

DATE: Thursday 10 April 2014 TIME: 7pm—9pm VENUE: Te Atatu Baptist Church 448 Old Te Atatu Road Te Atatu Peninsula Light refreshments will be provided.

# IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT BECOMING A CARER, YOU CAN CONTACT

Sue McCallum: (09) 913-0205 Tasha Aiaraisa: (09) 918-4336 Rob Black: (09) 913-0213



Point Chevalier Community Centre, 18 Huia Rd, Pt Chevalier, is holding an **Easter Kids Only Market** on Saturday 12 April from 9am to 1pm. At this market, all of the stallholders are children and youths. They will be selling crafts, games, toys, books, baking, clothing, sports gear and much, much more. Stalls are available for \$5 each and can be booked on (09) 846 1094 or <u>ptchev.communitycentre@xtra.co.nz</u>. Support the kids by booking a stall or by coming along to the market as a customer.