

LYNFIELD COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER 5

17 April 2014

Coming Events:				
Week 1	Mon 5 May	Term 2 begins		
		Year 10 Attitude Presentation, Period 1		
	Thu 8	Y13 CAREERS DAY		
Week 2	Tue 13	11FAN-MTH whole day assessment		
		Student Council Meeting, P4 Hall		
	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	NZ Chamber Music Contest		
	Thu 5	NetSafe Parents' Evening, 7pm Staffroom		
Week 6	Mon 9 – Wed 11	9BUS Tip Top factory trips		
	Mon 9	3 rd House Meetings		
	Tue 10	3 rd 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	ICAS Writing (this week)		
	Tue 17	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, lunchtime Pukewiwi		
	Sat 28 – Sun 29	Trash to Fashion semi-final dates		
Week 9	Wed 2 Jul	12SCI Stardome trip		
	Thu 3	Mid-Year Reports issued		
	- • •	12DRA & 13DRA trip		
	Fri 4	Term 2 ends		
Maakd	Fri 18	College Ball		
Week 1	Mon 21	Term 3 begins		
	Tue 22	Open Day 11am & 4pm		
	Wed 23	Open Day 11am & 1.30pm		
Week 2	Thu 24 Mon 28	Australian Chemistry Quiz Enrolment Information Evening, 7pm Hall		
VVEEK Z	Mon 28 & Tue 29	4 th House Meetings		
	Tue 29	ICAS English competition		
	106 29	Student Council Meeting, P4 Hall		
	Wed 30	House Netball Competition		
	Thu 31	WINTER SPORTS PHOTOS		
		Pasifika Parents' Evening, 6.30pm staffroom		
	Sat 2 Aug	Enrolment session, 9am – 12pm Admin Building		
	Sat 2 & Sun 3	KBB Music Festival at Westlake Boys		
Week 3	Mon 4	COURSE SELECTION BEGINS (until 15 Aug)		
	Mon 4 – Fri 8	KBB Music Festival continues		
	Tue 5	13GEO Muriwai trip (Wed 6 Aug reserve day)		
	Thu 7	Australian Mathematics Competition		
		Progress Conferences, 4 – 7pm		

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Last Saturday we held a very successful Cultural Festival at the College. Thanks to all those students, parents and staff who supported this annual event. We have a wide variety of cultures at the College and this was a wonderful opportunity for the extended school community to share the features of these cultures which make them so special and unique. Students spend hours practising their items to ensure the community gets to see performances at their very best. The food is prepared by students and their families and again the aim is to give us an appreciation of the diversity and sophistication of the dishes available from each group. With the weather on our side, the day could not have been a more positive and enjoyable experience.

The aim of the day is to spread understanding and increase appreciation of the contribution each group makes to our school and the wider community. The day is not a fund raiser. It is self-funding with the cost for each dish expected to cover the cost of ingredients. The performers pay all their own expenses. The College contributes through meeting expenses of security, cleaning, waste disposal, etc.

I would like to thank Ms Sherry Wagner our Cultural Co-ordinator and her team of students, especially the Arts and Culture Captains, and all students, staff and parents who so generously gave their time and expertise to ensure this was such a successful event.

The Progress Conference Evenings held in the last two weeks were both very well attended. I hope this was a successful opportunity for you to get feedback on your child's progress during this first part of the school year. The advice given by the subject teachers will prove valuable for continuing classroom focus. The senior students have a week of assessment in Week 5 of Term 2 and need to begin a revision schedule early in that term.

With cooler weather approaching, it is important that students are prepared for Terms 2 and 3 with winter uniform items. Please ensure as well that your child has wet weather gear to wear. We are often asked for dry clothing by students and this demand is not possible for us to meet.

Deputy Principal Mr Black will be on sabbatical leave for Term 2. During this time Mrs Clark, Dean of Senior School, will cover the pastoral care role and Mr Waddington, Assistant Principal, will cover the achievement, assessment and reporting role. In addition, Mr Angus who has been acting Year 9 Dean during Term 1 will return to full time teaching and Ms Tattersall will be acting Year 9 Dean from the beginning of Term 2.

Our very best wishes go to Mrs Way, International Student Office Manager, who is retiring today after 25 years of service to Lynfield College. Her work with the many international students and their families over this time has been highly valued by the Board and her colleagues. Best wishes also to Mrs Fairley, Gateway Co-ordinator who has retired after 9 years.

I wish everyone safe and happy holidays and look forward to our students returning refreshed and ready for a busy and productive Term 2.

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Student Leader Profile – Arts & Culture Captains

Kia ora! We're Kathleen Tomacruz and Craig Hebblethwaite, and we are the Arts and Culture Captains of Lynfield College. Our job is to organize events throughout the year to promote arts and culture in the school and create opportunities for students to get involved.

We have just had our first major event of the year, the annual Cultural Week and Cultural Festival day. In Cultural Week, we held activities run by students, like traditional henna and moko tattoos, musical performances, and a cultural fashion show. These led up to the main event, Cultural Festival day, where we had delicious food and fantastic performances that showcased our school's vast cultural diversity. It was a huge success, with busy food stalls and packed audiences. I'm sure it was greatly enjoyed by our fellow students, teachers, friends and families. Spending almost the whole first term preparing for this event, it was such a great experience and showed us that hard work really does pay off!



For the rest of the year, some of the events we will have the pleasure of organizing and getting involved with include New Zealand Music Month, Arts Week, Talent Quest and the Festival Awards Evening. After an incredible start to the year with Cultural Week and the Cultural Festival, we look forward to further making Lynfield College a school flourishing with Arts and Culture.

Next year, Craig and Kathleen, both keen musicians, intend to continue their studies at the University of Auckland, with Craig planning to pursue a Commerce and Music conjoint, and Kathleen planning to go into Science, Music or Engineering.

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 cups or trophies which were awarded in 2013 (at Festival Awards, Senior or Junior prizegivings), please return them to the main reception in the Admin Building at the beginning of Term 2. It is NOT necessary to polish cups before their return. Thank you.

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

Team Talk

Waterpolo

The Junior Waterpolo Team played its second tournament last Saturday. The team was unlucky to come up against one of the best teams first, whose much greater experience saw us soundly defeated. However, they bounced back from this narrowly losing the second game 4-3 to Westlake Boys and winning their last game against Howick 6-4. Our novice team learned an enormous amount from this tournament and improved a lot throughout the day.

Orienteering

Danielle Matthews (Y9) competed in the sprint finals of the Auckland Orienteering competition! She competed very well, finishing about half way through the field which is fantastic for a beginner in this sport. She is part of a relay team which competed in the AKSS one day competition this week.

Winter Sports

Our 55 winter teams have now been named, so students will be starting regular team trainings. Each player should have taken home a letter with important details relating to their team and sport. Please note:

- All winter competitions begin in the first 2 weeks of Term 2.
- All fees must be paid prior to the first game of the season. We have a strict NO PAY = NO PLAY policy.
- It is essential students check training 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.

HELP!

This is now URGENT!

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 now desperately trying to finalise coaches for a few of our 55 teams:

Football	2 ^m XI Boys
Netball	Senior (games are on Tuesday night at Te Pai PI, Henderson)
Rugby	U65kg boys

We also need managers and transport help for:

Managers, Senior (games on Tuesday night at Te Pai PI, Henderson)
Managers, Junior (games are Saturday morning at Te Pai PI, Henderson)
Transport to and from the games at Gillies Ave
Managers
Managers

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, are 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 <u>fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz</u>

iPlay

This is a new, FREE sporting opportunity available to all our students. This will begin in the first week of Term 2. Two different sports will be offered each week on Tuesday and Thursday at lunchtime. We are currently confirming which sports will be organised but the emphasis will be on trying something different, interspersed with a mixture of traditional sports. Students will simply need to turn up, changed into PE gear or similar and be ready to have some fun. All abilities and ages very welcome. *NB. For the first week only iPlay will be on Wednesday and Friday.*

Individual Honours

Gustavo Munoz Gaete (Y11) won a gold medal at the 2014 Rodney Open Taekwondo Tournament for the 'Yellow belt to Green Belt over 68kg' category on 5 April. Gustavo is one of our international students who arrived from Chile recently and has become immersed in our school community as well as joining a local Tae Kwon Do club. We wish him well for national competition he will be taking part in next month.

Alice Neville-Smith (Y12) and Grace Kukutai (Y13) have both been selected as members of the Netball Waitakere U17A Rep team.

Keeley Hall (Y11) has been selected for the Netball Waitakere U17B Rep team.

Charlie Mismash (Y13) is a very skilled Lacrosse player who has played this sport for 5 years. It is a very physical game which has the highest injury rate of any sport in NZ! He has been selected in the NZ U19 team which will play in a 5-day tournament over Easter weekend.

2 WEEKENDS = 3 GOLDS + 1 NEW RECORD! **Maddison Wesche (Y10)** has put her mark firmly on NZ athletics. On two consecutive weekends of competition she won three significant Shot Put titles and set one new record.

You may recall Maddison won two golds at the NZ National Athletics Champs two weeks ago. The following weekend Maddison was a member of the Auckland Secondary Schools team competing in the North Island Secondary Schools Athletics Champs in Masterton. Here she not only won gold in the Intermediate Girls Shot Put, she set a new record for this event by throwing a 'Personal Best' of 14.92m. This is the second Secondary Schools Athletics record Maddi has broken in the last month! Congratulations Maddison.

Stop Press

Grace Kukutai (Y13) has today been named in the NZSS Netball squad. This means she is one of the best 16 netball players in the country!! Currently this squad is comprised of 16 players but at the end of April 4 of these players will be named as non-travelling reserves leaving a team of 12 to compete internationally. Grace is a member of our Premier 1 netball team and we are delighted she is only one step away from reaching her long held goal of being a member of the NZSS team. She has trained extremely hard, on and off the court, and managed her time carefully to maintain an excellent level of achievement in her academic studies too. We wish her well for her final training camp prior to the naming of the team.

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

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Animation College Student for A Day – Experience what it's like to study at Animation College. This day features a 4 hour workshop of either: 3D computer animation or 2D traditional/digital animation. You'll also hear about the career opportunities that exist for graduates with app developers, game designers, film makers and more. Attend during the school holidays on Friday 2 May. www.animationcollege.co.nz Also "Life Drawing With Kiwi Stunt Performers" – Saturday 3 May, 10.30am – 2.30pm, \$30. Tickets at eventbrite.co.nz

Auckland Cartooning Camp during these school holidays. <u>www.illustrating-man.com.au</u>

Animation College "Life Drawing With Kiwi Stunt Performers" – Saturday 3 May, 10.30am – 2.30pm, \$30, Animation College. Tickets: eventbrite.co.nz <u>www.animationcollege.co.nz</u>

FREE design, photography and animation courses for y12 and Y13 students. Choose from Saturday 17, 24 or 31 May, at NZSE, 3033 Great North Rd, New Lynn. If you would like to book in, phone 0800 99 88 11 and provide your details. www.nzse.ac.nz

AUT Information Evenings (the only opportunities to visit AUT this year)

North Shore Campus – Tuesday 20 May – registration opens and the faculty expo starts at 5pm. Tours of the Health Clinics start at 5.30pm. Presentations start at 6.30pm and finish at 8.30pm.

Auckland City Campus – Friday 6 June – registration opens and the faculty expo starts at 4.30pm. Presentation starts at 5.30pm and finish at 8pm.

South Campus – Wednesday 10 September – registration opens at 5.30pm. Presentations start at 6.30pm and finish at 8.30pm.

International College of Hotel Management Career Week in Adelaide – For those interested in studying hotel management. 7-11 July and 29 September – 3 October. 2015 Scholarship open to New Zealand citizens or residents. Closing date 17 October. www.ichm.edu.au

NZSE School of Design – scholarship available for those wanting to study design from July this year. Details at S/S or www.nzse.ac.nz

<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:

US Embassy Law Programme Fair – Easter Monday 21 April, 10.30am – 1.30pm, Hilton Hotel, CBD. Contact DumasAG@state.gov.

International Travel College – Thu 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 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

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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

