

# LYNFIELD COLLEGE

# **NEWSLETTER 6**

# 16 May 2014

Coming Events:		
Week 3 Mon 19 <b>May</b> In-class priority time – students should not make appointments		
Week 5	Won 19 May	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
WCCK 4	WOTI 20	during class time
	Wed 28	Board of Trustees Meeting
	Thu 29	Pasifika Parents' Evening, 6.30pm Staffroom
Week 5	Mon 2 <b>Jun</b>	QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY – public holiday, College closed on this day
Wook o	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
Wook o	Mon 9	3 <sup>rd</sup> House Meetings
	Tue 10	3 <sup>rd</sup> House Meetings
	100 10	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	Mon 30	Board of Trustees Meeting
	Wed 2 Jul	12SCI Stardome trip
	Thu 3	Mid-Year Reports issued
		12DRA & 13DRA trip
	Fri 4	Term 2 ends
	Fri 18	College Ball
Week 1	Mon 21	Term 3 begins
	Tue 22	Open Day 11am & 4pm
	Wed 23	Open Day 11am & 1.30pm
	Thu 24	Australian Chemistry Quiz
Week 2	Mon 28	Enrolment Information Evening, 7pm Hall
	Mon 28 & Tue 29	4 <sup>th</sup> House Meetings
	Tue 29	Enrolment begins 9.30-11am, 1.30-4pm
		ICAS English competition
	W-4 20	Student Council Meeting, P4 Hall
	Wed 30	House Netball Competition
	Thu 31	WINTER SPORTS PHOTOS
		Enrolment late night 6-8pm 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)
Week 3	Mon 4 – Fri 8	KBB Music Festival continues
	Tue 5	13GEO Muriwai trip (Wed 6 Aug reserve day)
	Thu 7	Australian Mathematics Competition
	1110 1	Progress Conferences, 4 – 7pm
	Fri 8	Year 13 Attitude Presentation
	Sat 9	KBB Gala Performance
Week 4	Tue 12	Progress Conferences, 4 – 7pm
	Wed 13	CULTURAL PHOTOS
	Fri 15	BLOOD DONOR DAY
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This is an extremely busy time of the year, as you can see from the page 1 calendar.

We have a period of senior assessment in week 5, from Tuesday 3 to Friday 6 June. The draft timetable is on the student e-LynC site and will also be on the College website, which parents can access. Any assessment clashes must be reported to Mr Waddington, Assistant Principal, as a matter of urgency and an alternative time during the week arranged.

If a student misses an exam because of illness or an emergency, the College must be contacted on the day of assessment, using the absence phone line (627 0600 option 1/extension 729), leaving a message for the student's Dean. If the missed assessment is a final NCEA one, a doctor's certificate should also be given to Mr Waddington and arrangements made to sit the assessment before the end of the exam week.

Students in Years 9 and 10 have normal class timetables during the assessment days, although there will be some room changes they will need to follow from the daily notices each day (these are also on e-LynC and the school noticeboards). If you have any questions about assessment activities please contact Mr Waddington through the school office.

#### **Attendance**

It is well recognised that student attendance in class is essential for academic progress. Recently we have made changes to our attendance monitoring procedures. Mrs Julie Griffin is the new attendance officer and is working hard to ensure students are where they should be or that we (parents and teachers) know where they are.

We ask you to be vigilant in letting us know if your son or daughter is away by ringing the absence line, 627 0600 ext 729 or emailing <a href="mailto:absence@lynfield.school.nz">absence@lynfield.school.nz</a> We are also contacting parents if a student is missing from form period or morning classes by sending out an email advising that the student was late to school.

S W Bovaird Principal

#### Student Leader Profile - Academic Captains

Hello everyone, we are Boaz Competente and Jahnvee Solanki, Lynfield College's Academic Captains for 2014. We're very excited to encourage excellent academic achievement throughout the whole school by aiming to organise events and provide facilities that will support our peers to achieve success.

Being elected into this year's leadership team as the Academic Captains is a great honour. We would firstly like to thank our peers and teachers for supporting us in our endeavours by recognising our leadership potential and voting us into these positions, our parents for pushing us to continue to better ourselves every day, in academics as well as in character and our school for creating such a positive and supportive environment in which we can reach our potential.

As Academic Captains, we are responsible for running the Academic Council, a group consisting of passionate students from all year levels and specialising in different school faculties. Along with the Assistant Academic Captains, we all work towards organising events such as junior and senior Quizzex and Teacher Appreciation Day, as well as providing services later this year including, but not limited to, tutoring during lunchtimes for those in need of extra help and providing senior students with study rooms during study periods.

This year sees both of us in demanding leadership positions and it will very much be a juggling act to try and retain excellent grades as well as fulfil the responsibilities that come with the role. However, we're both looking forward to the challenge this learning experience presents.



Boaz Competente & Jahnvee Solanki with Mr Bovaird, Principal

### 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, <a href="mailto:redelgrosso@lynfield.school.nz">redelgrosso@lynfield.school.nz</a>, indicating your child's name and form class in your email message.

#### **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 as soon as possible. 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. A new application has to be filled in each year – 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 have been issued, with payment due by the end of this 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 <a href="https://www.at.govt.nz/roadsafetyweek">www.at.govt.nz/roadsafetyweek</a>

\*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).

#### **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**

Congratulations to **Jonathan D'Souza (Y10)** who has won three 1<sup>st</sup> prizes, including two trophies, at the 2014 North Shore Piano Competition recently.

#### **Sports Scene**

#### **Team Talk**

This year we have 50 teams entered in weekly interschool competitions as well as a fitness programme for any interested players from the 9 different sporting codes in which our teams are involved. Some teams began their competitions last week while the rest start this week.

The season has begun with some excellent results. The 1<sup>st</sup> XV won against Selwyn College 22-17 and our top netball teams at each level had comfortable wins too. Over the next two weeks some competitions will complete their grading games while others have started their championship already.

It has been disappointing to have a number of students withdraw from their team at the last moment. This has seriously impacted on their team and, in some cases has jeopardised the viability of the team. 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. Thank you for your support of both your child and the school in helping our students meet these obligations.

After thinking we had coaches in place for all our teams, changed circumstances now mean we desperately need:

2<sup>nd</sup> XI Girls Football coach Senior Blue Netball coach

If you are able to help with these teams please contact fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz as soon as possible.

#### **Individual Honours**

Congratulations to our students who have recently had great success at regional and national level:

**Grace Kukutai (Y13)** has been selected as a member of the NZ Secondary Schools Netball Team. This is an outstanding achievement! The team is comprised of the top 12 school age netball players in NZ.

Grace has been a member of the Lynfield College Premier 1 netball team since she was in Y10, playing in the mid-court, most often as Centre. She was a key player when this team won the B Grade last year in the Upper North Island Secondary Schools tournament. To be selected in the NZ team has been a goal of Grace's for several years and she has worked tirelessly to reach this extremely high standard of netball. She has been 'put through the hoops' by selectors at three different trials camps in the last few months. The NZSS team will play in a Trans-Tasman tournament in Adelaide later this month, competing against their Aussie equivalents as well as teams from the Pacific region.

Six days each week she is working on her off-season training regime which consists of cardio work (a mixture of spin classes, road runs and strength training in the gym), ball passes onto the wall for skills and lots of core work. Grace has also been fully focussed on nutritional and hydration requirements for netball at the elite level. These are all indicative of the commitment and dedication which have been absolutely critical to her success.



**Sam Hudson (Y10)** has been named in the New Zealand Junior Archery Team to compete in a Test against Australia later this year. Sam uses a recurve bow which is the more traditional type of bow. There are also archers who use compound bows. With wheels on each limb, these bows are a lot more accurate. Archers using the different bow types do not compete against each other.

The Trans-Tasman competition incorporates boys and girls using either bow type. The NZ team consists of 5 girls and 12 boys from age 12 to 18. Each age group shoots a different range of distances. Sam is an Intermediate so will shoot 36 arrows at each of 55m, 45m, 35m and 25m. The maximum score achievable in a tournament is 1440 (ie 360 points/distance). Sam has travelled to competitions in various parts of the country in order to reach the qualifying requirement of 1150 points. In Christchurch he achieved a Personal best of 1207!





Joshua Head (Y11) has started his championship road racing — motor cycle racing! He campaigns his Yamaha RG 150 which carries the Lynfield College logo. Two weeks ago he competed in a 2 day race event at Manfield Raceway in Palmerston North. Josh rode in 5 races and won all 5 — a clean sweep! The next round for him at Manfield is on 14 June and there is no question he is in with a very good chance of a prize if he again produces a lap time of 1.27sec (or better). Watch this space!



**Sonia Mehta (Y12)** won two gold medals when she competed in the NZ Open Karate Champs on 26 April in Christchurch. She competed in the 15 & 16 years age group and won both the Kata and Kumite (fighting). This is a fantastic achievement! To reach this level takes real commitment and time management skills - Sonia trains for 4 hours 5 days/week.

**Gustavo Munoz (Y11)** struck gold when he won the NZ Open Tae Kwon Do Championships (15 – 39 year old males, grade 6 – 8, 68 – 74kg) 2 weeks ago! Gustavo has come to our school for 6 months from Chile where he has been doing Tae Kwon Do for several years and it is great to see him getting so involved with our NZ sporting culture.

**Ben Hammond (Y12)** recently competed at the Kiwi Dance Classic Competitions. With his partner, Georgia, he had tremendous success:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Open Street Latin Freestyle
- 1<sup>st</sup>= Advanced Salsa Freestyle

These dance styles are very popular and are hotly contested.

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 (eg. certificate, letter of selection etc) so we have the exact wording of their achievement, or email these details to fwalbran @lynfield.school.nz.

#### **CAREERS**

Are you a Y11 student that is interested in Engineering, Computing, Natural Science or Science and Technology in general? You might like to take part in the SCI-TECH Experience holiday event, 8 & 9 July, at United in Mt Albert. More info and registrations at <a href="https://www.sci-tech.org.nz">www.sci-tech.org.nz</a> Cost is \$75.00

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

- North Shore Campus (Health Sciences, Sport & Recreation, Teacher Education) 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 (Art & Design, Business, Communication, Computer & Mathematical Sciences, Creative Technologies, Education, Engineering, Hospitality & Tourism & Event Management, Language & Culture, Law, Sciences, Social Sciences, Maori Development – Friday 6 June – registration opens and the faculty expo starts at 4.30pm. Faculty tours from 5pm with presentations starting at 5.30pm and finishing at 8pm.
- **South Campus Wednesday 10 September** registration opens at 5.30pm. Presentations start at 6.30pm and finish at 8.30pm. 640 Great South Road, Manukau.

#### Scholarship applications are now open for study for 2015 at most universities & polytechnics. Check out:

- University of Auckland Scholarship Applications Open from Tuesday 3 June www.auckland.ac.nz
- **University of Waikato** Jubilee scholarships worth \$10,000 for up to 4 years, are now open until 1 September, plus lots more. <a href="https://www.waikato.ac.nz">www.waikato.ac.nz</a>
- AUT Scholarship applications are now open. www.aut.ac.nz/scholarships
- University of Canterbury Scholarship applications are now open, www.canterbury.ac.nz/scholarships

Students thinking about further study after they leave school have a lot of choices to make. **Sussed online** is a great way to get thinking about **what it will cost to live and study**. Will it be broadband and baked beans? Part-time job or parents helping? Hear from students about their experiences and the choices that need to be made. You'll also find out more about StudyLink and what they do along the way. We encourage students and parents to work together and check it out at <a href="https://www.studylink.govt.nz">www.studylink.govt.nz</a>

Y13 & Y12 MIT Experience Days – if you are serious about considering studying at MIT in the future, then you might like to attend one of their experience days. Choose from marine engineering, beauty consultancy, shipping freight & logistics, engineering, business administration, tourism & travel, early childhood education, business & information technology, creative arts, plumbing, engineering, performing arts, visual arts and sport & exercise science. You must be able to get your own transport to and from their Manukau Campus, to attend an experience day. See Mrs Hughes ASAP for full details and check out <a href="https://www.manukau.ac.nz">www.manukau.ac.nz</a>

Y13 Unitec "Student For A Day Opportunities" – See Mrs Hughes ASAP if you are interested in attending one of these events - 28 May Communication Studies; 11 June Network Operating Systems Management; 12 June Osteopathy; 13 June Business Admin and Computing <a href="https://www.unitec.ac.nz">www.unitec.ac.nz</a> Other study areas are also available. Info online or at the Careers Centre.

Year 13 students studying Level 3 Chemistry, Physics and Calculus, with an interest in food and nutrition, who would like to find out more about the science, engineering and business aspects of the industry- register at Student Services ASAP for the Food Technology "Big Day Out" – Massey University's Industry Experience Day on Tuesday 24 June 2014. You get to tour 3 worksites plus meet graduates. This event is organized by the Institute of Food, Nutrition and Human Health (IFNHH), and aims to give students an idea of what a career in Food Technology might look like.

#### Unitec Dance Winter Workshops (15-17 July, 9am-3.30pm)

The workshop will focus on introducing participants to the Unitec Contemporary Dance Programme as well as preparing any prospective applicants for the audition process in October 2014. The workshop will include daily classes in Contemporary and Ballet Techniques, Choreography and Creativity, Partnering, Question & Answer sessions, showings and a shared lunch. You will have the opportunity to meet Unitec staff and tutors, tour of the facilities and immerse yourself in the wonderful world of contemporary dance for three days. \$120 (3 days), \$50 per day. Y12 & Y13 with at least 2 years dance experience. Prospective students wanting to audition. We highly recommend that students attend all 3 days. Contact Peter Rees prees@unitec.ac.nz or ph 815 4321 ext 7284

#### United Basic Sewing Skills Winter Workshop (15-18 July)

Geared towards enrolment for Unitec's three-year Costume Design & Management degree, this workshop is suitable for high school leavers studying National Certificate in Clothing Manufacture with an interest in working behind the scenes in stage, film and television, fashion and costume. The workshops focus on basic sewing techniques and industrial sewing machine operation and maintenance. You will get an introduction to the Unitec course and learn from experienced tutors who have over 30 years working in the fashion industry.

Where: Unitec Department of Performing and Screen Arts, Building 6, Entry 1, Mt Albert, Auckland Cost: \$300 for four days, all materials supplied. Full programme will be sent on request. Email Course Coordinator Erin O'Neill at <a href="mailto:eoneill@unitec.ac.nz">eoneill@unitec.ac.nz</a> to register or call/email Peter Rees at (09) 815 4321 ext. 7284 <a href="mailto:prees@unitec.ac.nz">prees@unitec.ac.nz</a> for more information.

**NZ Maritime School, Certificate in Seamanship and Diploma in Marine Engineering** - Mid-Year Intake course, starting 14 July. Entry level junior engineers can earn \$60,000 - \$80,000. Upcoming Marine Engineering Experience Day on 20 May. Full details of course at <a href="https://www.manukau.ac.nz">www.manukau.ac.nz</a>.

Animation & Gaming Camps, 7 – 11 July during school holidays at Lifeway College. www.lifeway.ac.nz

**NZ School of Food & Wine** have lots of July holiday classes as well as after school courses available, eg. Working in Cafés, Barista, Pasta, etc. If you would like to know more, check out <a href="https://www.foodandwine.co.nz">www.foodandwine.co.nz</a>

#### **Upcoming Open Days & Info Evenings:**

NZ College of Chiropractic – Sat 17 May, 1pm-4pm, 6 Harrison Rd, Mt Wellington <a href="www.chiropractic.ac.nz">www.chiropractic.ac.nz</a>
FREE Design, Photography & Animation Course – Sat 24 & 31 May, NZSE, 3033 Great North Rd, New Lynn
National Academy of Dramatic Art (NASDA) Student For a Day – Wed 28 & Thu 29 May, CPIT, Christchurch Campus
NZ Broadcasting School Open Evening, Christchurch – Thursday 19 June <a href="www.cpit.ac.nz">www.cpit.ac.nz</a>
University of Auckland Parents Seminar – Wednesday 25 June <a href="www.auckland.ac.nz">www.auckland.ac.nz</a>



# Spaces Available Now!

We are a small family friendly, not for profit community based early childhood centre. You can find us at 100 Boundary Road, Blockhouse Bay (situated at the bottom of the playing fields of Lynfield College).

We are open Monday to Friday from 8.00 a.m. - 5.30 p.m. We offer a range of sessions:

Full Day 8.00 am - 5.30 pmShort Day 9.00 am - 4.00 pmMorning Session 8.00 am - 1.00 pmAfternoon Session 1.00 pm - 5.30 pm

Spaces are available now.

If you are interested in enrolling your child please contact us on:

Telephone: (09) 626 2464

Email: lynfieldcollegechildcare@xtra.co.nz

