

NEWSLETTER 8

12 June 2015

Coming Events: Week 8 Sat 13 Jun Sun 14–Mon 15 13GEO – Rotorua trip Week 9 Mon 15 ICAS Writing competition Wed 17 11/12/13DRA – Q Theatre Thu 18 13CHC – Alongside Work Experience Fri 19 Y9 & 10 Digital Citizenship morning, Period 1 – 4	ege
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Sat 20 Pacific Beats Heats	
Week 10 Mon 22 – Wed 24 9BUS - Tip Top Factory trips	
Wed 24 PRODUCTION WEEK (Evening sessions 7pm, door sales 6.30pm)	
University of Auckland Economics Competition, Period 3 Thu 25 Tough Guy & Gal Competition	
Week 11 Mon 29 Board of Trustees Meeting, 6.30pm Admin building	
Wed 1 Jul CULTURAL PHOTOS	
12MUS/MUP Group Performance Evening, 7pm Hall	
Thu 2 Mid-Year Reports issued Fri 3 Term 2 ends	
Fri 17 School Ball (last Friday of the holidays)	
Week 1 Mon 20 Term 3 begins	
Tue 21 Enrolment Open Day – tours 11am	
Wed 22 Enrolment Open Day – tours 1.30pm & 4pm Thu 23 Australian National Chemistry Quiz	
Sat 25 Shinagawa Summer School students arrive (depart 14 Aug)	
Week 2 Mon 27 4 th House Meetings	
Enrolment Information Evening, 7pm Hall Tue 28 4 th House Meetings	
ICAS English competition	
Thu 30 WINTER SPORTS PHOTOS	
Australian Maths Competition	
Pacific Families Evening, 6.15 – 8.30pm Week 3 Mon 3 Aug Course Selection month begins	
Wed 5 11MUS/MUP Group Performance Evening, 7pm Hall	
Thu 6 Progress Conferences (student surnames A - L) 4 – 7pm	
Y9 & Y10 Workchoice Career Pathfinder Fri 7 BLOOD DONOR DAY – College Hall	
Teachers Workchoice Day	
Week 4 Mon 10 13GEO – Muriwai Beach trip (rain day Tue 11 Aug)	
ARTS WEEK Tue 11 Progress Conferences (students surnames M – Z) 4 – 7pm	
Wed 12 Music Department Variety Concert	
Thu 13 13CHC-Alongside Work Experience	
Mt Maunganui / Lynfield Sports Exchange Week 5 Mon 17 KBB Music Festival Week	
Tue 18 – Thu 20 13PHE – Tukino Ski trip	
Wed 19 Mathex Quiz	
Thu 20 13CHC-Alongside Work Experience	
Sat 22 KBB Music Festival Gala Week 6 Thu 27 In-class priority time (until Senior Assessment begins)	
Week 8 Tue 8 Sep 11SCF – Zoo trip	
Wed 9 Y9/2016 Out of Zone applications close 5pm	
Wed 9 – Fri 18 SENIOR ASSESSMENT Week 9 Mon 14 – Wed 16 <i>9BUS – Tip Top Factory trips</i>	
Week 10 Thu 24 Technology and DVC Evening, Hall	
Fri 25 Term 3 ends	
Week 1 Mon 12 Oct Term 4 begins	
Thu 15 Festival Awards Evening	

Dear Parents/Caregivers

This week our senior students will have received valuable feedback from their course teachers who have been marking assessments undertaken in the Week 7 Senior Assessment period. These senior students are now half way through their school year and it is vital they act promptly on the advice given. Reports are currently being written for all year levels and these will be issued to all students on Thursday 2 July.

Tickets are now on sale for our annual production and this year our students will perform the show *Popstars*. Very regular rehearsals have required considerable commitment from the staff and students involved. The production will provide a wonderful opportunity for the school community to see the dramatic, musical and technical talents of these students. We invite families and friends of the College to attend. Details of performance times are included in this newsletter.

We are in need of school jerseys and jackets to loan to students who because of financial hardship do not have them. If you have any of these items which are no longer required by your family we would appreciate having them. Items of donated uniform can be left at the reception desk at any time during the school day.

Congratulations to our Board of Trustees Student Representative, Gauri Prabhakar, who recently won an Auckland Council 'I am Auckland Youth Award' in the Youth Voice category. Gauri has also won the Auckland sector Race Unity Speech Award and will have shields presented to her at an assembly in the last week of this term, attended by Race Relations Commissioner Dame Susan Devoy, Police Superintendent Richard Chambers and the NZ Baha'l Community Coordinator Eric Neal.

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NZQA Fees and Financial Assistance

The 2015 NZQA fee for domestic students is \$76.70, with a maximum of \$200 per family.

NB: Previously, three Scholarship entries were included in this \$76.70 NCEA fee. This is no longer the case. NZQA now charges a \$30 per subject fee for Scholarship entries. Payment of the standard fee should be made as soon as possible. Invoices for the extra amount for Scholarship candidates will be issued later when Scholarship entries have been finalised.

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 meet one of the following criteria:

- currently receiving a Work and Income or Study Link benefit, or have a current Community Services Card (benefit-based applications)
- are not currently receiving a benefit, or do not have a current Community Services Card, but do have a joint family income
 that would entitle you to receive a Community Services Card (income-based applications)
- have two or more children who are candidates, irrespective of family income, and the total fees you would have to pay
 would otherwise be more than the \$200 multiple candidate maximum (multiple candidate applications).

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 Mr Delgrosso's office as soon as possible. Students with a full fee invoice (\$76.70) should return it when they bring in their completed Financial Assistance form. A new invoice for the adjusted amount will be issued. The process can be shortened if the student brings in the \$20 fee when they return the completed Financial Assistance form.

Invoices have been issued to students, with <u>payment due by the end of this term (3 July)</u>. 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.

NB: The invoice should be returned to the Accounts Office when payment is made. If paying online, please also return the invoice. Write a brief note at the top of the invoice that payment has been made online, together with the date of payment.

Student Leader Profile - Board of Trustees Student Representative

Kia Ora, Namaste, and hello! My name is Gauri Prabhakar and it is my honour to introduce myself as the Board of Trustees Student Representative for 2015! I'd like to think I have the best of both worlds: while I'm a member of the Student Executive within school – a team, I might add, comprising of the most inspiring, able, and motivated of students – I also sit on the Board of Trustees outside of school. My aim is to act as the link between the students and the Board and to be a voice for them during our monthly meetings.

My official role started in September of 2014 – needless to say, there were more than a couple of butterflies before I attended my first meeting. Being the only student in a room full of adults, the Principal included, was a daunting experience and the only thought running through my mind at the time was 'Am I truly fit for this job?' Ten months later, I'm delighted to say that I've had the most amazing time sitting on the Board. Not only have I learned the inner mechanisms of how Lynfield College works, something that I would've had no idea about had I not been elected to this position, but I've also had the privilege of meeting the people responsible for making our school the way it is today.

Within the school, my job is to make sure students' voices are being heard. I liaise and work closely with the Student Council and the Year Level Representatives by providing ideas, advice, and encouragement. It's honestly so inspiring to see a group of students working with their fellow peers to make Lynfield College a safe place that fosters both academic and social learning.



The knowledge, information, and the mere involvement of being on the Board of Trustees have given me more than I could possibly ask for. Above everything, I feel like I've matured both as a student and as a leader by attending the monthly meetings and the skills I've learned by occupying this position are ones I'll carry for life. I'd like to extend a huge, heartfelt thank you to my fellow students, teachers, and the Board for allowing this experience to be one that I'll never forget. I could not think of a better way to spend my final year at Lynfield College.

Gauri Prabhakar

Uniform

With cooler weather, it is important that students have the correct winter uniform items for Terms 2 and 3. 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.

Black leather shoes are the only shoes allowed - no canvas, boots, hightops or sports shoes. Winter jerseys, jackets, beanies and scarves are available from the uniform shop. Uniform items are to be worn as designed - for example, the girl's senior pencil skirt is to be worn at knee length and if shortened will have to be replaced.

Please note:

- If your child is unable to wear the correct uniform then a note from home is required with an explanation acceptable to the school.
- If your child is wearing incorrect uniform and there is no note to support this then the item of clothing will be impounded until a parent /caregiver can pick it up from school.
- From Term 3 we will send senior students home if they are incorrectly dressed so that they can change into the correct uniform.
- A lunchtime detention will be issued for those without notes and an acceptable explanation. If this is not completed on the day, an afterschool detention will be issued.

Thank you for your support of the College.

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.

2015 Production - 'Popstars'

This year Lynfield College will be presenting 'Popstars' as its school production. Set in the 90s, the age of *Spice Girls* and *Backstreet Boys*, this musical rolls out some all-time favourites such as "Hit me Baby one more time" and "Bye, Bye, Bye". Shannon, an ambitious, pretty and popular girl at school, hears that a famous talent scout will be attending the school Talent Competition. She immediately sets about plotting her future stardom and will let nothing get in her way. She and her two friends drop their boyfriends in order to focus on their "careers". When Mark, Shannon's boyfriend, finds out after everyone else, he seeks revenge and persuades his band to enter the competition too. There's just one problem – his band plays grunge and can't dance! The show opens on Tuesday 23 June with matinee performances for local intermediate and primary schools.

Evening Performances Wednesday 24 – Saturday 27 June, starting at 7.00pm Ticket Cost Adults \$10; Senior Citizens, Students and Children \$5

Door sales from 6.30pm

Food and drinks are on sale at intermission

Students are able to purchase tickets from a sales desk during lunchtimes outside the main entrance to B block. Members of the public may also purchase tickets from Reception.

Cup / Trophy Return

If you have a cup or trophy which was awarded in 2014 (at Festival Awards, Senior or Junior Prizegivings) you will have received a letter requesting their return. Please bring them to the main reception in the Admin Building. It is NOT necessary to polish cups before their return. Thank you.

e-Waste Collection

There will be an e-waste collection at Lynfield College in the lower car park (access via Gate 2 only) tomorrow **Saturday 13 June** between 9am and 3pm. This is a drive-through event with people available to unload e-waste from cars.

Homework Centres

The College Library remains open after school every day <u>until 3.40pm</u>, providing an excellent homework space for all students.

Pacific Students' Homework Centre

This homework centre is held in the Library from 3.10 – 4.30pm Monday and Wednesday.

Mathematics Clinic 2015

Got a maths question? Stuck on your maths homework? Help is available! Where? G15 When? Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday lunchtimes (and Tuesday afterschool)

Sports Scene

House Competition

House points are about to be keenly contested. Inter-House volleyball begins in the Lower Gym next Wednesday as junior teams take to the courts to try to out jump, out spike, out serve and generally out play their opposition over 4 consecutive lunchtimes. The senior competition will begin in Weeks 10 & 11.

Road Race

The annual Lynfield College Road Race will take place Tuesday 16 June, 1.30 – 3.00pm. This is run around local streets with strict safety considerations in mind. **This is compulsory for all Y9 & 10 students** who will complete a 3.3km course while a keen group of seniors run 5.5km. There are strict time limits within which the students must finish.

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, 12 – 2pm. Students **must** book an appointment. Appointments should be booked through the school nurse, Glynne Newton.

Team Talk

With the recent extremely wet and windy weather it is now starting to feel like winter on the side lines of our sports teams! Our winter teams continue to impress both with their rapidly growing team spirit, their self-discipline and their results.

Junior Girls Football is really showing what 'team' is all about. After 2 losses at the beginning of the season they have worked hard to develop their skills and team work. The result is 5 consecutive wins, including a home game in appalling conditions 2 weeks ago against Avondale. **Desharna Solomon** plays at striker and is showing that she has great timing and accuracy when it comes to putting the ball in the net! This team is definitely proving it is a force to be reckoned with. This is a fantastic achievement as several of the girls have never played football before this season.

13th grade Boys Football made some critical positional changes for last Saturday's game. These paid huge dividends as they took their first win of the season, beating Massey 8-0! Goals were scored by Callum Boulton (3), Ashiel Sewak (3), Jack Kimi (1) and Krish Dutt (1) while Darshil Tailor played a fantastic first game in goal.

U15 Boys Hockey has played only 3 games so far (just the way the draw has worked so far). All games have been convincing wins (7-0 v St Peters, 3-1 v St Kents and 5-3 v St Peters for a second time) which is especially remarkable as they have played with only 9 or 10 players (due to some students dropping out of the team)and some players are new to this sport. It is great to see the more experienced players encouraging and sharing their skills with those who are new to the game.

1st XI Girls Hockey has had 3 straight wins and is working hard to maintain this excellent record!

Badminton C grade Open (both Tues and Wed) and **C grade Girls** teams are undefeated so far!! These teams play at
Badminton Hall, Gillies Ave each week.

1st XI Boys Football and 1st XI Boys Hockey both had their first wins this week. Now we know what to expect!

Individual Honours

Ashleigh Pinner (Y11) and **Sarah Moxham (Y11)** both competed in Level 6 of the Auckland Secondary Schools Artistic Gymnastics championships held at Tri-Star gymnasium this week. They both performed very well, Ashleigh gaining 4th place and Sarah finishing 5th.



13th Grade Boys Football



1st XI Boys Hockey

Katie Bowen (Y13, 2011) is currently in the NZ Football Ferns competing in the FIFA Women's World Cup in Canada. Previously, Katie has captained the NZ U17 and U19 women's teams and was called onto the bench of the Football Ferns in their campaign at the London Olympics in 2012.

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

Visitors to Our School:

Monash University, Melbourne – Wed 24 June, 10.30am, A1 – an opportunity to learn more about university life in Australia

Upcoming Careers Events:

- University of Auckland Parent Information Evenings Register at www.auckland.ac.nz/parentseminar Info on entry requirements, scholarships, money matters, campus life and more. Expo at 6.30pm & Seminar starts at 7.30pm. Mon 15 June, Westlake Boys High School Tue 16 June, Owen G Glenn Bldg, 12 Grafton Rd, City Wed 17 June, Elim Christian Centre, Botany Downs Tue 23 June, Vodafone Events Centre, Manukau City
- University of Otago Law Career Info Session Mon 15 June, 7pm, Pullman Hotel, City
- University of Canterbury Auckland Info Evening Tue 16 June, 6pm, ASB Showgrounds, 217 Greenlane West
- University of Canterbury Open Day, Christchurch Campus Thursday 9 July
- Lincoln University Open Day, Christchurch Wednesday 15 July

Are you Y13 or Y12 and interested in one of the following: drawing & painting, creative writing, film, drama, animation, game design, entrepreneurship, graphic design, photography? This Unitec Open Day might be of interest to you on Thursday 18 June, 10am-3pm. See the Industry Exhibition; find out about special pathways; hear staff and students talk about

their experiences of the Bachelor of Creative Enterprise; view student work; take park in collaborative design challenges. Please see Mrs Hughes or Mrs Keir ASAP if you are keen.

Y13 Girls interested in studying Engineering at University of Auckland next year - please see Mrs Hughes in Student Services during your study period ASAP this week, about an on-campus experience you can attend the last week of this term.

University of Otago, Dept of Music, Theatre & Performing Arts is offering Y12 & Y13 music and theatre students the chance to be involved in a series of workshops to be held Monday 15 June, 4-6.30pm at Westlake Girls' High School and Tuesday 16 June Diocesan School. A chance to participate in performance workshops presented by Lecturers in Music & Theatre. Bookings essential. Opportunity also to audition for performance courses for those wishing to study at Otago in 2016.

CPIT Christchurch Campus Events

- Broadcasting Info Evening (Screen & Television, Radio, Broadcast Journalism) Thu 18 & Mon 29 June and Thu 16 July - A great opportunity to meet the tutors and current students, tour the NZ Broadcasting School facilities and find out useful information on how to make a successful application. Early applications are advised, and will close on 30 September. www.cpit.ac.nz/nzbs
- NASDA (National Academy of Singing & Dramatic Art) applications to audition for 2016 are due 10 September. Experience NASDA for a Day. Find out more at nasda@cpit.ac.nz
- Bachelor of Musical Arts (Jazz or Rock & Pop) Experience Musical Arts for a day in Christchurch 18 June, 23 July, 6 August, 3 or 17 September. www.cpita.c.nz/music

Interested in a career in agriculture? See Mrs Keir ASAP if you are. www.taratahi.ac.nz

FREE Saturday Workshops at NZSE

Sat 20 June – ICT (New Lynn) and Business (Manukau Campus)

Sat 27 June – Design and Digital Media (City Campus)

Sat 4 & Sat18 July – ICT (New Lynn Campus)

Sat 4 & Sat 11 July - Education (City Campus)

Full details and bookings at www.nzse.ac.nz/taste-it or ph 0800 99 88 11.

<u>July Holidays Activities:</u>
Y11-Y13 Engineering & Food Technology Camp, 6-9 July, Massey University. Albany Campus -"Engineering Your Future" is a 4 day event where you can interact with University engineering and food technology students and staff and be involved in fun challenges. Find out how engineers and food technologists approach problem solving; techniques promoting creative thinking; basic technical drawing & Photoshop; exposure to real engineers and food technologists and their careers; and demonstrations of the latest technologies that turn engineering solutions into realities.

Y11-Y13 University of Waikato Events, Hamilton Campus. Spend the day on campus with staff and students and experience hands-on workshops and lab demonstrations. Register online www.sci.waikato.ac.nz Registrations close 19 June.

- Science Open Day, Wed 8 July (workshops cover biological sciences, chemistry, computer science, earth sciences and physics)
- Engineering Open Day, Thu 9July (workshops cover the following kinds of engineering: chemical & biological, electronic, materials& processing, mechanical and software)

Yoobee ACG School of Design - Film Production (6-9 July); 3DModelling & Animation (13-15 July); Digital Graphic Design (16-17 July). www.yoobee.ac.nz for info and bookings

Auckland Ballet Intensive - 14-16 July, 9am-3pm, at Unitec. For intermediate - advanced. prees@unitec.ac.nz

Smith and Partners Law Scholarships

Applications are now open for the 2015 round of the Smith and Partners Law Scholarships. The Smith and Partners Law Scholarships are open to Year 13 students enrolled at a West Auckland secondary school in 2015 and intending to study law at a New Zealand university in 2016. Three scholarships of \$2000, \$1000 and \$500 will be awarded, along with prizes for a finalist from each school. In addition a fourth "people's choice" prize of \$500 will also be awarded. Applications close 5pm Monday 31 August 2015.

Application forms and information regarding the scholarships can be found on the Smith and Partners website at www.smithpartners.co.nz/lawscholarship

Parents and students can also keep up to date with the scholarship programme on the Facebook page www.facebook.com/lawscholarshipwest

Community Notices

Initiate Dance Holiday Programme

6 July - 16 July

9am-12pm Monday-Thursday

Avondale Community Centre

\$5 per day or \$35 for two weeks

Dance away the holidays and join in the fun! Over two weeks learn a variety of dance techniques and routines taught by Auckland Professionals.

Open to students aged 10 to 17 years.

Visit our website for more information and to book.

www.initiatedance.wix.com/holiday

initiatedance@gmail.com

Free Music Reading Workshop

The elements covered in the course include:

- . Great stave (and historic base of our notation system) ... and the pitch range of the orchestra and choir
- Treble/bass stave ... Clefs ... Alternate names of clef signs
- · Names of notes on both staves
- The US and UK/ NZ nomenclature of note values which leads to a good understanding of the basis of time signatures
- Time signatures
- Fingering
- Dynamic notation
- Basic Tempo indications
- Basic Articulation symbols

No obligation, intensive tutorial. Workshop notes provided. Limited places per workshop, booking essential. One parent must attend. Phone 818 3410

YMCA Lynfield Youth - Fear Factor Food Challenge

The YMCA Lynfield youth group 'Raise Up' will be hosting this youth focused event on 27 June. There are two main prizes up for grabs but anyone can come along and enjoy a fun afternoon out. It will be held from 3 - 6pm at Lynfield YMCA. The age group will be from 10 years and up.