

LYNFIELD COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER 6

13 May 2016

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Coming I	Events:	
Week 3	Mon 16 May	In-class priority time. Students should not make outside appointments
	•	during school time this week.
		13MUS Solo Performances in class this week
		GAP Year Au Pair Exchange, A1 lunchtime
	Tue 17	8.45am Special Assembly Year 13, Upper Gym
		ICAS Digital Technologies
		10SSN - Zoo
	Thu 19	8.45am Special Assembly Year 12, Upper Gym
		11-13DRA – Auckland Theatre Co
		Senior Maths Competition
	Fri 20	Unitec, A1 lunchtime
	Sat 21 & Sun 22	Rock Quest heats around this time
	Sun 22	Samoa Language Week begins
Week 4	Mon 23	Board of Trustees Meeting, 6.30pm Admin Building
		13PHE Camp Parents' Meeting 6 – 7pm, staffroom
	Mon 23 – Fri 27	NZ Police Digital Citizenship with students at Lynfield College this week
	Thu 26	CAREERS EXPO
	Sat 28 Sun 29	Quiz Night Fundraiser for Gold Coast Netball Teams
Week 5	Mon 30	Samoa Language Week begins SENIOR ASSESSMENT WEEK
Week 6	Mon 6 Jun	Queen's Birthday – public holiday, school closed
WEEK O	Wed 8	Y9 & Y10 Digital Citizenship Project
	Wed 8 – Fri 10	120ED - High Ropes
	Thu 9 & Fri 10	4 th House Meetings
	Thu 9	13BIO – Liggins Institute
	Fri 10	Pacific Academic Fono, P4 in Library
	Sat 12 & Sun 13	40 Hour Famine weekend
Week 7	Mon 13 – Fri 17	13PHE Camp – Hillary Outdoor Pursuits Centre
	Mon 13	Early finish for students – released 2pm for Teacher professional
		development. HCD school bus will depart Boundary Rd 2.10pm.
	Tue 14	Lynfield College students attend Big Sing
	Wed 15	11MUP & 11MUS Group Performances Evening, 7pm Staffroom
	Fri 17	ICAS Writing
Week 8	Tue 21	12ESS – Stardome
		University of Auckland Economic Competition, P3 in L11
	Wed 22	12 & 13MUS Group Performances Evening, 7pm Staffroom
	Thu 23	WorkChoice Day
Week 9	Mon 27	Production Week
	T I 00	Board of Trustees Meeting, 6.30pm Admin Building
	Thu 30	ROAD RACE
Week 10	Mon 4 July	Whanau Hui, 6 – 8pm Te Ringa Āwhina Marae, Lynfield College
Week 10	Tue 5	Māori Language Week WINTER SPORTS PHOTOS
	Wed 6	Australian Chemistry Quiz
	Weu o	Got a Trade Big Bus Tour
	Thu 7	Mid-Year Reports issued
	Fri 8	End of Term 2
	Fri 22 Jul	Lynfield College Ball (last Friday of school holidays)
Week 1	Mon 25 July	Term 3 begins
	Tue 26	Y11 Attitude Presentation
	Wed 27	Open Day 11am
	Thu 28	Open Day 1.30 & 4pm
		Australian Maths Competition
		5 th House Meetings
	Fri 29	5 th House Meetings
	Sat 30	AKSS Jazz heats
	Sun 31	13GEO – Rotorua trip departs (returning 1 Aug)

Dear Parents/Caregivers

In New Zealand schools governance matters related to the running of our schools are up to the local Board of Trustees. At Lynfield College we have a Board of Trustees with 5 parent representatives. These 5 positions are currently up for re-election. I would encourage you to participate in the process either by standing for one of the 5 positions or ensuring that you do vote. Nominations forms have been sent out and students will be bringing home a flyer from NZSTA.

The timeline for the election process is set out below. If you have any queries about the process, please contact the returning officer, Mrs A Davis <u>adavis@lynfield.school.nz</u> or through reception. If your query is about the role of the Board, please contact me at <u>sbovaird@lynfield.school.nz</u> or the Board Chairperson, Mrs Kristine Mellor on 6270600.

We have a period of senior assessment in week 5, from Monday 30 May to Friday 3 June. The assessment timetable will be 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, Academic Advisor, as soon as possible 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 an internal for NCEA, 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 advertised in 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.

S W Bovaird Principal

2016 Board of Trustees Elections

The triennial Board of Trustees election will be held this year. The following timeline published by NZSTA will be used by the school.

Closed main roll noon	Wednesday 4 May 2016	
Called for nominations by	Friday 6 May 2016	
Close supplementary roll noon	Wednesday 18 May 2016	
Nominations close noon	Friday 20 May 2016	
Voting papers sent by	Wednesday 25 May 2016	
Close poll election day noon	Friday 3 June 2016	
Count votes	Thursday 9 June 2016	
Board takes office	Friday 10 June 2016	

Nominations for five parent representatives for the Board of Trustees will be called for in the first week of May. At that time all eligible parents/caregivers will receive by post a nomination form, and nominations will close on 20 May.

Should you have any queries please email me at adavis@lynfield.school.nz .

Mrs A Davis, Returning Officer

Education Outside the Classroom

From time to time at Lynfield College there are opportunities for classes to go outside of the school grounds for teaching and learning during designated lesson times. Generally the risks associated with these are minimal and may only include crossing a road. At all times, students will be supervised by an adult and risks identified in order to reduce or eliminate them.

Information letters will be emailed or provided so you are aware of such activities occurring in your son's/daughter's education. As these activities will be for short periods of time in close proximity to the school, no specific permission form will be sought from home.

If you have any issues with such activities happening or any questions please do not hesitate to make contact with Mr Winn, Deputy Principal responsible for Health and Safety.

Richard Winn Deputy Principal

SCHOOL STARTS AT 8.40AM. THIS INCLUDES STUDENTS BEING DROPPED OFF BY PARENTS.

Student Leader Profile – Board of Trustees Student Representative

Hi there! My name is Karan Kalsi and it is my honour to introduce myself as the Board of Trustees Student Representative for 2016! I'd like to think I have the best of both worlds: whilst being a member of the Board of Trustees outside of school, I also am a member of the Year 12 Student Executive within school, where I'm part of an incredibly dedicated and motivated team who work hard to make our school a better place. My main 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 2015 – and needless to say, there were more than a couple of butterflies before I attended my first meeting. The thought of being the only student in a boardroom full of adults was an incredibly daunting experience at first, but I soon began to realise I had nothing to fear; after all, every single person in that room was driven by the same question - *how do we make Lynfield College the best it can be for all our students?* As I settled in my position, not only have I had the privilege of meeting some incredibly talented individuals but also learn more about the inner mechanisms of how our school is organised and run - both of which would have been impossible had I not been elected to this position.

On the other hand, within the school, my main job is to make sure students' voices are being heard. In order to do that, I work closely and liaise with numerous school groups and committees to learn more about their needs and concerns, and forward them to the board if necessary. Moreover, as part of my duties, I also have the great privilege of working together with the Student Council and its Year Level Representatives by providing support, advice and ideas for tackling important issues that affect students, for example, this term's focus is on how we can make Form Class more engaging and useful. It's honestly so inspiring to see how on a grass roots level, there are so many students who are so passionate about enacting change for good within our school community!

Being a part of the Board of Trustees has given me more invaluable knowledge, information and experience than I could possibly ask for over these past few months. However there's still so much of the year left to go, and I can't wait to see what new challenges and opportunities await! I can safely say that this year's group of talented, dedicated and passionate student leaders will leave a mark on this school for the better - and it'll be my honour to be a part of that. 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 has been so rewarding and valuable. I could not think of a better way to give back to my peers and school.



Mr Bovaird, Principal and Karan Kalsi

Upcoming Career Event

All Year 13 students will be visiting the Auckland Careers Expo at the ASB Showgrounds on Thursday 26 May, departing at 10am and returning at 12.40pm. Year 13 form teachers will be supporting their Y13 form class when they attend. The Careers Expo is a one stop shop for careers advice and information from the widest range of employers, training providers and industry bodies. Full details of all exhibitors are listed at http://www.careersexpo.org.nz/auckland-2016

The World of Work exhibit is designed to showcase the many pathways from school into the workforce. With practical ideas on getting yourself work ready and improving your chances of landing the job you really want.

For students to get the most out of their time at expo, a 2016 student passport is available <u>www.careersexpo.org.nz/schools/resources</u>

The Careers Expo is open, at the ASB Showgrounds Greenlane, to the public at the following times:

- Thursday 26 May, 10am 3pm and 5 7pm
- Friday 27 May, 10am 3pm
- Saturday 28 May, 10am 3pm

NZQA Fees and Financial Assistance

Domestic student fee: \$76.70, with a maximum of \$200 per family.

Scholarship fee: an additional \$30 per subject.

Online payment via the Parent portal is available. Invoices for the extra amount for Scholarship candidates will be issued later when Scholarship entries have been finalised.

International student fee: \$383.30. Scholarship entries 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. The fee charged will be adjusted as soon as the application is processed. 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 payment due by the end of this Term (8 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.

NB: The printed invoice should be returned to the Accounts Office when payment is made. The invoice should be returned even if payment is made online. Write a brief note at the top of the invoice that payment has been made online, together with the date of payment.

Uniform

With cooler weather approaching, it is important that students are prepared with 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.

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. You can deliver them to the reception desk at any time during the school day.

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. Please note that 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. From Term 2 we will send senior students home if they are incorrectly dressed so that they can change into the correct uniform. Students are not permitted to wear non-uniform jackets or hoodies to school.

Thank you for your support of the College.

Cup / Trophy Return

If you have a cup or trophy which was awarded in 2015 (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.

<u>Entertainment Book</u>

Lynfield College Culinary Club is fundraising with Entertainment.

Discover thousands of valuable up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers for many of the best restaurants, arts, attractions, hotels, travel, shopping and much, much more!

We receive 20% from every Entertainment Membership sold. Please support us by purchasing yours today!!

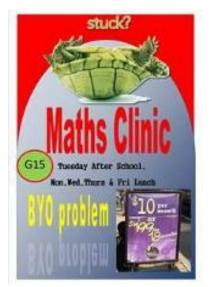
To order your Entertainment Membership visit: <u>www.entbook.co.nz/968r21</u> Or contact **Su Yim** on **096270600** or at **syim@lynfield.school.nz**

Homework Centres

The College Library opens at 8.00am remains open after school every day <u>until 3.40pm</u>, providing an excellent homework space for all students.

Mathematics Clinic 2016

Got a maths question?Stuck on your maths homework?Help is available!Where?G15When?Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday lunchtimes (and Tuesday
afterschool)



SPORT SCENE

Travel to and from school games

When students are transported to and from games in a school van they will be returned to school. Sometimes this may be after dark. Staff who transport our students to and from games cannot be expected to wait for significant periods with students until they are collected. Please ensure you have arranged for your child to be collected **immediately they return to school**. All vans will return to Gate 2 and **students should be collected from the Gate 2 car park**.

This year we have again increased the number of students playing sport. While the school has 4 minivans to **help** with transporting students to and from their games, we are still very reliant on parents to provide the bulk of the transport requirements for our teams. If you are able to provide transport for any team members please contact the team coach or manager or the Sports Office.

Gold Coast Netball Trip

It is six years since Lynfield College teams competed in this carnival. The benefits were enormous and on-going for 5 years. The time is now right to develop our next wave young netballers and this is one of the ways that will greatly help with this goal. Such an opportunity is invaluable to the growth of the girls involved. It exposes them to a wide variety of new experiences such as a different style of netball and umpiring, performing on court in hot conditions several games each playing day, etc. Three netball teams will participate in the Gold Coast Netball Carnival which is being held at Surfers Paradise in July. The cost for each girl involved is substantial and there have been a number of fundraising initiatives. The final fundraiser is to

be a family friendly Quiz night fundraiser:

- Saturday 28 May
- Lynfield College staffroom
- Doors open 6pm
- Trivia starts 7pm
- Cost \$20/ticket
- Fantastic prizes, auctions and raffles
- Further information available at Sports Office
- Tickets available from Sports Office

Uniform care

To help us continue to provide quality uniforms for our sports teams it is really important that these simple washing instructions are followed for all our sporting garments: **Cold wash, NO dryer, NO iron**

Uniform Return

All summer sports uniforms should now have been returned. If your son or daughter still has a uniform they used for summer sport we would really appreciate its return as soon as possible.

Team Talk

Winter sports are now underway. We have 55 teams entered in weekly competitions in 10 different sports. Some teams are just completing grading games while championship rounds have begun for others. Each week on Wednesday afternoon and Saturday morning there are 'home games' played on our football and rugby fields. We welcome the support of our school community at these games.

Individual Honours

Our students certainly take on some interesting sports and challenges! Several have had notable success recently. Congratulations to:

Maddison Wesche (Y12) has been selected to represent NZ in the World Junior (U20) Athletics Championships in Bydgoszcz, Poland, 19 – 24 July 2016. Maddi is one of 17 NZ athletes to qualify for this event and the onlt shot put representative.

Michael Carswell (Y13) is a dedicated cyclist who is performing extremely well in all aspects of this sport. Last month Michael raced in the NZ Road Race Championships where he took the bronze medal in the NZ U19 Road Race - over 105km.

Alastair Maisey (Y13) has just returned from Melbourne where he competed as a member of the NZAFL U18 Hawks team.

Mario Sinovcic (Y13) has been selected in the NZ U19 Water polo squad of 16 plyers. In August the final team (12 players) will be selected from this squad.

Ana Cornish (Y13) was recently placed 1st in the Youth rumba section of the Pro-Am International Latin dance Competition.

Junior Laveaina (Y12) has been selected for the Northern Region Maori U16 Rugby team.

Bhakti Patel (Y9) won 1st and 2nd places in events at the Halberg Disability Games held during the school holidays recently.

If your son &/or daughter has achieved representative status (Auckland or NZ) or has competed in such events the Sports Office would very much like to hear about this. Please either ask them to bring proof of the team they made/ level they achieved (e.g. certificate, letter of selection, etc) so we have the exact wording of their achievement, or email these details to fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz

CAREERS

International College of Hotel Management will have having a Career Week 11-15 July and also 26-30 September in Adelaide. This is a "live-in" opportunity to find out about studying and future employment in hotel management field. Please see Mrs Keir if you would like further information. <u>www.ichm.edu.au</u>

Prop Making Workshop at Unitec, 13 & 14 July. All materials supplied, \$180 for both days. More info at prees@unitec.ac.nz

Royal NZ Navy 75th Anniversary "Operational Neptune Secondary School Creative Competition 2016"

Prizes Y10-Y11- Apple Macbook Air for winner; DSLR Camera for runner up

Prizes Y12-13 - \$3000 for tertiary study for winner; \$1500 for tertiary study for runner up. Winning schools will receive \$3000 each also. If you are interested please email <u>RNZN75@nzdf.mil.nz</u> for competition details and templates.

Final submissions due Friday 24 June. Good Luck!

Māori Student Tertiary Scholarship

Applications are now open for Ngārimu VC and 28th (Māori) Battalion Memorial Scholarships for young Māori students who will attend a recognised tertiary institution in 2017. Three undergraduate awards worth \$10,000 each, per year of full time study for up to five years, are among the scholarships available. All scholarships commemorate the bravery and excellence of the 28th (Māori) Battalion and are designed to support Māori excellence at tertiary level. Academic merit is a high priority in the selection. Applications close on 30 September 2016.

For further information including application forms and criteria please refer to:

http://www.education.govt.nz/further-education/scholarships/ngarimu-vc-and-28th-maori-battalion-memorial-scholarships

Are you Y12 or Y13 and seriously considering studying at MIT next year? If so, you might like to attend an experience day there. See Mrs Hughes for more details. <u>www.manukau.ac.nz</u>

Marine Engineering & Nautical Science – Wednesday 1 June Trades – Thursday 2 June

Nursing & Health Careers - Thursday 9 June

Experience Engineering, Saturday 9 July, Massey University, Albany.

The Young Engineers Association of NZ are hosting this free event. Participants will work in teams to create engineering solutions for real world problems. You will learn about engineering disciplines whilst competing for prizes. Registration is accepted on a 'first-come, first-served' basis so register at <u>https://yenga.typeform.com/to/DMi2EX</u> ASAP if you are keen to attend.