



## LYNFIELD COLLEGE

### NEWSLETTER 3

18 March 2016

#### Coming Events:

Week 8	Mon 21 Mar	Y9 Leadership Camp Parents Meeting, 6pm Staffroom Board of Trustees Meeting, 6.30pm Admin Building
	Tue 22	AKSS Senior Kilikiti Tournament Pacific Parents Evening, 6.30pm Staffroom
	Wed 23	TENNIS CHAMPS <b>Progress Reports Issued</b> Germany Exchange Farewell Evening, 6.30pm Staffroom (or 24 <sup>th</sup> TBC) Gold Coast Netball Tournament Parents Meeting, 7pm Admin Building
	Thu 24	<i>All 12HIS – Auckland CBD</i> <i>10TMS – Market Research trip to St Luke’s</i>
	<b>Fri 25</b>	<b>EASTER GOOD FRIDAY</b> Lynfield College Music students at Tauranga Jazz Festival
Week 9	<b>Tue 29</b>	<b>EASTER SCHOOL HOLIDAY</b>
	Wed 30	School resumes CULTURAL WEEK
	Thu 31	<i>11SCB – Zoo trip</i>
	Fri 1 Apr	Newsletter No. 4 emailed
	Sat 2	<b>LYNFIELD COLLEGE CULTURAL FESTIVAL DAY 12 – 4pm</b>
	Sun 3	<i>12GEO – Ruapehu trip departs (returns Tue 5)</i>
Week 10	Mon 4	11/12/13MUS&MUP Solo 1 Performances – in class this week Junior Open Debating round 2
	Tue 5	<i>13ESS – Stardome</i>
	Wed 6	<i>13BIO&amp;BIA – Zoo</i>
	Thu 7	SUMMER SPORTS PHOTOS <b>Progress Conferences (A – L), 4 – 7pm</b>
	Fri 8	<i>13PXM – Rainbow’s End (rain day 13 Apr)</i>
Week 11	Tue 12	<b>Progress Conferences (M – Z), 4 – 7pm</b>
	Thu 14	12ODE Assessment (TBC) Y13 PILOT
	Fri 15	Newsletter No. 5 emailed <b>Term 1 ends</b>
Week 1	Mon 2 May	<b>Term 2 begins</b> <i>Jazz Combo – Melbourne trip departs (returning Mon 9 May)</i>
	Tue 3	<i>12ESS – Waitomo</i> <i>13CHC - Work Experience</i>
	Wed 4	Otago Junior Maths Competition <i>Y9 &amp; Y11 Leadership Camp departs (returns 6 May)</i>
	Thu 5	<b>Y11 Attitude Presentation</b>
	Sun 8 – Mon 9	<i>11GEO – Rotorua</i> <i>13CHC – Work Experience</i>
Week 2	Tue 10	<i>13GEO – Muriwai</i>
	Thu 12	<b>Teacher Only Day – no classes on this day</b>
Week 3	Fri 13	<i>In-class priority time. Students should not make outside appointments during school time this week.</i>
	Mon 16	13MUS Solo Performances in class this week <i>11-13DRA – Auckland Theatre Co</i> Senior Maths Competition
	Thu 19	Rock Quest heats around this time
	Sat 21 & Sun 22	Board of Trustees Meeting, 6.30pm Admin Building
Week 4	Mon 23	NZ Police Digital Citizenship with students at Lynfield College
	Mon 23 – Fri 27	CAREERS EXPO
	Thu 26	SENIOR ASSESSMENT WEEK
Week 5	Mon 30	<b>Queen’s Birthday – public holiday, school closed</b>
Week 6	<b>Mon 6 Jun</b>	Y9 & Y10 Digital Citizenship Project
	Wed 8	<i>12OED - High Ropes</i>
	Wed 8 – Fri 10	40 Hour Famine weekend
	Sat 12 & Sun 13	

Dear Parents/Caregivers

The first session of the Year 9 and Year 10 Digital Citizenship Projects began well last week. The students will have a further four sessions over the year to complete these activities, with a selection from both year levels being presented at a showcase on October. The Year 9 project topics are selected from elements of digital citizenship such as cyberbullying, digital footprints, copyright, online security, digital safety and online research. The Year 10 students take part in a real-world inquiry project, with the aim of promoting an aspect of digital citizenship.

Lynfield College was represented by two performing groups at the ASB Polyfest at the Manukau Sports Bowl this week. Excellent performances were given by Kapa Haka on Thursday and our Indian group on Friday. These groups have worked very hard on their performances and our school community will have the opportunity to see them perform at our Cultural Festival day.

**Progress Reports will be issued on Wednesday 23 March.** An individualised information sheet about our on line appointment booking schedule for progress conferences will accompany reports.

### Progress Conferences

These will be held in Weeks 10 and 11 of this term. Parents are asked, wherever possible, to attend the conferences on the day which corresponds with the first letter of the student's surname.

Thursday 7 April (student surnames A - L), 4 - 7pm

Tuesday 12 April (student surnames M - Z), 4 - 7pm

All parents/caregivers are expected to visit their child's teachers on one of these afternoons as it is a part of the school/home partnership so vital to a student's progress. Students are released at 2.20pm on these days and the HCD bus departs from Boundary Road at 2.30pm.

### Cultural Festival

Preparations are well underway for our annual Cultural Food & Performance Festival which will be held on **Saturday 2 April**. An invitation is extended to students, families and the local community to join us in celebrating the cultural diversity of our College. There will be a variety of cultural performances to view and ethnic foods to purchase. The day will run from 12.00 until 4.00pm.

S W Bovaird  
Principal

### 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. The returning officer will be Mrs A Davis.

Close main roll noon	Wednesday 4 May 2016
Call 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
<b>Close poll election day noon</b>	<b>Friday 3 June 2016</b>
Count votes	Thursday 9 June 2016
Board takes office	Friday 10 June 2016

Further details will be available closer to the time.

#### **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. To update email changes, email [rdelgrosso@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:rdelgrosso@lynfield.school.nz) indicating your child's name and form class in your email message.

## Student Leader Profile – Sports Captains

Hello, our names are Alastair Maisey and Holly Harrison and this year we have been given the honour of being the 2016 Lynfield College Sports Captains. We have been involved in a range of sports including Athletics, Rugby, League, Touch, Volleyball, Hockey, Netball and Tag.

Having both been House Captains, we are fortunate enough to have had some experience in how House competitions are organised. The AUT Leadership Summit we attended earlier this year also gave us a great insight into organising events.

With Athletics Day successfully completed, we are currently working with the House Captains to prepare for the second House competition of the year.

Our main goal for 2016 is to involve as many people as possible in our House competitions and for them to enjoy the challenges presented to them.



*Felicity Walbran, Director of Sport, Holly Harrison and Alastair Maisey*

## PhotoLife Online Ordering System

The Lynfield College class photographs will soon be available for you to view and order online with PhotoLife Studios.

Your son or daughter will bring home an online slip with their unique Shoot Key detailed on it. This Shoot Key will automatically display your child's class photograph. It is then an easy process for you to shop online and purchase the photograph you want. The College will also receive a number of order envelopes for those of you who do not have access to the internet or do not wish to use this system.

If you place your order within two weeks of receiving your Shoot Key you will receive free delivery for your photo orders. PhotoLife has agreed to despatch all the orders back to the school and your child will bring the photographs home.

Any orders placed after this period will be sent directly to your specified delivery address and will incur a \$5.00 postage & packing charge. You will see this message when you go online to view and order your photographs.

## Digital Devices at Home

The College has been approached by parents seeking advice on how to deal with students and their devices in the home, particularly late at night.

- Talk with your child about any concerns you have and why.
- Know what homework is being done on the device. Ask how long they think it will take. See evidence of what is achieved.
- For juniors it would be very unusual for a student to need to be doing homework after 9pm.
- If online activities such as gaming are an issue, turn off the WiFi between certain times.
- Devices used at school need to be charged each night and we suggest leaving the device in a shared space rather than in your child's bedroom.
- You can always keep the device for times that you think are appropriate.

Staff at NetSafe NZ are happy to discuss any digital issues with you or will respond to emails.

Phone: 09 3620971

Email: [queries@netsafe.org.nz](mailto:queries@netsafe.org.nz)

## Homework Centres

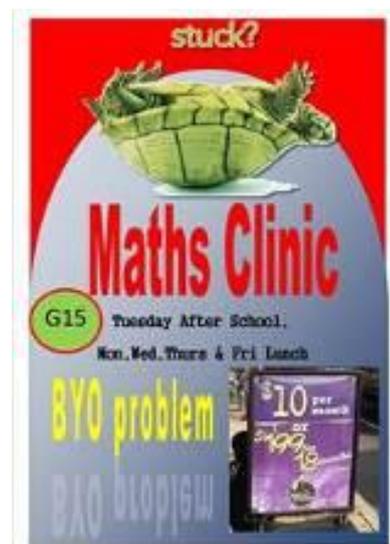
The College Library opens at 8.00am remains open after school every day until 3.40pm, providing an excellent homework space for all students.

## Mathematics Clinic 2016

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

### Central/Western Zone Athletics Championships

Our Zone Athletics team was very competitive with several winning places in track finals and field events. Those who placed 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> in the finals have won the right to compete in the Greater Auckland Secondary Schools Athletics meet next week. Of special note were the following students who all placed in finals and/or have qualified for the Greater Auckland Secondary Schools championships.

#### Athletics

Sophie Bradley (Y9) - 4<sup>th</sup> Junior Girls Discus  
Robin Seu Leota (Y9) - 4<sup>th</sup> Junior Boys Discus  
Cody Gordon (Y9) - 2<sup>nd</sup> Junior Boys 800m  
Shayan Rezakhan-Kermani (Y10) - 4<sup>th</sup> Junior Boys 100m  
Aimee Le Noel (Y10) - 5<sup>th</sup> Intermediate Girls High Jump  
Daniel Adams (Y12) - 1<sup>st</sup> Intermediate Boys Discus, 4<sup>th</sup> Intermediate Boys 200m  
Maddison Wesche (Y12) - 1<sup>st</sup> Senior Girls Shot Put  
Holly Harrison (Y13) - 3<sup>rd</sup> Senior Girls 100m  
Numia Kennerley (Y13) - 1<sup>st</sup> Senior Boys High Jump  
Nathan Maisey (Y12) - 4<sup>th</sup> Senior Boys Long Jump  
Junior Girls relay - 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Junior Boys relay - 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Intermediate Boys relay - 4<sup>th</sup>  
Senior Boys relay - 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### Swimming

Our Intermediate Boys Freestyle Relay team were one of the 8 fastest teams across all zones and therefore qualified to compete in the Auckland Secondary Schools Champion of Champions meeting.

**Maddison Wesche (Y12)** won the Senior Girls Shot Put with a throw of 16.22m **creating a new Auckland Secondary Schools record!** This smashed the previous record. Maddy will now go to the Greater Auckland Secondary Schools Athletics meet as #1 favourite for this event.

**Individual Honours - Maddison Wesche (Y12)** won 2 titles at the NZ National Athletics Championships recently. She threw 16.61m (3kg) in the 'Youth' (U18) age group and 14.85m (4kg) in the 'Junior' (U20) competition, so again holds 2 NZ titles!

Last week she travelled to Perth to compete in the Australian Champs and brought home the gold medal for 2016 Australian Junior Championships. Here she threw a PB of 16.74m which was 1.9m further than her nearest opposition.



#### Team Talk

##### Summer Sports

Some summer sports are now reaching the end of their season. We have 23 teams entered in weekly competitions. These range from beginners to very experienced and lots in between!

##### Orienteering

This has really taken off this year with 40 students competing each week. They have varying degrees of experience (or none at all!) **Danielle Matthews (Y11)** and **Gianni Gambassi (Y13)** are 2<sup>nd</sup> in their respective age groups. Other team members are regularly finishing in the top third of their competitions while others are still enjoying a very steep learning curve.

##### Volleyball

The weekly games are all completed and the Senior Boys team took part in the AKSS Volleyball Champs at the Trusts Stadium last week. None of our team members had competed in a big tournament like this before so were not quite on their game for their two games on Thursday and found themselves in the 'bowl' competition for the remainder of the tournament. Every game required them to draw on all their 'game brain' and strength. They won all games on Friday to take out the Bowl section of the competition and learned an enormous amount about the mental attitude needed to succeed at this level.

## Cricket

Our **1<sup>st</sup> XI Girls'**, **1<sup>st</sup> XI Boys'**, and **Junior Boys'** teams have performing extremely well and are all leading their competitions. Congratulations to Arif Jaffari (Y13) who, last weekend, scored 108 – a very rare event in a 20 over school game. This is a fantastic achievement!! Our **1<sup>st</sup> XI Girls'** team is also doing extremely well and are undefeated which puts them at the top of their grade.



## Dragon boating

Our 4 dragon boating teams took part in the Auckland Secondary schools regatta on Lake Pupuke last Sunday. Paddlers met at school at 6.15am as this is always a 'full on' day with the first race at 8am and the last one about 5pm. As usual they had fantastic fun, ending the day wet and tired after 6 hard fought races for each team. Our senior boys' team brought home two silver medals, one for 500m and the other for 200m.

## Winter Sports

Trials for all teams are occurring in the next two weeks. Some teams have already been selected. All team lists will be posted on the Sports noticeboard. **Students must check the Daily Notices every day for times and venues.**

## Help urgently needed

*Coaches and managers needed for all winter sports. Please take time to consider whether you could coach or manage a team. 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!**

Currently we **URGENTLY** need coaches and managers for:

- Rugby
- Football
- Basketball
- Netball
- Hockey
- Table Tennis

If you or anyone you know is able to help us in any way we would really like to hear from you. There are plenty of openings available!! Please contact the Sports Office 627 0600 ext 595 or email Felicity Walbran (Sports Director) [fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz)

## Careers

### Y13 Tertiary Visitors

This term, all NZ universities will be visiting our school to present course overviews to Y13 students considering studying at university in 2017. Please make sure you attend.

University of Otago, Monday 21 March, 12.40pm, A1  
Victoria University of Wellington, Thursday 31 March, 12.40pm, A1  
University of Waikato, Friday 8 April, 12.40pm, A1  
MIT (Manukau Institute of Technology), Tue 12 April, 12.40pm, A1

### Tertiary & Career Events 2016

Student Exchange Info Meeting, Tue 22 March, Meadowbank Community Centre, 7pm  
Latitude Global Volunteering Info Night, Thu 24 March, The Dominion, 234 Dominion Rd, 7pm  
Get Ahead Expo Day-Primary Agriculture, Tue 5 April  
Dunedin Tertiary Open Day, Mon 9 May (University of Otago & Otago Polytechnic, Dunedin)  
University of Waikato Open Day, Hamilton Campus, Fri 13 May  
Careers Expo ASB Showgrounds Greenlane, Thu 26 May  
University of Otago Info Evening in Auckland, Mon 20 June  
University of Canterbury Open Day, Christchurch, Thu 14 July  
Lincoln University Open Day, Christchurch, Fri 15 July  
Massey University Open Day Manawatu Campus, Wed 3 Aug  
Massey University Open Day Albany Campus, Sat 20 August  
Massey University Open Day Wellington Campus, Fri 26 August  
Victoria University Open Day, Wellington, Fri 26 August  
University of Auckland Courses & Careers Day, Sat 27 August

### Holiday Sport @ Massey, 27-29 April 2016, Albany Campus

Are you Y11-Y13 interested in studying Sport at university and wanting to find out more about what a career in this area entails?

**Holiday Sport @ Massey is a 3 day Holiday Programme** showcasing the different Sports qualifications on offer. The purpose of the programme is to make those students who have a passion for sport and want to work within the sport sector aware of the different study options and subsequent career pathways available to them. Each student will participate in both academic and practical workshops to get an overall experience of what is involved in the industry. Students who are wanting to be part of the holiday programme must be available for **ALL 3 DAYS**. Places are strictly limited to 60 Senior Students (Years 11-13) to ensure a hands-on and rewarding experience, and the cost for this programme is \$30. Applications can be found at <https://masseyuni.wufoo.eu/forms/holiday-sport-massey/> Applications close Wed 6 April.