

# LYNFIELD COLLEGE

**NEWSLETTER 3** 

# 17 March 2017

Coming Events:		
Week 8	Tue 21 – Fri 24 Wed 22 Fri 24 Sun 26 – Tue 28	12PEA Camp – Tawharanui 10BUS – Tip Top Factory trip 13PXM – Rainbow's End trip (rain day Fri 31 Mar) 12GEO – Tongariro trip
Week 9	Mon 27	NZSSSC Summer Tournament Week LYNFIELD COLLEGE CULTURAL WEEK Junior Open Debating Tournament, Round 2 Board of Trustees Meeting
	Wed 29	Year 13 KATTI Progress Reports issued
	Fri 31	CULTURAL MUFTI DAY – gold coin donation 11SCB – Zoo trip
	Sat 1 Apr	Newsletter No. 4 emailed Lynfield College CULTURAL FESTIVAL DAY 12 – 4pm
	Sun 2	Daylight Savings ends
Week 10		13ESS – Stardome trip
	Wed 5	13BIO/BIA – Zoo trip
		Otago Junior Maths Comp Music Department Fundraising Concert, 7pm Hall, \$10 admission
	Thu 6	SUMMER SPORTS PHOTOS
		Progress Conferences (surnames A – L) 4 – 7pm
Week 11	Mon 10	Junior Open Debating Tournament, Round 3
	Tue 11 Wed 12 – Thu 13	Progress Conferences (surnames M – Z) 4 – 7pm 120ED – Navigation
	Thu 13	EARLY FINISH – students released 12.40pm
		(Staff farewell for Steve Bovaird, Principal)
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## **Dear Parents/Caregivers**

On Tuesday 14 March the College hosted a hui, attended by whānau from the 8 schools working together as the Lynfield Community of Learning (CoL). The evening started with a powhiri in front of the College marae, Te Ringa Awhina. It then moved to the hall where our Kapa Haka group entertained guests with their final dress rehearsal before performing at ASB Polyfest today. The group's enthusiastic and polished haka and waiata impressed the audience. It was a wonderful opportunity for the teaching staff of our contributing schools to see how the skills of their past pupils have developed. A shared kai followed the performance. Special thanks must go to our HOD Māori Jennifer Leauga and Kapa Haka tutors Anita Moser and Kriss Rapana.





## ASB Polyfest 2017

On Wednesday 15 March our Indian Dance group gave a fine performance at ASB Polyfest on the Diversity Stage. Lynfield College has had Indian dance representation at this event for many years.



The Lynfield College Kapa Haka group performed on stage in group 2 this morning. This was their first year in this higher category. They performed outstandingly and were very well received by the crowd, particularly the strong group of former students and parents who were there to support them. The group of over 30 students have been practicing since the start of the year under the expert guidance of their tutors, Anita Moser and Kriss Rapana. At school they were strongly supported by Whaea Leauga and Whaea Maihi. Well done to all involved. You did us proud.





Progress Reports will be issued on Wednesday 29 March. An individualised information sheet about our online 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 6 April (student surnames A - L), 4 - 7pm

Tuesday 11 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 Kiwi Coaches school buses will depart from the usual bus stops at 2.30pm.

## **Cultural Festival**

Preparations are well underway for our annual Cultural Food & Performance Festival which will be held on **Saturday 1 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

## Student Leader Profile – Sports Captains

Kia ora, our names are Nathan Maisey and Vishaka Murthy. We are fortunate to have been given the privilege of being the Sports Captains for 2017. With a busy year ahead, we look forward to all that this role brings and aim to encourage more students and give them the opportunities to be involved with the sporting environment that runs within our school.

With the help of the Sports Co-ordinator Ms Walbran, and the rest of our talented and committed team of Deputy Sports Captains and House Captains, we hope to make this year's House Competitions the most memorable and best yet.

So far we have had a successful Athletics Day and a great start to the House Touch competition despite issues with weather. We are looking forward to our annual Mt Maunganui – Lynfield College sports exchange and hope to comfortably face any challenges it presents. We only hope that we can live up to the high standards set by past Sports Captains and leave our mark on the school as Year 13s.



# EARLY FINISH DAY - Thursday 13 April (last day of Term 1)

Lynfield College will have an early finish on the last day of this term, Thursday 13 April. This is so the College staff can farewell our Principal Steve Bovaird who is retiring.

Students will be released at 12.40pm and the Kiwi Coaches school buses will depart at 12.50pm from the usual places (for students who catch a bus to either Titirangi or Mangere Bridge).

# 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 indicating your child's name and form class in your email message.

#### NCEA credits for having a NZ Drivers Licence

If a student has a current NZ Drivers Licence, either Learners, Restricted or Full they are eligible for NCEA credits. Each licence has a standard attached to it. If a student has a Full Licence they may apply for all 3 standards. This is the same for a student with a Restricted Licence, they can apply for 2 standards.

Students need to take their licence to see Mr Delgrosso in Deans Reception to complete a form to receive these credits.

Learner Licence = 2 credits at Level 1 Restricted Licence = 4 credits at Level 2 Full Licence = 2 credits at Level 2

## Learner Driver Licence Workshops

Are you interested in taking part in a 6-week Learner Driver License program? Starting on 16 May to 27 June, Auckland Transport will be running 1-hour workshops from 3.20 - 4.20pm at Lynfield College. It is **FREE** to take part in and you will receive a copy of their version of the Road Code and complete a range of different interactive activities. This will help you pass your AA test with confidence. Sign up and collect a permission slip from Miss Arthur (in the Social Science office between B15 & B16). The first 24 students will secure a spot.

## **Digital Devices at Home**

Advice for parents 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: <u>queries@netsafe.org.nz</u>

#### **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 2017**

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

## Māori Homework Club

This is held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3.15 – 4pm at the College Marae, Te Ringa Awhina.

## Kapa Haka Group

Group practices are on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the College Marae from 4 - 6pm.

# PhotoLife Online Ordering System

Student ID cards have arrived and are being issued by Form Teachers. If a student has not yet paid for their card, it may be paid for and collected from the Accounts Office.

The Lynfield College class photos 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.

## SPORT SCENE

#### **Greater Auckland Athletics Championships**

Our Zone Athletics team was very competitive with several winning places in track finals and field events. Congratulations to the following students have qualified for the Greater Auckland Secondary Schools Athletics which will take place at Mt Smart next Tuesday:

Daniel Adams (Y13) Maddison Wesche (Y13) Nathan Varney (Y13) William Maggs (Y10) Senior Boys 100m, Senior Boys 200m, Senior Boys 400m Senior Girls Shot Put Senior Boys Long Jump Junior Boys Javelin

## Team Talk

#### Summer Sports

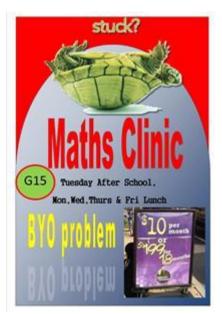
Some summer sports are now reaching the end of their season. We have 23 teams entered in weekly competitions. These range from beginners to very experienced and lots in between!

#### Water polo

Our junior team competed in a 1-day tournament 2 weeks ago. They won their first game 11-2 (v Western Springs College) and third game (v Northcote College) 12-5. We lost our second game 3-10 against Green Bay but their goalie was their coach and a senior player who had dispensation to play.

#### **Dragon boating**

Our 4 dragon boating teams will take part in the Auckland Secondary schools regatta on Lake Pupuke this Sunday. The first race is at 8am and the last one about 4pm. Each team has 20 paddlers and will compete in 6 races throughout the day. This



event is unique in its character as it is as much about the spirit of friendship amongst the teams as about the competition itself. Weather is promising to be perfect for this family friendly event.

# Orienteering

Our orienteers are really enjoying this sport! They have varying degrees of experience (or none at all!) Congratulations to **Danielle Matthews (Y12)** who has finished 1<sup>st</sup> in the senior girls at the last two events. Other team members are regularly finishing in the top third of their competitions while others are still enjoying a very steep learning curve.

# Cricket

With the extremely wet weather recently several games have been rained off. However, the Junior B boys team is improving enormously, week by week. In their most recent game they reached their best batting total of the season scoring 135 in 20 overs. Ryan Narayan and Taine Hunt shared an 80 run partnership.

Our 1<sup>st</sup> XI continues to outplay the opposition with impressive batting and fielding stats.

# Winter Sports

Trials for all teams are either completed or under way. 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 trial times and venues.

## Rugby

A great opportunity for our rugby players, and their families.

Auckland Rugby will come to our school, 30 March, 3.30pm – 5pm with coaches to run a core skill session for both boys and girls. Lynfield coaches will assist them in this session. They may bring a Blues player too. Parents are welcome to attend this event too - Auckland rugby is very keen to get the wider rugby community involved.

## 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:

- 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 <u>fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz</u>

## Individual Honours

**Tiana-Marie Motu (Y10)** has been selected to represent NZ as a member of the NZ U14 Girls Indoor Netball Team competing in South Africa in July.

**Emma Bradley (Y13)** won the 16 year plus category rock climbing at Glen Eden Extreme Edge in a 'boulder' competition. **Sophie Bradley (Y10)** has been selected to play in a 3-day national U17 football tournament this weekend.

**Samantha Martin (Y11)** competed at the Auckland Swimming Opens Championships last weekend. She made finals in all the events she was entered in and won a bronze medal in the 50m Butterfly as well as obtaining Personal Best times in every race. We wish her well for National Age Group Championships she will be competing in all next week.

## **Getting Behind Lynfield Sport**

Thank you so much to those from our community who have offered to help with Lynfield Sport whether it be coaching, managing or helping with transport to games. *If you have skills in any sport and can spare some time to work with our students in some way, please contact the Sports Office:* phone: 6270600 Ext 595

email: <u>fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz</u>

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

# CAREERS

Year 13 students - If you are genuinely interested in studying Law at University or you want to get into the New Zealand Police Force, do sign up at Student Services to attend a seminar in the Careers Centre. A NZ Police Sergeant (a past Lynfield College student) who also has a Law degree is offering to mentor a select group of Lynfield students. Be in to win a place! Check out what it takes and personal attributes required prior to application for the New Zealand Police College: <u>https://www.newcops.co.nz/recruitment-process/entry-requirements</u> Check out this site if you want to know what it takes to be a lawyer:

https://www.lawsociety.org.nz/for-the-community/thinking-of-a-career-in-law

Students 14-18 years **interested in studying for a high school year or a semester overseas**, pick up the latest STS Student Exchange brochure for 2017-18 from Mrs Keir in the Careers Centre.

**IPU New Zealand Tertiary Institute, Palmerston North** – Taster Weekends are available for you to attend. Get a taster for finding a great job "Business"; get a taste for "Japanese" as a career; get a taster for "Tourism Discovery". 8-9 April; 26 May; 10-11 July; 26-27 August; 29-30 September; 28-29 October. Starts 10am Saturday, concludes 3pm Sunday. Cost \$50. Includes meals, accommodation Friday & Saturday night and all activities. Pick up and drop off from bus or train station or airport available but doesn't include transport costs from Auckland. Check out <u>www.ipu.ac.nz</u>

**IPU** also offer scholarships for the International Pacific University of Japan Exchange. Also available double degree programme, one from NZ and one from Japan.

## Full Time Job (Please see Mrs Keir for further information)

**Painting & Decorating Apprenticeship** – A Grey Lynn family run business of 20 years plus is looking for a keen young person for a 3-year apprenticeship. This company has 10-12 employees and specialise in high end residential and commercial renovations, architectural new homes and rebuilds. Wall paper hanging, waster blasting and spray techniques also. This company's previous apprentices have been top of their class at Unitec and Apprentice of the Year 2016. If you are reliable and committed with a mature attitude, please see Mrs Keir for further details.

**Y13 Auto Electrical Apprenticeship** – West Auckland workshop looking for Y13 with mechanical interests who is looking to have a career in the auto electrical and air conditioning field. This is a diverse company that works on buses, heavy machinery, campers and boats, on and off site. A Drivers Licence is a requirement.

**Engineering Apprenticeship, Penrose –** if you enjoy maths and problem solving, actively participate in either an engineering or automotive class here at school, have a keen eye for detail and enjoy working with machinery, then you might like to apply for this full time apprenticeship starting in April.

#### Part Time Job:

**Penrose Tool Shed are seeking a motivated, well presented junior "Tool Person"** to assist in-store on Saturday mornings. Extra hours may also be available during holiday periods. Tasks include light cleaning duties, assembling machinery, medium to heavy lifting, merchandising and customer service. If you are a person who has experience with or an interest in tools, are honest and reliable, and are able to pick up customer services and sales skills, please apply for an immediate start to the Store Manager, Penrose Toolshed, 133 Station Rd, Penrose. Ph 571 2360 or email your cv to penrose@theroolshed.co.nz

#### Tertiary Visitors to Our School Information Sessions:

University of Auckland Y12 & Y13 Maori interested in health careers – 10.30am, Mon 20 March, Careers Victoria University, Wellington – 12.40pm, Mon 20 March, Careers Centre Massey University – 12.40pm, Tue 21 March, Careers Centre AUT – 12.40pm, Wed 22 March, PAC University of Auckland – 12.40pm, Fri 24 March, PAC University of Otago – 12.40pm, Mon 3 April, Careers Centre

#### **Open Days & Info Nights:**

University of Waikato "Law Student For A Day" - Wed 29 March, 10am-3pm, Hamilton Campus General Engineering & Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Trades Event – 5.30-7.30pm, Wed 29 March, MIT, D Block, Gate 3, Otara Rd International Travel College of NZ – Thu 6 April, 4pm-6pm, Level 4, ITC House, 9 City Rd, City

**NZ School of Food & Wine Open Day** – Wed 12 April, 4pm-6pm, Level 4, 11C House, 9 City Rd, City **NZ School of Food & Wine Open Day** – Wed 12 April, 2pm-6pm, 104 Customs St West, Viaduct **Lattitude Global Volunteering** – Wed 12 April, 7pm-8.30pm, The Dominion, 234 Dominion Rd **Crown Institute of Studies –** Fri 21 April, 10am-2pm, 80 Anzac Ave, City