

LYNFIELD COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER 4

31 March 2017

Coming Events:		
Week 9	Sat 1 Apr	Lynfield College CULTURAL FESTIVAL DAY 12 – 4pm
Week 10	Mon 3	Learning Support – Maritime trip
	Tue 4	Auckland Tennis Champion of Champions Competition 13ESS – Stardome trip
	Wed 5	13BIO/BIA – Zoo trip
		Otago Junior Maths Comp
	Thu 6	Music Department Fundraising Concert, 7pm Hall, \$10 admission SUMMER SPORTS PHOTOS
	Thu 6	Progress Conferences (surnames A – L) 4 – 7pm
	Sun 9	AKSS Archery Match Play Championship
Week 11		Junior Open Debating Tournament, Round 3
	Tue 11 Wed 12 – Thu 13	Progress Conferences (surnames M – Z) 4 – 7pm 120ED – Navigation
	Thu 13	LC Jazz Combo – Tauranga NZ Youth Jazz Festival
		EARLY FINISH – students released 12.40pm
		(Staff farewell for Steve Bovaird, Principal)
		Term 1 ends
Week 1	Mon 1 May	Term 2 begins
	Tue 2	13ECE – Centre placement
	Wed 3 – Fri 5 Sun 7	Y9 & Y11 Leadership Camp 11GEO – Rotorua trip departs
Week 2	Mon 8	11GEO – Rotorua trip departs 11GEO – Rotorua trip returns
WOOK 2	Tue 9	13ECE – Centre placement
	Wed 10	12TOU trip
	Thu 11 – Fri 12 Fri 12	120ED – Tramping Germany trip returns
Week 3	Mon 15	In-class priority time – students should not make outside appointments
		during school time
	Tue 16 – Thu 18	10BN-ENG/12ENC/13ENC - Auckland Writers Festival
	Thu 18 Fri 19	Casio Victoria University Senior Mathematics Competition 13GEO – Muriwai trip (rain day 23 May)
Week 4	Mon 22	In-class priority time – students should not make outside appointments
		during school time
	Thu 25 Fri 26	Year 13 Careers Expo
Week 5	Mon 29	Mid-Term Break – Lynfield College closed on this day SENIOR ASSESSMENT WEEK
Week 6	Mon 5 Jun	Queen's Birthday - schools closed on this day
	Tue 6 – Fri 9	120ED – Surfing
Week 7	Wed / Mon 12 & Tue 13	12ESS – Waitomo 4 th House Meetings
WVCCK 7	Wed 14	WorkChoice Day
	Thu 15	ROAD RACE
Week 8	Tue 20	Year 10 Science – FutureInTech guest speakers
	Wed 21 Thu 22	Year 12 Biology – FutureInTech guest speakers CULTURAL PHOTOS
	Thu 22 & Fri 23	13CHE trip
	Fri 23	Year 11 'InZone' Careers (Interactive school-based activities)
Week 9	Tue 27 – Sat 1 Tue 27	Production Week 12BIO – Future in Technology
	Fri 30	12BIO – Future in Technology 12BIO – Future in Technology
Week 10	Tue 4 Jul	WINTER SPORTS PHOTOS
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	Wed 5 – Fri 6 Fri 7	120ED – Camping Term 2 ends
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Week 1	Mon 24	Term 3 begins

Dear Parents/Caregivers

An invitation is extended to students, families and the local community to join us in celebrating the cultural diversity of our College tomorrow **Saturday 1 April** at our annual Cultural Festival. 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.

Progress Reports were issued on Wednesday 29 March. Included with the reports was an individualised information sheet about our online appointment booking schedule for progress conferences. There is further information about the booking process on our website.

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.

Uniform

With cooler weather approaching, it is important that students are prepared for Terms 2 and 3 with winter uniform items. 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.

S W Bovaird Principal

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

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).

Cup / Trophy Return

If you have a cup or trophy which was awarded in 2016 (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.

Student Leader Profile - Academic Captains

Kia Ora, Ni Hao and Namaste. Our names are Dave Sharma and Jessica Zhang it is our honour and privilege to have been elected into the Student Executive of 2017 as Lynfield College's Academic Captains. We would firstly like to take this opportunity to thank our peers and teachers for recognising our leadership potential and for electing us into a position of great responsibility and prestige; our parents for pushing us to be a better version of ourselves each day, for keeping us grounded and reminding us to repay the gratitude we owe to the school and the community through our devotion and service.

We aim to organise events and provide opportunities that will encourage our peers to reach their potential, hence leaving a legacy which has a profound impression on the academic compass of Lynfield College.

One of the first tasks that we accomplished was the formation of the Academic Council of 2017. We are proud to lead this council alongside the Assistant Academic Captains Reeve D'Cunha and Kitty Sun.

Another task that we have undertaken along with the Academic Council was the delivering of congratulatory letters to Senior students who had achieved an excellence endorsement in their NCEA Level 1 or 2 Certificate in the preceding year.

Certainly one of our main goals for this year is to expand on the effort of last year's Academic Captains.



Mr Bovaird, Principal with Dave Sharma and Jessica Zhang

2017 Initiatives:

- Guest Speakers to inspire students and encourage them to be more curious about selecting the pathways that lie ahead of Lynfield.
- Quizzex Competitions
- Teacher Appreciation Day
- · Lunchtime tutoring
- Learning Charter Awards. This award seeks to encourage students to incorporate the values of Lynfield College into their education by motivating students to be Resourceful and Inventive, Inquisitive and Creative, Reflective and Respectful, and lastly Confident and Compassionate. Term 1 sees students being encouraged to be Inquisitive and Creative in the work they carry out, helping them to ease into the life of a high school student, as well as building qualities which will come in good stead throughout the future. The teachers from the 5 core subjects in the junior school will be able to nominate a student who shows extraordinary dedication to demonstrating the principles of the Learning Charter and certificates will be awarded at the start of each term.
- Guest Speakers to inspire students and encourage them to be more curious about selecting the pathways that lie ahead of Lynfield.

We are very much looking forward to the challenges that our portfolio involves and we can't wait to make the academic compass of Lynfield shine even brighter.

Gender Identity, Stress, and Coping at School: A Window into Adolescent Mental Health

Students from Years 10, 11, 12, and 13 will shortly be invited to complete a survey for a conjoint research project for the Universities of Auckland and Canterbury. The project explores relationships between adolescent students' perceptions of their gender self-concept, and their experience of stress and coping at school all of which are likely to shape adolescent achievement and wellbeing in powerful ways. We know little, however, about how these important dynamics impact New Zealand students and the current research will help address this gap in knowledge.

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.

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**

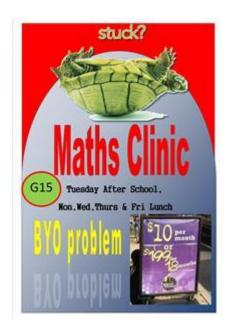
When? Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday lunchtimes (and Tuesday afterschool)

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 Secondary Schools Athletics Championships

These were held at Mt Smart last week. To qualify for this event an athlete must be one of the best 16 in all Auckland. This year four of our students qualified to compete. Competition was (predictably) very tough. Our athletes performed extremely well:

Maddison Wesche (Y13) 1st Senior Girls Shot Put

Nathan Varney (Y13) Withdrew, injured, Senior Boys Long Jump Daniel Adams (Y13) Withdrew, injured, Senior Boys Long Jump 10th Senior Boys 100m (setting a PB)

7th Senior Boys 200m 8th Senior Boys 400m

William Maggs (Y10) 10th Junior Boys Javelin

Team Talk

Summer Sports

These are now drawing to a close. All have represented the school with energy and pride and several teams have been very successful.

Water Polo

Congratulations to our Senior Water Polo team which finished 3rd in their weekly competition. This is a mixed team which plays in the boys' division so the victory is especially sweet.





Tag

A senior boys team and a senior girls team entered the Central/West Secondary Schools Tag tournament last week. The girls experienced a good balance of wins and very close losses.

The boys made it through to the semi-finals where they were narrowly defeated. Their final placing (4th) has won them the right to compete in the Auckland Secondary Schools competition next week!





Rock Climbing

This year we have introduced Rock Climbing into the mix of sports offered. Each week a group of 16 students go to Extreme Edge Rock climbing in Glen Eden where they are instructed by **Emma Bradley (Y13)** who is a keen and successful rock climber. This will be offered for Term 2 also and sign-ups are happening now at the Sports Office.

Dragon boating

The Auckland Secondary Schools Championships were held at Lake Pupuke 19 March. This event is quite unique in the AKSS calendar as it has a fun, family friendly event in which each team is in fierce competition on the water but welcomes their competitors ashore with high fives.

We had 4 crews of 20 paddlers (80 students) involved – 1 mixed, 1 boys and 2 girls teams. They all had a fantastic day with each team competing in 6 races. The boys came home with a bronze medal for the 200m and also for the 500m!

The morning event will be at St Kentigern College starting around 10am and the afternoon event at AUT Akoranga Campus, Albany starting 1.30pm. We wish them well for this "All Auckland" competition.







Cricket

The 1st XI Boys' team has finished the first half of the season in 2nd place in their competition. They will play the second half of their competitions in Term 4.





Uniform return

All summer sports are now largely complete. Summer sports uniforms should be returned to the Sports Office as soon as possible after Thursday 6 April (day of summer sports photos). When players return their playing strip they will be refunded their \$25 uniform bond to their nominated bank account. Any students with outstanding Sports uniform or fees will NOT be able to play another sport for the school until they have addressed this issue with the Sports Office.

Sports Fees payment

Payment of sports fees and uniform bonds can be made at the Accounts Office, Sports Office (which has eftpos facilities available) or online.

Winter Sports

Final trials are taking place this week for winter sports and team selections posted on the Sports Office noticeboard. Once students 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. All students in sports teams will take home a letter containing important information (e.g. playing dates, venues, costs) soon after selection. In fairness to all involved, all fees must be paid prior to the first game of the season, as per our NO PAY = NO PLAY policy.

Pre-season games

Netball, football and rugby have organised several pre-season games which are largely being played at home. These are excellent preparation for the competition season which begins the first week of next term.

Rugby

This week coaches from Auckland Rugby came to run training sessions for all our aspiring rugby players. It was great to see both boys and girls working together on a wide variety of skills, largely based around safe play on the rugby field.

Help needed urgently

Coaches and managers needed for all our 50+ winter sports teams. 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!

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

We urgently need coaches for:

Basketball Girls Football 4th XI

Netball Senior (games are on Tuesday night at Te Pai Pl, Henderson)

Junior (games are on Saturday morning at Te Pai PI, Henderson)

Individual Honours

Shyla Mani (Y11) continues to be very successful in Karate competitions in the 14-16 yr age group:

Shyla competed above her current grade and experience level, in the Central North Island Championship tournament recently in Tauranga. She is currently a Brown Belt 1st Kyu, but competed against participants in the Premier category who are all Black Belt level. Shyla a bronze medal in the kata category. She also achieved a 4th place in the kumite (sparring) competition.

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

华夏人与长白云故乡

Being Chinese in Aotearoa: A photographic journey

This fascinating exhibition at Auckland War Memorial Museum features Lynfield College past pupil Tyla Nathan-Wong.



CAREERS

JobFest is Auckland's biggest youth employment event, taking place on Wednesday 3 May, 10am-2pm, Vodafone Events Centre, Manukau. Last JobFest, 75 employers attended with 800 roles on offer, 400+ youth received an interview at the event and over 150 youth secured a job that day. This year the event includes short courses designed to bridge the skills gap, advice for entry-level job seekers and the ability to track job readiness for specific jobs that will be offered at JobFest. Register now! www.jobfest.co.nz

Yoobee School of Design April School Holiday Courses

Choose from:
Intro to Photoshop
Intro to InDesign
Animated GIF Workshop
Game Art & Development
Intro to Web Design
Full details and enrolment forms available at www.yoobee.ac.nz

Attention Y13 Students

Techtorium NZ Institute of Information Technology is hosting a 1-day workshop. If you are 17 or 18 years old, like to have fun with IT & Tech and would like to meet students just like you, please see Mrs Keir in the Careers Centre ASAP to find out more about this special event.

NZ School of Food & Wine – a new concept for young people to dip their toe into the waters of hospo-tourism and see what happens. Gap opportunities for both hospitality and cookery training with the opportunity of a work placement with partner employers throughout NZ. Info sessions on 12 and 26 April, 4-7pm, 3/104 Customs St West, Viaduct.

Part time job for a Y13 or Y12 selling cosmetics, beauty and health products at Lynnmall Pharmacy, working 1 regular day per weekend. As there is a lot of training involved and a lot of products to learn about, the pharmacy are looking for somebody planning on going to university who will continue with this part time job for a few years. Please phone Mike on 827 1600 in the first instance.

Part time Lifeguard position at Cameron Pool, Mt Roskill - full details on the Student Services "Jobs" noticeboard.

Tertiary Visitors to Our School Information Sessions:

University of Otago – 12.40pm, Mon 3 April, Careers Centre **Unitec** – 12.40pm, Wed 12 April, Careers Centre

Open Days & Info Nights:

International Travel College of NZ – Thu 6 April, 4pm-6pm, Level 4, ITC House, 9 City Rd, City Yoobee School of Design – Sat 8 April, 10am-1pm, Level 4, 3 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