



LYNFIELD COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER 7

25 May 2017

Coming Events:

	Fri 26 May	Mid-Term Break – Lynfield College closed on this day
	Sat 27	<i>NZMA Regional Culinary Competition, 7am – 4.30pm</i>
	Sun 28	Ramadan fast begins
Week 5	Mon 29	Samoan Language Week begins
	Tue 30	SENIOR ASSESSMENT WEEK
Week 6	Mon 5 Jun	ICAS Science
	Tue 6	Queen's Birthday – schools closed on this day
	Wed 7	Y13 Attitude presentation, Period 1
	Thu 8	13PHE Camp Parents' Meeting, Staffroom 6-7pm
	Sat 10	12ESS – <i>Waitomo</i>
	Sun 11	Y9 & Y10 Digital Citizenship, Period 1 – 4
Week 7	Mon 12	Robotics Scrimmages, Lynfield College Hall 8am – 5pm
	Tue 13	Rock Quest finals
	Wed 14	13PHE – <i>Hillary Outdoor Ed Centre, Tongariro</i>
	Thu 15	Junior Open Debating, Round 5
	Fri 16	4 th House Meetings
	Mon 19	<i>Choir attending the Big Sing</i>
	Tue 20	WorkChoice Day
	Wed 21	4 th House Meetings
Week 8	Thu 22	ICAS Writing
	Fri 23	Junior Quizzex, Hall lunchtime
	Mon 26	13PHE Camp returns
	Tue 27 – Sat 1	ROAD RACE
	Tue 27	Year 10 Science – FutureInTech guest speakers
	Fri 30	Year 12 Biology – FutureInTech guest speakers
Week 9	Mon 3 Jul	Music Performance Evening, 7pm Music Department Rehearsal Studio
	Tue 4	CULTURAL PHOTOS
	Wed 5 – Fri 6	Hong Kong School Group visits Lynfield College
	Fri 7	13CHE trip
	Sun 9 – Sun 16	Year 11 'InZone' Careers (Interactive school-based activities)
	Fri 21	13DAN & 10DAN – <i>Unitec trip</i>
Week 10	Mon 24	12PEA Assessment Periods 5 & 6
	Wed 26	Board of Trustees Meeting, 6.30pm Admin Building
	Thu 27	Production Week
	Fri 30	12BIO – <i>Future in Technology</i>
Week 11	Mon 3 Jul	12BIO – <i>Future in Technology</i>
	Tue 4	Y12 Attitude presentation, Period 1
	Wed 5 – Fri 6	Y9 & Y10 Digital Citizenship, Period 5 6
	Fri 7	WINTER SPORTS PHOTOS
	Sun 9 – Sun 16	11, 12, 13DRA – <i>Auckland Theatre trip</i>
	Fri 21	12OED – <i>Camping</i>
Week 12	Mon 24	Year 9 Mathex Quizzes
	Wed 26	Period 6 – special assembly for Y13 & Y12 students attending the Ball
	Thu 27	Term 2 ends
	Sat 29 & Sun 30	<i>Lynfield College Music Group – Sydney Music Festival</i>
Week 13	Mon 31	Lynfield College School Ball
	Tue 1 Aug	Term 3 begins
		Open Day tours 11.00am
		Australian Mathematics Competition
		Open Day tours 1.30pm & 4.00pm
		AKSS Jazz Band Competition
		5 th House Meetings
		13ECE Placement
		Enrolment Information Evening
		5 th House Meetings
		Australian Chemistry Quiz
		ICAS English, Period 4

Dear Parents and Caregivers

The theme for assemblies this week has been Bullying-free Week with Lynfield College ending the week with today's 'Pink Shirt Day' celebrations.



I have asked our students to think about what THEY can do to make a difference.

A [survey](#) conducted in the US Canada indicated that 54% of the students who see bullying happen watch it and do nothing. My challenge for our students is 'Don't just be a bystander'. The same research found that in 57% of the time bullying will stop in under 10 seconds when someone intervenes.

The question I finished with was 'Who have you made feel about themselves today?' and for them to aim to be able to name at least six people every day.

Senior Assessment Week

We have a period of senior assessment starting next week, from **Monday 29 May to Friday 2 June**. The assessment timetable is on the student e-LynC which parents can access and there are links below. Any assessment clashes should have been reported to Mr Waddington, Academic Advisor, and an alternative time during the week arranged.

Assessment Timetable <https://goo.gl/Qujptu>

Assessment week student instructions <https://goo.gl/Yijch8>

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.

At this time of the year colds and flu are on the increase. Students can take some simple precautions to reduce the impact of these illnesses on themselves and fellow students by wearing appropriate winter school uniform, having adequate wet weather protection and washing and drying their hands properly. Those who are not well should remain at home so that they can recover more quickly and not spread their illness.

If a student is on medication or has health issues which are likely to impact on any aspect of their schooling, parents/caregivers should directly contact our school nurse and discuss the situation with her. Our school nurse, Mrs Lee Hieatt is available on 627 0600 extension 755. In an emergency, our nurse is likely to be the first medic on the scene. Nurse Hieatt also needs to be notified by a parent when a student requires medication during the day. All medicine required by a student during the school day must be stored in her office. Your child's Dean should also be notified. If a student feels unwell after arriving at school, then he or she should go and see the Nurse in the first instance, who will contact parents or caregivers.

Process for **STUDENTS LEAVING SCHOOL** during the school day:

Families are encouraged to make appointments for students outside of normal school hours. However, should a student need to leave school early, they are to provide a signed note from home. This should indicate the reason and time of departure and then be signed by a Dean.

When the student is leaving, this note must be given to the Deans' Secretary and an exit slip will be completed.

Only if it is an emergency will a student be called from class without the above process being followed.

C M Knell
Principal

Student Leader Profile – International Student Representative

Hello! Kia Ora! Ni Hao!

Warm greetings from your International Student Representative.

I first came to New Zealand on holiday. I was thoroughly inspired by the amazingness of this country, so I decided to stay and become an international student. When I looked around different schools in Auckland, I knew that Lynfield College was where I belonged. Back in 2013 when I was in Year 9, I never imagined four years later I would be performing the haka on the stage along with the other student leaders.

I represent students from 11 different countries and it is really good to see how they smoothly integrate in school life, joining sports teams, music groups and getting involved with cultural groups during our Cultural Festival.

The highlight of this year so far has been organising the farewell international student assembly for our former Principal Mr Bovaird. It was great to see the solidarity of all the international students with everyone contributing and it was a tremendous success.

I feel privileged to hold this position and being able to support international students so they too can have a wonderful time at Lynfield like me.



Peter Xia Hua

NZ Schools National Debating Tournament

Karan Kalsi (and his team Auckland White) will compete in this year's National Debating Tournament held in Wellington this weekend.

The Grand Final of the Russell McVeagh NZ Schools Debating National Championships will be held on Monday 29 May at 1.45pm, in the Legislative Council Chamber in Parliament. The best two teams in the country will be competing at this event, hosted by the Hon Peter Dunne. Rt Hon Dame Patsy Reddy, Governor-General of NZ and Patron of the NZ Schools Debating Council will be present for the Grand Final.

We wish you and your team good luck, Karan!

Off to the XLAB Science Camp in Gottingen, Germany in August!

Congratulations to Kitty Sun, Assistant Academic Captain, who is one of only two New Zealand students to be selected by Royal Society Te Apārangi to attend the prestigious XLAB Science Camp in Gottingen, Germany.

This particular opportunity is especially for senior secondary school and undergraduate students who are achieving excellence in their science studies and want to continue studying science at a higher level.

The number of participants is limited to just under 50 from around the world and is a great opportunity for talented young New Zealanders to interact with experts at the top of their fields in science. They will participate in four weeks of intense science where they will work in a small group supervised by scientists at the University of Gottingen and affiliated research organisations.

The students have the opportunity to select their preference of courses (choosing from analytical chemistry, anatomy, developmental biology, freshwater ecology, molecular biology, immunology, laser physics, neurophysiology and astrophysics) with hands-on experiments using highly specialised research instruments.



Whau Youth Award

Last night one of our Year 13 students, Shahin Najak, was presented with a Whau Youth Award. Shahin was nominated and selected by the community to be honoured for being an inspirational young person who is achieving greatness. In addition to Shahin being presented with this award she has been allocated a mentor from the Compost Collective to support her in the work she is doing to create a sustainable future.



STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

Applications now open for the 2018 China Trip: 13 – 27 April 2018

The proposed itinerary for this trip is Shanghai, Beijing, Hangzhou and Anji.

This is a fantastic opportunity for our students to experience Chinese culture first-hand, staying with home-stay families and in hotels; travelling by high-speed train and luxury coach; enjoying a wide range of Chinese cuisine; visiting places of historical significance such as the Bund in Shanghai, the ancient water town Zhujiajiao and futuristic experiences such as a time tunnel and the 100 floor World Financial Centre.

Please collect your application form from Ms Fang (C5) or Mr Christie (Year 10 Dean's office) if you are interested.

Work Place Opportunities wanted

The College would appreciate any contacts in looking for work places one morning or afternoon per week for a 6-week block, for senior Learning Support students who are transitioning out of school into work or tertiary opportunities.

Please contact Karen Mitchell, HOD Learning Support on 627 0600, or email kmitchell@lynfield.school.nz

2017 School Ball

This year the Lynfield College School Ball will be held at the PULLMAN HOTEL. Dress is formal and will be guided by the theme 'Into the Woods'. Our school Ball has developed an excellent reputation for being enjoyable, well run and trouble-free.

Date Friday 21 July (Note: this is the last Friday of the school holidays)
Time 7pm to 11.45pm
Tickets \$115.00

The ticket price covers the cost of photography. Photographers will be circulating throughout the evening as well as providing more traditional photography against a backdrop. Photo booths will also be provided for less formal photography.

Our Ball Committee is conscious of the considerable expenses some of our students incur in preparing for the Ball and is encouraging students to limit their spending by searching second hand shops and assisting each other with hair and makeup.

Ticket purchase is conditional on the student meeting all outstanding obligations to the College, having less than 5% unjustified absences, having paid all fees owing to the College and having presented signed and completed permission forms.

Tickets will be on sale to Year 13 students on 6 and 7 June and to Year 12 and 13 students on 8 and 9 June from the Accounts Office (before school, interval, lunchtime and after school).

If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Gabrielle Clark, Deputy Principal 6270600 extension 706.

Please note:

The Lynfield College School Ball is an extra, provided by the College to those students who meet the criteria to attend. Attendance at the Ball is a privilege and not a right. Students have been informed of the criteria since the start of the year.

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.

A new application has to be filled in each year – 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. We would like the payment to be made by the end of Term 2 (7 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.

There is an extra fee for entry in Scholarship subjects - \$30 per subject. Scholarship entries will not be done until later in the year when there is more data on student performance. A supplementary invoice will be issued at that stage.

NB: If payment is made at the Accounts Office, rather than online, the printed invoice should be handed in at the Accounts Office at the time of payment.

2017 Lynfield College Production

This year Lynfield College is presenting **Disco Inferno** written by Jai Sepple.

Set in 1976, it is a musical about a young guy named Jack who works in a London nightclub, **Disco Inferno**. One night he meets Lady Marmalade, a femme fatale and associate of the Devil. Dreaming of becoming successful, Jack makes a pact with her, trading his soul to fulfil his wildest fantasies of fame and fortune.

Jack soon becomes an international success, making appearances on radio and television shows, but he finds his success is ultimately hollow. Jack now has the fame and fortune he's always dreamed of but loses his devoted girlfriend, Jane. As his situation worsens, Jack wishes only to get his life back to the way it used to be.

Full of hits from the disco era, with large cast dance numbers performed to such classics as *Celebration* by Kool and the Gang, *Hot Stuff* by Donna Summer, *Boogie Nights* by Heatwave, *I Will Survive* by Gloria Gaynor and *Play That Funky Music White Boy* by Wild Cherry, the show promises highly entertaining comedy, great singing and some classic disco dance moves. **Disco Inferno** is family friendly and suitable for all age groups. Join the cast and boogie on down to the Lynfield College school hall for a night of full-on entertainment.

Evening performances in the Hall: Wednesday 28 June to Saturday 1 July, starting 7pm

Ticket sales on the door from 6.30pm

Doors open for audience seating at 6.45pm

Students and senior citizens \$5, Adults \$10

Refreshments will be available at intermission

From Monday 12 June students are able to purchase tickets from a sales desk during lunchtimes outside B block foyer. EFTPOS is available. Members of the public may also purchase tickets from Reception.

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.

Refugee and Migrant Homework Centre

Every Tuesday after school in L6 the ESOL department is running a Homework Centre for English Language learners (ELLs) who do not have English as their first language and have been living in New Zealand for less than five years. We have a Study Buddy system which pairs up senior students with ELL students who need help with their English and study in mainstream classes. ELL students and I are very appreciative of this volunteer assistance. Mr Bangs, HOD ESOL.

Mathematics Clinic 2017

Got a maths question? Stuck on your maths homework? Help is available!

Where? **G15**

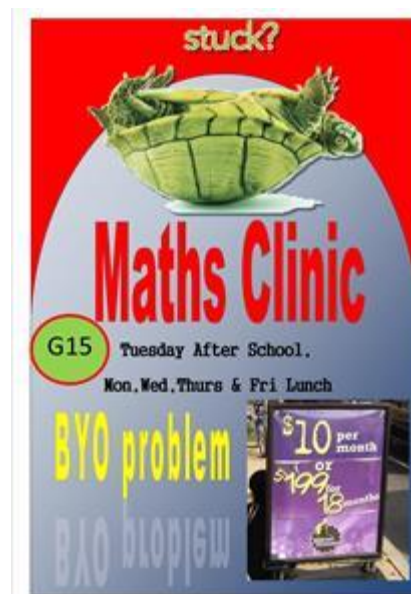
When? **Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday lunchtimes (and Tuesday afterschool)**

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.



Resilient Families

The College subscribes to *Resilient Families*, an innovative programme that delivers straight talking, common sense strategies and skills for happier, more harmonious family life. Based on clinically proven interventions, this programme delivers information and strategies that will reduce feelings of stress, low mood and anxiety while encouraging more compassion, collaboration and cooperation at school and at home. We hope you'll embrace the programme with us and look forward to the engaging, weekly articles that can help us all develop our capacity as educators and caregivers to encourage more resilient thinking and constructive behaviours in our children too. For further information, contact Mrs Deborah Kevany, Faculty Leader Student Services on 627 0600 ext 743. Click on the links below to open:

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SPORT SCENE

House Competitions

At the beginning of this term we completed our second House Competition for 2017. In Junior Touch, Bray took out the final with runners-up Zoricich while Reid seniors were victorious over Bray. These points have been combined with those from Athletics Day and the competition is extremely close!! Our next house competition is Volleyball which begins 20 June with all houses playing every lunchtime for 2 weeks.

Run Club

This new initiative is **NOT** only for those who are keen runners. It was started at the request of students. On a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday those who want to **run, jog or walk** for fitness meet at the staffroom at 7.30am. The course varies between 3.3km and 5km. Students are free to complete the course at their own pace with a staff member running at the front and another at the back. It is very casual atmosphere. "Turn up as often as you can" is the approach and **all students of any ability are very welcome**. The timing allows plenty of time for everyone to have a shower and change in time for the beginning of the school day.

Run Club operates every day, regardless of the weather. If it is raining some fun and fitness is done in a gym or the weights room.

North/West zone Cross Country

This was held recently at Moire Park, Massey and we were 1 of only 2 West Auckland schools to compete in this meet. Danielle Hewett finished 20th in a field of 57 in the Junior Girls event. The other 8 Lynfield competitors finished about the middle of their respective age groups and really enjoyed the experience.

Team Talk

A total of 59 teams are entered in weekly winter competitions this year. The number in each code is: Badminton 9, Netball (senior) 7, Basketball (boys) 5, Netball (junior) 7, Basketball (girls) 1, Rugby League 1, Football (boys) 7, Rugby 2, Football (girls) 2, Squash 2, Hockey (boys) 3, Table Tennis 5, Hockey (girls) 2, Curling 6

Huge thanks to those parents who have put their hands up to help with managing or coaching our teams. It is very much appreciated by the many students who would not otherwise have been in school teams.

All winter codes have had impressive results:

1st XI Boys Football team have played 3 games in the A2 grade after winning promotion as a result of their 1st place in A3 last year. Many of our 2016 team were Y13 so the A2 grade is an excellent challenge for our relatively young team however all matches have been close, hard fought games bringing close losses. They are gelling really quickly under the coaching of Kim Beale, and are attacking every ball with absolute determination.

1st XI Girls Hockey team won their 1st game by default but showed their strength last Friday when they had a 7-0 win over Marist 2nd XI. Most of this team are new to 1st XI and are really making good progress under the guidance of their coach, Peter Oakley.

Netball teams have now entered their 1st competition round and are performing very well. There have been a mixture of wins and losses with some very, very hard fought games. The **Premier 1** team had 2 good wins this week beating Massey Prem 1 by 2 goals and Green Bay High by 6.

Individual Honours

Kieren Chhiba (Y12) has been selected in the Auckland U18A Boys Hockey Team.

Sam Hudson (Y13, 2016) is an excellent archer who represented NZ several times while a student at our school. He has just been named by Archery NZ, as a member of the NZ team for the 2017 Summer Universiades to be held in Chinese Taipei 19 – 30 August.

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

Open Days & Info Nights:

Round The World Travel Expo for 14-18 yrs – Sun 28 May, 6.15-9pm, St Mark's Church, Remuera

Maori & Pacific Family University of Auckland Info – Thu 1 June, 6.30pm, Owen G Glenn Building

Victoria University Info – Wed 7 June, 6.30pm, Bruce Mason Centre, Takapuna

International Travel College Open Day – Thu 15 June, 9am-6pm, 9 City Rd

Whitecliffe College of Art & Design Certificate Programme – Tue 20 June, 9.45am, Parnell

Victoria University Info – Tue 4 July, 6.30pm, Ellerslie Events Centre

International Travel College Open Day – Sat 8 July, 9am-1pm, 9 City Rd

University of Canterbury Open Day – Thu 13 July, 9am-3pm, Christchurch Campus

Crown Institute of Studies Open Day – Fri 14 July, 10am-2pm, 80 Anzac Ave

Maori & Pacific Y12 & Y13 students and their whanau and families are invited to a University of Auckland Maori and Pacific Parents' Information evening, Thursday 1 June, 6.30-8.30pm, Owen G Glenn Building, 12 Grafton Rd, City. Come and hear about degree programmes, entry requirements, scholarships and on-campus support. RSVP at: auckland.ac.nz/parentsevening

MIT (Manukau Institute of Technology):

Free Experience Days for Y12 & Y13 students. You must arrange your own transport to and from MIT (campus may vary). See Mrs Keir for further information and/or bookings.

Engineering (Civil, Mechanical & Electrical) – Thurs 1 June

Nursing – Thurs 8 June

Trades Auto, Carpentry, Electrical, Mechanical Engineering, Refrigeration & Air Conditioning – Tue 13 June

Floristry – Fri 16 June

Horticulture – Fri 16 June

Early Childhood Education – Mon 19 June & Mon 14 August

Marine Engineering & Nautical Science – Wed 21 June

Sport & Exercise Science – Fri 23 June & Fri 18 August

Nautical Science / Marine Engineering – Wed 21 June

Creative Arts – Thu 17 Aug

Baking – Fri 25 Aug

Further information at experience@manukau.ac.nz

Open Days & Info Evenings:

Animation College – Sat 27 May, 1-4pm, Westfield Manukau City, Level 2

Comic Book Workshop – Sat 27 May, 1-3pm, Blockhouse Bay Library

Round The World Travel Expo for 14-18 Years – Sun 28 May, 6.15-9pm, St Mark's Church, 95 Remuera Rd

Queenstown Resort College – Tue 30 May, 6.30-8pm, Sky City Convention Centre

Whitecliffe College of Art & Design All Programme Overview – Wed 31 May, 9.45am-12.30pm, 24 Balfour Rd, Parnell

Coding Via Robotics with Sminks Labs – Sat 3 June, 12.30-2.30pm, Blockhouse Bay Library

Victoria University Info, North Shore – Wed 7 June, 6.30-8pm, Bruce Mason Centre, Takapuna

Weltec Youth Development & Addiction Studies – Fri 9 June, 12-3pm, 450 Queen St, City

SAE Creative Media Institute (Audio & Film) – Sat 10 June, 11am-3pm, 10 Heather St, Parnell

International Travel College of NZ Open Day – Thu 15 June, 9am-6pm, ITC House, 9 City Rd

Ara Institute of Canterbury Open Day – Thu 15 June, 2-5pm, Christchurch Campus

Uni of Otago Law Seminar – Mon 19 June, 7-9pm, Rydges Hotel, City

Whitecliffe College of Art & Design Open Day Cert – Tue 20 June & Thu 20 July, 9.45am-12.30pm, 24 Balfour Rd, Parnell

Uni of Otago Auckland Info – Tue 20 June, 6.30-8pm, Eden Park, South Level 4 Lounge, Gate G Reimers Ave

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