



## LYNFIELD COLLEGE

### NEWSLETTER 2

2 March 2018

#### Coming Events:

Week 6	Mon 5 <b>Mar</b>	Central-West Zone Athletics Competitions, Mt Smart Stadium University of Auckland Course Overview 12.40pm PAC ADS Junior Open, Round 1 4.30 – 5.30pm
	Mon 5 – Fri 9 Tue 6	<i>PSSP Hui – x 5 students at Kiwanis Lodge, Huia</i> <i>Adult ESOL Athletics Day</i> <i>Learning Support at Applause Studio, Swanson</i>
	Thu 8	<i>12BIO(BRT/BRR/WLZ) – Arataki trip</i> <i>11HIS – Auckland Library &amp; Museum</i> <i>12PEA(HCK) – snorkelling, Cameron Pools</i> AUT Course Overview 12.40pm PAC
	Thu 8 – Sat 10 Fri 9	13PHE – guest speaker from Auckland Badminton Association, P5 & 6 <i>AKSS Volleyball Champs, Pulman Park Papakura – Volleyball Girls Team</i> <i>12BIO(RDW/CRY/LSN) – Arataki trip</i> <i>11 – 13DRA Theatre trip</i>
	Sat 10	NZ Young Physicists Tournament, Westlake Girls High School Beach Clean 2018
Week 7	Mon 12	<b>ASSESSMENT OPPORTUNITIES WEEK</b> Class Reps attend Student Council Meeting 12.15pm
	Tue 13	<b>All 11MAX</b> – Internal Assessment in the Hall, Periods 1 & 2 <b>All 12&amp;13BIO</b> – Internal Assessment in the Hall, lunchtime, Periods 5 & 6 and after school German Exchange Students arrive
	Thu 15	Whānau Hui and Kapa Haka dress rehearsal, Marae 6 – 8.30pm <i>12PEA(HCK) – snorkelling, Cameron Pools</i>
	Fri 16	Indian Group performs at Polyfest 2018, 5pm Manukau Sports Bowl Kapa Haka perform at Polyfest 2018, 10.55am Manukau Sports Bowl Y10 – Y13 Te Reo Maori classes at Polyfest
Week 8	Mon 19	NZSSS Summer Tournament Week
	Tue 20 – Wed 22	<i>12PEA Camp – Tawharanui</i>
	Thu 22	CULTURAL MUFTI DAY – gold coin donation
	Fri 23	<i>13PXM – Rainbows End trip (rain day 29 Mar)</i>
	Sat 24	<b>CULTURAL FESTIVAL DAY 12 – 4pm in the College grounds</b>
	Sun 25	<i>12GEO – Ruapehu trip departs (returns Tue 27 Mar)</i>
Week 9	Mon 26	Board of Trustees Meeting 6.30pm Admin building
	Tue 27	<i>13ESS – Stardome trip</i>
	Wed 28	<b>SUMMER SPORTS PHOTOS</b> <b>Progress Reports Issued</b>
	Thu 29	Year 11 'Attitude' presentation Period 1 Hall, following assembly <i>11SCB – Zoo trip</i> <i>13PXM – Rainbows End rain day</i>
	<b>Fri 30</b>	<b>Easter Good Friday – public holiday, school closed</b>
Week 10	<b>Mon 2 Apr</b>	<b>Easter Monday – public holiday, school closed</b>
	<b>Tue 3</b>	<b>National School Holiday</b> German Exchange Students Farewell 5.30 – 9.30pm Staffroom
	Wed 4 – Fri 6	In-class priority time Otago Junior Mathematics Competition
	Thu 5	<b>Progress Conferences (surnames A – L) 4 – 7pm</b>
Week 11	Mon 9 & Tue 10	In-class priority time
	Tue 10	<b>Progress Conferences (surnames M - Z) 4 – 7pm</b>
	Wed 11 & Thu 12	<i>12OED day trips</i>
	Fri 13	<i>Lynfield Student China trip departs (returns 27 Apr)</i> <b>Term 1 ends</b>
	<b>Mon 30 Apr</b>	<b>Term 2 begins</b>

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Welcome to the second newsletter for the year.

Our Year 9 students have settled well into their school life at Lynfield, with the majority making the most of the new opportunities that are available to them. I would encourage our junior students to become involved in extra-curricular activities offered at the College. This is a great way for students to meet different people and also to share in the wider community. Students should read the daily notices via the Kamar and Schoology Apps to keep informed about cultural and sporting opportunities that may arise.

With fine weather for Athletics Day on Friday 16 February, our students were able to participate in a very well run event. The House Relays were, however, postponed until the following Friday, owing to the afternoon being intensely hot. It was pleasing to see so many of our students being sun-smart and wearing wide brim hats or sheltering under umbrellas. The House system encourages participation from all levels with some fierce contests in a variety of point-allocated events. This link will take you to the College website <https://www.lynfield.school.nz/News++Events/February+2018.html> Results from the days appear in the sports section of this newsletter.

In the past two weeks, we have held two parents' evenings – Year 9 Parents' Evening and NCEA Information Evening - both very well supported by parents who are keen to monitor the development of opportunities for their sons and daughters. It is very useful for parents and staff to exchange ideas and learn from each other about how to enhance student learning. If you attended these evenings and have any further questions that may have arisen, please contact Deputy Principal Steven Mouldey or Deputy Principal Sandy Harris.

On Tuesday 13 March a Community of Learning Whānau Hui will be held at the College Te Ringa Āwhina Marae at 6.00pm, where we especially look forward to seeing our Kapa Haka students perform before their participation in the ASB Polyfest on Friday 16 March at 10.55am.

We are half way through Term 1 with teaching staff having undertaken assessment activities with all students. Progress Report writing has begun. These reports will indicate the academic progress, effort, organisation and lessons missed by students in each subject. As such they will provide an indication to you of how focused and settled your children are in their learning and where support is required. In Newsletter No. 1 all families are made aware of the homework pamphlet that can be accessed on our website <https://www.lynfield.school.nz/Curriculum/Homework.html> This is a guide on how you can help with homework and what the school's expectations are. **Progress Reports will be issued on Wednesday 28 March.** An individualised information sheet about our online appointment booking schedule for the 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 5 April (student surnames A - L), 4 - 7pm

Tuesday 10 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 Coachline school buses will depart from the usual bus stops at 2.30pm.

### Assessment Opportunities Week

These internal assessments will be held in the Hall on **Tuesday 13 March:**

**All** Year 11 Mathematics – Periods 1 & 2

**All** Year12 and Year 13 Biology – 1.00 – 4.00pm

C M Knell  
Principal



**Be Sun Smart!**  
Uniform item available from the College Shop



**Please note: School knee-length skirt is to be worn at knee length, as illustrated above**

### Health Notice from our School Nurse – Chickenpox

We wish to inform you that a student at Lynfield college has contracted Chickenpox. Chickenpox is a contagious virus, spread through the air by infected people when they sneeze or cough, also by touching the chickenpox blisters and then touching objects and other people. Some students may be immunised.

Chickenpox is contagious from approximately five days before the blisters appear. During this time, they may feel tired, have a headache, loss of appetite and fever. The blisters appear and they are small, fluid filled blisters. You remain contagious until all the blisters have crusted over and no new ones are appearing.

If your child has chickenpox please see a doctor and please keep them away from school until they are no longer contagious.

### Student Leader Profile – Deputy Head Boy and Deputy Head Girl

He mihi nui kia koutou katoa.

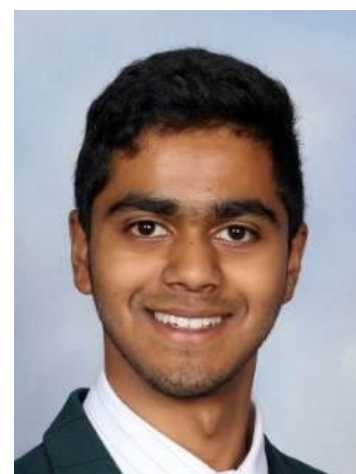
We, Melina Samuels and Rishabh Baptista, are honored to be the 2018 Deputy Head students for Lynfield College and are excited to start the year with a lot of momentum.

This year is looking to be a very exciting, challenging, yet rewarding year for us all and we are thrilled that we are able to share this journey with all the other hard-working students on the Student Executive team for 2018 especially our peers in Year 13.

This year, the theme of 'seizing the moment' (Hopu i te ra) has been set out and we hope that throughout the year we will be able to continue influencing and motivating the students of Lynfield College to continue making the most of every opportunity given to them. We are currently looking forward to what Lynfield College has in store for us both as it is the 60th Jubilee.

Overall, we would like to thank all our peers and teachers/staff for their unconditional support and we hope that at the end of the day we fulfil our roles to the best of our abilities.

Ko te manu e kai ana te miro nona te ngahere  
Ko te manu e kai te matauranga nona te ao.  
Kia kaha, Kia maia, Kia toa  
Tihei mauri ora!



### Lynfield College 60<sup>th</sup> Reunion

Lynfield College will be celebrating its 60<sup>th</sup> Reunion on the weekend of Friday 8 to Sunday 10 June 2018.

Our Reunion Event Page on Facebook can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/events/919768464868968/>

We are also inviting expressions of interest to help us with our planning at:  
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe7XhmtKJE1pW-imLgRHnZReCp8RcVAm72B-7xgCdpGKsR69w/viewform>

More details will be added to this page as soon as they are confirmed. For any further questions, you can also email [reunion@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:reunion@lynfield.school.nz)

**PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE CALENDAR FOR UPCOMING EVENTS**

<https://lynfield.mystudent.school.nz/calendar>

### **Auckland Secondary Schools Seasonal Debating Tournament**

Congratulations to Harry Ashley, Kyus Rodger and Santiago Blanco for winning the Auckland Secondary Schools Seasonal Debating Tournament that took place right here at Lynfield on Saturday 24 February. They placed 1<sup>st</sup> out of 29 teams from across Auckland. Also, congratulations to Harry and Kyus for making it into the Top 10 Speakers of the tournament (tied at 3<sup>rd</sup> place).

This is the first time Lynfield has won this tournament and all debaters, Year 10 – Year 13, performed very well. Special thanks to our teaching staff for their work with the teams, Mrs Wagner, Ms Barker, Mr Halligan and Mrs Carswell.



### **VEX National Robotics Competition**

Congratulations to the Lynfield College Robotics Group who received the Promote Award at the NZ VEX Robotics National Championships, held at Pinehurst School, Albany last weekend. The Promote Award is for Promoting Robotics to the community.

Last year Lynfield College visited all the local feeder schools to demonstrate robotics to their students; we were invited to speak at the Minister of Education's Cross-Sector Forum on Digital Technology and the new curriculum and Ulearn, the digital teachers conference, also invited us to demonstrate robotics to its attendees and one of our students was part of a panel discussion at that event.



## Auckland Arts Whanui Programme

Lynfield College is excited to be collaborating with the Auckland Arts Festival on a new project with visual artist Ekarasa Doblanovic called "Imagine the Land." Students from Lynfield College and older people from the neighbourhood, including residents from Donovan Retirement Village will create hundreds of clay bowls made from local soil. Through the process of making them, stories, memories and perspectives are shared across the generations. The bowls physically represent these interactions and are components of a large floor-based art installation facilitated by artist Ekarasa Doblanovic.

Further information on the Auckland Arts Whanui programme [HERE](#) and further information on the artist [HERE](#)

Creating art by using real-life stories helps develop students' skills in communication, empathy, creativity, narrative structure, collaboration and performance. The themes explore issues that are relevant in contemporary society and inform learning in science and biology, politics, history, social sciences, literature, performance technology and the arts.

The art will be presented at the Blockhouse Bay Bowling Club in Terry St from 9 - 11 March as part of the Festival's Whānui programme. Whānui is programme of events created by people from Auckland's many communities in collaboration with professional artists.



## PhotoLife Online Ordering System

The Lynfield College class photos and ID photos, taken on Thursday 22 February, will soon be available for you to view and order online with PhotoLife Studios after that date.

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.

## 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 2018

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

Where? **G15**

When? **Monday – Friday at lunchtimes**

## English Homework Group

Do you need extra assistance with your English assessments/homework, class work? If so, come along every Thursday for further tuition. **F10 Thursday 3.20 – 4.20pm**

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**Maths Clinic**

G15 Tuesday After School.  
Mon, Wed, Thurs & Fri Lunch

BYO problem

\$10 per month  
or \$99 for 12 months

## Sports Scene

### Athletics Day

Fun events + House rivalry + enthusiasm = a fantastic day for all.

A rotation of 10 events (a mixture of track and field and tabloid) created a huge amount of fun and competition during the morning. The most noise and excitement was generated in the Obstacle Relay as junior classes and senior houses tried to get as many participants successfully through the course in 7 minutes and the Tug-A-War.

The House Captains had worked extremely hard to involve all students in the presentation of their House Mascot. They really let their creativity flow as they came up with some amazing ideas, to impress the judges. This competition and Best Dressed House, were both judged by an independent panel of staff who did not find it at all simple to find clear winners!

The sprint finals were hotly contested and showed we certainly have talent at all levels in these track events. As it was such a very hot afternoon it was decided to run the relays (house and form class) at a later date.

Congratulations to overall winners, Reid house who discovered participation was the key to success as the whole house ran, threw or jumped to the max.

	<b>Bray</b>	<b>Fatialofa</b>	<b>Faumuina</b>	<b>Lewis</b>	<b>Reid</b>	<b>Zoricich</b>
Morning Events	30	45	25	35	50	40
Sprint Finals & Relays	15	25	12.5	20	22.5	17.5
Best Dressed	40	50	35	25	45	30
House Mascot	25	45	35	40	50	302
Rubbish	2	6	4	12	8	10
TOTAL	112	171	111.5	132	175.5	127.5
<b>FINAL PLACING</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>

### Academies

Academies in girls football, boys football and rugby are well underway. We are thrilled with the response to these, both in the number of students involved and their absolute commitment to their sport. These academies provide an excellent opportunity for our serious athletes to hone their skills, on and off the field/court in their chosen sport.

#### Rugby Academy

This year we have a group of committed parents, staff and coaches who have formulated a complete rugby programme for all interested students – both boys and girls. The programme was launched at a very successful BBQ and games session for the players and their families last week. It is fantastic to see the growing support for our new initiative. Strength and conditioning sessions are held each Tuesday and Thursday morning 7.00 – 8.00am followed by a shower and breakfast. The numbers at these sessions has grown each week and we really encourage all rugby players to attend as it will help reduce the injuries that may occur throughout the session. Commitment to this programme is essential to be selected in a Lynfield rugby team this year.

#### Girls' Football Academy

This is another new initiative this year. These sessions are run on Tuesday and Friday mornings 7.00 – 8.25am and are run by programme director, Andrew Morris assisted by Paula Villarroel. So far there is a group of about 25 involved but there is still space for a few more committed girls in this excellent programme.

#### 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: [fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz)

We are currently urgently in need of coaches for: Basketball / Hockey / Netball / Football / Badminton

### Team Talk - Summer Sports

#### Tennis

As with most of our sports, we have some competitive and some social tennis teams. Consequently, results are mixed but all are enjoying their sport.

#### Volleyball

Our senior girls' team has been very successful in their competition! These girls have trained hard and are now focussed on success at the Auckland Secondary Schools Championships to be held at Pulman Park, Papakura next week (8 - 10 March). The senior boys team is performing well, having had some excellent wins in tight games.

#### Cricket

We have 7 cricket teams this year – 2 senior boys, 2 junior boys, 1<sup>st</sup> XI girls plus 2 girl's teams in the "Cricket Blitz" competition for beginners.

Our 1<sup>st</sup> XI Boys team is performing extremely well scoring 189-7 off 25 overs with Tanishq Tailor knocking up 85 runs in their first game of the season against Sacred Heart who scored 99-6 to give Lynfield a win by 90 runs.

Other teams are performing well with some impressive individual statistics.

### **Orienteering**

Danielle Matthews (Y13) won the 1<sup>st</sup> round of the West Auckland Secondary Schools senior girls orienteering, blitzing her opposition with a margin of nearly 2 minutes between her and the 2<sup>nd</sup> place getter! Lynfield also took 3<sup>rd</sup> (Niamh Masterson), 4<sup>th</sup> (Amy Bernstone) and 5<sup>th</sup> Nene Matsuki places. Kieren Chhiba (Y13) finished 11<sup>th</sup> in senior boys in his 1<sup>st</sup> orienteering comp.

### **Touch**

Our Senior Boys and Senior Girls teams play each Tuesday at Cornwall Park. Both teams are performing very well and have won most of their games.

### **Dragon boating**

We now have 3 stable teams of 20 paddlers from all year levels. All teams train for 2 hours at Westhaven – 1 on Monday, 1 on Tuesday and another on Thursday. Every week the paddlers end up wet and grinning from ear to ear in this fun filled sport. The Auckland Secondary Schools Championships are now only 3 weeks away so the training intensity is increasing.

### **Team Talk - Winter Sports**

Pre-season training for rugby and football is happening weekly. Musters and trials for other winter sports will take place over the next 2 weeks.

Without your help to manage, coach or transport one of our teams this year, we definitely could not provide sporting opportunities to such a large number of students. 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](mailto:fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz)**

### **STOP PRESS**

Congratulations to staff member Holly Abraham, who entered a recent Pita Pit competition. She has WON and the prize is.... Lisa Carrington will visit Lynfield College on 15 March. Details yet to be confirmed. Special thanks to Holly for taking the initiative to enter this.

### **Athlete Profile**

**Stanley Long (Y9)** enjoyed playing padder tennis in the back yard so much when he was 5 years old that his parents couldn't help but notice Stanley had plenty of potential in tennis. He joined Blockhouse Bay Tennis Club soon after and has already had plenty of success. He had a top 15 ranking when he was in the U12 age group and late last year, qualified for, and competed in, the North Island Intermediate School champs in Hamilton last November.

Stanley is now training 7 days/week as he is one of only about 10 in the Tennis Auckland academy, playing as an U14 for "Next Generation" club and is a member of our top **Senior** Boys A2 team!

### **Individual Honours**

Congratulations to the following students who have gained representative status in their chosen sports:

- **Teigan Cedric (Y13)** has been selected in the Aotearoa Maori U18 Kotiro Tag Football team which is to compete in the NZTFI sanctioned Junior Oceania Indigenous Invitational Cup tournament 9 – 11 March at Otara.
- **Thomas Wanstraat (Y10)** will be playing in this year's United Airlines U16 National Baseball Competition (in association with Baseball NZ).

*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](mailto:fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz)*

### **Community Sports Notice**

You may have seen **curling** on the Olympic Winter Games coverage. Because of the exposure Auckland Curling Club is running Come and Try curling sessions each Sunday evening in March for \$10/session starting at 4.15pm at Paradise Ice Rink, Avondale. Participants can come to as many sessions as they wish.

This school has several curling teams entered into the Auckland Secondary Schools competition which begins next term.

### **Careers Information for Students**

The following tertiary providers will be visiting Lynfield College this term. If you are considering studying at one of these universities in 2019, please make sure you come along to these informative Course Overview sessions. You will find out about the courses on offer next year, campus life plus lots more.

Monday 5 March, University of Auckland, 12.40pm, PAC

Thursday 8 March, AUT University, 12.40pm, PAC

Tuesday 20 March, Canterbury University, 12.40pm, Careers Centre

Monday 26 March, Massey University, 12.40pm, Careers Centre

Thursday 5 April, University of Waikato, 12.40pm, Careers Centre

Friday 6 April, Victoria University of Wellington, 12.40pm, Careers Centre

Monday 9 April, University of Otago, 12.40pm, Careers Centre