



LYNFIELD COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER 6

25 May 2018

Coming Events:

Week 5	Mon 28 – Fri 1 Jun	SENIOR ASSESSMENT WEEK Samoan Language Week PPTA Paid Union Meeting 1.30 – 3.30pm Y9 and Y10 students released 12.40pm Scheduled senior assessments continue
	Wed 30	
Week 6	Mon 4	QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY – public holiday, school closed
	Tue 5	Y12 Attitude Presentation Period 1, following assembly
	Fri 8 – Sat 9 Jun	LYNFIELD COLLEGE 60th REUNION
Week 7	Sun 10 – Fri 15	<i>13PHE – Hillary Outdoor Education Centre</i>
	Tue 12	<i>12ESS – Piha Trip</i>
	Thu 14	ICAS Writing Competition, Period 2
	Sat 16	Production Rehearsals in the Hall 2 – 5pm
	Sun 17	Production Rehearsals in the Hall 2 – 5pm
Week 8	Tue 19	University of Auckland Economics Competition, Period 1 in L11
	Wed 20	ROAD RACE
	Thu 21	<i>13BIO/BIA Zoo trip</i>
	Sat 23	<i>11-13DRA theatre trip</i>
	Sun 24	Production Rehearsals in the Hall 12 – 6pm Winter Sprint Series Race 3 Orienteering Event 4 – 5.30pm Production Rehearsals in the Hall 12 – 6pm
Week 9	Mon 25	Production Week (evening performances Wednesday – Saturday)
	Thu 28	CULTURAL & LEADERSHIP PHOTOS
Week 10	Tue 3 – Sun 8 Jul	<i>Rarotonga Trip – Snr Te Reo and Kapa Haka students</i>
	Tue 3	WINTER SPORTS PHOTOS
	Thu 5	<i>Brain Bee Challenge, Round 2 at University of Auckland</i>
	Fri 6	Senior Mid-Year Reports issued Term 2 ends
	Fri 20 Jul	School Ball at Ellerslie Events Centre
Week 1	Mon 23 Jul	Term 3 begins
	Wed 25	School in Action tours 11am
	Thu 26	School in Action tours 1.30pm
	Sat 28 & Sun 29	<i>Auckland Jazz Competition Heats</i>
Week 2	Mon 30	Open Evening, 7pm starting in the Hall
	Tue 31	2019 Year 9 enrolment begins
	Wed 1 Aug	ICAS English Competition
	Thu 2 & Fri 3	Lynfield College Music Department Variety Concert
	Fri 3	5 th House Meetings
	Sat 4 & Sun 5	Lynfield College Science Fair Showcase, 4 – 6pm in G7 & 8 <i>Auckland Jazz Competition heats</i>
Week 4	Mon 6 – Sat 11	KBB Music Festival
	Wed 8	Junior Mid-Year Reports issued
	Thu 9	Mt Maunganui College – Lynfield College Sports Exchange (at home) <i>Concert Band and Big Band at KBB Music Festival</i>
	Sat 11	Australian Mathematics Competition <i>Auckland Jazz Competition Finals</i>

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Lynfield College 60th Reunion Celebrations

On Friday 8 and Saturday 9 June, we will be celebrating the Lynfield College 60th Reunion with special foundation pupil and staff event, an evening mix and mingle event, sports teams in action, music group performances, school in action tours and golf at Maungakiekie Golf Course. We are looking forward to catching up with past pupils and staff over this weekend. Details on the programme can be viewed on the website. Please note – attendance to the Friday evening Reunion celebration is by prepaid ticket. Registration closes Thursday 31 May.

Senior Assessment Week

Assessments start on Monday 28 May for Years 11,12 & 13 and continue until Friday 1 June.

The assessment timetable is on Schoology and will be emailed to parents & caregivers. Assessment clashes should have been reported to Mr Waddington, Academic Advisor, and an alternative time during the week arranged. Morning assessments start at 8.30 am, 11 am and afternoon assessments at 1.30 pm.

Students must sit ALL of their assessments. We ask that students do not make appointments during assessment times. 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 are on study leave and only need to attend school when they have a scheduled assessment. However, a quiet supervised study room (B4) will be available.

Students in Years 9 and 10 have normal class timetables during the assessment days, although there will be some room changes advertised on Schoology and in the daily notices each day. If you have any questions about assessment activities, please contact Mr Waddington through the school office.

There will be a PPTA paid union meeting for teaching staff on Wednesday 30 May and Year 9 and 10 students will be released at 12.40pm on that day. The Mangere Bridge bus service will depart at 12.50pm. The Titirangi bus service will depart at the usual time of 3.30pm (this service is shared with other schools and times cannot be changed). The College Library will be open for student supervision from 1.30pm.

This coincides with a period of senior internal assessment and any assessments scheduled for that day will still be running.

C M Knell
Principal

LYNFIELD COLLEGE 60TH REUNION

FRIDAY 8 AND SATURDAY 9 JUNE 2018

REGISTRATIONS AND PROGRAMME ARE LIVE – SEE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS

www.lynfield.school.nz

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE THURSDAY 31 MAY

Memorabilia - can you help?

We are currently working through our school archives and have found that we don't have a copy of the following:

- 1976 School Magazine (Yearbook)
- Staff photos from 1968, 1970, 1971, 1974, 1977, 1979, 1981, 1988

If you have any of these, could we please borrow it/them to take a scanned copy?

Also, if anyone has old items of uniform (particularly pre-2000) we would love to be able to borrow these to photograph.

Please email reunion@lynfield.school.nz

Pacific Fanau Evening – May 2018

Term 2 welcomed our Pasifika families to an evening of entertainment and true Pacific pride. Our student leaders – Pacific Pride and Student Agency opened with a prayer and then a performance by the senior boys cultural group FOKISSE. The evening was a time to hear our Pasifika students speak about their pathways for success and what enables them to achieve. The night came to a close with the presentation of badges to the seven Year 13 Pacific Pride Leaders, who laid down the challenge to their younger Pasifika peers – to rise up and lead the way for all Pasifika students at Lynfield College.



Annual Auckland Goethe Society Quiz

On Wednesday 16th May, three Year 13 Lynfield Students (Jackie de Pont, Joshua Boasman and Taina Pere) travelled to University of Auckland, courtesy of Mrs Campbell and Mr Bangs, to compete in the annual Auckland Goethe Society Quiz.

There were three categories, high school students, university students and native speakers/German teachers, who all took part in answering questions about Germany's language, geography, famous people, music, culture and history.

After a few hours of answering questions, meeting some new people and listening to former Lynfield student and quizmaster, Johnson Zhuang, the winners were announced by Goethe Society president, Stephan Resch.

Lynfield, with honorary member Anika (from Diocesan), took home first place in the High School division, and enjoyed a great night with some interesting German speakers.



Seven Sharp Interview with Lynfield College Student

Isha Ramanlal (10WG) recently featured on the TVNZ show Seven Sharp, where she was invited to provide a student opinion on 'interrupting conversations etiquette'. As a premier junior debater, Isha has become expert on how to give points of information where you need to interrupt the speaker of the opposing team. Although admitting to being quite nervous, Isha enjoyed the experience, which included chatting with Hillary Barry whilst having her hair and makeup done! Follow this link to watch the show <https://www.tvnz.co.nz/shows/seven-sharp/episodes/s2018-e76>



2018 Puketāpapa Youth Board Members

Congratulations to Raymond Feng and Michael Howell, who are both 2018 Puketāpapa Youth Board members. Puketāpapa Youth Board presents an opportunity for young people to share their perspective and contribute to shaping the future of the local board area. Members of the Youth Board contribute their time and skills in serving their communities. The following extract is from Auckland Council's Our Auckland publication, dated 11 May.

Raymond Feng

I'm a Year 12 student at Lynfield College, and I'm privileged to be a part of the Puketāpapa Youth Board for 2018. Being able to represent and empower youth within our community is a fantastic feeling, and I'd love to be a part of that. Politics and local council initiatives have always been topics I've had a keen interest in.

Being involved in debating, discussing issues first hand, it's made me realize that the world doesn't run itself and that there are in fact, real people working hard to make our communities better places. It's about building networks within communities, so everyone can feel connected and emboldened to share their ideas.

To me, the local boards act as real facilitators of change, whereby problems and proposals transition from being mere notions of thought to their implementation.



Michael Howell

I'm a Year 12 student representing Lynfield College on the Puketāpapa Youth Board for 2018-19. I have a passion for learning, people and technology and I have been lucky to embrace these in combination with many areas of my life including the Robotics and Debating groups I am a part of, and the leadership roles I serve in at my school.

I have lived in Puketāpapa all my life and over that time I have recognized the importance of diversity in our cultures, values and opinions in the community. The value young people bring to the community is important to me and is often overlooked.

This is why I find the opportunity to serve on the Youth Board important as it is a way for me to help give the youth in our community the chance to share their perspectives and opinions and create meaningful change in our community.



World Vision 40 Hour Famine

This past week, each year group has had a presentation in their assemblies promoting the World Vision 40 Hour Famine. The 40 Hour Famine is a nationwide event to help raise awareness and funds for the humanitarian issues around the world. This year the focus is on the millions of refugees from South Sudan who have had to flee their country from a brutal civil war. The students have heard from World Vision ambassadors and from people who have seen the crisis first hand.

We have had a record number of students sign up to do the 40 Hour Famine this year, which will take place over the weekend of 8 - 10 June. If you wish to support or donate to this cause, please contact Mr Christie, Year 11 Dean, rchristie@lynfield.school.nz

Year 11 Inzone Careers Experience Roadshow

The Puketāpapa Local Board kindly sponsored the Inzone Career Experience Coach to visit Lynfield College last Thursday. The majority of our Year 11 cohort were timetabled through the state-of-the-art Coach and thoroughly enjoyed researching career ideas on touchscreen Careers Kiosks with headphone sets. Each Kiosk had individual clips of video information reflecting the six Vocational Pathways and students learnt how their NCEA actually relates to the range of career opportunities available.

Students commented on their learning:

"I learnt Engineering is fun!"

"I didn't realise the Navy offered so many different types of jobs"

"There are a LOT of opportunities for us when we leave school!"

"You can start a business of your own from scratch!!"



Pink Shirt Day

Pink Shirt Day was celebrated at Lynfield College on Friday 18 May. Pink Shirt Day is a worldwide movement which began in Canada in 2007 when two students took a stand against bullying after a new student was harassed and threatened for wearing pink. The boys went out and bought dozens of pink shirts and distributed them to classmates to wear the next day. The word got out online and hundreds of students showed up in pink in support of their classmate.

On Friday Lynfield College students dressed up in pink and were greeted at the gates by Safe School students handing out pink ribbons. Photographs were taken in each class for a competition for the best dressed class. During interval the colourfully dressed students gathered and were photographed by a student with a drone. During lunch there were activities available for students to have fun and reinforce the anti-bullying message. Over \$1,500 was raised in donations towards the Mental Health Foundation.





Uniform

With the winter months just around the corner, now is a good time to make sure your child is comfortable and warm by being in the correct school uniform.

The school shop sells a range of uniform for both summer and winter months. There are also good quality, second hand items to purchase at reasonable prices.

There should be no excuse for your child to be out of school uniform. Sweatshirts, hoodies, puffer jackets etc are not to be worn in school. Non-uniform items will be confiscated, and parents/caregivers will need to collect these items from school, on their child's behalf.

A timely reminder for correct uniform is:

- Green woollen jersey and black school jacket with Lynfield College monogram
- School shoes are all black, lace up, T-bar or slip-on, non-canvas, cut below the ankle. No boots or sandals.

We appreciate your continued support in making sure your child is in correct school uniform and will continue to uphold these standards. Your support ensures that our focus remains on teaching and learning, and the best possible learning outcomes for your child.

For further information, please refer to the school website for details on uniform.

**School Shop hours are: Monday - Thursday 10.00am – 12.00pm and 12.30 – 1.30pm
Friday 8.00 – 11.30am**

Lynfield College School Ball

This year the Ball will be held at the Ellerslie Convention Centre (Guineas Ballroom). Dress is formal and will be guided by the theme 'A Night of a Thousand Lights'. Our school Ball has developed an excellent reputation for being enjoyable, well run and trouble-free.

Date: Friday 20 July (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 no more than 5% unjustified absences, meeting our Code of Conduct, having paid all fees owing to the College and having presented signed and completed permission forms. Tickets will be on sale from the Accounts Office, to Year 13 students from 5 June and to Year 12 from 11 June. If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Gabrielle Clark, Deputy Principal, 6270600 ext 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 about the criteria since the start of the year.

2018 Lynfield College Production

This year Lynfield College is presenting **Wheeler's Luck**, a New Zealand comedy by Damon Andrews, Toby Leech and Nigel Collins.

When local landowner Nora Cox dies, leaving her prime coastal property to the people of the small town of Bell End, Mayor Duncan attempts to keep the details of the town's acquisition secret, inviting Auckland developer Richard Lush to help him transform the asset into a cash cow for the impoverished council. However, Nora's land holds historical and cultural significance to the town as it was the site of a daring rescue following a shipwreck over 100 years ago. When rural postie Murray learns what is afoot, he sets out to scupper the mayor's plans. The play is full of wonderfully eccentric characters, lots of laughs and some exciting action.

Tickets on sale from Monday 11 June at the Accounts Office. Adults \$10.00, Students and Senior Citizens \$5.00.

Evening performances in the Hall: Wednesday 27 to Saturday 30 June, starting 7pm

Ticket sales on the door from 6.30pm
Doors open for audience seating at 6.45pm
Refreshments will be available at intermission

Cup / Trophy Return

If you have a cup or trophy which was awarded in 2017 (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.

PLEASE SEE OUR SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR UPCOMING EVENTS – ON THE WEBSITE AND PARENT PORTAL

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

Homestay Opportunities - for students to improve their language studies at school and home, experience another culture and make new friends

In July 2018, we will be receiving new students from Italy, Japan, Vietnam, Hong Kong, Spain, France and China. Our new arrivals will live with a host family and attend Lynfield College for 3 or 5 months or longer. As we plan for their arrival, we are keen to hear from suitable families who might be interested in hosting a student. This can be a truly rewarding experience. It allows a family to experience a foreign culture first hand, be exposed to a new language and pass on some of our own culture. The experience can result in life-long friendships!

What Your Family Can Expect	What We Expect From You
nurture a child from another country	a caring, kind family, who would treat the student as a member of their family
experience another culture	3 meals daily and reasonable access to snacks
opportunity to develop a worldwide network of friends	own bedroom with storage, desk and a lamp, and laundry
24 hour pastoral care support	Internet access, necessary for school
fortnightly payments at a comparable rate	inclusion in family activities
regular contact with the school	English conversation (by all family members)

For information about becoming a host family, please contact the Homestay Office during school hours.
Phone 09 627 0600 ext 748
Email homestay@lynfield.school.nz

Homework Support Groups

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

Subject/Faculty	What help is offered	When	Where
English	Assessment and homework help	Thursday 3.20 - 4.20pm	F10
ESOL	Writing, reading, understanding the language of subjects that ESOL students are studying	Tuesday 3.20 – 4.20pm	L6
Mathematics & Statistics	Study tips, general subject help, homework help, clarification and feedback about internal/external assessment requirements, extension opportunities	Every lunchtime	G15
Music	Rehearsal space is available (and supervised) – booking system External and Scholarship workshops	Mon/Tue/Thu/Fri - before school; Mon/Wed/Fri – lunchtimes; Mon-Thu afterschool During study leave	Music Suite
Te Reo Maori	Marae open for students wishing to study Individual help at any time Tutorials during study leave (Level 1-3)	Interval and lunchtime	Marae
International Languages	Computer room open for language students to catch up with homework	Wednesday Interval/lunchtime	C5A
Senior PE	Homework Club	Thursday after school	I2
Student Agency Group	Pasifika Homework Club	Wednesday morning 7.30 – 8.30am	Library
Visual Arts	Individual support progressing student folio boards Extra assistance for achievement of internal standards	School holiday workshops Terms 2 and 3	B8 – B12
Drama	Rehearsal spaces for groups working towards a practical assessment Tutorials and individual help for external assessment	As required Term 4	PAC, B1, B6 B6
Science	Assessment and homework help Y9 – 11 As required for Y12 & Y13	Thursday lunchtime	G8

ASB

Supporting success in your school.

If you are a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you draw down a new ASB home loan of \$250,000 or more, ASB will donate to your chosen participating school:

\$500

ASB lending criteria and terms apply. Fees may apply. To be eligible for this donation your new home loan application must be received, approved and then documented in a facility agreement, along with the completion of a school donation voucher, between 1 July 2017 and 30 June 2018. A minimum of 20% equity is required in the security property provided to ASB. This home loan offer is only available on loans secured by an owner-occupied residential property. Only one donation will be given per customer. Donations will be made by ASB on behalf of the customer to the chosen school upon full draw down of the new home loan. This offer excludes loans for business purposes and bridging.

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Sports Scene

House Competitions

Last term we completed our second House Competition for 2018.

	Junior Touch Turbo	Senior Touch Turbo	Junior Volleyball	Senior Volleyball
1 st	Fatialofa	Faumuina	Reid	Fatialofa
2 nd	Reid	Reid	Fatialofa	Zoricich
3 rd	Bray	Fatialofa	Lewis	Faumuina
4 th	Lewis	Bray	Bray	Lewis
5 th			Faumuina	Reid
6 th			Zoricich	Bray

These points have been combined with those from Athletics Day and the competition is extremely close! With two more competitions still to be played, there is now only 1.25 between the two leading houses, Reid and Fatialofa and the other four houses are within 10 points of each other.

North/West Zone Cross Country

This was held recently at Moire Park, Massey. We entered 9 runners in this event. Notable results were:

Kartik Malik finished 13th and Campbell Boulton 36th in a field of 80 in the Junior Boys.

Danielle Hewett finished 10th and Winona Lee 11th in a field of 21 in the Intermediate Girls.

Toby Runting finished 27th and Sam Boasman 30th in a field of 47 in the Intermediate Boys.

This is a great experience for our distance runners.

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 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 a 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 regardless of the weather. If it is raining some fun and fitness is done in a gym or the weights room.

Team Talk

A total of 59 teams are entered in weekly winter competitions this year. The number in each code is:

Badminton - 6

Basketball (boys) - 6

Basketball (girls) - 2

Football (boys) - 6

Football (girls) - 2

Hockey (boys) - 3

Hockey (girls) - 1

Netball (senior) - 6

Netball (junior) - 6

Rugby League - 1

Rugby - 2

Squash - 2

Table Tennis - 5

Curling - 7

We also groups involved Rock Climbing and Lawn Bowls on a weekly basis.

Huge thanks to those parents, friends and families 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.

Rugby

Lynfield College Rugby has taken on a whole new look this year. We have a 10-Aside girls team and a 1st XV boys team which is entered in the 2B grade. With three new coaches and a leadership group within the boys' team, the culture and results are proving to be a big step up from our recent seasons. The boys' leadership group is:

Nicholas Kumar (Captain), David Stein (Vice Captain), Mustafa Khan, Kaiya Mareva, TJ Piacun, Joshua Kennedy

Here is a report by 1st XV team member, TJ Piacun (Y11):

2018 a new beginning for Lynfield College rugby programme. The season began back in middle February with training every Tuesday & Thursday morning (7.00 – 8.15am) doing strength and conditioning, followed by showers and breakfast.

With our new coaches the vibe of Lynfield College rugby program changing from poor in 2017, to strong reputation in 2018 with the work being done. The coaches (Steve Piacun, Alastair Maisey and Nga Mareva) had a hard task of changing the boys attitude towards rugby & training. With the season fast approaching the coaches kicked it up gear, with have afternoon training sessions, plus the morning sessions still continuing, from the middle of March. The coaching group took control of the team with a preseason 1 day camp, where the team set their values & goals for the 2018 season. This helped change the mind-set of each player that things were not going to be the same last 2017 season!

Our only preseason game was on Saturday 12 May against a strong rugby school, Kelston Boys 2B side, at Kelston. This gave us good test to see if all the hard work done over the past 2 ½ months had been worth the pain. The result was not important to the group or coaches, but how we played as team, and how things really changed from 2017 to now. The narrow loss of 17/19 proved to everyone that we are on the right track with the Lynfield College rugby program in 2018 and beyond.

So, with only 3 trainings left until the competition kicked off on Saturday 19 May, the group went to work over these training days. Thursday afternoon training was an important part of the week's build up and would set the benchmark for how we wanted to play and act out on the field.

Lynfield College Vs Liston College 2B Match Report – Saturday 19th May.

The boys were really excited to get into this season, with our new gear being used for the first time this weekend.

With Liston College being a strong catholic rugby school and their 1st XV playing in 1A competition, the Lynfield boys knew they needed to step up for this fixture. The boys were in the sheds early, and the team was named by the coaches. The lucky 22 players now got into the new playing strip, and we looked really sharp.

The game kicked off and Lynfield gathered the ball and took the hit up and ended up in the Liston 22m area. Lynfield College was awarded a penalty for a Liston player infringing, giving their kicker Tj Piacun a chance to take the lead with penalty shot at goal. He nailed it down the middle! Early lead to Lynfield 3/0.

Liston kicked off again, and then started to apply a lot of pressure. LC were under the Pump for a long period of time before Liston crossed for a try. Nice tight game with Liston now leading 5/3.

Lynfield went straight back on attack from the restart, they were awarded a penalty about 28 metres out from the Liston line. TJ stepped up again to send it through the post for another 3 points to LC.

Liston went straight back on attack from an error in our 22m and had us under the pump to the remainder of this half. The 6/5 halftime score was outstanding effort, as we didn't have much ball or territory in this half.

The coaching group passed on their thoughts in the team huddle, and everyone was on the same page heading into the second half.

In second half both teams attempted to press home for the victory, but made a lot of unforced errors. The game went into the last 10mins without the score changing since halftime. LC tried to run it out from their 22m, and knock the ball on, and Liston winger pounced on the loose ball and raced 10 metres to score the match-winning try. But it was great effort from the whole 22-man squad, and positive signs as we head into next week's training sessions & game. The good sign that showed this game meant a lot to the group, was the trip back to LC in the vans. The mood very quiet, and the boys were hurting from this narrow loss. Head up LC, and look forward to next Saturday against Onehunga High.

All winter codes have had impressive results:

1st XI Girls Football team has been working very hard this year, training 2 -3 times each week in Term 1 and 2x/week now they are in their competition season. All players were a part of our new Girls Football Academy which is under the direction of Andrew Morris, who is also head coach of this team. Watch this space as there will be a more extensive report from the team in the next newsletter.

1st XI Boys Football team have played 2 games in the A3 grade. This is a relatively young team which so far has had hard fought games bringing a close loss and a draw. They are gelling really quickly under the coaching of Kim Beale and are attacking every ball with absolute determination

1st XI Boys Hockey are performing well beyond expectations in their competition. Having lost 13 players from the 2017 1st and 2nd XI at the end of last year, we were thought we might lack depth this year. Not so! The team has really taken up the challenge, stepped up and shown the opposition they are a force to be reckoned with. They have had comfortable wins in all their games.

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

Prem 1 has won the first 3 games in their competition round of the top grade at Netball Waitakere.

All other 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.

Individual Honours

Kieren Chhiba (Y13) has been selected as a member of the Auckland U18A Hockey team.

Breyton Davison (Y13) raced as a part of a New Zealand Speedway Midget race team in Australia recently. This campaign meant race cars and all the tools, spares etc were loaded into containers to travel to be shipped to Australia for this event.

The following girls have all been selected in representative netball teams for Netball Waitakere:

Rowena Brunt (Y13) - U19
Serina Daunakamakama (Y10) - U15(1)
Amelia Perry (Y9) - Year 9(1)
Summer van Gelder(Y9) - Year 9(1)
Kaia Samuel (Y9) - Year 9(1)
Brianna Wines-Corlett (Y9) - Year 9(2)

Amariah Gumbeze (Y13) has been selected to represent NZ in the Oceania Karate competitions, which took place last week.

Samantha Martin (Y12) travelled to Palmerston North compete at the North Island Secondary School Swimming Championships on Saturday May 12. She is a distance swimmer and performed extremely well at this meet:

3rd - 200m Individual Medley

4th - 200m Butterfly

5th - 200m Freestyle

14th - 100m Freestyle

Miree Jung (Y11) placed 2nd in the NZ Women's Golf Strokeplay Championship. This is a fantastic achievement in a very prestigious golf tournament open to women of all ages.

Taichi Nakao (Y11) represented North Shore City Baseball Club in the 2018 United Airlines U19 National Baseball Championship in April.

Serina Daunakamakama (Y10) is currently competing as a member of the U19 Auckland Fiji Community Netball Secondary School Representative 2018 team playing in a tournament on the Gold Coast, Australia. Rep teams from Australia, NZ, South Africa, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Samoa, Tonga, Niue are competing in this international tournament.

Josie Wells (Y9) has just returned from competing in the North Island Synchronised Swimming Championships last weekend.

Her results are very impressive:

Silver - Secondary School Solo

Gold - Team event 13/14/15 years

Silver - Duet 13/14/15 years

4th - Solo 13/14/15 years

5th - Figures 13/14/15 years

There were 82 competitors in total, coming from 3 Auckland clubs, as well as Tauranga, Waikato and Wellington clubs. She also placed 1st in her age group (13-15) in an Auckland figures competition which involved all three Auckland synchronised swimming clubs.

Jamie Hall (Y9) placed first topping his finals climb in 1:00 in a recent Rock Climbing competition.

Stanley Long (Y9) recently played in the New Zealand Junior Baseball Nationals.

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