



LYNFIELD COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER 3

16 March 2018

Coming Events:

Week 8	Mon 19 Mar	NZSSS Summer Tournament Week Lockdown practice
	Tue 20	Adult ESOL – Takapuna, Milford trip
	Tue 20 – Wed 22	12PEA Camp – Tawharanui
	Thu 22	CULTURAL MUFTI DAY – gold coin donation <i>13TFD – Newmarket & CBD trip</i>
	Fri 23	<i>13PXM – Rainbows End trip (rain day 29 Mar)</i>
	Sat 24	CULTURAL FESTIVAL DAY 12 – 4pm in the College grounds
Week 9	Mon 26	Board of Trustees Meeting 6.30pm Admin building
	Tue 27	<i>13ESS – Stardome trip</i>
	Wed 28	SUMMER SPORTS PHOTOS Y13 PILOT Progress Reports Issued
	Thu 29	Year 11 'Attitude' presentation Period 1 Hall, following assembly <i>11SCB – Zoo trip</i> <i>13PXM – Rainbows End rain day</i>
	Fri 30	Easter Good Friday – public holiday, school closed
Week 10	Mon 2 Apr	Easter Monday – public holiday, school closed
	Tue 3	National School Holiday German Exchange Students Farewell 5.30 – 9.30pm Staffroom
	Wed 4 – Fri 6	In-class priority time Otago Junior Mathematics Competition
	Thu 5	Y13 KATTI Progress Conferences (surnames A – L) 4 – 7pm
Week 11	Mon 9 & Tue 10	In-class priority time
	Tue 10	Progress Conferences (surnames M - Z) 4 – 7pm
	Wed 11 & Thu 12	<i>12OED day trips</i>
	Fri 13	APO Chamber Group visit, Rehearsal Studio (for invited music students) <i>Lynfield Student China trip departs (returns 27 Apr)</i> Term 1 ends
Week 1	Mon 30 Apr	Term 2 begins
	Wed 2 – Fri 4 May	Y9 & Y11 Leadership Camp, Piha
	Sun 6	11GEO – Rotorua trip (return Mon 7 Jun)
Week 2	Mon 7 & Tue 8	4 th House Meetings
	Wed 9	<i>13GEO – Muriwai trip (rain day Fri 11 Jun)</i>
	Thu 11	BLOOD DONOR DAY
Week 3	Mon 14 – Fri 18	In-class priority time – students should not make external appointments during school time
	Tue 15	Ramadan begins (approx. date)
	Wed 16	Gifted and Talented Education Conference – GATE
	Thu 17	Senior Mathematics Competition <i>12&13ENC - Auckland Writers Festival</i>
	Fri 18	Pink Shirt Day
Week 4	Mon 21 – 26	In-class priority time – students should not make external appointments during school time
	Thu 24	Year 13 Careers Expo
Week 5	Mon 28 – Fri 1 Jun	SENIOR ASSESSMENT WEEK

Dear Parents/Caregivers

It is always a pleasure to receive positive feedback about our students' involvement in the wider school community and I would like to share with you some recent examples:

- ❖ On 7 March a group of our Year 9 – Year 11 students went to the aid of an elderly woman who had fallen while attempting to weed her front garden. These students displayed exceptional maturity and compassion, calling an ambulance and staying with the lady until the paramedics arrived. The lady's family were extremely grateful for their assistance.
- ❖ On 10 March 'Imagine the Land', a collaborative Auckland Arts Festival-Lynfield College Year 12 History students' pottery installation, opened at the Blockhouse Bay Bowling Club. Website link
<https://www.lynfield.school.nz/News++Events/March+2018.html>
- ❖ The Lynfield League Club (Mathematics) now has 5 teams and were chosen by High School League (HSL) to have their game against Mt Roskill Grammar School, which they won, broadcast live on SKY Sport 2 on 12 March.
<https://www.twitch.tv/videos/238102451>

A new initiative by our Student Agency Group, a Wednesday morning homework club, began this week. It is from 7.30 – 8.30am in the Library and breakfast is provided. Teaching staff are available to assist students with their homework queries. Included in this newsletter is a list of the homework support groups that each faculty runs during the week. A big thank you to our local Hollywood Bakery for their donations towards the breakfast.

On Tuesday 13 March we hosted our first whānau hui for the year where we welcomed whānau of our Year 9 students to the College. Our Kapa Haka students performed a full dress rehearsal before their participation in the ASB Polyfest. Special thanks to their tutors, Anita Moser and Kriss Rapana and also to staff members, Whāea Leauga, Maihi, TeBay and Deputy Principal Kiri Turketo.

Kapa Haka gave a stunning performance at the ASB Polyfest this morning. The Māori stage is live streamed by Māori Television and you can follow this link to see our students. The group has been practicing since the start of the year under the expert guidance of their tutors. Well done to all involved, you made us feel very proud. The Indian Dance Group also gave a fine performance at the ASB Polyfest on the Diversity Stage yesterday. We look forward to seeing excerpts from both performances at our Cultural day on Saturday 24 March.

<https://www.maoritelevision.com/haka/asb-polyfest-2018>



Cultural Week

Next week we have a range of activities planned for our students which celebrate the cultural diversity of our College. These activities are advertised in the daily student notices and through the Schoology App. Included in these activities are:

Tai Chi workshop, Jazz Combo Band, moko-cultural tattoos, henna hand painting, cultural mufti day, cultural fashion show, Japanese origami, Japanese tea ceremony workshops

Preparations are well underway for our annual **Cultural Food & Performance Festival** which will be on **Saturday 24 March**.

Students are working hard at perfecting their performances and an invitation is extended to students, families and the local community to join us at this special event. 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. Food purchases are by ticket only. Ticket sales are from 11.30am and eftpos is available. Food stalls open at 12.15pm, after the opening pōwhiri.

We are over 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

Scholarship Information Presentation

Between 5.30 – 6.30pm, on both conference evenings, there will be a short presentation and an opportunity to ask questions about NZ Scholarship exams and scholarships in general. This event will be held in the school Staffroom. If parents are interested in attending this session, please make your conference appointments either side of this time.

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.

PLEASE NOTE: The Kiwi Coachline school bus to Mangere Bridge will depart from the usual Whiteswan Road bus stop at 2.30pm, but the Titirangi bus will not be departing from Boundary Road until the usual time of 3.20pm (this is because it is a service shared with other schools). The College Library will be open for study purposes for those students waiting for the Titirangi bus.

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Principal

Student Leader Profile – Sports Captains

Kia ora, our names are Rowena Brunt and Kieren Chhiba. We have been given the privilege and are grateful to be Lynfield College's Sports Captains for 2018. Although this year will be very busy for us, we are ready to face the challenges and overcome the obstacles that this position has in store for us.

Already we have had a great start to our year, with a successful Athletics Day and House Turbo Touch competition.

Looking further ahead we have the Lynfield College 60th Reunion, House competitions and the annual Mt Maunganui Exchange (on home soil) among other events to look forward to this year.

The Student Executive theme for the year is Hopu i te ra - catch the sun, and as House Captains we're encouraging everyone to make the most out of every opportunity this year. With the help of the Sports Coordinator Ms Walbran, the Deputy Sports Captains and the House Captains, our goal is to boost participation in House Competitions and sports events to make them more enjoyable and memorable. We hope to make 2018 a great year for everybody and to live up to the standards the past Sport Captains have set. We hope to leave this legacy at Lynfield College as Year 13s.



NZ Olympian visits Lynfield College

As a result of a Pita Pit competition entry by staff member, Holly Abraham, we were fortunate to have canoeist Lisa Carrington visit. Lisa is the only female in NZ Olympic history to win 2 golds at the same Olympics (Rio in 2016) and she has also won a bronze at both the London and Rio Olympics.

Lisa was welcomed to our school with a pōwhiri then met with Year 12 Sports Studies students and a small group of our most talented sportspeople for a relaxed, yet really interesting and informative question and answer session. This was followed by some kai provided by Lisa's sponsors, Pita Pit.



Students Leaving School for Appointments

Students are encouraged to make appointments outside of school hours. However, if a student must leave school during the day:

- they are expected to bring a note from home on the day of the appointment,
- have the note signed by a Dean as soon as they arrive at school,
- present the note to their subject teacher when they leave class,
- present the note and then sign out at Deans' Reception where they will receive an 'Exit' slip.

We appreciate parent/caregiver support of this process.

Lockdown / Evacuation Procedures at the College

Lynfield College engages the services of an independent company, Harrison Tew®, who specialise in emergency management planning for schools. The procedures developed allow us to respond safely and quickly to a range of circumstances.

As a component of the implementation of the emergency procedures in our school, specialised training is conducted with senior management and our staff. The students also receive training from Harrison Tew®, directed at their respective age groups during year level assemblies.

The training consists of a low key but detailed approach to potential threats and has been successfully implemented in hundreds of schools throughout New Zealand.

After the training, we will be conducting a lockdown exercise under the guidance and support of Harrison Tew®. The lockdown exercise will be on **Monday 19 March**.

The exercise will be as real-life as possible, which will mean that parents/families will receive notification by way of text and/or email. The notification will emphasise that this is an exercise/practice and will explain that all updated information will then be posted on the school website.

Prior to this occurring, can I please remind all parents and caregivers to ensure your contact details (mobile phone numbers and email addresses) are current as this will be our communication with you, should an emergency occur at the school.

In a genuine incident, should you hear of a lock down or evacuation at the school, can I please ask that you do not attend the school or phone, as we will not be able to respond. Your presence at, or contact with the school may make it more difficult for us to manage the situation and could potentially place your children and in fact yourselves at risk.

We thank you for your support. If you have any queries, please contact Richard Winn, Deputy Principal, Health and Safety.

Lynfield College 60th Reunion

Lynfield College will be celebrating its 60th 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

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

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

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	C5
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

Sports Scene

Central/Western Zone Athletics Championships

Our Zone Athletics team was very competitive with several winning places in track finals and field events. Those who placed 1st or 2nd in the finals have won the right to compete in the Greater Auckland Secondary Schools Athletics meet at Mt Smart on Wednesday 28 March. Of special note were:

Student	Event	Greater ASSA Qualification
Summer van Gelder	7 th Junior Girls 300m 7 th Junior Girls Long Jump	
Zoya Qureshi	4 th Junior Girls 800m	
Danielle Hewett	4 th Intermediate Girls 400m	
Aahana Shetty	2 nd Intermediate Girls High Jump	2 nd Intermediate Girls High Jump
Jessika Varney	3 rd Senior Girls 100m 5 th Senior Girls Long Jump	3 rd Senior Girls 100m
Sotaro Tanigawa	4 th Intermediate Boys 100m 3 rd Intermediate Boys 200m	3 rd Intermediate Boys 200m
Shinyoung Lee	6 th Senior Boys High Jump	
Alastair Crasto	5 th Senior Boys Discus	

Get2Go Challenge

Four students took part in the Senior Get2Go Challenge at Duder Regional Park. This event was a series of physical and mental challenges which had to be done as a team the whole time. Challenges involved running, mountain biking and problem solving, and all were loads of fun. For example, the first challenge was to take the front wheel off the two bikes in each team of 4, deflate the tyres, carry the wheel (every team member touching the wheel) 500m, put the wheel back on, and get the bike checked.

Although our team didn't finish in the top few teams, they had a fantastic time and are ready to take on the Hillary Challenge 6-Hour Adventure Challenge in Rotorua area in June. This is open to all secondary school students regardless of experience and you do NOT need a high level of skill and experience to join in and have an awesome time. If you know of anyone who would like to be involved in this event, please ask them to come to the Sports Office to talk with Ms Walbran.



Team Talk

Summer Sports

Some summer sports are now reaching the end of their season. We have 22 teams entered in weekly competitions. These range from beginners to very experienced and lots in between!

Dragon boating

Our 3 dragon boating teams will be competing in the Auckland Secondary Schools regatta on Lake Pupuke this Sunday. This event is quite unique in the AKSS sporting calendar – the atmosphere at Lake Pupuke is full of fun and excitement which is shared in great quantities between all teams competing.

Volleyball

The weekly games are all completed, and the Senior Girls team took part in the AKSS Volleyball Champs at the Pulman Park last week. None of our team members had competed in a big tournament like this before and being in seeded in Division 1 made for a very tough tournament. Every game required them to draw on all their 'game brain' and strength. They learned an enormous amount about the mental attitude needed to succeed at this level and will take this to their competitions next year. Special thanks to their coaches River Gavet and Akanesi Fakafanua (both ex-students) and their manager, Ms Holly Abraham.

Cricket

The 1st XI Girls had a long day out when they played Macleans, at Macleans College. We put in our best bowling performance to restrict them to 125 (albeit for one wicket). We got off to a fantastic start with 15 runs off the bat in the first two overs. However, we couldn't maintain it and were 63/4 after 20 overs. Final score was Macleans 125/1, Lynfield 63/4.

Winter Sports

Trials for all teams are occurring in the next 2 weeks. Some teams have already been selected. All team lists will be posted on the Sports noticeboard. **Students must check the notices on Schoology and Kamar every day for times and venues.**

Help urgently needed

Coaches and managers needed for all winter sports. Please take time to consider whether you could coach or manage a team.
Remember, to manage a team you do not need knowledge of the sport, just to be a channel for communication between coach and players as needed and help organise (not necessarily provide) transport to games.

We will not enter a team into a competition unless it has both a coach and a manager!

Currently we URGENTLY need coaches and managers for:

- Rugby - girls
- Football - boys
- Basketball - boys
- Netball
- Hockey – boys and girls
- Squash

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

Athlete Profile

Josie Wells (Y9) is a synchronised swimmer. She swims for North Harbour Synchronised Swimming Club www.northharboursynchro.co.nz and has been swimming with them since she was 7 years old. Last year she won 5 GOLD medals at Nationals in Invercargill in the following events:

12 & Under Team
12 & Under Figures
Open Combo
12 & Under Duet
12 & Under Solo
Gold - Intermediate School Solo

This year Josie has a North Island Competition in Wellington in May and Nationals will be at Westwave in the October Holidays. She has moved into the 13-15 age group and amongst her other team and duet events, will be swimming a Secondary School Solo at both events.

Josie is also currently in the **National** Squad for her age group. This is called the Pikopiko Squad. Last year in November she competed for New Zealand at the Singapore Open and won silver medals in the following events in the Open Combo and 12 & Under Figures.

She went on to compete for NZ at The Asia Pacific Open in Kuala Lumpur in December to win gold in the 12 & Under Solo + figures and silver in 12 & Under Duet. She will likely compete at the Singapore Open again later this year.

Individual Honours

Bunji Nakao (Y9) and **Taichi Nakao (Y11)** are representing their North Shore City baseball club in the upcoming 2018 U13 Ripken National Baseball Champs

Sophie Booth (Y12) was selected to play in a 3 day U17 Football Tournament. She was selected last year as well, and enjoyed the high level of play, and found it was a great pre-season start to the year.

John Fale (Y9) was in the U14 team representing Samoa in the Oceania 20 tag tournament recently.

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 Information for Students

Tertiary Providers visiting in Term 1

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

University Open Days 2018

- **Dunedin Campus Tertiary Open Day** - University of Otago and Otago Polytechnic
Monday 7 May
- **University of Canterbury, Christchurch Campus**
Thursday 12 July
- **University of Auckland Courses & Careers Day**
Saturday 25 August
- **AUT Live**
Saturday 25 August
- **Study at Victoria Open Day, Wellington Campus**
Friday 31 August
- **Massey University Campus Open Days**
Manawatu – Wednesday 1 August
Wellington – Friday 31 August

Unitec are offering a wide range of free workshops during the school holidays this year. Examples include cars & welding; digital marketing; logo & identity design; robotics; game animation plus lots more. Full details at <http://www.unitec.ac.nz/why-choose-unitec/experience-unitec/workshops>

Unitec Campus Tours

Book a tour and see what it's like to be a Unitec student. Look around the campus and meet staff and students.
10am on 27 April
3pm 29 June
10am 12 October

Study Health at NZMA, City Campus – Taster Days on 23 March, 8 June, 7 September. An opportunity to join a class of current students for the day. www.nzma.ac.nz

Latitude Global Volunteering Info night. A chance to learn more about the programmes available and listen to returning volunteers speak about their experiences. Thursday 12 April, 7pm, The Dominion, 234 Dominion Rd, Mt Eden.

UC Go Canterbury \$5000 Accommodation Scholarship. 150 places on offer to Auckland and Wellington Y13 students. This scholarship provides the ultimate all-round student living / learning community for you to experience the very best of what Canterbury, Christchurch and the University of Canterbury have to offer. Enjoy a range of personal development opportunities and adventures as you explore and learn about the region. Registrations open 20 June and close 15 August. Register your interest at www.canterbury.ac.nz/gocanterbury

International College of Hotel Management, Adelaide, Australia

A live in introduction to hotel management. www.ichm.edu.au
Career Weeks: 9-13 July and 1-5 October

Unitec Dance Workshop 17-19 July (school holidays) for Y12 & Y13
Unitec Costume Design Sewing Workshop 10-13 or 16-19 July