



LYNFIELD COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER 11

4 September 2019

Coming Events:

Term 3

Week 7	Mon 2 – Tue 10	Sep In-class priority time – students should not make external appointments during class time this period NZSS Winter Tournament Week Tongan Language Week
	Tue 3	ICAS Digital Technologies Competition
	Wed 4	Geography Scholarship workshops, University of Auckland Year 9 / 2020 out of zone applications close, 5pm
	Thu 5	ICAS Science Competition
Week 8	Mon 9	Māori Language Week – Te Wiki o te Reo Māori Theme: Kia Kaha Te Reo Māori
	Tue 10	ASD Advanced Open Grand Final, 5.30 – 8pm Library
	Wed 11	SENIOR ASSESSMENT begins Year 9 / 2020 out of zone applications ballot date Year 13 Pacific students mentoring with UoA Geography Scholarship workshops, UoA
	Thu 12	11DTG - DIGI CAT EXAMS
	Sat 14	VEX Robotics Scrimmage – Kristen School
Week 9	Mon 16	SENIOR ASSESSMENT WEEK ICAS Reading Competition, 1.00pm in E5
	Tue 17	Year 11 MCAT exam
	Wed 18	TIMSS – Year 9 Maths & Science
	Sat 21	Lynfield College German Cultural Exchange students depart (return 16 October)
Week 10	Mon 23	VOTING WEEK NZ Mental Health Awareness Week
	Mon 23 – Thu 26	Uniform Shop hours: 11.15am – 1.30pm
	Tue 24	Gateway First Aid Course Dance Showcase rehearsal
	Wed 25	Gateway First Aid Course Year 10 Business Market Day, L block lunchtime Dance Showcase Performances, 4pm & 6pm
	Thu 26	HOUSE QUIZ Period 5 & 6
	Fri 27	Uniform Shop closed today
	Sat 28	Term 3 ends VEX Robotics Scrimmage – Lynfield College
	Sun 29	Tuvalu Language Week Daylight Saving starts
Week 1	Mon 14	Oct Term 4 begins Year 10 Speech Competition, Period 4 in B3
	Tue 15	Year 10 – 13/2020 out of zone applications close
	Wed 16	Year 10 – 13/2020 out of zone applications ballot date German Exchange students return
	Thu 1	Festival Awards Evening
Week 2	Tue 22	Kahui Ako – Kapa Haka dress rehearsal
	Thu 24	2020 House Captains voting Kahui Ako – Kapa Haka Konohete – A Celebration of Culture, 6.00pm Lynfield College Hall (a gold coin koha appreciated)
	Sun 27	Diwali Celebration


Dear Parents/Caregivers

Mālō e lelei

This week we are celebrating Tongan Language Week at Lynfield College. Our Pacific Pride Leaders have been very proactive and are teaching us a new word or phrase each day.

Measles

In light of the current outbreak of measles experienced in Auckland, we contacted parents over the weekend of students for whom we do not have evidence of their child having had MMR vaccinations. Thank you to those who have now emailed evidence of this to the school (admin@lynfield.school.nz). This evidence can be in the form of a photo or photocopy of the original MMR vaccination certificate itself OR a printout from your doctor. The information will be added to your child's enrolment information. If you did not receive an email, then we have confirmation of MMR vaccination in your child's records. If you wish to verify this, please ring the Deans' Secretary 627 0600 extension 731.



The poster features a blue header with the title 'Measles in Auckland schools'. Below the header, there are two columns of text. The left column states: 'The only way to protect your family is to make sure they are vaccinated or immune.' and 'Please see your doctor now to catch up on missed vaccinations. They are FREE at your GP.' The right column states: 'If your children are vaccinated, they won't need to stay at home if there is measles at your school.' and 'Keep your child at home if they are sick and watch out for symptoms:'. Below the symptoms list are four icons: a person coughing, a hand with a drop of mucus, a pair of red eyes, and a hand with a rash. At the bottom, it says 'If you or your children show symptoms please stay at home and call your doctor or Healthline (0800 611 116) for advice.' and 'Measles info at: arphs.health.nz/measles'. On the right side of the poster is a photo of a young girl with a backpack. Logos for Auckland Regional Public Health Service, Lynfield College, and the Ministry of Health are visible at the top right.

Uniform

This past week, we have been putting a real focus on uniform and making sure students are respecting our uniform policy and always wearing it correctly. In particular, there has been a focus on non-uniform hoodies and jumpers. We would really appreciate your support with this in helping to ensure that all students are in the correct uniform, including on their way to and from school.

Cancer Awareness Week

Our Student Executive-organised Cancer Awareness Week included a mufti day on Wednesday 28 August and Shave for a Cure event on Daffodil Day, Friday 30 August. One staff member and 7 students braved the winter temperatures to have their heads shaved for a good cause. It was a fantastic effort by all who participated and together with funds raised from mufti day, students and staff raised \$1,867.30 cancer research.

Contacting students during school hours

Visitors to the College are required register at the main reception desk upon entering the school grounds. This is for the safety and wellbeing of all students and staff. If parents/caregivers need to see their child urgently during the school day, please contact the school office, either in person or by phoning 627 0600.

If students have external appointments during school time, they must bring a note from home and have it signed by a Dean when they arrive at school. Sign out must be completed before leaving the school grounds for appointments.

If a student is unwell, they should report in the first instance to the school nurse, who will assess their condition and if necessary make contact with parents/caregivers to arrange for the student to be signed out and taken home.

When parents/caregivers have any concerns they wish to discuss regarding their child at school, please contact the child's dean or a Deputy Principal. Thank you for your support of the College.

We wish all our students participating in Winter Tournament Week a great week and thank their coaches, staff and parent supporters. This is the largest group we have had away in these fixtures.

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Principal

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CALENDAR FOR UPCOMING EVENTS <https://lynfield.mystudent.school.nz/calendar>

Student Representative, Board of Trustees 2019 – 2020

Students are invited to nominate themselves or another student to be the Student Representative on the Board of Trustees for 2019 – 2020. The role of the student representative is to provide input to the BOT, based on the perspectives of the students they represent. They can make valuable contributions to decisions that affect the strategic direction of the school.

Nomination forms and additional information are available from the Returning Officer, Mr Waddington. Nominations will close at noon on Tuesday 10 September and the election will be held during Week 10. Results will be announced Monday 30 September.

Student Leader Profile – Student Representative Board of Trustees

What an interesting year it has been! I came into the role expecting to generate transformative change for the student body. I came out of it with a much greater understanding and appreciation of the founding relationships and principles that act to guide the school forward and I am grateful to have had this opportunity this year.

Stepping into the role as the student representative on the board of trustees provided me with a very different perspective about how the school *really* functions. While previously I and other students have looked at the very near future – as we should, given our short ‘stay’ at Lynfield, the objectives the board sets is a whole lot further away. While students from each cohort leave, the school has to keep moving and plan for the future, to ensure the high standard of education Lynfield provides, continues. That is just the reality of it, and it’s something I didn’t fully appreciate until I sat in a position of governance where often, we looked 5 years, 10 years and even 20+ years ahead into the future.

That isn’t to say the board doesn’t care about the present. Quite the opposite. Just in the past year, I’ve had the opportunity to sit in deputy principal appointment interviews, ensuring that student voice is heard when looking to new leaders within our school. I’ve observed and reported in monthly BOT meetings, placed faculty achievement reports under scrutiny, and witnessed a large board membership transition where 4 of the 5 elected parent representatives for the 2019–2022 term are new to our Lynfield’s board. 2019 has been a tremendous period of change, and I’m glad to have left my own mark in Lynfield College’s new chapter.

As a student leader, I also have a role to play within the school’s student leadership team. I’ve had the chance to work alongside some other like-minded, passionate students across the spectrum of year levels, who all really want to see the school succeed and for students to enjoy their five years of high school. Proactiveness and agency in the junior school has been promising. The future is in good hands.



Raymond Feng & BOT Chair (2016 – 2019) Kristine Mellor

SENIOR ASSESSMENT Wednesday 11 – Friday 20 September

All senior students (Year 11 – 13) will have exams and or workshops to attend during this assessment time. These will include internal assessments, opportunities to complete portfolio-based work or practice for the external NCEA exams. It is important that all senior students attend these workshops/exams. If for any reason a student is unable to attend the end of year NCEA External Examinations, their grade from the practice external exams could potentially be used as a derived grade.

The morning assessment time slot starts at 8.40am and the afternoon time slot starts at 1.00pm. When students do not have an assessment or workshop, they are encouraged to not be at school. There will be two study rooms available (B3 and L1) if needed.

Should your son/daughter not be able to attend one of their timetabled assessments, for sickness or other reasons, please ring the College absence line before their assessment starts.

The exam timetable and instructions have been issued to students via Schoology and is on the website. A paper copy has also been issued.

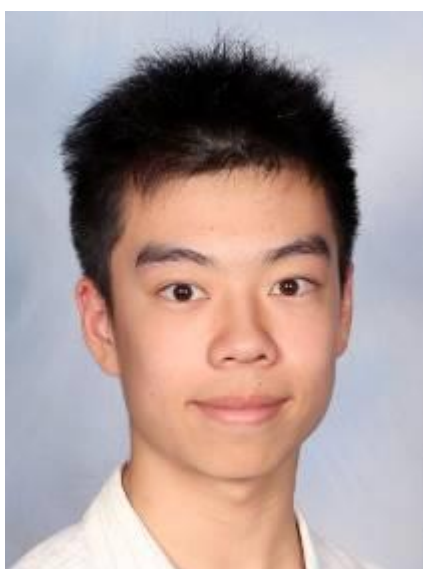
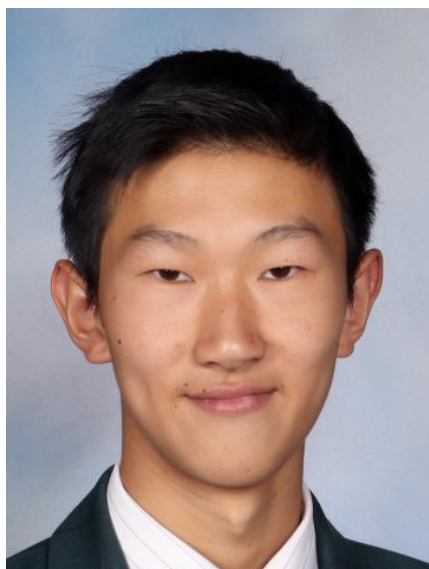
It is important that students are fully prepared for these exams by:

- Knowing their assessment timetable
- Reporting any exam clashes as soon as possible at main reception
- Knowing what is being assessed and how
- Carefully reading the *Examination Instructions for Students* information
- Having a study timetable and using the study leave from timetabled classes productively
- Students are to wear full and correct uniform at all times while at school
- Students must bring their NSN card as a form of ID (these are being issued this week)

If you have any queries in regards to this assessment time or the NCEA external exams, please contact Sandy Harris, Deputy Principal for Assessments saharris@lynfield.school.nz

University of Auckland Economics Competition

Congratulations to Raymond Feng, Alex Zhuang and Dylan Ferns, who achieved High Distinction in the recent University of Auckland Economics Competition. That places them in the top 5% out of approximately 2,500 participating students. There will be an awards presentation ceremony at the University to recognised students who have achieved at that level.



Oral Language Competition Judging

Five of our top debaters - **Joseph Hisayasu, Eesha Mahimkar, Sophie Yang, Sarka Ludvigova** and **Leigh Hine** travelled to Blockhouse Bay Intermediate on Monday 12 August to judge their annual speech competition.

In addition to judging and the Top Year 7 and Year 8 speech, they also created a 'selected' team. This was a group of four students we identified as potentially strong speakers suitable for debating.

I would like to say a huge thank you to you for organising the judges for our oral language competition last week. They did a wonderful job, and feedback from staff and students here has been so, so positive. We would love to have a student panel judging again next year. Trish Loomans, Whanau Leader



NZBGTA

On Tuesday 13 August, a team of Year 11 Geography students competed in the annual NZ Board of Geography Teachers' Association quiz, held at St Cuthbert's College. They placed fourth out of 18 Auckland teams and gained valuable experience for future competition. Contestants were: Johnny Tsang, Rosie Clark-Engel and Aashish Ramanlal.

AGTA Geography Quiz

On Wednesday 21 August, a combined team of Year 13 and 12 students competed in the annual Auckland Geography Teachers' Association quiz, held at St Cuthbert's College, Epsom. Congratulations to Ishaan Bhide, Shayan Rezakhan-Kermani, Zoe Armstrong and Krish Lal, who were strongly competitive throughout the evening and placed third.



Fairtrade Week Activities

As part of Year 10 Social Studies internal assessment, a group of students looked at the human rights and environmental issues in the chocolate industry, holding a range of fun lunchtime activities in Week 4, to challenge student's knowledge and raise awareness of the industry.

In support of Fairtrade Fortnight, students fundraised for Oxfam, including a staff morning tea in return for donations. The students raised over \$1,000 in total, with \$197 of that coming from the morning tea. All money raised was donated to Oxfam.



ASD Impromptu Cup Tournament

Five Lynfield teams competed at the Auckland Schools' Debating North Island Impromptu Cup at Westlake on Saturday 10 August. Kyus Rodger and Joseph Hisayasu headed up the senior team with the others being largely Year 11 Debaters. The Impromptu Cup format is particularly challenging in that teams of two have only five minutes to prepare 5-minute speeches (6 minutes in the final rounds) on a range of topics.

At the end of FIVE rounds on Saturday, only one of our teams (Kyus and Joseph) made the top 16 (breaking in 3rd place, with the highest Speaker point total) and advanced to the Octofinals on Sunday. Kyus and Joseph did incredibly well, winning the Octofinal against Westlake Girls 2, their Quarterfinal against Westlake Boys 2, and, in a huge upset, their semi-final against Westlake Boys 1. This put them in the Grand Final of what is a very competitive tournament with 61 teams from across the North Island.

Grand Final Result

The Grand Final against St Cuthbert's College was an extremely lively event with an 11 adjudicator panel and nearly full lecture hall at Auckland University. The moot was "This house, as a species, would prefer to go extinct than be commercially farmed". Lynfield Affirmed the moot running a case that was largely built on the philosophical premise that only a life where one has self-determination, free-will and family bonds was worth pursuing, taking their side to win the final.

Lynfield College: 1st place and winner of the Impromptu Cup

Top 10 Speaker Awards: Kyus Rodger, 2nd Place, Joseph Hisayasu, 7th Place



Music Competitions

Congratulations to our music students, staff and itinerant teachers who have been involved in these competitions.

Auckland Schools Jazz Competition – Saturday 10 August

Big Band - Gold Award

Jazz Combo - Gold Award

Jazz Project - Silver Award

Stage Band - Silver Award

KBB Music Festival – Term 3, Week 4

Big Band - Gold Award (10th year in a row)

Concert Band - Bronze Award

Chamber Orchestra - Joyce Fisher Mentoring Scholarship

KBB Honours Orchestra - Celesti Tan

NIWA Science and Technology Fair

On Friday 30 August, 20 Lynfield College junior students competed at the NIWA Science and Technology Fair. Congratulations to all students who entered, with special mention of the following prizewinners.

Hazel Fleming 2nd Place Material World Year 9/10 & Special Prize

Kate Kestle 3rd Place Physical World Year 9/10

Lani Rivers Highly Commended & Special Prize

Tiainei Goundar Highly Commended

Ailis Su & Amelia Li
Highly Commended

Caleb Raymond Highly Commended



Enrolment Process for 2020

Enrolments are now being taken for Year 9 / 2020 home zone students and out of zone categories 2, 3, 4 & 5 students.

- Category 2 (siblings of current students)
- Category 3 (siblings of past students)
- Category 4 (children of past students)
- Category 5 (children of Board employees)

Enrolments can be made between 8.00 – 9.30am and 3.15 – 4.30pm Monday to Friday, no appointment necessary.

Year 9 Category 6 out of zone applications close 5.00pm, Wednesday 4 September 2019 (ballot date 11 September).

Year 10 – 13 Category 6 out of zone applications close Tuesday 15 October 2019 (ballot date 16 October).

Enrolment packs are available from our reception desk. More detailed information about enrolment is available from our website

<http://www.lynfield.school.nz/Enrolment.html>

Uniform Shop Special - Windbreaker Jacket, was \$50, now \$30 for this term only.

Sports Scene

Team Talk

The winter season is now finished and a number of our teams have done well. A full report of placings will be in the next newsletter.

Auckland Secondary Schools Road Race

This took place recently at Pulman Park, Papakura. Congratulations to our team of Lynfield athletes who competed and placed impressively:

Neel Kumar	18 th Junior Boys. Time 14:19 (only 1:03 off the winner!)
Shreeya Prasad	23 rd Intermediate Girls. Time 17:20
Winona Lee	29 th Intermediate Girls. Time 17:52
Isaac Fleming	28 th Senior Boys. Time 23:12

Rugby

This year has been extremely successful for our new rugby programme for both boys and girls. The most important feature has been the huge enjoyment so obviously experienced by the players and the large number of family supporters on the sidelines each week. This is a direct result of the outstanding commitment of our coaches and managers and this has flowed on to the players who all now understand the importance and benefits of full commitment to their coaches and team mates.

This rugby programme has been driven by a dedicated group of **volunteers** who are fully focussed on building Lynfield College rugby over the next few years. Particular mention and huge thanks must go to:

Steve Piacun	Coach
Alastair Maisey	Strength & Conditioning coach; Girls 10 A-side game coach
Chris Wadsworth	1 st XV manager
Bronwen Wilson	Girls 10 A-side manager

Latest match report from 1st XV below:

After the game against Fountain Gate from Melbourne on Tuesday 13th August, LC turned out against Onehunga High School on Saturday 17th August. This was our last game of the championship round. It was the last chance for our year 13th students, to play rugby for the college and they really wanted to give their best for this game. After a lot of rain over the last week, the weather played its part in the day with sun out for this last game. Thanks to Onehunga High School for allowing the game to be delayed by 15 min for us to get our uniform.

Onehunga High School kicked off, and LC secured the ball, and from there exited their 22m area. Both teams were playing hard, but simple errors just when they were applying pressure cost them scoring points in the opening 10 minutes. After this Onehunga scored 3 quick tries to lead 17-0 after 20 minutes. Then LC kicked into gear after the slow start and played their best rugby for the whole season, over the next 5 minutes. We scored a great team try to Floyd Tunnel and it was converted by TJ Piacun and TJ also added a penalty kick just before half time. Half time score LC 10 / OHS 17.

Nick and TJ pulled the team together in the huddle, and asked them for a final effort for the last 35 minutes of the season. Steve gave a couple of areas that we need to address and fix before heading into the second half. LC then kicked off the second half, and OHS went straight on to attack, and scored a great team try. From then onwards it was all OHS, scoring another 5 tries. OHS ran away with the game, with the final score OHS 49 / LC 10. The score didn't reflect the effort the boys had put into this game. Thanks also to all the parent support on the side line. The boys really appreciate it.

Our MVP points were awarded to:

3 – Floyd Tunnel, 2 – TJ Piacun, 1 – Nick Talosaga-Kumar & Feoa Asiata

NZ Secondary Schools Winter Tournament Week

NZSS Tournament Week takes place throughout NZ this week (2 – 6 September). This year 10 Lynfield teams are competing in 7 of the various tournaments, playing top teams from schools from all over the North Island. We wish them well as they take on the 'best of the rest'!

All teams will really appreciate any side-line support our school community can give. After the first day (or 2) the draws are dependent on wins and losses from earlier games. Contact the Sports Office (6270600 ext 595) or visit the appropriate tournament website to find out the latest draw.

1st XI Boys Football, "Trident" tournament, Wanganui

1st XI Girls Football, "Kathy Seaward" tournament, Whangarei

2nd XI Boys Football, 2nd XI Boys Football ++ tournament, New Plymouth

1st XI Boys Hockey, "Olympic Stick" tournament, Pukekohe

1st XI Girls Hockey, "Rosemary O'Brien" tournament, Levin

Premier 1 Netball, "Upper North Island Secondary Schools" (UNISS), North Harbour

Curling (4 teams), NISS Championships, Avondale

Uniform Return

With winter sports now finished for the year, **please return all sports uniforms to the Sports Office as soon as possible.**

When the uniform is returned the uniform bond will be refunded via your child, as per the letter your son/daughter brought home at the beginning of the season.

Junior Summer Sports

We will soon be calling for all Y9 and Y10 interested in summer sports competitions in touch, volleyball, softball, cricket and rugby 7s trials and selections will take place later this term (after Tournament Week). Please check the notices on Schoology to be sure your sons or daughters do not miss trials for the teams they are interested in joining. Sign ups for these sports are at the Sports Office.

Individual Honours

Congratulation to the following students who have achieved at high levels in their chosen codes.

Danielle Hewett (Y12) 2nd overall in Step 7 at the NZSS Gymnastics Comp last weekend! In the process of winning her silver medal she achieved 1st on Beam and 1st on Floor.

Amy Riddell (Y13) finished 7th out of 19 in the NZSS Gymnastics A grade Women's Champs.

TJ Piacun (Y12) has been selected as a member of the Auckland U16 West Rugby training squad.

Nick Talosaga Kumar (Y13) has been selected as a member of the Auckland U18 Barbarians Rugby team.

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.

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.

Subject/Faculty	What help is offered	When	Where
English	Assessment and homework help.	Thursday 3.20 - 4.20pm	F10
ESOL	For ESOL students: Writing, reading, understanding the language of subjects, specific subject help from Senior Study Buddies.	Wednesday lunchtime	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. Computer room with music software available most days before school, lunchtime, afterschool. External and Scholarship workshops.	Mon/Tue/Thu/Fri - before school; Mon/Wed/Fri – lunchtimes; Mon-Thu afterschool During study leave	Music Suite
Te Reo Māori	Te Reo Maori subject help	By arrangement with Whaea at lunchtime, Tuesday, Wednesday and after school. Marae open after school Friday until 5pm.	Te Ringa Awhina Marae
International Languages	Computer room open for language students to catch up with homework	Tuesday after school 3.10-4pm	C5A
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
Technology	Support with assignment work Fashion and Design TEL assignment support as required	Every lunchtime Term 2 and 3 lunchtime D1 lunchtime	E2 D8
Science	Assessment and homework help	Tuesday lunchtime	G7

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Kapa Haka Konohete – A Celebration of Culture

As a means of bringing together our community, the Lynfield Kāhui Ako is excited to announce its very first Kapa Haka Konohete!

Who: The Kapa Haka performance groups from 8 of our Lynfield Kāhui Ako schools

When: Thursday 24 October 2019 at 6.00pm

Where: Lynfield College Hall

A gold coin koha would be greatly appreciated. We look forward to sharing this experience with you.