



## LYNFIELD COLLEGE

### NEWSLETTER 3

29 March 2019

#### Coming Events:

##### Term 1

#### SATURDAY 30 MARCH LYNFIELD COLLEGE ANNUAL CULTURAL FESTIVAL DAY, 12-4PM

Week 10	Tue 2 <b>Apr</b> Wed 3  Thu 4  Fri 5	11,12,13DRA – Auckland Theatre Company trip Tennis Champ of Champs 12OED First Aid course <b>Y12 Period 1 Attitude Presentation</b> Y13 KATTI Otago Junior Maths Competition 11ECO trip – Domino's Pizza <b>PROGRESS CONFERENCES 4 – 7PM, students released 2.20pm</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> ID Photo Catch up in the Hall, 9 – 11am Lynfield College Tennis Champs 11ECO trip – Domino's Pizza 12CLA – film study, in class P5 & 6
Week 11	Mon 8 – Fri 12  Tue 9  Fri 12	In-class priority time – students should not make outside appointments during class time this week. Foundation & 12ELS classes trip <b>PROGRESS CONFERENCES 4 – 7PM, students released 2.20pm</b> <b>Scholarship Information Presentation, 6.00 – 7.00pm in the Staffroom</b> Term 1 ends

##### Term 2

Week 1	Tue 30 Sun 5 <b>May</b>	10DRA – Auckland Theatre Company trip 11GEO – Rotorua Trip departs
Week 2	Mon 6  Mon 6 & Tue 7 Thu 9 Sat 11	11GEO - Rotorua trip returns Greentown School, China Exchange students arrive 4 <sup>th</sup> House Meetings 13GEO Muriwai Beach trip (rain day Fri 10 May) Greentown School Exchange students depart
Week 3	Mon 13 Wed 15 Thu 16  Fri 17	NZ Bullying Free Week Writers Festival trip – 10JK, 10ZM, 12ENC, 13ENC <b>Early finish for students at 12.40pm – Teaching staff attend a Community of Learning Conference</b> PINK SHIRT DAY
Week 4	Mon 20  Thu 23	In-class priority time – students should not make outside appointments during class time this week. Year 13 Careers Expo
Week 5	Mon 27 – Fri 31	SENIOR ASSESSMENT WEEK
Week 6	<b>Mon 3 Jun</b> Tue 4 Wed 5 – Sun 9 Thu 6 Fri 7 Sun 9	<b>Queen's Birthday – public holiday, schools closed</b> Chamber Music Competition Week International Youth Silent Film Festival, Portland, USA 12ESS trip BLOOD DONOR DAY at Lynfield College 13OED camp departs for Hillary Outdoor Education Centre, Tongariro (returning Fri 14 Jun)
Week 7	Mon 10 Fri 14	Big Sing Competition this week 13OED trip returns

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Lynfield College has experienced a Week of Solidarity for Christchurch and our Muslim community with student-led activities. Both students and staff wanted to assure our community that the College promotes and upholds a safe, caring, positive environment.

Blue ribbons were handed out at the school gates throughout the week (representing peace, harmony, unity and trust); there was a memorial site where College members could leave flowers, messages and chalk drawings of sympathy and support; there was a haka for our Muslim students and one-minute silence at each of the year level assemblies. Two fundraising events, a staff vs students football match and a blue-themed mufti day, raised over \$3,000 for the Christchurch appeal. On Friday 22 March, we held a memorial service on the field, with interdenominational prayers and karakia and two-minutes silence at 1.45pm.

We can all feel very proud of how our students have expressed the manaakitanga and whanaungatanga of Lynfield College.



### Board of Trustees elections

The triennial BOT elections will be held in June 2019.

In May we will be calling for nominations for **FIVE** parent representatives to the Board of Trustees.

This is a wonderful opportunity to use your skills and experiences to help shape a positive future for our children.

Further information can be found here <https://www.trustee-election.co.nz/becoming-a-trustee/>

### Tomorrow's Schools Review

With the public consultation period on the Tomorrow's School Review report ([Our Schooling Futures, Stronger Together | Whiria Ngā Kura Tūātititini](#)), being scheduled to close on Sunday 7 April 2019, you may be interested in reading Professor Martin Thrupp and Dr Katrina McChesney's analysis of the Taskforce's recommendations. <https://educationcentral.co.nz/the-tomorrows-schools-review-considering-the-recommendations/>

**Progress Reports** are now available through the Parent Portal and they have also been emailed home today. There will not be a paper copy issued to students for this report. Yesterday all parents/caregivers were sent an email advising them of this change, including instructions for making an online booking appointment for the Progress Conferences.

**Progress Conferences** are 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. The booking schedule is now open for parents/caregivers to make appointments with teachers they wish to see.

Thursday 4 April (student surnames A - L), 4 - 7pm  
Tuesday 9 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.

PLEASE NOTE: The Kiwi Coaches bus services to Titirangi and Mangere Bridge will be departing at their usual times, 3.20pm. The College Library will be open for students who must wait for a bus or parents.

### **Scholarship Information Evening – Tuesday 9 April**

On the second Progress Conferences evening, there will be a Scholarship Information presentation in the College Staffroom from 6.00 – 7.00pm. Students are very welcome to attend with the parents/caregivers. If you choose to attend this information evening, you are most welcome to make your Progress Conference appointments on either night.

C M Knell  
Principal

**PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR RECENT NEWS, EVENTS AND PHOTOS** [www.lynfield.school.nz](http://www.lynfield.school.nz)

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

### **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.

### **Recent Student Successes – Congratulations to all involved**

- 2019 ASB Polyfest – Wednesday 13 March. Lynfield College Kapa Haka performed in Division 3 and were placed 2<sup>nd</sup> for Haka, 3<sup>rd</sup> for Waiata Tira and 3<sup>rd</sup> for Mau Raku. They were privileged to have the expert guidance of tutors Hana Matene and Rangi Ferris.

Ka nui te mihi ki nga Kaiako, whanau, akonga hoki mo to koutou pukumahi.

- Auckland Regionals Debating – Saturday 23 March. Three Premier and one Advanced teams attended went to Diocesan School for an epic day of debating - 46 teams from all over Auckland. Our Premier team (Isha Ramanlal, Raymond Feng and Kyus Rodgers) won their quarter final against Westlake Boys 2 and lost their semifinal to AGS 1. The purpose of this event is to select debaters for the two Auckland Regional teams (Auckland White and Auckland Blue) plus three reserves. Kyus Rodger was selected for Auckland Blue and Raymond Feng was selected as a reserve. This is the first time Lynfield has had two debaters selected for this regional squad. The National Debating Tournament will be held in Wellington at the end of May.



### **Student Leader Profile – Sports Captains**

Kia Ora, this year we have the honour of being the 2019 Sports Captains for Lynfield College working alongside some of our amazing teachers who are passionate about sport.

As sports captains our first task was Athletics Day. It was a really exciting event and was incredible to see everyone getting involved and showing their house spirit. Our first house competition is turbo touch where all the houses were working well together to score vital points.

We have also initiated a morning fitness programme for anyone of all ages and genders at Lynfield College. It's a great way for any student to participate in a fun, fitness session and interact with other pupils in a positive environment.

We have an action packed year ahead with the Mt Maunganui Exchange and more house competitions approaching. Although this year will be extremely busy for us, we are ready to face the challenges and overcome the obstacles that this position has in store for us.

Sophie Booth and Mishaan Doolabh



### **Lynfield College Rugby Teams Fundraiser**

At present the Lynfield College rugby teams are holding a hot cross bun fundraiser in order to raise money for new rugby gear. You can support them by ordering your hot cross buns via the form below.

<https://forms.gle/Sus7Mo63veoiEX4J6>

Hot cross buns come in packets of six buns. Brioche buns are \$6 per packet, chocolate buns \$5 per packet and traditional fruit buns \$4.50 per packet.

You can pay for your orders either online (account details on the form above) or at the Lynfield College Accounts Office.

All orders can be picked up from the Lynfield College Sports Office from 11.00am on Thursday 11 April, which is the last week of Term 1. Please feel free to share this link with any friends and family that might like to contribute.

The last day for orders is Friday 5 April.

Thank you for your support of Lynfield College rugby.

## Uniform

As we near the end of Term 1 and the warm summer days, families are reminded to have your child in full and correct school uniform in anticipation for the cooler months in Term 2.

This means wearing the school green jersey, black wet weather jacket or the black polyester jacket that are currently available in the school shop. Shoes must be all black leather-type, low cut (under the ankle) that covers the entire foot. Absolutely no boots, canvas or sandals.

Please also name your child's uniform and sports gear. The PE faculty have a lot of un-named lost property, because students are not naming their gear. Please make this a priority before Term 2.

Finally, in line with our country's desire to be plastic free, please bring your own bags when purchasing items from the school shop.

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.

## 2019 NZQA Fees and Financial Assistance

NZQA fees are now appearing on the portal and can be paid by credit card online or by Direct Credit into the school's bank account with your student's ID as a reference. Paper invoices will be issued early next term.

The fees should be paid by 6 July, the end of Term 2.

NB: The NZQA fee is a flat fee to cover all entries, regardless of how many/few there are. Adding or removing entries for standards during the year will not alter the fee.

The fee for a domestic student is \$76.70. For an international student it is \$383.30. Scholarship entries cost \$30 per subject for domestic students and \$102.20 per subject for international students. Scholarship entries will be decided later in the year when student progress has been more completely assessed. Please DO NOT pay for Scholarship entries until you have been invoiced for them. They will be reflected in an adjustment to the NZQA fee.

**To apply for financial assistance, a form must be completed.** If you received financial assistance last year, it does not automatically carry over. **A new application form must be completed each year.**

Financial Assistance application forms are available from the Deans' Secretary, or online at: <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/assets/qualifications-and-standards/qualifications/ncea/Application-For-Financial-Assistance.pdf>

Financial assistance application forms should be returned to Mr Delgrosso or the Deans' Secretary.

To be eligible to apply for financial assistance you must be the fee-payer (usually the Parent/Caregiver) and meet at least one of the following criteria:

- Be currently receiving a Work and Income or Study Link benefit, or have a current Community Services Card (known as "benefit-based" applications).
- Are not currently receiving a benefit, or do not have a current Community Services Card, but do have a joint family income that would entitle you to receive a Community Services Card (known as "income-based" applications).
- Have two or more children who are candidates, irrespective of family income, and the total fees you would have to pay would otherwise be more than the \$200 (known as "multiple candidate" applications). [In effect, this means three or more children who are candidates, as two candidates generate combined fees of \$153.40, which is below the \$200 threshold. If Scholarship entries are involved, the fees for two candidates may exceed \$200.]

More details are available at: <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/entry-into-ncea/fees-for-ncea/financial-assistance/>

Financial assistance reduces the fee to \$20 per candidate or \$30 per family. This fee also covers Scholarship entries.

Once a Financial Application form has been processed by the school, the NZQA fee will be updated on the portal. It is very helpful if the \$20 (or \$30) fee is brought to school when the application form is returned. In this way, we are able to process the updating of the fee and the payment at the same time.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr Delgrosso – Phone 627 0600 Ext 728 or [rdelgrosso@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:rdelgrosso@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

## Sports Scene

### Greater Auckland Secondary Schools Athletics Championships

These were held at Mt Smart last week. To qualify for this event an athlete must be one of the best 16 in all Auckland. This year 8 of our students qualified to compete. Competition was (predictably) very tough. Our athletes performed extremely well:

#### Tom Christie (Y9)

1<sup>st</sup> Jun Boys High Jump (1.78m, 2cm off the record)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Junior Boys Triple Jump  
1<sup>st</sup> Junior Boys 80m Hurdles (11.74m)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Junior Boys Long Jump

#### Bhakti Patel (Y12)

2<sup>nd</sup> 100m Para Athletes  
2<sup>nd</sup> 200m Para Athletes  
2<sup>nd</sup> Shot Put Para Athletes  
2<sup>nd</sup> Discus Para Athletes

#### Mia Powell (Y11)

10<sup>th</sup> Intermediate Girls 200m

#### Selena Gee (Y12)

10<sup>th</sup> Senior Girls 200m

#### Jessika Varney (Y13)

11<sup>th</sup> Senior Girls 100m

#### Matt Zhou (Y9)

12<sup>th</sup> Junior Boys Long Jump

#### Neel Kumar (Y9)

15<sup>th</sup> Junior Boys 3000m

#### Danielle Hewitt (Y12)

15<sup>th</sup> Intermediate Girls 400m



Thomas Christie, Mia Powell and Selena Gee have been selected in the Auckland team to compete in the North Island Secondary Schools Championships next weekend (6 & 7 April) in Tauranga. We wish them good luck for this very prestigious athletics meet.



### Central Western Swimming Zones

We had several of our swimmers compete in this event at Westwave recently. Only the top 16 in each event from a combination of all 4 zones qualify for the Auckland Secondary Schools Champion of Champions meet to be held next Wednesday 3 April. Congratulations and good luck to our 3 relay teams who have qualified:

#### Senior Boys Freestyle (comprised of 2 seniors + 2 intermediates):

Jackson Potauaine (Y13), Ben Henwood (Y12), Michael Jury (Y11), Levi Green (Y10)

#### Senior Girls Freestyle:

Iman Ibrahim-Jerrywo (Y13), Julia Rennie (Y13), Emily Drage (Y13), Samantha Martin (Y13)

#### Senior Girls Breaststroke:

Lisa Davy (Y13), Julia Rennie (Y13), Emily Drage (Y13), Samantha Martin (Y13)



## Team Talk

### Summer Sports

Most are now finished for Term 1. All players have represented the school with energy and pride and several teams have been very successful.

### Water Polo

#### Senior

Our team is comprised of boys and girls, but must play in the boys' division of their weekly competition and in the NISS Champs. In the **North Island Secondary Schools Championships** being held at various venues around Auckland this week, the competition is fierce and brutal in this very physically and mentally demanding competition. So far they have had 1 win, 1 very close loss (3-4 with the winning goal scored in the last minute) and 2 losses. These champs continue through Friday and Saturday. **Check out the Lynfield College Sports facebook page for more detail and photos.**

#### Junior

This team competed together for the first time on 16 March when they played in a One Day Tournament. Below is a report from their manager, Mrs Bunce:

*They played 3 games on Saturday. The first game we lost but only had 7 players AND they played 10 minutes halves rather than 5 minute quarters so no subs was an issue and one of our players, Anokhi, had never played a game before in her life. The other two games we won. Lucas Lockhart came from two games of softball to play these last games. The game against Rosehill had us losing 5/2 at half time before coming back in the second half.*

*Results were:*

*Lost 7-4 v Selwyn; Won 5-4 v Kings Charlie team; Won 7-6 v Rosehill.*

### Tennis

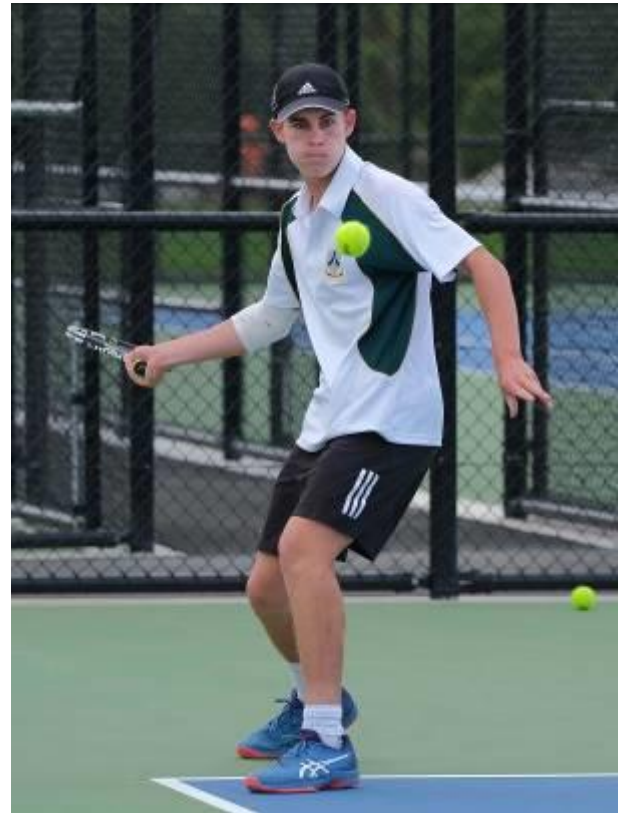
The weather has interfered with some games but this has not dampened the enthusiasm of our players. There has been some excellent tennis played by our students with some games being very intense for quite a long time! Semi-finals are to be played this Saturday and finals on Saturday 6 April.

Our school tennis championships are being held next Friday. Results will be in the next newsletter.

### NZSS Tennis Champs

For the first time in many years, we entered teams into the NZSS Tennis Cup held in Christchurch over the last 4 days. 5 boys from our Senior A2 boys team formed 2 teams and played the best in NZ school tennis. Ethan Lobb (Y12) and Stanley Long (Y10) played as our #1 team while Nicholas Curin (Y11), Toby Runting (Y13) and Jake Runting (Y13) formed our #2 team. Every game was hard fought and resulted in some extremely tight games including 2 doubles games and 1 singles which went to tie breaks and we WON! **Check out the Lynfield College Sports Facebook page for more detail and photos.**





### **Dragon Boating**

The Auckland Secondary Schools Championships were held at Lake Pupuke last Sunday. This event is quite unique in the AKSS calendar as it is a fun, family friendly event in which each team is in fierce competition on the water but welcomes their competitors ashore with high fives.

We had 3 crews (each of 20 paddlers and a caller) involved – 1 girls' and 2 mixed teams. They all had a fantastic day with each team competing in 3 500m races and 3 200m races. "Lynfield Fury" (mixed) came home with **bronze** medals for the 200m and 500m.

We were also able to enter a mixed team in the Open 200m and 500m races. This team was largely Fury but with a few swapped in from our other crews. This team just missed out on medals, finishing 4<sup>th</sup> in both races – 0.03s and 0.06s behind the 3<sup>rd</sup> placed boat!! The competition was VERY tight and exciting. **Check out the Lynfield College Sports facebook page for more detail and photos.**

### **Cricket**

The **1<sup>st</sup> XI Boys' team** has finished the first half of the season in 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Afternoon Grades Senior Open competition. They have won every game in their first foray into afternoon cricket. They will play the second half of their competitions in Term 4 and are hoping to be promoted to a higher grade.

### **Touch**

Held at Cornwall Park this year, our senior teams performed very well. Congratulations to the Senior Girls team who won the Central Zone Girls B grade competition! The Senior Boys team finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Central Zone Boys competition. Thanks to staff coaches Stu Braithwaite and Joanne Smith, for the work they did to get the teams to this standard.

### **Rock Climbing**

Introduced last year, Rock Climbing has become very popular. This will be offered for Term 2 also and sign-ups are happening now at the Sports Office.

### **Tag**

One senior boys team and one senior girls teams are entered the Central North Western Secondary Schools Tag tournament next week. Watch this space!

### **Uniform return**

Most summer sports are now complete. **Summer sports uniforms should be returned to the Sports Office as soon as possible.** When players return their playing strip their \$25 uniform bond will be refunded to their nominated bank account. Any students with outstanding Sports uniform or fees will NOT be able to play another sport for the school until they have addressed this issue with the Sports Office.

### **Sports Fees payment**

Payment of sports fees and uniform bonds can be made at the Accounts Office, Sports Office (which both have eftpos facilities available) or online.

### **Winter Sports**

Most trials are now complete and teams named. Final trials are taking place next week for winter sports and team selections posted on the Sports Office noticeboard. *Once students have been placed in a team they must meet all training and game commitments, as well as pay their fees to secure their place in the team.* All students in sports teams will take home a letter containing important information (e.g. playing dates, venues, costs) soon after selection. In fairness to all involved, all fees must be paid prior to the first game of the season, as per our NO PAY = NO PLAY policy.

### **URGENT - help needed**

*Coaches and managers needed for all our 50+ winter sports teams. **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!**

***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)***

We **urgently** need coaches for:

Basketball - Junior Boys

Netball - Senior (games are on Tuesday night at Te Pai PI, Henderson); Junior (games are on Saturday morning at Te Pai PI, Henderson)

Hockey - Boys

### **Pre-season games**

Football and rugby have organised several pre-season games which are largely being played off site. These are excellent preparation for the competition season which begins the first week of next term.

### **Rugby**

The new rugby programme is well underway. Strength and Conditioning sessions have been running each Tuesday and Thursday morning throughout this term. After school training has just begun every Tuesday and Thursday and this will continue throughout Term 2. It is great to see both boys and girls working together on a wide variety of skills, largely based around safe play on the rugby field.

The programme is being led by a committee comprising parents of our players, staff members and community coaches.

***We urgently need a committed coach for our girls rugby team.***

Last Saturday 41 rugby players (girls and boys) had a very enjoyable and successful team building and goal setting day. It began with a 3-hour session at Tree Adventures where they tested their mental and physical toughness on the high ropes course. Then they returned to school for a late lunch and a goal setting session.

***Check out the Lynfield College Sports facebook page for more detail and photos.***

### **Individual Honours**

Congratulations to the following students who have recently excelled in their sport:

**Maurizia Macciachera (Y9)** will go in Melbourne at the end of May with the NZ Rhythmic Gymnastics Team for the Australian Nationals Championship.

**Liam Coughlan (Y11)** is going to Huntington Beach, California with a group of other junior lifeguards from Piha and Tairua Surf Lifesaving Clubs on a lifeguard exchange during the July school holidays. While there, he will take part in patrolling and other activities. In January 2020 these clubs will host the Americans here.

**Vanessa Jim (Y12)** competed in the North Island Youth Archery Championships on 9 & 10 March. She won gold in the Junior Women (which is U20 & U17 combined) Matchplay and won silver in U17 Female Recurve target event.

**Hiroki Yokose (Y12), Taichi Nakao (Y12), Qibang Chen (Y12)** were selected to play in the National Baseball Champs 14 – 17 March.

**Salma Ibrahim-Jerrywo (Y12)** won gold for her age group in the Takapuna Harcourt swim series 2km swim.

*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)*