

NEWSLETTER 9

2 August 2019

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Coming Events:					
Term 3					
Week 3	Mon 5 Aug	Cook Islands Language Week Lumino The Dentists arrive (seeing Year 9 & 10 students, depart Fri 16/8) COURSE SELECTION - PORTAL OPENS THIS WEEK			
	Mon 5 – Fri 9 Tue 6 – Fri 9 Tue 6	13OED & PEL Camp – Kokako Lodge, Hunua Camp Year 9 & 11 Class Reps Camp – Kokako Lodge, Hunua Camp Science Fair Showcase, 4 – 6.30pm G block			
	Wed 7	An Evening of Talanoa, 6- 8pm Staffroom Junior Reports issued via Parent Portal Dance NZ Made trip, Bruce Mason Centre, Takapuna Special Assembly for all Mt Maunganui trip students, 10.15am Hall 11HIS – Elizabeth Eckford trip 12DRA Class Production 6.30pm PAC			
	Thu 8 Sat 10	MT MAUNGAUI – LYNFIELD COLLEGE SPORTS EXCHANGE (away) Auckland Jazz Competition Finals Goethe Society Oral Competitions			
Week 4	Mon 12	KBB Music Festival Week Chamber Orchestra competes at KBB Music Festival			
	Wed 14	13ECE – Placement day Y10 & 11 Stand Up Stand Out Competition Option Choice Afternoon			
	Thu 15	Big Band and Concert Band competes at KBB Music Festival PROGRESS CONFERENCES (A – L) 4 – 7pm			
	Fri 16	12&13TOU – CBD trip Lumino The Dentists depart			
	Sat 17	VEX Robotics Scrimmage – Kristen School Shinagawa Summer School departs			
	Sun 18	13GEO Rotorua trip departs			
Week 5	Mon 19 Tue 20	13GEO Rotorua trip returns Access-IT Road Show – Library closed Period 1 - 4 PROGRESS CONFERENCES (M - Z) 4 – 7pm			
	Wed 21	12OED – Pinnacles Camp Y9 & 10 Mathex Quiz Evening, ASB Stadium 11DRA Class Production Evening			
	Thu 22 Fri 23	Year 12 Attitude Presentation, Period 1 Hall Talent Quest (Dance/Song), lunchtime Hall (students only event)			
Week 6	Mon 26 Aug Tue 27 – Fri 30	Mid-Term Break – Lynfield College closed for instruction on this day In-class priority time – students should not make external appointments during class time this week			
	Wed 28	12ESS Stardome trip Senior Quizzex, lunchtime			
	Fri 30 & Sat 31 Sat 31 Sun 1 Sep	Music Department Jazz & Soul Concert, 7pm Hall NIWA Science & Technology Fair VEX Robotics Scrimmage – Lynfield College Tongan Language Week begins			
Week 7	Mon 2	In-class priority time – students should not make external appointments during class time this week NZSS Winter Tournament Week			
	Wed 4	Geography Scholarship workshops, University of Auckland Year 9 / 2020 out of zone applications close, 5pm			
	Thu 5	ICAS Science Competition			

The school value that will be our focus for Term 3 is whanaungatanga tika – we learn together, we are collaborative, we are connected and we are active in our community. It has been lovely seeing so many of our students showcase this when speaking to our contributing schools during the enrolment tours and during the Enrolment Open evening last Monday.

An Evening of Talanoa

With the focus for August being course selection, our Talanoa for Term 3 has a particular focus on student success and pathways. Lafi Peters from NZQA will join Jeremiah Tauti of Mana Connections Ltd in facilitating the evening. We invite Pacific parents who would like training or support in accessing student reports on the Portal to join us from 5.30pm in the staffroom for one-on-one assistance.

Course Selection for 2020

Term 3 has particular importance for senior student achievement. Course selection for 2020 has begun, with Year 10 – 12 students being issued with their Senior Course Information booklet. The booklet is also on the College website. https://www.lynfield.school.nz/Curriculum/Courses.html

This week, there were presentations in Year 10, 11 and 12 assemblies, where students were briefed on the importance of making careful and informed choices and were encouraged to talk to their subject teachers about which courses to take. Students have also been issued with Course Selection forms. I would urge parents and caregivers to spend time discussing possible courses with their child, while being guided by the important qualifications, awards and prerequisite information contained in the 2020 senior course information booklet.

Year 9 students will receive their 2020 course information booklets in Week 3.

Year 10, 11 and 12 students must give their completed course selection forms to Form Teachers before **Wednesday 21 August**. Parents are encouraged to enter their child's selections on the Course Selection function of the Parent Portal, which is now open. If you have been unable to do this, please indicate that on the form. We are using the two systems simultaneously, with the backup of a paper copy. The Course Selection function on the portal will close on these due dates. If you do not have your login and password please contact our main reception desk.

Option Choice Afternoon

On Wednesday 14 August we will hold an Option Choice Afternoon in the Hall, where Year 10 - 12 students who have not completed their course selection forms can have conversations with Faculty Leaders or teachers about subjects for 2020 and get their course selection forms signed, then they go home. On this day, Year 9 and Year 13 students will be released at 2.00pm and Year 10 - 12 students who have already completed course selection for 2020 will also be released.

Kiwi Coaches school buses will depart at the usual time. The College Library will be open for any students who need to wait for buses.

Progress Conference Evenings

The progress conference evenings are on **Thursday 15 and Tuesday 20 August from 4 – 7pm** for all year levels. This is an opportunity to get feedback on your child's progress and find out what work may need to be done for successful results in the senior exams that begin in Week 8 of this term, Wednesday 11 to Friday 20 September. Further information about booking interview times online will be emailed to parents/caregivers this coming Monday. ALL students will be released at 2.20pm on both these days.

Student Leadership 2020 Elections

Expression of interest forms will be available on Monday from Mrs Clark's office for Year 11 and 12 students who would like to be considered for a leadership position in 2020. Students have until 3.10pm on Monday 12 August to submit an application form to Mrs Clark.

Electronic speeches are due to Mrs Clark by 3.10pm Monday 19 August. Applicants' speeches and electronic voting will take place at the Year 12 and Year 11 assemblies in Week 10.

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.

C M Knell Principal

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

A message from our School Nurse: Measles

So far, we have not had any confirmed cases of measles at Lynfield College.

If a student is confirmed as having measles, or a student who has not had any MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) vaccinations but has come in contact with someone who has measles, they will be put on quarantine at home. A student with at least one MMR will be presumed immune and can continue at school.

Please consider checking your child's immune status and see if your doctor is concerned. Those who wish their child to remain unimmunised or if anyone has any questions, please email me nurse@lynfield.school.nz

For further information about measles, see the Ministry of Health website link below.

https://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseases-and-illnesses/measles



Student Leader Profile - Social Coordinators

Kia Ora from your 2019 Social Co-Ordinators, Giordi Gambassi and Alicia Taito. We were lucky enough to be chosen for this role and we've had such a great year being involved with multiple projects throughout the school to make our last year memorable. The help and support we have received from staff and students has been amazing and we are so thankful to have had this opportunity.

We started this year with the big job of designing and organising the 2019 Leavers gear. We worked really hard alongside the Year Level Representatives coming up with designs for the hoodies and the end result was rewarding. We also had the opportunity to be a part of the Ball Committee and on the 19th of July at the Pullman Hotel, 340 Lynfield College Year 12 and 13 students and staff gathered to celebrate "A Night in Narnia." The night was filled with music, dancing, singing and a great selection of food that was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. However a night like this took months of planning and thanks to our Ball Committee who gave up so many lunchtimes, afterschool and nights to make this possible. A special thanks to Mrs Clark who gave up even more time. Seeing all our hard work turn into a fun and memorable night was amazing.



Next up for us is to plan the Leavers Dinner, which we are super excited about. We hope to make everyone's last dinner together memorable before we embark on our next step in life.

We have had an amazing year being your 2019 Social Co-ordinators and we hope that we have made your last year memorable.

2019 Lynfield College Ball - Award Winners

This event was held at the Pullman Hotel and will be remembered by all as a fantastic evening. Thank you to the Ball Committee for the enormous amount of work they did in preparation for this wonderful event. Congratulations to this year's award winners.

Queen of the Ball (Year 13) – Jessika Varney Belle of the Ball (Year 12) – Jonni Ryan-Gordan Best Dancer – Rosalyn Fononga Best Dressed Female – Sarah Niumata Best Dressed Teacher – Alannah Morris King of the Ball (Year 13) – Aaron Tahu Beau of the Ball (Year 12) – Nathan Lockhart Cutest Couple – Melissa Nicholson and Hayden Lapwood Best Dressed Male – Harsh Sharma

Recent Student Extra-curricular Success

Congratulations to the following students:

• World Schools Debating Competition

Kyus Rodger (Y12) recently represented New Zealand at the World Schools Debating Competition in Thailand. His team made it into the octofinals, having beaten Denmark in a split decision 2 – 1. Unfortunately, New Zealand lost the octofinals to the USA team. A fantastic achievement and experience for the New Zealand team.

Goethe Institut Scholarships

Rosalyn Fononga and Joanna Wu (Y12) have both been awarded a scholarship to travel to Germany in January 2020. They will participate in a 3-week German language course at the Goethe Institut in Frankfurt where they will attend German lessons in the morning and be involved in cultural activities with other international students of German in the afternoons.

William Maggs (Y12) was invited to attend the NZ German Language Olympics in Wellington at the end of July, participating in language workshops and the second round of scholarship interviews.

Lynfield College has been awarded 12 Germany scholarships since 2007.





Reporting Achievement in Junior Mid-year Reports 2019

You will notice a difference in the way in which progress will be reported in the Mid-Year Junior Reports this year. This letter seeks to clarify the change.

The report will indicate the curriculum level your child is at for a subject or learning area.

The subject teacher comments will identify a strength your child has demonstrated in their learning and suggest a next step they can take to make progress. There will also be a comment linked to one or more of our school values.

The report will be on the parent portal on Wednesday 7 August. Students will not be issued a printed copy this year.

We look forward to discussing your child's report with you at our next Report Evening. The dates for these will be emailed to you, indicated in the school newsletter and on the College website.

Ms Sandy Harris Deputy Principal

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

Mobile Phone Use in Class

To support your child's learning and wellbeing, a group of students and staff have put together a plan to limit mobile phone use in the classroom. This plan helps to clarify existing rules around phone use and allow for a more consistent approach throughout the school. Students will be asked to have their phones and headphone away when they enter a learning space. They will only be allowed to use their phone with the teacher's permission for a specific learning activity. The students and staff who were involved in this project are hopeful that this will help students to develop healthy habits around phone use and will support Manaakitanga as one of our school values.

This poster was created by Anish Bhalla in Year 12 in support of appropriate mobile phone use in class.



Homework Centres

The College Library opens at 8.00am remains open after school every day <u>until 3.40pm</u>, 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

Cup / Trophy Return

If you have a cup or trophy which was awarded in 2018 (at Festival Awards, Senior or Junior prizegivings), please return them to the main reception in the Admin Building **URGENTLY**. It is NOT necessary to polish cups before their return. Thank you.

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

TV3's Show The Project - live studio audience tickets available

Tickets are available for these live audience shows for the month of August. Email Tania taniagoldsbro@mediaworks.co.nz with your date request, a back-up date in case your first choice is full, and how many seats you need (maximum 6 or more if you'd like to organise a social group outing). Your name will be added to the Audience Guest List and an e-ticket confirmation will be emailed to you. The studio is wheelchair accessible.

SPORTS

Sports Scene

House Competition

House netball begins soon with seniors starting in Week 4 and juniors selecting their teams for their competition which will follow on from the senior one. With the points table locked up, this is looking to be a very tough battle. There are 3 houses on 2=.

Mt Maunganui Exchange

This annual event has taken place for 59 years. It is an exchange between Lynfield College and Mt Maunganui College where our top teams in each winter code battle for the coveted overall trophy. This year it is our turn travel to Mt Maunganui and the exchange will take place next Thursday 8 August. Watch this space for the results!

All students travelling on this exchange must attend a special assembly at 10.15am in the Hall on Wednesday 7 August.

Team Talk

With the Winter sports season now in playoff rounds we have a number of teams playing quarter and semi-finals in their competition.

Basketball

The season ended for this sport this week. Both our Senior Girls team and our Open A Senior Boys team played in zone finals this week. The girls defeated St Dominics 31-26 making our girls winners of the top West Auckland grade. Our Open A Boys played St Pauls in a very intense and close game. Although we were down at the end of the 3rd quarter our boys fought hard to narrow the gap but couldn't quite finish off, resulting in St Pauls winning by only 5 points. *Check out the Lynfield College Sports facebook page for more detail and photos.*

However, there is much excitement amongst our basketballers as our top senior girls' and boys' teams have created Lynfield College history. As far as we can tell this is the first time that both teams have qualified for the Greater Auckland Champs! This tournament is open only to the top two senior teams from each of the 4 basketball zones. Greater Auckland Champs will be held at Pulman Park, Papakura on Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th August. Watch this space!!



Football

1st XI Boys Football team has made it to the Knockout Cup semi-finals!! This is the first time we have been in this position since 1985 so our football community is super excited. We played Takapuna in the quarter final the first day of this term. It was so good to be able to play this game on our #1 field and have staff, student and parent support on the side-line. After being 1-0 up at half time the game could have been either teams'. However our boys performed outstandingly to outplay Takapuna using skill, composure and team work to take the win 5-0.

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

The semi-final will be played Tuesday 13 August kicking off at 3.15pm and will be another HOME GAME!!





1st XI Girls Football team continues to be undefeated this season and are working relentlessly towards their goal of gaining promotion to Premier for next season. With one game to go, they are assured top placing in the A2 grade for the round robin which finishes next week. They will then go into semi-finals and finals in Weeks 5 & 6.

2nd XI Boys Football team are also undefeated and are now playing in the B Reserve competition where they are top of the table with 4 games to play.

Rugby

The 1st XV has made the Top 8 for our grade and have had plenty of excellent, close games throughout the season. Lynfield College 6th and final game of round 1 was against Botany Downs College:

And it was another early start for the boys with this game being played out at Botany Downs College. Boys were pumped after a good training week, and the previous week's victory. On a cool morning, our boys were forced to get ready in the Botany Downs College carpark next to the ground, which was not ideal, but it brought the boys together as a group. There were some good nerves around the group, as this was the last game of the opening round, and we were pushing hard to make the top 4 in our section to be involved in the Top 8 after the school holidays. Nick & TJ ran the warmup, and the boys lifted into focus mode. LC won the opening exchanges and got an early lead of 7-0 after just 2 minutes. A nicely worked try to Jackson Potauaine which was converted by TJ. From there the game was played at a good pace, but neither team got across for more points until late in the half. Then Botany Downs worked a nice scrum movement, which saw their No 8 cross for try, and this was converted for a 7-7 score with 5 minutes left in the first half. LC kicked off and went straight back onto attack and went through about 8+ phases and we scored another try (by Jackson) for a 12/7 lead at halftime.

Steve pulled the boys together and stated a couple of areas that we could be better in heading into the 2nd half. And then team captain Nick asked the boys for another big effort for the last 35mins of the game.

From the kickoff of the 2nd half LC boys put a huge effort and spent a lot more time in the Botany Downs College half. Botany Downs discipline became an issue, with them giving away a lot of penalties. The LC team made the most of this pressure, with another well worked try from a scrum which was converted for 19/7 lead. Minutes later, LC was awarded another PK inside the Botany Downs 22m area. TJ stepped up and kicked the goal. LC lead 22/7 with about 15 minutes to play.

From this moment, Louis Neville-Smith had to leave the field with a seriously broken finger. Botany Downs played with all the ball and they scored 3 quick well worked tries, which were all converted to now led 28/22.

From the kick off Botany made a simple error, which allowed LC to push hard for the victory. But the Botany Downs defence stood strong until the final whistle. So we went down 28/22.

Emotions were all over the place after this result, but Steve said we still have plenty of big games in term 3 with the Mount Maunganui exchange and game against tour visiting team on 13th August.

But on positive note, we did get a bonus point out of this game, which saw us finish tied for 4th in our section.

Our MVP points were awarded to: 3 - Nick Talosaga, 2 - Jackson Poutaine, 1 - Faeo Asiata

Thanks also to all the parent/friends support on the sideline. The boys really appreciate it.

Individual Honours

Callum Boulton (Y13) finished 1st in a field of 374 in the Y12 & Y13 division of the Auckland Tough Guy Challenge and was 3rd male overall (out of 461 competitors).

Vanessa Jim (Y12) was a member of the NZ Trans-Tasman archery team who won the Trans-Tasman trophy for the first time in 9 years this week! She also won a silver medal in individual matchplay in the combined division of Junior (U20s) and cadet (U16). She was the only New Zealander to have placed in that combined division.

Taichi Nakao (Y11) & Bunji Nakao (Y9) are members of the Auckland Baseball U16 team which recently WON the 2019 Senior Little League Asia Pacific Baseball Tournament held in Weihai, China and are now the Asia Pacific Champions! This qualifies this team to compete in the Senior Little League Baseball World Series in South Carolina at the end of this month.

Serina Daunakamakama (Y11) was named "Mid-courter of the tournament" at the North Island Age Group Netball U15 Rep tournament.

Liam Coughlan (Y11) is taking a trip to the US in the holidays. He is a Lifeguard with Piha Surf Club and has been accepted for a Lifeguard Exchange over there.

Campbell Boulton (Y10) finished 4th in a field of 76 in the Y0 – Y11 division of the Auckland Tough Guy Challenge and was 12th male overall (out of 461 competitors).

Amy Tan (Y10) & Amy Crawford (Y10) and Angel Hetherington (Y11) have been selected for the Northern Football Federation Player Identification Camp 8-10 July for the U16 Girls age group.

Katya Blong (Y9) Auckland U15 Ice Hockey Rep team which competed in the NZ U15 Ice Hockey League in Canterbury last weekend.





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.