



## LYNFIELD COLLEGE

### NEWSLETTER 1

February 2020

#### Coming Events:

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| Week 4 | Fri 21 <b>Feb</b><br>Sat 22  | 12&13CLA Theatre trip, <i>An Iliad</i><br>VEX Robotics Scrimmage, Onehunga High School  |
| Week 5 | Mon 24<br>Tue 25<br>Wed 26<br><br>Thu 27<br><br>Fri 28<br><br><br>Sat 29<br>Sun 1 <b>Mar</b> | Board of Trustees Meeting, 6.30pm Admin building<br>13ESS Geology trip<br>11SCB trip<br>Lumino The Dentists depart (returning Week 6, Term 3 to see Y9 & Y10)<br>12BIO Arataki trip<br>13HIS Museum & Library trip<br>12BIO Arataki trip<br><b>Teacher Paid Union Meeting – students released at 12.40pm</b><br><b>Kiwi Coaches school buses:</b><br><b>Mangere Bridge bus departs from White Swan Rd 12.50pm</b><br><b>Titirangi/Laingholm bus departs usual time, 3.20pm</b><br><b>College Library open for supervised study until 3.10pm</b><br>VEX Robotics Nationals, Lynfield College Lower Gym<br>VEX Robotics Nationals, Lynfield College Lower Gym |
| Week 6 | Mon 2<br><br>Wed 4<br>Thu 5<br>Fri 6<br><br>Sun 8  | <i>In-Class Priority Week</i><br>AsTTle Testing Week<br>Auckland Cricket T10 Festival<br>NCEA Information Evening<br>Sticks & Stones Training<br>12&13BUS Rainbow's End trip<br>ASD Seasonals Tournament, Lynfield College 8am – 6.30pm   |
| Week 7 | Mon 9<br>Tue 10<br>Tue 10 – 13<br>Wed 11<br><br>Thu 12<br><br>Fri 13                         | 12OED First Aid Course TBC<br>Western Zone Athletics<br>Year 9 Hearing Testing<br>12HIS trip<br>Swim Time Trials<br>12&13PHO trip<br>10FOT Chelsea trip<br>Safe School Leaders Training<br>10BUS Chelsea trip<br>Hui Whanau, Hall & Marae 5 – 7pm   |
| Week 8 | Mon 16<br>Mon 16 – Fri 20<br>Wed 18 – Sat 21<br>Thu 19<br><br>Fri 20<br>Sat 21               | Fia Fia Night, Hall 6.30 – 8pm TBC<br>12OED Hunua trip<br>2020 ASB Polyfest<br>10FOT Chelsea trip<br>11HIS trip<br>13PXM Rainbows End trip<br>German Exchange Students arrive   |
| Week 9 | Mon 23<br><br>Tue 24<br><br>Wed 25<br><br>Wed 25 – Fri 27<br>Thu 26                          | CULTURAL WEEK<br>12GEO CBD trip<br>13HOB Kokako Roastery trip<br>Board of Trustees Meeting, 6.30pm Admin building<br>12GEO CBD trip<br>13BIO Zoo trip<br>SUMMER SPORTS PHOTOS<br><b>Progress Reports on Portal</b><br>12PES Tawharanui trip<br>13DRA trip   |

**SATURDAY 28 MARCH**

**LYNFIELD COLLEGE ANNUAL CULTURAL FESTIVAL DAY, 12-4PM**

Kia ora koutou katoa

On behalf of the Board and staff I would like to welcome all parents, especially 'our new to Lynfield' parents to this first newsletter for 2020. This newsletter is emailed fortnightly during term time to all parents on the email list (taken from the enrolment form at the time of enrolment). It is also available on the website (Newsletters) and paper copies are available on request from Reception. Please ensure that we have an appropriate email address for you so that you receive the fortnightly newsletter and any other notices. To update your email address, email [admin@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:admin@lynfield.school.nz) indicating your child's/children's name(s) and form class(es) in your email.

We are delighted, overall, with the way our students have settled into their learning programmes for 2020 and have appreciated their cooperation, as we have added an extra class at Year 9 and juggled classes at other levels to make class sizes more manageable.

### **Year 9 Orientation**

Year 9 students began the year with a three day orientation programme. Supported by Peer Support students, the Year 9s did team-building activities and learnt their way around the school. The Year 9s also learnt about the history of the school and the opportunities available to them to carry on the College's proud traditions in sport and cultural activities. The Year 9 Form Teachers were busy helping the students settle in, and they were very positive about the students' enthusiasm and friendliness. Year 9 Form Teachers stay with their form classes as they move through the year levels.

### **Year 9 Whānau Evening**

Our Year 9 Whānau evening on Wednesday was an excellent opportunity to meet many of our new parents and for you to be able to meet your child's form teacher and receive information on the academic programme and expectations for Year 9. If you were unable to attend, you will have another opportunity to meet with teachers and form teachers at the progress conferences on Thursday 2 and Tuesday 7 April.

### **2020 Senior Leadership and Team Building Course**



The Lynfield Student Executive 2020 spent 23 and 24 January participating in leadership training.

Beginning with a jam packed day at Unitec's Adventure Works, the Exec were challenged to step out of their comfort zones as they participated in challenges, team building and leadership development activities.

A personal highlight of mine was conquering the climbing structure. The challenge was designed to foster trust as you relied on your team mates to belay you, as you climbed up a tall pole then jumped off the top, aiming to swing off a hanging trapeze. This activity was exhilarating and gratifying.

The next day consisted of furthering our sense of teamwork as we enjoyed some friendly competition over the course of the day's activities. The most challenging part for many was learning the school haka, but we all came together in the end to present a proud, powerful and passionate performance.

Overall, the two days were enjoyable and tested our strengths and weaknesses. We came together as a team and are all much more confident and excited to be leaders within Lynfield College.

Amanda D'Souza, Year 12 Student Executive

### **Presentation of Badges Assembly**

On Thursday 13 February we held the Badges Assembly at which our 2020 Student Executive were presented with their badges of office. Thank you to parents and caregivers who attended this very special event. I wish these students a very successful and rewarding year.



### **NCEA Results 2019**

2019 saw some great results achieved by our Year 11,12 and 13 students in Level 1, 2 and 3 respectively.

#### **Highlights:**

Year 11: 70.3% gained L1 certificate

Of these 20.9% had their level certificate endorsed with Excellence and 37% endorsed with Merit.

Year 12: 81.9% gained L2 certificate

Of these 19.6 % had their level certificate endorsed with Excellence and 32.7% endorsed with Merit.

Year 13: 76.9% gained L3 certificate and 60% gained UE, which is above the national statistics of 46.8%.

Of those receiving their L3 certificate 15.2% were endorsed with Excellence and 26.5% at Merit.

A reminder, that the last day for a review and reconsideration of exam papers is 21 February. The link is <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/ncea-results/reviews-and-reconsiderations/>

### **Scholarship Exam Results For 2019**

27 Scholarships were awarded to 13 Lynfield College students across 12 subject areas for 2019. These included 2 Outstanding Scholarships (Geography and Accounting) and 1 Outstanding Scholar Award. This is a fantastic result and indicates the high achievement by this group of students. Top achievers in the Scholarship results were:

#### **Raymond Feng (Outstanding Scholar Award Winner)**

##### **Outstanding Scholarship in Geography**

Scholarship in Calculus  
Scholarship in Economics  
Scholarship in Media Studies  
Scholarship in Physics  
Scholarship in Statistics

#### **Nene Matsuki**

Scholarship in Biology  
Scholarship in Chemistry  
Scholarship in Geography  
Scholarship in Japanese

#### **Rachel Ling**

Scholarship in Biology  
Scholarship in Chemistry  
Scholarship in Physics

#### **Alex Zhuang**

##### **Outstanding Scholarship in Accounting**

Scholarship in Economics

All the students who gained a scholarship are given a monetary award for their university study. The College is very proud of each student who gained one of these top academic awards and recognises the work done by the teachers to prepare and tutor these achievers.

**Scholarships were achieved in:**

|                |                       |              |
|----------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Accounting (1) | Biology (3)           | Calculus (3) |
| Chemistry (3)  | Classical Studies (2) | Drama (1)    |
| Economics (2)  | Geography English (2) | Japanese (1) |
| Statistics (1) | Media Studies (2)     | Physics (5)  |

**Scholarship Breakfast**

We held a very special Scholarship Breakfast on Wednesday morning to celebrate with our 2019 senior students who achieved excellent results in Scholarship. It was a wonderful opportunity to congratulate these students and wish them well in their forthcoming tertiary studies and we are very proud of what they have achieved.

**NCEA Information Evening**

Lynfield College staff will be available to answer your questions and explain all the details and expectations of standards-based assessment within NCEA at a special information evening to be held on **Thursday 5 March at 7.00pm in the College Staffroom**. This will be open to parents and caregivers of all year levels, who wish to find out about the assessment methods and how to help students achieve, but is primarily for those parents/caregivers of Year 11 – 13 students and students in the Advanced Learner classes. If you have any queries, please contact the Deputy Principal for Assessment, Ms Sandy Harris, through the school office.

**Novel Coronavirus**

Unlike some schools only a very small number of our community have had a delayed start to their school year due to having travelled or transited through China after 2 February. We are pleased that most of these have now been able to join us after spending 14 days in self-isolation.

The group of students scheduled to visit China in the April holidays will have their visit postponed until travel restrictions have been lifted. We will continue to monitor updates from the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Education in support of this exchange.

We have taken the opportunity to remind students of good hygiene practices at assemblies and have made hand sanitiser available around the school.

**Polyfest**

2020 has seen a record number of groups from Lynfield being accepted for Polyfest. These groups are training hard in preparation and we look forward to seeing their performances at our own Culture Day and, in the case of our Pacific Island Groups, at the Fiafia evening on Monday 16 March, 6.30 – 8.00pm in the Hall

**Staffing for 2020**

The College has been fortunate in attracting a very high calibre of new staff. We welcome the following people:

TJ Bell, PE & Health  
John Bower, Social Science  
Doug Bryan, Technology  
Billie Lal, PE & Health  
Jennifer Moss, Faculty Leader, Language and Languages  
Natasha Samson, PE & Health  
Aziz Shahnad, Mathematics  
Sai Sivoravong, Mathematics  
Rachael Stevenson, Learning Assistant  
Ben Underhill, Social Science  
Micky Van Schie de Pont, Learning Assistant  
Corey Walters, Social Science

**Returning staff:**

Susan Allpress, Faculty Leader, Arts  
Sheena Matheson, Technology

**Staffing Changes:**

Sarah Reynolds, Year 10 Dean

**Staff who are on leave this year are:**

Estelle Buchan (PE & Health), Greg Burne (PE & Health) Dorothy Connew (PE & Health), Jenny Han (Mathematics)

The rest of this newsletter contains a great deal of very useful information about the college. Please read it carefully and put it somewhere safe for future reference.

I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible during the course of the year, whether it be on the sports field, at cultural activities, parent evenings or outside of school. Please be active in supporting your son/daughter in their years at Lynfield.

Ngā mihi nui  
C M Knell  
Principal



**PLEASE NOTE: Teacher Paid Union Meeting Friday 28 February. Students released at 12.40pm. Kiwi Coaches school bus services: Titirangi/Laingholm bus departs at the usual time 3.20pm. Mangere Bridge bus departs at 12.50pm. There will be supervised study in the College Library for students waiting for a bus or parents.**

## **PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE CALENDAR FOR UPCOMING EVENTS**

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

### **Year 13 Life Skills Programme**

As a continued focus on developing our students' skills and wellbeing we are again running a LifeSkills programme for Year 13 students. This will be running every Monday in Terms 1, 2 and 3 and is taken by a range of teachers and outside experts. The focus of this programme is to help develop students' skills in areas that may not naturally fall into their daily timetable. Workshop topics include Careers, Financial Literacy, Digital Citizenship, Legal Rights, Mental Health and much more. Resources from the sessions are also on Schoology. We hope to be able to share with parents, some of the resources and photos from the workshops as we progress through the year.

### **Accessing the Parent Portal from your phone**

To keep up to date with your child's learning, you can download the Kamar App onto your phone. This will allow you to see their attendance, timetable, assessment results and upcoming events in the calendar. For information on how to download and access this, please click on the link below:

<http://bit.ly/39sb0hE>

### **Safer Internet Week**

Safer Internet Day was held globally on Tuesday 11 February. Here at Lynfield College we have decided to hold our own Safer Internet Week last week. During the week students were given a range of information on how to stay safe online at assemblies and via Schoology. There were activities for them to take part in during the week as well.

In support of this we would like to share the **Online Safety Parent Toolkit Interactive** produced by Netsafe with our parents and whanau. In this toolkit you will find some of the issues facing teenagers today and some tips on how you can help should your child encounter any of these situations. Netsafe's contact information is also in the kit should you need to contact them directly.

### **BYOD Computing Devices**

This is to advise that Year 9 – 13 students in 2020 at Lynfield College participate in the BYOD programme. Students in these year levels must bring a computing device to school upon which they can work. This needs to be a wireless, internet capable device such as a laptop, Netbook or Chromebook.

Our recommended device guide lists the following key points for choosing a device for school:

- *High portability, (weight less than 1.5kg)*
- *Compatible with Google Apps in Education*
- *Battery that lasts for six hours for a school day*
- *RAM of 4Gb or more*
- *Wireless that must be dual-band capable*
- *Screen size should be a minimum of 10 inches*
- *Physical keyboard, (for ease of data entry)*

As part of the Year 9 orientation programme, students had workshops on accessing the school network and learning how to store work on Google Drive. The College will be doing a digital safety programme with all juniors throughout the year. If you are interested in sound advice on internet safety for your son or daughter, please have a look at [www.netsafe.org.nz](http://www.netsafe.org.nz)

### **Making Payments**

We encourage all families to use our online payments system through the College website [www.lynfield.school.nz](http://www.lynfield.school.nz). At the top of the Home page there is a link to the Parent Portal where you can pay for course costs, sports fees, itinerant music lessons, course trips, camps and other school outings and the General Purpose donation. Payment is made by credit card through the Parent Portal Fees tab, which incurs a surcharge or by Direct Credit through your own banking website. If you wish to pay by direct credit into the College's bank account, please make sure you place your students ID number in the reference.

Uniform and stationery items (including work books) can be paid through the Shop link at the top of our website home page. Shop purchases can be paid by credit card or direct credit. If paying by direct credit into the College's bank account for Shop purchases – please place the order number generated by the purchase as reference e.g. ORD 0001.

Receipts for credit card payments are issued through the Parent Portal and the Shop link.

Receipts for direct credit payments may be viewed and printed through the Fees tab of the Parent Portal, however you will receive a confirmation email for goods when ordering through the Shop link.

## **Security at the College**

CCTV cameras are installed around the College to assist student safety. Cameras also monitor movement in the school grounds at nights and in the weekends. There are also a few cameras inside buildings at strategic locations to provide protection for student property.

### **Please keep the following in mind**

- Students and members of the public should only be in the grounds after dark when attending organised functions.
- Any rubbish brought into the grounds should be taken away and disposed of at home.
- Any community groups wishing to use College facilities such as the sports fields, cricket nets, etc, need to contact the Business Manager.
- Access to the school should be through one of the three gates and never over the fences that surround the College or through our neighbouring properties.
- Access to the fields after hours should only be through Gate 2 on the lower White Swan Road entrance.

Any queries about these matters should be referred to Mr R Winn, Deputy Principal or Mr R Newbrook, Senior Leader.

## **A Safe Environment at Lynfield College**

- **Peer Support Programme** – This programme was run during the Y9 Orientation. The Year 12 & 13 Student Leaders attended training and have run four Peer Support sessions in total with the Year 9 students. The feedback has been very encouraging and the Peer Support Leaders will remain connected to their allocated Y9 classes during the course of the year.
- **Travellers Programme** – Year 9 students will soon complete the survey for this and the Travellers Group will run in Term 2.

## **How you can make a difference**

For many years, Lynfield College has monitored and endeavoured to improve the physical and emotional safety of all its students and staff. There is no room for complacency here, particularly in this technological age of rapid and unsupervisable electronic communication which allows more subtle and often undetectable bullying.

At the start of the year, we are really concerned that the students settle quickly into school and enthusiastically into their learning. Parents of Year 9 students are likely to be particularly anxious that their children transition well from their intermediate schools.

We encourage all parents to talk with their children about how their year has started, and invite any caregivers concerned about the possible bullying or isolation of their children to contact the school as soon as possible. The names and phone extensions of the staff who can help you are: Mrs Raneeta Prasad, Year 9 Dean (ext 723), Mrs Deborah Kevany, Guidance Counsellor (ext 747), Mr Brian Tonks, Guidance Counsellor (ext 746)

## **Gateway Programme – still open for 2020 applications**

The Gateway Programme is a flexible programme that provides Year 12 and 13 students with real workplace experiences as they explore future career options. This can include future study options (universities, polytechnics, private training providers), apprenticeships and careers that provide on-the-job training. Gateway is an “alongside school” programme and students must show commitment to both school and Gateway.

- Gateway work placements are for one day per week for approximately 5-10 weeks.
- Work-related learning (unit standards) are assessed by external course providers and / or self-directed learning at school.

Students must:

- Have a clear idea of a future career they wish to explore.
- Show evidence of excellent employability skills, i.e. positive attitude, commitment, self-management, communication skills.

Students should note that NCEA Level 2 and 3 can be achieved in other future learning options outside of school.

Places are still available for 2020. Acceptance onto the Gateway Programme is an application process. Please contact the Gateway Coordinator at Student Services Centre or call extension 745.

## PhotoLife Online Ordering System

The Lynfield College class photos and ID photos were taken on Wednesday 5 February and are available for you to view and order online with PhotoLife Studios.

Your son or daughter will bring home an online slip with their unique Shoot Key detailed on it. This Shoot Key will automatically display your child's class photograph. It is then an easy process for you to shop online and purchase the photograph you want. The College will also receive a number of order envelopes for those of you who do not have access to the internet or do not wish to use this system. If you place your order within two weeks of receiving your Shoot Key you will receive free delivery for your photo orders. PhotoLife has agreed to despatch all the orders back to the school and your child will bring the photographs home.

Any orders placed after this period will be sent directly to your specified delivery address and will incur a postage & packing charge. You will see this message when you go online to view and order your photographs.

## Itinerant Music Lessons (Instrumental Tuition)

Most instrument lessons are now full. There are some spaces for flute, trumpet, trombone and clarinet. All students who have signed up, but have not yet been placed in a music lesson, are on a waiting list and will be notified through their form teacher if space becomes available.

Please note that if students are renting an instrument there is a rental cost of \$20 - \$30 per term depending on the instrument. The rental cost is payable to the Accounts Office or online through the Parent Portal and is due by the end of March.

### Standard Music Groups:

**Choir** is on Thursday lunchtimes in the rehearsal studio. New students are welcome. This group will attend the Big Sing held at the town hall in early June and perform in the school Variety Concert in Term 3.

**Stage Band** is on Friday lunchtimes in the rehearsal studio and is aimed at Year 9 to 11 students who have played saxophone, trumpet, trombone, bass, drums, guitar and/or piano. This group will play at the school Jazz and Soul Concert and compete in the Auckland Secondary Schools Jazz Band Competition, both in Term 3.

**Concert Band** is on Wednesday lunchtimes in the rehearsal studio. New members who have played a woodwind or brass instrument for 1 year or more are welcome, auditions will only be held if there are too many students. This group will perform at a school concert in July and attend the KBB Music Festival in August.

**Development Orchestra (strings, flutes, clarinet)** is on Thursday lunchtimes in the rehearsal studio. This group is aimed at students in Years 9 to 11 who have played violin, viola, cello or flute for around 1 to 2 years. New members are very welcome.

**Chamber Orchestra** is on Fridays at 8am in the rehearsal studio. Students who have played violin, cello or double bass for 2 years or more are welcome. This group will perform at a school concert in July and attend the KBB Music Festival in August.

### Premier Music Groups:

**Big Band** is on Tuesday afterschool. New students may be auditioned and should register their interest at the music office. This band will attend the KBB Festival in August where they have been Gold Award recipients for the last 10 years in a row. They will also play at the school Jazz n Soul Concert.

**Jazz Combo** is on Wednesday afterschool. New students will be auditioned and should register their interest at the music office. This band will attend the Auckland Jazz Band competition in Term 3 where they have Gold Award recipients every year since the competition began 7 years ago. They will also play at the school Jazz n Soul Concert.

**LC Junior Jazz Band** is on Tuesday lunchtimes. This group is a pathway to the award winning Jazz Comb. New students should register their interest at the Music Office. The band will attend the Auckland Jazz Band competition and play at the school Jazz n Soul Concert, both in Term 3.

Any questions may be emailed to HOD Music on [lnorman@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:lnorman@lynfield.school.nz)

## SCHOOL ORGANISATION

### Board of Trustees

|                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| Chairperson       | Mark Hewett   |
| Principal         | Cath Knell  |
| Staff Trustee     | Tess Morrison   |
| Student Trustee   | Simote Funganitao   |
| Parents' Trustees | Kristelle Varney, Jonathan Subritzky, David Barrett, Bella Tahu |

The board of trustees meet in Pukewiwi (boardroom), at 6.30 pm on a Monday evening in the last week of each month (contact the office prior to confirm). Copies of meeting minutes and school policies are available from Reception, please ask for Lee Bullinga, Executive Secretary.

### Management Staff

|                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Principal                           | Cath Knell  |
| Deputy Principals                   | Gabrielle Clark, Mr Richard Winn, Ms Sandy Harris, Ms Lisa Wichman-Kelly<br>Sharyn Hunt |
| Senior Leader                       | Russell Newbrook  |
| Deans                               | Year 9 Raneeta Prasad   |
|                                     | Year 10 Sarah Reynolds  |
|                                     | Year 11 Sofia Hameed  |
|                                     | Year 12 Stuart Braithwaite  |
|                                     | Year 13 Russell Christie  |
| Director of Adult ESOL              | Trish Friel   |
| Director of International Education | Gill Austin   |

### Student and Community Services Staff

|                              |                             |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Counsellors                  | Deborah Kevany, Brian Tonks |
| Careers Adviser              | Wendy Keir                  |
| Gateway Programme            | Esther Harvey               |
| Learning Support HOD & SENCo | Belinda Kusabs              |

In matters affecting any student the first approach should be to the Dean. The Counsellors provide educational and vocational guidance, as well as personal and family counselling.

### 2020 Student Leaders

|                                 |                   |                                 |                    |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| Head Boy                        | Noah Tikoinamaka  | Head Girl                       | Victoria Tofilau   |
| Deputy Head Boy                 | Shinel Nadan      | Deputy Head Girl                | Rosalyn Fononga    |
| Sports Captain (M)              | TJ Piacun         | Sports Captain (F)              | Sophie Stanimiroff |
| Arts & Culture Captain (M)      | Abhay Verma       | Arts & Culture Captain (F)      | Celesti Tan        |
| Academic Captain (M)            | Senu Senathirajah | Academic Captain (F)            | Kendall D'Souza    |
| International Student Rep       | Adam Doan         | BOT Student Rep                 | Simote Funganitao  |
| Asst Sports Captain (M)         | Devansh Chand     | Asst Sports Captain (F)         | Danielle Hewett    |
| Asst Arts & Culture Captain (M) | Frank Lin         | Asst Arts & Culture Captain (F) | Becky Cheng        |
| Asst Academic Captain (M)       | Sam Boasman       | Asst Academic Captain (F)       | Bhakti Tailor      |

### Social Co-ordinators

Imaan Brown and Trizhia Amon

### Ambassador Coordinators

Romina Leilua and Sheila Macdonald

### Year 12 and Class Rep Co-ordinators

Ankur Chakraborty and Kimberly Saldanha

### Year 12 Student Executive

Evana Chan, Eliana Competente, Amanda D'Souza, Rahul D'Souza, Michael Jury, Shreeya Prasad, Luviah Saito Sililoto, Sanat Singh

### House Captains

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|-----------|---|
| Bray      | Joanna Wu and Zoe Demmler                 |
| Fatialofa | Serina Daunakamakama and Ronan Monteiro   |
| Faumuina  | Thomas Watson and Nathan Monteiro         |
| Lewis     | Sourav Shastri and Eliza Blamey           |
| Reid      | Noam Lazarus and Keerthanraj Vaidyalingam |
| Zoricich  | Paris Phillips and Aditya Shinoy          |



## 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.  | Tuesday 3.20 - 4.20pm  | F10                   |
| ESOL                     | For ESOL students: Writing, reading, understanding the language of subjects, specific subject help from Senior Study Buddies.  | Thursday lunchtime   | L6                    |
| Mathematics & Statistics | Study tips, general subject help, homework help, clarification and feedback about internal/external assessment requirements, extension opportunities.  | Monday - Thursday lunchtime  | G15                   |
| Music                    | Rehearsal space is available (and supervised) – booking system.<br>Computer room with music software available most days before school, lunchtime, afterschool.<br>External and Scholarship workshops. | Mon/Tue/Thu - before school;<br>Wed/Thu/Fri – lunchtimes;<br>Mon-Thu afterschool<br><br>During study leave | Music Suite           |
| Te Reo Māori             | Te Reo Maori subject help  | By arrangement with Whaea at lunchtime.  | 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.<br>Extra assistance for achievement of internal standards.  | School holiday workshops<br><br>Terms 2 and 3  | B8 – B12              |
| Drama                    | Rehearsal spaces for groups working towards a practical assessment.<br>Tutorials and individual help for external assessment.  | As required<br><br>Term 4  | PAC, B1, B6<br><br>B6 |
| Technology               | Support with assignment work<br>Fashion and Design<br>TEL assignment support as required   | Every lunchtime<br>Term 2 and 3 lunchtime<br>D1 lunchtime  | E2<br>D8              |
| Science                  | Assessment and homework help   | Tuesday lunchtime  | G7                    |

## SPORTS SCENE

We have had an extremely busy and exciting start to our sporting year. Weekly summer sporting competitions began in Week 2 and now we have girls and boys cricket, dragon boating, rock climbing, tennis, orienteering as well as senior water polo and volleyball teams competing in weekly competitions.

### House Competitions

**Athletics Day** for the whole school was on Friday, and sprint finals and junior form class and House relays are happening on Thursday. House points will be announced when the results of the sprint finals and relays are added to the points gained on Athletics Day. Zone trials for our talented athletes will take place Tuesday 25 February.

**For further information and photos visit the [Lynfield College Sports facebook page](#).**









**Turbo Touch**, our first lunchtime **House competition** will begin in the first week of March.

We are always appreciative of any help our school community is able to offer whether it is as a coach, manager ref or umpire of a team. **If you have skills in any sport and can spare some time to work with our students in some way, please contact the Sports Office:** Phone: 6270600 ext 595, email: [walbran@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:walbran@lynfield.school.nz)

#### **Basketball Clinic**

This will get underway very soon. Watch **Schoology** and/or our **Lynfield College Sports facebook page**.

#### **Getting Active**

We have a number of initiatives getting underway in the next 2 weeks. Most involve sessions at lunchtimes.

#### **Lacrosse**

There will be lunchtime sessions 17 & 19 March and after school sessions 24 & 25 March for anyone interested. These are **FREE** and delivered by Auckland Lacrosse.

### **Cheerleading**

There will be a cheerleading group starting up soon. Watch Schoology and Lynfield College Sports facebook page for updates.

### **Run Club/Walk Club/Fun Club**

This is for anyone interested in some personal fitness at a time that does not clash with other activities. It is very informal and all are welcome, **regardless of fitness level**. A staff member will be waiting at the staffroom at 7.30am to run &/or walk with any students who are keen. We usually cover 3km – 5 km and are back at school in plenty of time to shower and be ready for class at the usual time. This will get underway next Thursday.

### **Archery**

Sign-ups are now being taken to gauge interest in the concept of an archery club within the school. This would be targeted at beginners and those with a small amount of experience.

**Coach development & Refereeing** opportunities are coming up. More information to follow.

### **Athlete Development Programme**

**Applications are now open for this new initiative.** It is an academy style programme designed for our top athletes who want to develop their skills themselves to higher levels. They will benefit from mentoring, extra fitness, training and nutrition programmes and input from those who are trained in a variety of disciplines which apply to all aspiring athletes.

**Further information is available on Schoology and the Lynfield College Sports facebook page.**

### **Sports Council**

Y 9 – 13 students are invited to apply for this group which will be responsible for organising and running a variety of lunchtime sporting events. Applications are now open. **Application forms are now available at the Sports Office.**

### **Team Talk**

#### **Summer Sports**

The 2020 summer season is under way with approximately 220 students competing in regular weekly interschool team competitions in tennis, cricket, dragon boating, orienteering, water polo and volleyball. We have more students involved in cricket this year with approximately 100 cricketers, both boys and girls, in our teams.

Please remember, all team members are required to wear an appropriate sports uniform which the Sports Office will supply:

- **Team fees and the uniform bond can be paid online** (either via the parent portal or direct credit), **by eftpos** or in cash.
- **Payments by eftpos can be made at the Accounts Office or Sports Office.**

### **Tennis**

Having won the A2 competition for the last 2 years it is exciting that our top boys team is now playing in the Premier grade for all Auckland! Their games are on Wednesday afternoons.

The Senior A2 girls team began their season last Saturday with a win against Carmel College. Next week will be the start of the interschool competition for our other 4 tennis teams. Watch this space!

### **Cricket**

The 1<sup>st</sup> XI boys team had continue to impress in the 1B grade which plays on Saturday afternoons. The season started in Term 4 last year and continues throughout this term. In their first season in this grade our boys have played some brilliant cricket and having finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the round robin has secured a spot in the top 4 play-offs that begin this weekend with a home game against Glendowie College.

There has been some outstanding bowling by our boys. Against Liston College, Andy Davy bowled 8.5 overs, 1 maiden, 5 for 34; Rikhil Parmar took 4 wickets in the previous game against Glendowie. Abdullah Safi score 42 and 32 with the bat in the last 2 games.

The 1<sup>st</sup> XI girls team played Baradene last Wednesday in their first game and scored their first win. They played all 40 overs but lost by 65 runs.

### **Orienteering**

This year we have 25 students from all year levels ready to start this competition which is held on the grounds of a different school each week. Each competes individually to find all the check points in the fastest possible time. The first competition day is next Monday at Henderson High.

### **Dragon Boating**

The word is out that this sport is for anyone who likes a team sport which is heaps of fun! With no experience needed, no trials and 21 in each boat, Dragon Boating has attracted 44 very committed students who have a 2 hour weekly training at Westhaven. They will compete in the Auckland Secondary Schools regatta on Lake Pupuke on March 15. This is a 'full on' day with the 1<sup>st</sup> race at 8am and the last one about 4pm. After the fantastic fun the paddlers have had over the past 6 years, they are really looking forward to an awesome day!

## Winter Sports - Musters and trials

**Girls' football** and **boys' football** 1<sup>st</sup> XI training squads began this week and trials for all other football teams will follow soon.

**Rugby** pre-season strength & conditioning training starts next week and will take place each Tuesday and Thursday after school.

**Netball** trials and selections will begin next Monday (24 February).

**Hockey, Rugby League and Basketball** dates yet to be confirmed.

**All notices concerning sport are on Schoology. Students need to check the notices on Schoology at least twice/day so they don't miss out on being a part of something they will enjoy.**

We need your help to manage, coach or transport one of our teams this year, in order to provide sporting opportunities to the large number of Lynfield students wanting to play sport. 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)**

## Individual Honours

Congratulations to our students who have achieved outstanding results in their chosen sports:

**Vanessa Jim (Y13) has been selected** in the Archery Development Team to represent NZ in the Asia Cup series in Thailand (March), Korea (May), China (October).

The following students competed in the Athletics Auckland Championships over two weekends (1-2 Feb & 8-9 Feb) held at Mt Smart.

**Percy Maka (Y11)** - age group 14B

Discus – Gold - **new Auckland Athletics Record 14B Discus, 56.52m** (previous record set by former Olympian Jacko Gill 52.67m, 2009)!!!

Shot Put – Gold



**Rina Maka (Y10)** - age group 13G

Shot Put - Silver

Discus - Silver



**Fiona Siaopo (Y9)** - age group 13G

Discus - Bronze

Shot Put - Top 6

100m - Top 8

LJ - Top 6



**Bhakti Patel (Y13)** - age group U20W

100m - Gold

200m - Gold

Discus - Silver

Shot Put - Silver

**Willis Cedric (Yr9)** - age group 13B

Shot Put - Bronze

Discus - Bronze

**Selena Gee (Y13)**

100m – 5th

**Jayden Baek (Y11)** has been invited to the NZ Golf Open as the youngest among the 17 All Abilities players. The New Zealand Open competition will be broadcast via Sky Sport. This competition will be a huge opportunity for Jayden's future as a golf player.

**Jemma McCormick (Y11)** represented Auckland at the National Age Group Tournament for football in Wellington in December. She was a member of the Auckland U14 team which won the tournament. Jemma was also named in the 'Tournament 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](mailto:fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz)

### **University of Auckland, Faculty of Education and Social Work – Study Project**

Project Title: Mathematics and language-literacy self-beliefs, sex-role attitudes, and career aspirations in mid-adolescence: A German-New Zealand comparative study

Names of Researchers: Dr Penelope Watson, Senior Lecturer at the University of Auckland, Faculty of Education and Social Work. Professor Bernhard Ertl of the Universitat der Bundeswehr, Munich, Germany

Lynfield College, along with several other Auckland schools, has agreed to take part in a cross-national study to explore relationships between Year 10 students' mathematics and English interest, academic views of themselves, career aspirations, and gender-role attitudes.

Relationships between these factors can have important implications for student futures but as yet we know little about how these relationships occur for New Zealand students in mid-adolescence. Further, we would like to see how New Zealand mid-adolescents compare with their contemporaries abroad regarding these factors. To do this we need to collect data from New Zealand Year 10 students. In February we will be sending home more information for Year 10 students and parents/caregivers, plus a Consent Form for parents to give their permission for their Year 10 student to be invited to fill out the survey for the study. The survey will be completed for those students who have permission and are willing to do so, in March. An additional benefit to the school is access to the de-identified data set which will be made available for senior statistics students.