

#### **NEWSLETTER 13**

#### 19 OCTOBER 2020

#### Kia ora koutou

It was a pleasure to welcome back our students for their final term in 2020, especially as we are at Alert Level 1. The next 8 - 9 weeks are packed full of events as we try to make the best of what has been a complicated year for us all. We look forward to being able to speak with more of our Lynfield community in person over this time.

We hope all our students enjoyed the two-week holiday break. For those of us still onsite it was a particularly busy time as we undertook a major network and photocopier upgrade across the campus. Should you experience any difficulties in accessing the parent portal please email your child's Dean.

#### Our Korowai Value for Term 4 is Hinengaro Wawata

The first two weeks have a focus on 'we are creative'. This was celebrated with energy and colour with Pink Shirt Day with students and staff fully involved in supporting the message 'Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu. Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora. Whakaweto te Whakaweti! (Speak up and speak out. Stand together in life and wellness. Put an end to bullying). Our students' response to this mufti day saw donations reaching a total \$1,105.00. This 'creative' theme will continue with next week's auditions for our Talent Quest.

We have been working with traffic engineers from Auckland Council over the past few years to see if the traffic flow around the College can be improved. Health and safety concerns, culminating in a Fire and Emergency appliance being unable to access our buildings due to onsite congestion when responding to an alarm activation at the end of the school day, has meant that student drop-offs and pick-ups will continue to be off the school grounds.

The School Board has made considerable investment into property including shade covers, upgraded sports fields and all-weather turf. To secure and protect our facilities for our students and the community to enjoy, permanent gates will be installed at Gates 1 and 2. In the interim the temporary tape and cone barriers will remain in place until this project has been completed.

This year we have seen a 20% drop in those paying the general purpose donation. For those who have continued to make this donation we appreciate your continued support. Next year the Board of Trustees will trial the School Donation Scheme. This will be reviewed at the end of the year to determine the impact on our Teaching and Learning programmes and the range of learning opportunities offered.

(https://www.rnz.co.nz/news/national/427601/more-schools-sign-up-to-donation-replacement-scheme-next-year)

Noho ora mai

Cath Knell Tumuaki | Principal

#### PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE CALENDAR FOR COMING EVENTS

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

#### **FESTIVAL AWARDS EVENING 2020**

This special evening which celebrates the achievements of our senior students in Sport, Arts and Cultural activities will be held in the College Hall on Thursday 22 October. The decision to hold this event on site was made at the end of Term 3 prior to the move in Alert levels. With the restricted seating, invited guests are limited to families of Year 13 students and by special invitation. However, the evening will be 'live streamed' with the link shared via Schoology.

#### **COURSE COMPLETION CHANGES FOR 2020**

Deans, Faculty Leaders and Senior Leaders are having individual conversations with some students who may not complete their courses this year. These students will be offered opportunities to complete their learning this year after other students go on study leave.

#### PARENT - SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

It was disappointing, as a result of Covid19, that we were unable to hold our Progress Conferences, 3-way Conferencing pilot, or our Talanoa and Whanau evenings this year.

Many of you however, took up the invitation to email your child's teachers and deans, had conversations with your child's form teacher, participated in our surveys and regularly accessed Schoology to monitor online learning.

Although not the same as face to face meetings, we hope you found some of these alternative forms of communication as well as our regular whanau updates useful. Thank you for your engagement in what has certainly been a very different and challenging year.

We continue to invite you to email your child's teachers if you wish to discuss your child's learning and progress at school and look forward to seeing you at our parents' evenings in 2021.

#### **KEY INFORMATION FOR NZQA EXTERNAL EXAMS 2020**

Below are some links to NZQA resources that will be useful for the upcoming external exams. If you have any issues about the external exams, please contact Ms Harris <a href="mailto:saharris@lynfield.school.nz">saharris@lynfield.school.nz</a> or PH 6270600 EXT 709

#### **NCEA Exam timetable**

https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/assets/qualifications-and-standards/qualifications/ncea/exams-and-portfolios/examination-timetable.pdf

#### Candidate info sheet for the external exams

https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/2020-Candidate-Sheet-October-Final-V2.pdf

Student information about NCEA, Scholarship and subject information https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/subjects/

**NZQA login** - where to access results when they come out in January <a href="https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/login/">https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/login/</a>

**Student Exam Hub** – information about preparing for your exam, Digital exams, your results <a href="https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/ncea/">https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/ncea/</a>

#### Derived grade application form

https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/assets/qualifications-and-standards/qualifications/ncea/2020-Derived-Grade-application-form.docx

#### **YEAR 13 GRADUATION DINNER**

This special event for our Year 13 leavers will be held on Monday 7 December at Ellerslie Events Centre, 6 – 10pm, cost \$70 per person. Payment may be made through the parent portal or at the Accounts Office.

#### THE TRUSTS CHARITABLE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

TTCF Scholarships available. There are FIVE TTCF scholarships available to Lynfield College students. These scholarships are worth \$2000 each, to be used towards technology, fees or other related tertiary study costs. They are awarded on the basis of academic or trade/technical ability, school contribution and financial circumstances. Application forms are available from outside Mr Waddington's office. Deadline for the return of these is midday, Friday October 23.

#### **PINK SHIRT DAY**

For the third year PSSP and Safe Schools were able to celebrate Pink Shirt Day - a symbol of inclusion and anti-bullying. With the roots of Pink Shirt Day linked to the homophobic bullying of a student who wore a pink shirt in Canada, Lynfield has embraced this global message wholeheartedly. The day was celebrated with hundreds getting involved and it was full of pink ribbons, rainbow flags and strawberry slushies!

It's always such a highlight of the school calendar, and although it was pushed back and celebrated in October this year, it didn't impact the positive atmosphere.

Thanks to everyone who got involved, donated a gold coin and above all else wore a pink shirt! Can't wait to celebrate again in 2021!











# Racism will get no support here

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#### YOUNG REPORTERS FOR THE ENVIRONMENT NATIONAL COMPETITION

Emilia Parker (Y11) has received two placings in this year's Young Reporters for the Environment National Competition, which is run by Keep NZ Beautiful. Young people 11-25 years were invited to research an environmental issue relating to plastic waste and report on the problem through an article, photograph and/or film. Emilia received First Place in both the article 15-18 Year and photograph 15-18 Year categories.

Below are the links to Emilia's winning entries: Article 15-18 Years - Chews a Better Future Photograph 15-18 Years - Problematic Polystyrene



#### **YEAR 9 SPEECH COMPETITION**

Thursday 15 October was the day for thirteen students to show their public speaking skills in the Year 9 Speech competition.

A range of topics were covered from the horror of clowns, to the importance of imagination, to how to tell a lie! The fantastic mix of creativity and social awareness showed by the entrants was a pleasure for all who attended.

Thank you to our student judges, Bhakti Tailor, Shinel Nadan and Sheila Macdonald and to the Languages Faculty Leader, Jennifer Moss who all had the very difficult task of choosing the top three speakers.

Congratulations to all participants who did a fantastic job! The English department can't wait to see what you deliver next year!

First Place - Deevya Shah (Spoken word - Fear) Second Place - Layla Wafa (Spoken word - Society) Third Place - Skye Teague (Speech - 5G)



#### YEAR 9 VISUAL ART STUDENTS

The Year 9 visual art students are busy working on various art projects, either sculpture, research, drawing or painting.







#### INTERNATIONAL YOUTH SILENT FILM FESTIVAL - NZ REGIONALS

The red carpet rolled out for our FIVE Lynfield finalists on Friday night, for the Livestream of the International Youth Silent Film Festival - NZ Regionals. Congratulations to our finalists and their wonderful films:

Isidora Alarcon Munoz (Y13) - Charming Charles' Magic Show (Slapstick)

Dylan Bishop (Y13) - Insufficient Power (Sci-fi)

Dominic Deocampo, Joana Victoria Panahon, Victoria Hendry (Y13s) - Girl Scout Cookie Day (Horror)

Luke Paton-Beverley, Johnny Tsang, Samaradh Gudipoodi (Y12s) - Mercí (Epic)

Daniel Wardadi (Y12) - Lost In Time (Sci-fi) - Best Editing & Supreme Winner

Ben Mason (Y12) - Poster for Silence of the Shadow - Poster Winner

These students planned, produced and edited their three-minute silent film as part of their film production assessment (worth 10 NCEA credits) in their Media Studies classes.

Due to Covid19, the usual venue of the Baycourt Theatre in Tauranga was not available and the festival was forced to move online, but it was a bonus to be able to experience watching their films with friends and family and a few staff right here at Lynfield, via live-stream to an international audience.

We would like to thank the Festival organisers - including Jannine Spiers, The Breeze FM, and the Baycourt Theatre in Tauranga - for putting this festival together and creating this wonderful opportunity for New Zealand Media Students!

We are very pleased that Ben Mason won the Poster competition and received a beautifully framed poster. Daniel Wardadi's film won for Best Editing and the top spot for his film **Lost in Time** at 1st place in the festival and the \$1,500 prize!

Here is the recording of the screening and award ceremony.



## Come along to our workshops for parents and whānau - help your child become a better and more confident writer!

Would you like to be able to help your child with writing?

The Lynfield Kähui Ako is proud to offer workshops for parents and whānau, designed to help you help your child!

Find out what children in Years 0-8 need to focus on as they learn to write and how you can motivate and support your child at home. Make writing a fun activity you can do together!

For the first time ever, our workshops will be offered in Mandarin Chinese,
Tongan and English. Anyone is welcome to attend!

Venue: Chaucer School, Blockhouse Bay Time and dates: 5:30-6:30pm October 22 and October 29

If you would like to receive a link to attend the workshops digitally, please email amolloy@chaucer.school.nz and you will be sent further information closer to the time.

We look forward to seeing you there!



### 邀请家长们来参与我们的研习班-帮助您的孩子培养写作自信心,成为更好的作者。

想不想帮助您的孩子培养写作兴趣或提高写作水平?

Lynfield 学习社区很高兴能提供给家长们这系列的研习班,希望能够帮助家长们在家里辅助您的孩子学习书写。

了解一下孩子们书写时需要关注的重要点,还有怎么鼓励您的孩子写作。创造一些有趣的书写活动,让您跟您的孩子在家里一起努力学习写作。

我们很荣幸地能够第一次提供以英语,中文或汤加语为交流语言的研习班。大家都欢迎参与!

地点: Chaucer School, Blockhouse Bay 时间: 5:30-6:30pm 10月22日 与 10月29日

如果您无法出席,也可以在网上参与这研习班。给我们发个邮件amolloy@chaucer.school.nz 我们到时候再把网上资料寄给你们。

我们期待着您的光临!



#### Oku mau fiefia ke fakaafe'i a ki moutolu ngaahi famili Tonga kihe polokalama fakataukei ki he founga 'o e tohi fakapalangi.

Oku laukau 'aki 'e he Lynfield Kahui Ako ke fai ha ngaahi ako ma'ae matu'a moe fanau, a ia na'e fa'u ke tokoni'i koe ke tokoni'i

Fekumi ki he me'a oku fiema'u ke tukutaha ki ai e tokanga 'a e fanau 'i he 'enau ako ki he tohi mo e founga te ke lava ai 'o poupou'i ho'o fanau 'i 'api. Te ke lava 'o fakahoko fakataha ha 'ekitiviti fakafiefia ke tokoni ki he 'enau tohi.

Koe fuofua kamata eni 'oe polokalama ko eni pea 'oku mau fiefia ke kamata ae polokalama ko eni moe 'u famili oku nau lea fakatonga, fakapalangi moe lea Mandarin Chinese.

Feitu'u: Chaucer Primary School, Blockhouse Bay Taimi: 5:30 - 6:30pm Aho: aho 22 moe aho 29 'o Okatopa

Kapau oku mou fie kau mai ki he polokalama ngaue 'aki ho mou komupiuta mou email mai ki he faiako ko eni ke ne 'oatu 'ae link ofi ki he taimi e fai ai 'ae polokalama, <u>amolloy@chaucer.school.nz</u>

#### **SPORTS SCENE**

#### **Team Talk**

With the winter season being so interrupted by Covid-19, we decided to run a Festival of Sport in Term 3 one day after school for all senior our winter teams. We invited several top players in different codes to join in the fun:

Black Stick Jared Panchia

U21 Hockey Rep (and ex-student) Kieren Chhiba

Silver Ferns Sulu Fitzpatrick and Phoenix Karaka

Ex-All White (and ex-student) Chris Zoricich

Ex-NZ Tall Fern Milo Nanai

These players and our coaches joined in the fun for a variety of modified games or mini-tournaments. It was heaps of fun and we are looking to organise something similar next year.

#### **Term 4 Competitions**

Junior summer competitions in cricket, softball and volleyball are underway and the development of teamwork has been outstanding! Senior Cricket competitions are taking place each Saturday with plenty of home games for all our cricket teams.

#### Volleyball

We have a junior girls team entered in the West Auckland competition each Thursday afternoon playing at Avondale and a junior boys team that play at Rutherford. The boys had a great start to their season with 2 wins last week. The girls will play their first game this week.

#### **Junior Cricket**

We have 1 junior girls team and 2 junior boys teams entered in competitions this term. The girls will play on Wednesday afternoons. Junior A Boys will play on Saturday afternoons and Junior B Boys in the morning T20 grade. Their games begin in Week 3.

#### 1st XI Boys Cricket

The 1st XI, playing in the 1B grade, beat Long Bay College on Saturday. Coach, Mr Fletcher reports:

A top start to the season for the 1st XI Boys cricket team.

Long Bay College were 192/7

Lynfield chased their total down with 7 wickets in hand. After a strong start to the innings from Varshil Patel and Zeshan Bari, the platform was set for a strong partnership from batsmen Ankur Chakraborty and Kartik Banerjee, who needed 90 runs off 70 balls to win the game. They did this with 11 balls to spare.

A strong performance from Urwah Afzal on debut, and Abdullah Safi who bowled very tight to restrict Long Bay during the middle of their innings.

A Chakraborty 71\*

K Banerjee 42\*

V Patel 29

U Afzal 3/29

#### Check

out the Lynfield College Sports facebook and Instagram pages for more detail and photos.

#### **Uniform Return**

Please return all sports uniforms to the Sports Office as soon as possible unless they are currently being used for cricket or touch. When the uniform is returned the uniform bond will be refunded to your nominated bank account, as per the letter your son/daughter brought home at the beginning of the season.

#### Can you or anyone you know help in any way with sport in 2020?

This year we have had to restrict the number of teams in some sports because we simply could not find coaches to cater for all our students wanting to play sport. This definitely is NOT in line with our policy of providing quality sporting opportunities to all.

We **urgently** need coaches and facilitators/managers for our Term 1, 2020 summer sports teams especially volleyball and touch coaches and dragon boating sweeps/coaches.

To facilitate a team you need **NO knowledge of the sport**. The role could involve communicating with the coach to help them as needed with organisational tasks but more likely your help with organising transport (e.g. sorting our carpooling) and possibly providing transport would be **greatly** appreciated.

We are currently recruiting coaches and facilitators for our 2020 winter sports too. Here the need is for coaches in basketball, netball, hockey, rugby and football.

**Every team must have a coach and facilitator/manager.** If you, or anyone you know, is interested in helping in any way by becoming a part of the Lynfield Sport team, please contact the Sports Office:

09 627 0600 ext 595 fwalbran @lynfield.school.nz

Remember, to be a team manager/facilitator, no knowledge of the sport is needed. It is simply a communication role.

#### Recycling sports gear

We are starting a Sports Equipment Recycling Depot at the Sports Office. This is for any sports gear **in good**, **useable condition**, your child may have grown out of or simply have no need for any longer. Items such as 2<sup>nd</sup> hand sports shoes, shin pads, cricket pads, cricket bats, hockey sticks, etc. If you are able to donate any of these things, you will be helping another family to get or keep their children in sport. Remember this gear MUST be in GOOD condition and able to be used for at least 1 full season.

#### **Individual Honours**

Congratulations to the following students who have excelled in their chosen sports:

**Sophie Bradley (Y13)** has been selected for the AFF (Ak Football Federation) team, for the ISPS Handa Women's Premiership (National Women's League) this year.

The season is short due to Covid and lockdowns, but Sophie is looking forward to playing and the experience.

**Kevin Zhang (Y9)** competed in the NZSS Swimming Champs last weekend in Hamilton. He was extremely successful in the 13 years age group bringing home 7 medals!

200m Medley 1st 2.15.13 (8 sec better than PB) **0.5sec off national age group record** 

50m Freestyle 2nd 25.62 (1.5 sec better than PB) 100m Breaststroke 2nd 1.10.66 (7 sec better than PB) 200m Backstroke 1st 2.14.21 (8 sec better than PB) 400m Freestyle 1st 4.14.29 15 second PB 100m Freestyle 2nd 55.46 (3 sec better than PB) 100m Backstroke 1st 1.02.75 (5 sec better than PB)

#### 4 gold medals and 3 silver medals

Amy Crawford (Y11) has been selected as a trial player for the Northern Lights women's representative team who play in the National Women's League. This means she will train with the squad and may be called on if any of the players sustain an injury. She has also been asked to play in the team's trial game against the Auckland Federation team which Sophie Bradley is part of.

**Jayden Baek (Y11)** has won the Golf competition, Disability/Amputee Golf Championship, at Christchurch early this month. He was the youngest among the players and played the best. It's the first time that Korean player has won this competition. We are proud of him and he is featured on the Korean community website.





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

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 (eg. certificate, letter of selection etc) so we have the exact wording of their achievement or email these details to fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz.

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**



















