



LYNFIELD COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER 9

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Kia ora koutou

The first two weeks of Term 3 have seen a focus on our school value of **Wairua Kaha**. In particular, **we are leaders**.

Our students have been demonstrating Wairua Kaha - we are leaders in a number of ways:

Enrolments 2021 Promotional Visits

We visited Year 8 students in our Kahui Ako schools to showcase what learning is like at Lynfield. The students were delighted with the warmth of the response they received.





Open Day Tours and Open Evening

Showcasing what learning at Lynfield continued during our Open Day Tours which provided students and their parents the opportunity to see what a normal day at a secondary school looks like.

For the Open Evening, however, the tours were much more interactive. D'Cafe was a popular stop with hot chocolates on offer. Feedback from the evening has included

*"...what an amazing night we had at the open evening.
Lynfield College has so much to offer to the students at all levels.
...it was lovely to meet the students and teachers. Everyone was so friendly and welcoming."*

*"We have been to an open evening a few years back and last night's one was a standout.
It's always admirable to see our young youths speaking up and providing their perspective of their current school.
For our tour, we had Simote and Rosalyn. A big thank you to the two of them, they kept the group entertained with how the school operated and were patient with any questions the parents or children in the group had.
They exceeded our expectations of the tour and lived the school values"*

Mt Maunganui Exchange

Thursday 30 July was a much awaited date on the sports and debating calendar - the Mt Maunganui Exchange. Running since 1959, 2020 saw us host the 62nd consecutive exchange. It was with great relief that our Sports Captains returned from lockdown in Term 2 and headed straight into planning and organisation mode with the Staff in the Sports Office.

Our students were leaders on the field, turf, courts, debating audience and sidelines and showed true manaakitanga to our guests. Some may say a little too much with only 1 point separating the teams in the netball games! The day ran smoothly with great skill and camaraderie on display.

Thanks to everyone who made this day a possibility - coaches, parents, Board of Trustees representatives, support staff, teachers and, of course, our students. Further results are contained in the Sports section of this newsletter. Open this link to view our montage of the day. <https://tinyurl.com/y2fm39fe>

Puketāpapa Youth Board

Active in our community, our students are once again well represented on the Puketāpapa Youth Board. It was a real honour to be invited to the inauguration ceremony for the current 2020–2022 term. We now have six more of our Lynfield Leaders (Eliana Competente, Dev Dixit, Malisha Ghosh, Teesha Sharma, Sanat Singh and Brianna Wines-Corlett) on this Board, joining past pupils Michael Howell and Raymond Feng and representatives from Mt Roskill Grammar, University of Auckland and AUT.



Progress Conference Evenings

The progress conference evenings are on **Thursday 13 and Tuesday 18 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 9 of this term, Wednesday 16 to Tuesday 22 September. **Online booking for the progress conferences opens on Thursday 6 August at 9.00am and closes on Thursday 13 August at 9.00am.**

ALL students will be released at 2.15pm on both these days. The Kiwi Coaches school bus to Mangere Bridge will depart at 2.30pm and the Titirangi/Laingholm bus will depart at the usual time of 3.20pm. The College Library will be open until 3.30pm, for study purposes, for those students who are waiting for this bus.

Three-way Conferencing

This term we are piloting an alternative approach to our progress conferences for 5 form classes. You may be familiar with 3-way conferencing when your child was at intermediate and primary school. Parents of the students in the pilot classes will meet with their child's Form Teacher for 15 minutes. *This will be instead of meeting with every subject teacher for 5 minutes.* If your child is part of this pilot and you wish to speak to a subject teacher, the Form Teacher will be able to guide you in how to contact the subject teachers at a later date. Further information about booking interview times online has been emailed to parents/caregivers of students in these pilot classes.

The 5 form classes participating in the pilot are **PNU, PCF, 10LN, 9CR AND 9BW.**

The 3-way conferences will take place on the following dates and times;

Thursday 13 August between 4 – 7pm

Friday 14 August between 9am and 3.30pm

Online booking for the 3-way progress conferences opens on Monday 3 August at 9.00am and closes on Tuesday 11 August at 9.00am.

Student Leadership 2021 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 2021. Students have until 3.00pm on Tuesday 11 August to submit an application form to Mrs Clark.

Speeches are due by 3.00pm Friday 21 August (information around submission of speeches will be shared next week). Applicants' speeches and electronic voting will take place at the Year 12 and Year 11 assemblies in Week 10.

Student Representative, Board of Trustees 2020 – 2021

The role of the student representative is to provide input to the Board of Trustees, 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. The election will be held on Wednesday 23 September.

Noho ora mai

Cath Knell
Tumuaki | Principal

PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE CALENDAR FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

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

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STUDENT LEADER PROFILE: ASSISTANT ACADEMIC CAPTAINS

Hi, we're Bhakti Tailor and Sam Boasman and we've had the privilege of being the assistant Academic Captains of 2020. Despite the disruptions we've had, it's been awesome to have this responsibility and work with the rest of the student executives to help our school and students navigate these difficult times.

So far, this year has been a rollercoaster, but through the chaos, we have ensured that we keep up with our goal of raising the academic profile within the school. We started with lots of brainstorming and ideas of how we could achieve them and we've had to take the many delays and postponements in our stride as we planned out the year. We are now glad to say that we are back on track, and are currently making final preparations for the annual Junior and Senior Quizzex, thanks to the assistance of our academic council.



As the Quizzex competitions approach, we will begin setting up more ways that we can support students with learning and handling stress in preparation for the upcoming NCEA mock exams. As well as this, we are looking into ways we can support senior students and their progression from high school into their future study paths.

We would also like to thank Mr Winn for his ongoing support throughout the year, helping us deal with all the difficulties we encountered, the stress that comes with it, and encouraging us to reach new heights.

THE CAREERS EXPO 2020 – AUCKLAND, THURSDAY 6 - SATURDAY 8 AUGUST

This event is New Zealand's largest careers expo and will be held at the ASB Showgrounds, Greenlane. We urge senior students and families to attend.

<https://www.careersexpo.org.nz/expos/auckland-2020>

COURSE SELECTION FOR 2021

Planning is underway for 2021 already! An important step in this process is the opportunity for students to select their courses for next year.

August is going to be Course Selection Month for Year 9 - 12 students. This process will be completed by using our new online platform. Information on how to access this and complete selections will be shared with students and whānau from week 4 (starting 10 August).

Selections will need to be completed by Friday 28 August (Year 10 - 12) and Friday 4 September (Year 9). To access the platform to approve your child's course selection, you will need to know your parent portal login and password. If you have lost/forgotten your parent portal login and/or password, please contact the main office admin@lynfield.school.nz

It is important for students to think carefully about their selections and make informed decisions. For many students choosing courses can be an anxious time. However, there are many places they can seek help.

At school, students can talk with Mrs Keir, Careers Advisor, their Year Level Dean, subject teachers or form teacher for advice. At home, families and whānau can help by reassuring their child and helping their child to identify their interests, skills and strengths.

The transition to starting a career has changed in recent years and may be different from parents' experiences, when they were making the same decision. A recent Radio New Zealand interview with [Caroline Sandford](#) who is a professional career coach is worth listening to, as she answers the universal question "How do you start to figure out what career is right for you?"

Below are some links to the Careers NZ website in support of students and whānau.

1. [How to choose NCEA Subjects](#)
2. [Tips for having conversations](#)
3. [Importance of studying STEM subjects](#)

ENROLMENT PROCESS FOR 2021

The Board of Trustees have confirmed that for 2021, Out of Zone students in Categories 1 - 5 will be treated as In Zone enrolments. In Zone and Out of Zone Year 9 students should enrol at the same time.

- Category 1 (special programmes – Adult ESOL)
- Category 2 (siblings of current students)
- Category 3 (siblings of past students)
- Category 4 (children of past students)
- Category 5 (children of Board employees)

We are now enrolling in zone students and out of zone students in categories 1 – 5, 3.15 – 4.30pm (no appointment necessary). **We have an enrolment morning on Saturday from 9.00am - 12noon.**

YEAR 9 CATEGORY 6 OUT OF ZONE APPLICATIONS:

An **online** out of zone application form must be submitted by 5.00pm, Wednesday 2 September 2020 (ballot date 9 September).

IN ZONE YEAR 10 – 13 APPLICATIONS:

Please telephone reception, 617 0600 extension 700.

OUT OF ZONE YEAR 10 – 13 APPLICATIONS:

An **online** out of zone application form must be submitted by 5.00pm, Tuesday 13 October 2018 (ballot date 14 October).

In Zone enrolment packs are available from our reception desk. More detailed information about enrolment is available from our website. <https://www.lynfield.school.nz/Enrolment.html>

GATEWAY 2021

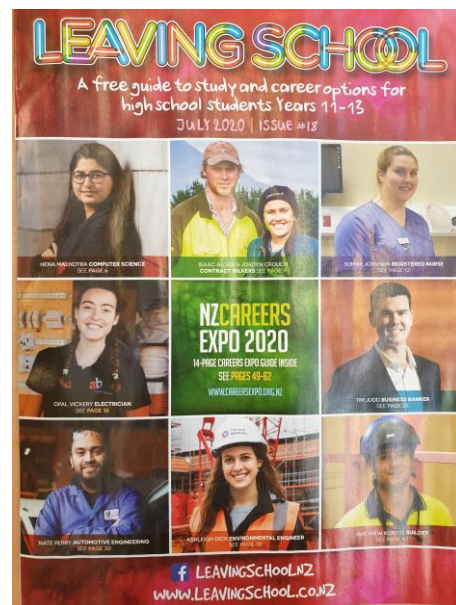
Gateway Applications are now open for 2021. The Gateway Programme is a fantastic opportunity for students to explore their choice of industry. Acceptance on to the programme is through an application and interview process.

Criteria:

- Students should display key employability skills (Positive Attitude, Willing to Learn, Excellent Communication, Excellent self-management and motivation)
- Year 11 and Year 12 students need to have achieved NCEA by February 2021
- Students need to have a good attendance record at school
- Students need parental support
- Student should be working towards gaining a Learner or Restricted Licence

Come and get an application form from Mrs Esther Harvey at Student Services or come and have a conversation to find out more. Look forward to seeing you.

The Leaving School magazine is a valuable FREE resource for our Year 11 - 13 students. Copies have been distributed in senior form classes and are available from Student Services.



SPORTS SCENE

House Competition

House volleyball begins next week with juniors starting on Tuesday and seniors selecting their teams for their competition which will take place in Week 4. With the points table locked up, and 3 houses sharing 4th equal place at the moment, this is looking to be a very tough battle.

Mt Maunganui Exchange

The annual Lynfield/Mt Maunganui sports exchange took place at Lynfield on Thursday 30 July, here at Lynfield. This exchange has been a highlight on the sporting calendars of both schools for 61 years. The top teams in 7 codes competed for the overall trophy based on the number of games won and lost. Most games were played at school although hockey was played at Blockhouse Bay Intermediate. There was, as always, very intense rivalry.....and loads of fun. It was great to see several ex-students who have recently been in our top teams, come along to support our teams.

This year most games were extremely tight (check out the scores below!) and had the spectators completely enthralled. An extended lunchtime gave all our students a fantastic opportunity to be involved as spectators. Mt Maunganui won the overall trophy and the Lynmount trophy for rugby. Congratulations to our students for their fantastic sportsmanship. They were in every sense one big Lynfield team who had an awesome sports day they will remember for many years. Results were:

Basketball – Boys (L) 44-61

Football – Boys (L) 0-2

Football – Girls (W) 2-1

Netball Prem1 (L) 32-33

Netball Prem 2 (L) 20-21

Hockey – Boys (L) 3-10

Hockey - Girls (L) 0-6

Debating W

Rugby (L) 9-20

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

Lynfield College Sports or Creative Innovative Scholarship

Applications are now open for this new Lynfield College scholarship. Any student who has represented their chosen activity (sport or creative innovative) at regional or national level and are interested in applying for this scholarship can apply. Application forms are available from the Sports Office or main reception. **Applications close 14 August.**

On-site Physiotherapist

We have a physio available every morning from 8.30am – 12.30pm at our school. Monday, Wednesday and Friday will be Hannah, and Tuesday and Thursday will be Kamal. **Bookings are essential** and must be made through Physiotherapy@lynfield.school.nz. Once booked, the student will receive follow up text reminders from the physio. All ACC cases are free.

Team Talk

Last week saw all our teams in competition games after a delayed start for some caused by COVID19. It is so good to see our students back in action on the sports field or courts. All competitions will continue until late this term.

Junior Gold Football

Last Saturday our Junior Gold Football team were hosted for their game by Waiheke High School. 14 players and 12 adults enjoyed all the opportunities this game offered. What a fabulous experience for our boys! Team manager Halie Mackay, who did all the organisation with our team members and families, reports:

"What a fabulous morning we all had on Waiheke. The boys played hard and grew it their all. Unfortunately they lost 8-0. I swear some of those Waiheke boys were shaving... they were like tall trees compared to our guys. It must be all that organic food and fresh island air. They were a very strong team and well polished. Our lads struggled to break through their defence line.

In spite of the score, they boys and parents had a great time and it was an awesome team trip."

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

Individual Honours

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



COMING EVENTS IN TERM 3:

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| Week 2 | Sat 1 AUG | Enrolment Morning 9am – 12 noon UoA Engineering Science Competition, E block 10am – 6pm Auckland Goethe society Speaking Competition |
| Week 3 | Mon 3 Tue 4 & Wed 5 Fri 7 | Cook Islands Language Week 12OED Tawharanui Camp Junior Quizzex, lunchtime |
| Week 4 | Tue 11 Wed 12 Thu 13 Fri 14 Sat 15 | Senior Quizzex, lunchtime Music Department Variety Concert 7pm Hall Year 11, 12 & 13 Drama Theatre trip Progress Conferences PST Conferences – selected classes Band Festival, Holy Trinity Cathedral |
| Week 5 | Mon 17 – Fri 21 Tue 18 – Fri 21 Tue 18 Wed 19 Sat 22 | 13OED/PEL/HOS - Kokako Lodge Camp Y9 & Y11 Leadership – Kokako Lodge Camp ICAS Science Progress Conferences Mathex Quiz Evening TBC Robotics Scrimmage, Hall 8.30am – 5pm |
| Week 6 | Mon 24 Wed 26 Thu 27 Fri 28 & Sat 29 Sun 30 | Lumino The Dentists arrive, to see Year 9 and 10 students Jazz and Soul Concert 7pm Hall ICAS Digital Technology Auckland Technology & Science Fair LC Jazz Combo performs at Pt Chevalier RSA Jazz Concert |
| Week 7 | Mon 31 Tue 1 SEP Wed 2 | College Sport Winter Tournament Week TBC In-class priority week Out of zone Year 9/2021 Applications close |
| Week 8 | Mon 7 Wed 9 Fri 11 Sat 12 & Sun 13 | Tonga Language Week Out of zone Year 9/2021 Applications ballot date Lumino The Dentists depart Advance voting in the Hall |
| Week 9 | Mon 14 Tue 15 Wed 16 – Fri 18 Sat 19 | WIKI O TE REO MĀORI – MĀORI LANGUAGE WEEK MCAT SENIOR ASSESSMENT General Election Voting in the Hall |
| Week 10 | Mon 21 – Tue 22 Wed 23 Thu 24 & Fri 25 Fri 25 Mon 28 | SENIOR ASSESSMENT NZ Mental Health Awareness Week Chinese Language Week BOT Student Representative 2020/2021 Election Day Senior Reports on Portal Voting for 2021 Student Executive (speeches during assemblies) TERM 3 ENDS School Ball |
| Week 1 | Mon 12 OCT Tue 13 Wed 14 Fri 16 Sat 17 | TERM 4 BEGINS In-class priority week Out of zone Year 10 – 13 applications close Out of zone Year 10 – 13 ballot date Pink Shirt Day Robotics Scrimmage TBC |
| Week 2 | Mon 19 | Niue Language Week In-class priority week |
| Week 3 | Mon 26 Mon 26 & Tue 28 | LABOUR DAY – public holiday Tokelau Language Week In-class priority time |