



LYNFIELD COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER 14

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Kia ora koutou

It has been a real pleasure over the past week to return to live events hosted at the school and to being able to showcase and celebrate our talented students.

Last Thursday (22 October) saw us hold our first ever livestreamed prizegiving, our Festival Awards Evening, onsite. Feedback from student and parent attendees highlighted how much they enjoyed being able to celebrate our students achievements at school as the event showed real heart, pride and belonging. The recording of this event can now be accessed on our website for those who missed joining us on the night.

The second event was our Talent Quest, held in the Hall at lunchtime yesterday (29 October). Our student performers demonstrated Wairua kaha - resilience, and our student audience showed Whanaungatanga tika - we are caring. The event was a real celebration with the atmosphere being incredibly positive and supportive.

We look forward to more of you joining with us in celebrating our student achievements over the next month with Senior Prizegiving on Tuesday 10 November and Year 11 Prizegiving on Wednesday 11 November.

Noho ora mai

Cath Knell
Tumuaki | Principal

PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE CALENDAR FOR COMING EVENTS

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

FUTURE ME

Nau Mai Haere Mai!

Next Tuesday 3 November Lynfield College will be hosting our first Māori and Pasifika Careers evening in the staffroom from 6 – 7.30pm.

The focus of the evening is to showcase Māori and Pasifika people paving the way for our leaders of tomorrow. The evening will include guest speakers from trades, education, sport, NZ Defence Force, medicine and Universities. We will be providing light refreshments.

Please RSVP by 10am Monday 2 November via email to jleauga@lynfield.school.nz. Include the name of your child/ren and the number of people attending. We look forward to seeing you there.

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FESTIVAL AWARDS EVENING

On Thursday 22nd October, we held our annual Lynfield College Senior Festival Awards celebrating student success in sports, the arts and cultural activities. While this year's celebrations were different to previous years as it was held at school, it turned out to be a great night to look back on what our students were able to achieve in 2020. It was amazing to see families, staff and the community attend this event, as well as many others joining us through livestream, set up by former students Michael Howell and Matthew Tribble. We had special performances by Becky Cheng on piano, the Lynfield College Jazz Combo and Romina Leilua and Sheila MacDonald dancing a Samoan siva as well as speeches from our Sports and Arts and Culture Captains. We would like to thank everyone who made this night possible and congratulate all our award winners.

Dux Artium
Dux Ludorum - Girls
Dux Ludorum – Boys

Celesti Tan
Selena Gee
Ankur Chakraborty

LC Arts & Culture Scholarship
LC Sports Scholarship

Sam Boasman
Ankur Chakraborty

Year 13 Musician of the Year
Runner-up Year 13 Musician of the Year
Year 12 Musician of the Year
Runner-up Year 12 Musician of the Year
Year 11 Musician of the Year – Equal
Year 11 Musician of the Year – Equal
Jazz Musician of the Year

Sam Boasman
Celesti Tan
Thomas Wandstraat
James Liston
Carey Chen
Jack Harken
Sam Boasman

Year 12 Sportswoman of the Year
Runner-up Year 12 Sportswoman of the Year
Year 12 Sportsman of the Year – Equal
Year 12 Sportsman of the Year – Equal
Year 11 Sportswoman of the Year
Runner-up Year 11 Sportswoman of the Year
Year 11 Sportsman of the Year
Runner-up Year 11 Sportsman of the Year - Equal
Runner-up Year 11 Sportsman of the Year - Equal

Shreeya Prasad
Serina Daunakamakama
Angad Bhatt
Kartik Banerjee
Summer van Gelder
Divyanshi Chauhan
Percy Maka
Kartik Malik
Stanley Long

Sports Team of the Year – Equal
Sports Team of the Year – Equal

Premier Tennis Boys
1st XI Cricket Boys

Team of the Year

LC Robotics Team 2915Z, VEX NZ Robotics

Winning House

Reid House

Staff Awards

Stu Braithwaite
Felicity Walbran



LYNFIELD COLLEGE SPORTS AND INNOVATIVE CREATIVE SCHOLARSHIPS

These scholarships are a new initiative by our Board of Trustees and have been put in place to support those students who have great potential in extra-curricular activities to be future leaders in our community. Student selection has been on the basis of their performance at regional or national level over the 2019-2020 competition season. The first recipients of these scholarships have just been announced and applications for the 2021 scholarships will open in February.

Congratulations to the 2020 recipients:

Ankur Chakraborty (Y13) Cricket
Selena Gee (Y13) Athletics
Danielle Hewett (Y13) Gymnastics
Celesti Tan (Y13) Music
James Liston (Y12) Music
Serina Daunakamakama (Y12) Netball
Kartik Banerjee (Y12) Cricket
Percy Maka (Y11) Athletics
Rina Maka (Y10) Athletics
Kevin Zhang (Y9) Swimming
Fiona Siaopo (Y9) Athletics

NCEA ADMISSION SLIPS

The NCEA admission slips and candidate information sheets for external exams have been issued to students in their form classes.

- Students must check and confirm that their entries are correct. If entries are missing, they must see Ms Harris as soon as possible.
- Students should use the NZQA Learner Login at www.nzqa.govt.nz/login/ to check their address. If a change of address is required, please let Ms Harris know **immediately**. This will ensure any booklets/materials are returned to the candidate's correct address in January - February 2021.
- Students need to keep their Admission Slip in a safe place and to **bring it to every examination. They must not write on it or share it with anyone.** If a student loses their admission slip it can be reprinted either by the student using their Student Login or by Ms Harris. Ms Harris must sign all reprints.

STUDY SKILLS AND STRATEGIES FOR STUDENTS

Exams are a stressful time for our senior students. You might be wondering what you can do to help your child during this time. Here are a few ideas:

1. Co-create a study timetable

Help your teenager create a study timetable that will work for your family. You could create this with a program such as Notion. Notion is an all in one workspace for notes, tasks, calendar events, to do lists, reading lists etc. It can be used across devices with a mobile version app as well as the desktop version.

2. Encourage your teen to avoid distractions

It is really easy to get distracted especially when working online. Limit or Stayfocused are easy to use extensions for the Google Chrome browser that allows you to limit the time spent on a particular website such as Facebook, YouTube or Instagram.

3. Create a suitable study environment

Set up a space for studying that is free from distractions such as the kitchen and television. An area that is well lit and ventilated is ideal.

4. Ensure your teen gets enough sleep

Getting enough sleep is fundamental to doing well in school, particularly during exams. Research shows that during exam times 9 out of 10 teenagers take their devices to bed with them. This can result in them replacing sleeping time with time spent on social media.

5. Exercise and relaxation

Keeping a healthy body and mind during the exam period is also important. There are a number of different apps out there that students can use for relaxation and exercise. Insight Timer is a free meditation app and Fiton is a Netflix style library of free workout videos, if your teenager would benefit from some exercise during their study break.

<https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/ncea-exams-and-portfolios/external/managing-exam-pressure/>

STUDENT SUPPORT - NCEA COMPLETION DAY

On Monday 9 November after the final assemblies for Year 13 and 12 students, there will be an opportunity for students to complete work for their Technology and Visual Arts subjects. Students will be advised if they need to attend these opportunities.

For Year 11 students, a number will be invited to work on gaining literacy and numeracy credits in the subjects of Maths, English and Science from Thursday 12 November.

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.

LYNC-ED LEARNING 2020 WEEK 7 AND 8

Over the last ten years, Year 9 and 10 students have enjoyed the Caring for the Community programme, where students have spent two days taking some action to be involved in our community. Due to the disruptions this year, it isn't possible to run the same programme.

We have taken the opportunity to take the community and cross-curricular aspects of C4C and make them bigger and better! Year 9 and 10 students will spend two weeks (November 23 - December 4) in workshops which link subject areas together in a real-world context. Many of these workshops have community connections and include Taking action against poverty, planning a Mission to Mars, and becoming Kaitiaki (guardians) of our local area. Students have made their selections, and teachers are hard at work planning learning activities for them. The workshops will run during the usual school day.

A permission letter will be sent home in Week 5 with details of the workshop your student is in and any costs or special conditions involved.

If you have any questions about the programme, please contact Sharyn Hunt, Deputy Principal, shunt@lynfield.school.nz.

INNOVATIVE LEARNING PROGRAMME FOR YEAR 9 2021

We are excited to announce a new programme for selected Year 9s in 2021. The Innovative Learning Programme (ILP) is an opportunity for students to be involved in real-world learning activities which cross over subject boundaries. It will combine English, Science, Technology, Social Studies, Maths, Health and Physical Education. Students will have the same opportunities as the rest of Year 9s to choose option subjects, like Arts, Languages, Business, and Digital Technology or Robotics.

As part of the ILP, students will develop their ability to be creative, to think critically, to communicate, and to collaborate. The rapid changes in our world mean people who are problem-solvers, are willing to learn new skills, and who can manage themselves are highly sought after.

Students will:

- Learn in real-world, authentic contexts which build on the natural connections between subjects
- Experience project-based activities where they can follow the design process and see an idea through to completion
- Collaborate for success
- Solve problems and think critically
- Develop an independent work ethic and research skills, and take responsibility for their learning
- Have dedicated time for developing study skills, academic coaching and mentoring, digital citizenship and life skills

If you are interested in the world around you and open to learning new things, then you will be an ideal student for the ILP. More information about the application process will be sent to all incoming Year 9 students soon.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS FAREWELL

Every year we say farewell to the International students who are finishing at Lynfield college over dinner at the Genghis Khan Restaurant in New Lynn. This year was a small event as some of the students have already returned to their own country because of Covid-19. Adam Doan, the 2020 International Student Representative, acknowledged the help and support given by the International Department staff and all the teachers at Lynfield College. Many bowls of food and scoops of ice cream were enjoyed by all. We will miss the students and wish them well for their future.

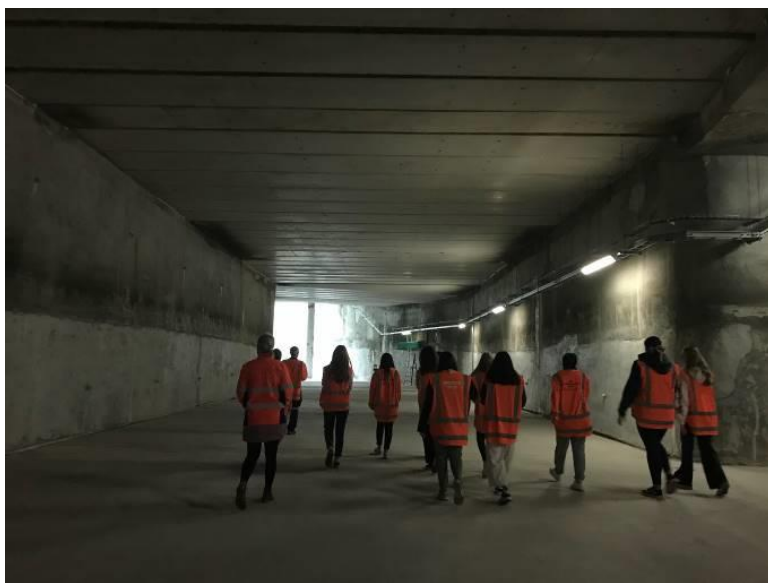


MY GIRLBOSS EXPERIENCE

During this internship, I have gained not only many precious friendships, but as well as the crucial skills to pitch and network. Along with 26 other ambitious young ladies, we are undergoing intense leadership training and receiving inspiring mentorship from many senior executives at Fletcher Building and GirlBoss. From these conversations, the most valuable lesson I took away was that no one has a linear journey. To become a compassionate and relatable leader, it is okay to be vulnerable sometimes. Discussing with these leaders and learning about what they are passionate about, and how they are doing what they love, has reassured that I am on the right track and will be unapologetically ambitious!

This internship was designed to be interactive and insightful with the incorporation of 2 site visits and many opportunities to chat and connect with people. Visiting live sites and going to the hidden nooks and crannies behind successful projects felt like an explosion of knowledge. It completely sucked me in and I was fascinated by the way engineering mechanisms, designs, and communities powered each other. Having the opportunity to listen about inspirational female leaders' journeys was an eye opener, their words have left a lasting impression on me. I am very grateful to be selected for the GirlBoss Advantage internship and this opportunity has greatly helped me grow.

Evana Chan (Y12)



AUCKLAND GOETHE SOCIETY EXAMINATIONS 2020

Congratulations to the following students who achieved commendable results at the annual Auckland Goethe Society Speaking Competition:

Year 13

Distinction - Sam Boasman, Zoe Demmler

Highly Commended - Leander Menezes, Joanna Wu, Rosalyn Fononga, Kavya Patel

Year 11

2nd Place - Sarka Ludvigova

Highly Commended - Ananya Nadkarni, Avanthi Nannegari, Rhea Ramendra

Commended - Oliver Pracy

Year 10

1st Place - Matthew Ernst

Highly Commended - Keagan Menezes

Year 9

1st Place - Nishikaa Thakkar

3rd Place - Ella Pracy

Distinction - Miyu Okuwaki, Deevya Shah

Highly Commended - Charlie Baker, Aaron Lobo, Rina Zhang, Jaidev Bhika, Evan Huang, Aayushi Nand

Commended - Oskar Ludvig, Naimah Manchanda, Elizabeth Brown, Riddhi Salvi



The participants received their awards at the official prize giving ceremony at the University of Auckland on 19 October 2020.



SPORTS SCENE

Team Talk

Senior Cricket competitions are taking place each Saturday with plenty of home games for all our cricket teams.

Volleyball

Junior summer competitions in volleyball are underway and the development of teamwork has been outstanding!

Our boys team, coached by Mr Jamieson and Angad Bhatt (Y12), is undefeated after 6 games in the western competition.

They have been training really hard and will compete in the AKSS Junior Volleyball championships in two weeks at Papakura.

The girls team entered in the West Auckland competition each Thursday afternoon. The girls have played 4 games and, while a bit shaky in the first game, they have improved dramatically since.

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

Cricket

This weekend is the beginning of Term 4 cricket for all teams except our 1st XI Boys and 1st XI Girls teams. We have 1 junior boys team entered in the Morning T20 competition and 1 in the Junior Open Afternoon grade. Having won this grade in Term 1, they are now attempting to win promotion to the Colts grade for 2021.

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

Next week one team of Y9 boys and a team of Y10 boys will participate in the 2020 Auckland Cricket T10 Festival at Keith Hay Park. This is a competitive yet fun day for a large number of junior cricketers from many different schools.

Uniform Return

Please return all sports uniforms to the Sports Office as soon as possible unless they are currently being used for cricket, junior softball or volleyball. 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 2021?

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 (eg sorting our carpooling) and possibly providing transport would be **greatly** appreciated. We are currently recruiting coaches and facilitators for our 2021 winter sports too. Here the need is for coaches in basketball, netball, hockey 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. Remember, to be a team manager/facilitator, no knowledge of the sport is needed. It is simply a communication role.

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fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz

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 second-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:

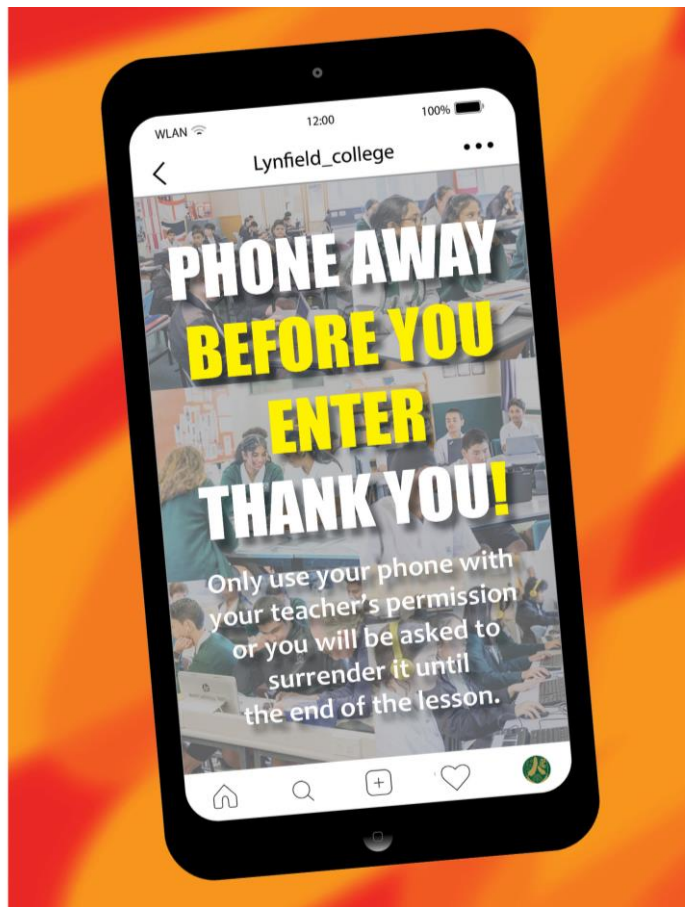
Sophie Bradley (Y13) was named in the AFFL team. She is 1 of only 3 U18s in this team.

Stanley Long (Y11) continues to play in various tennis tournaments around the north island and is currently 3rd U16 player in Auckland and 14th U16 in NZ. He also won the Under 16 tournament in Christchurch and another on the North Shore, in the last month.

Jayden Baek (Y11) will play in the Auckland Provincial Golf Championship at Howick 30 October - 2 November.

Caleb Young (Y10) National Secondary Schools Diving competition Intermediate section (15 & 16 year olds) he got the gold medal.

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 NOTICES

WANT TO WIN A WATERPROOF BUE BOOM?

Scan the QR code below and tell us your favourite 4-minute song for your 4-minute shower.

Scan here

Auckland is experiencing a water shortage, so we all need to keep our showers short. Keep track of time when you're soaping up by playing your favourite 4-minute song.

Competition closes 15/12/2020. Terms and conditions apply (link in bio).

@watercare_nz

Wave Warriors Holiday Surf Programme

The NZ Surf Academy are running their popular holiday surf programme over the spring holidays for 6-16yr olds at Orewa Beach

Fun, Safe, Active & Healthy

6-16yr olds | 5 & 4 Day Programme | \$195/\$165 per person
 14-18 Dec | 21-24 Dec | 4-8 Jan | 11-15 Jan | AM or PM session times

Suitable for beginner and intermediate surfers – developing surf skills and water confidence in a fun and safe environment at Orewa Beach

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 www.nzsurfacademy.co.nz

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