



## LYNFIELD COLLEGE

### NEWSLETTER 16

4 DECEMBER 2020

Kia ora koutou

It has been a real pleasure over the past couple of weeks seeing our students and staff working collaboratively towards and demonstrating our school value **Hinengaro Wawata - we are innovative**. This has often been for the benefit of others. We look forward to being able to share with you some of the outcomes achieved during these LynC-ed workshops in our next newsletter, the last for 2020.

With the NCEA exams starting later this year we will still have students sitting these until 9 December. In general our junior students have been considerate of their peers and kept noise levels down outside the exams rooms including the hall. This has been much appreciated.

Thank you to the families and students who have donated unwanted / grown out of uniforms, Chromebooks, calculators and other current learning resources. In a year of identifying growing need within our own college community your generosity is much appreciated.

#### Early finish for Y9 and Y10 students

On Tuesday 8 December we will be holding a farewell for senior staff members who are leaving the College. Students will be released at 1.45pm on that day. Both the Mangere Bridge bus and the Titirangi bus will depart at the usual time of 3.20pm. Parents/Caregivers of the students who catch these buses might like to make alternative transport arrangements on that afternoon.

#### Year 9 and Year 10 Prizegivings

This year we will be combining the festival awards assemblies and academic prizegivings. We warmly invite families to attend these junior prizegivings, which will be held in the College Hall on the last day of term.

#### Year 9 Prizegiving – Wednesday 9 December at 9.00am

Students and visitors seated by 8.45am. At the conclusion of the prizegiving, students leave the College.

#### Year 10 Prizegiving – Wednesday 9 December at 11.00am

Students and visitors seated 10.45am. At the conclusion of the prizegiving, students leave the College.

The last day the Mangere Bridge and Titirangi school buses will run is Tuesday 8 December.

Noho ora mai

Cath Knell  
Tumuaki | Principal

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nothing  
to racism**



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## START DATES FOR 2021:

*Monday 1 February – Auckland Anniversary Day, Public Holiday*

### Tue 2 February

Year 9 assemble in the Hall at 1.30pm, then go to form rooms (released at 3.00pm)

### Wed 3 February

Year 9 attend from 8.45am – 3.0pm

Year 11 assemble in the Hall at 9.00am (released 10.00am, or when course confirmation is completed)

Year 12 assemble in the Hall at 9.45am (released 10.45am, or when course confirmation is completed)

Year 13 assemble in the Hall at 10.30am (released 11.30am, or when course confirmation is completed)

### Thu 4 February

Year 9 attend from 9.00am – 3.00pm

Year 10 assemble in the Hall 9.00am (released 10.00am, or when course confirmation is completed)

### Fri 5 February

ALL year levels attend 8.40am – 3.00pm on normal timetable

*Monday 8 February – Waitangi Day Observance – Public Holiday*

## TERM DATES FOR 2021:

Term 1: Tuesday 2 February – Friday 16 April

*Easter Holiday: Friday 2 – Tuesday 6 April, inclusive*

Term 2: Monday 3 May – Friday 9 July

Term 3: Monday 26 July – Friday 1 October

Term 4: Monday 18 October – Tuesday 14 December

## LYNFIELD COLLEGE RECEIVES INNOVATION IN SPORT AWARD

The School Sport NZ Board at its recent meeting, considered nominations for the Innovation in School Sport Award. The criteria for the awards are: *The award recognises initiative in school sport that is deemed to be exceptional in providing quality sporting opportunities for students.*

Lynfield College, Mount Roskill Grammar and One Tree Hill College, in partnership with Sport Auckland, were successfully nominated for this award for the Sport Engagement Leads in Schools project which has a focus on increasing participation through quality sport opportunities beyond traditional options and driven by student voice.

The work that our Sport Engagement Leader Thomas Fletcher has done has played a significant part in the College receiving this award.

## RECENT STUDENT SUCCESS

Congratulations to the following students who have excelled in their chosen fields.

- Two of our Year 13 Students, Baylee Verzyde (100%) and Sam Boasman, have received A+ pass grades in the online **Stage One Maths 199** course through the University of Canterbury.
- Kristijan Ilievski received a 100% pass grade for **Stage One Computer Science** course through Waikato University.
- **ICAS Digital Technology** exam results: Jonathan Knox (Y10) High Distinction, Kaelem Chandra (Y10) Distinction, Rielly Moore (Y10) Credit, Evan Huang (Y9) Credit.
- **Atom Awards "Best Senior Secondary Fiction" category** – former pupils Joseph Hisayasu and Raymond Feng's film [Surface Tension](#) is a finalist in this Australian competition. The film was shot at the end of 2018, then completed at the end of last year. It also stars former pupils Harry Ashley and Kais Azimullah. Awards night is on next week. [Here](#) is a link to the festival details.

- Year 12 student Saane Noavea (right) recently performed with Queen City Big Band at the Auckland Jazz and Blues Club. She was selected to sing with the band after auditioning alongside many of the best high school singers in Auckland.

Queen City is a very highly regarded, semi-professional Big Band which has been running for 46 years. The band is directed by Paul Norman, who also teaches at Lynfield College tutoring bass students and directing the premier jazz groups. There are also six other current and former Lynfield students in the band.



### **DONATIONS OF: UNIFORM / CHROMEBOOKS / SCIENTIFIC CALCULATORS**

As a school and community, we know the financial challenges of enrolling your child into high school.

If your child is now at the end of their learning journey at Lynfield and no longer requires their school uniform, chromebook or scientific calculator, you can donate these items to the school.

Donated items can be brought into the administration block during the school day. These items will be provided to those students who may not have access to them.

Your kindness and generosity will not go unnoticed. If you have any further questions or comments please contact [lwichmankelly@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:lwichmankelly@lynfield.school.nz)

### **CLEARANCE MORNING INSTRUCTIONS FOR SENIOR STUDENTS**

Clearance Morning on Monday 7 December is for all Year 13 and any Year 12 students who are leaving. Students can pick up a clearance/leaving form from their Dean and complete clearance requirements before clearance morning if they wish. On clearance morning, students go to the Hall between 8.45 and 10.30am. They return their leaving/clearance form to their form teachers. Teachers will have spare copies. Students completing clearance can collect their leaving certificate/testimonial from their Dean. If they have paid for a Yearbook, they collect it then. If they have not yet paid for a Yearbook, they can do so at the Accounts Office.

### **SCHOOL OWNED CHROMEBOOKS AND LAPTOPS**

Throughout this year we have loaned out over 200 school Chromebooks and laptops to ensure all students had access to a device for their learning.

Students in Year 11-13 should have returned their device to the library by now unless alternative arrangements have been made.

Students in Year 9 and Year 10 need to return their device by **Monday 7 December** to the College library **with the charger**.

Moving into 2021 we request every student to have their own device to meet their learning needs. There are a range of different devices available. A Chromebook will suit most students throughout their time here at Lynfield College.

Minimum requirements can be found <https://www.lynfield.school.nz/Curriculum/e-Learning.html>

Many of these devices can be purchased from Noel Lemming, Harvey Norman or PB Tech plus many other outlets.

If your child has completed their studies at Lynfield College and you would like to donate their device to the school for another student to use please bring it into the main office or contact Richard Winn, Deputy Principal [rwinn@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:rwinn@lynfield.school.nz)

**YEAR 9 & YEAR 10 LYNC-ED PROGRAMME – SOME ACTIVITIES FROM WEEK 1**

**LEARNING SUPPORT STUDENTS PARTICIPATED IN A TAICHI CLASS WITH ADULT ESOL STUDENTS AND MADE POI IN THE MARAE.**



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## LYNFIELD COLLEGE CHRISTMAS CAKES BAKING PROJECT 2020

A great big thank you to all students and staff who worked hard to bake 120 Christmas cakes for distribution to Age Concern. This year has been a difficult year so we really want to help bring some cheer and joy to the elderly and show them that someone is thinking of them over Christmas.

A special thank you to Aaron & Kirsty Scanes of New World Mt Roskill, Wawata Group Anchor Distributors and Lynfield staff who once again donated generously to our Christmas Cake baking project.

Check out the video of our students thanking New World for their generous donation:

Facebook link is <https://www.facebook.com/NewWorldMtRoskill>

Instagram is @newworldmtroskill



## YOURNEWS - Producing a Newspaper

Your Views Your News. It's in the name. Students learn to use teamwork, leadership and cooperative skills to work together and produce a newspaper. This class is about finding new ways to promote events that are happening in Lynfield College and to also showcase all the amazing events that have happened.

Our class is very cooperative, doing their part to make this newspaper successful. We selected this option because we thought it would be a great opportunity for us to work as a team and to learn more about what goes into making a newspaper. People have been very responsible and have supported each other and provided help to their peers if they need to. Also, our teachers have been very supportive as well helping us through every step.

By Zia and Usman  
Chief Editors

## SPORTS SCENE

### Team Talk

All summer sport has concluded for this year.

### Volleyball

The boys team, coached by Peter Jamieson and student coach, Angad Bhatt (Y12) competed in the AKSS Volleyball Champs at Pulman Park, Papakura. Given that most of these boys were new to volleyball three months ago, their final placing of 21<sup>st</sup> out of 34 in Greater Auckland was fantastic.

### Junior Boys Cricket

The Junior A boys were yet again in hot form last weekend. Batting first, captain Rishitt Walavalkar led the charge with 68 runs, backing up his 87\* runs from the previous week. With the support of Avinash Rajaram (55), and Harman Reen (51 off 25 balls), the boys posted yet another mammoth total of 285/5. They defended this total comprehensively, with Maanov Bali bowling an exceptional 5 overs, 3/8.

### 1<sup>st</sup> XI Boys Cricket

The 1<sup>st</sup> XI boys also remain unbeaten in the 1B grade, after playing against a strong Green Bay/Elim/Parnell composite team last weekend. Winning the toss and choosing to bat, Zeshan Bari (24) and Varshil Patel (34) put on a quick 60 runs in the first 10 overs, before Ryan Martin (23) came to support the cause. At 19.3 overs the second wicket fell, bringing in form Ankur Chakraborty to the crease. Ankur wasted no time in making his maiden century, finishing up with 109 off 74 balls. With the support and power hitting of Kartik Banerjee (59 runs off 52 balls), these boys gave a masterclass in playing the middle overs well and closing out an innings with exceptional cricket. The team ended up 299/5 after their 40 overs. The boys responded well with the ball, against a defiant and strong batting performance, finally bowling them out in the 38 over, for 216. Abdullah Safi taking three wickets, and Kartik Banerjee, Andy Davy and Hanzallah Khoroti taking two each.

Both the Junior A Boys and the 1<sup>st</sup> are playing at home this weekend at 12.30pm. The 1<sup>st</sup> XI hope to go into Christmas unbeaten and top of the table, and the Junior A boys hope to keep their 2020 record of a 100% win rate in every single match. All the best to both teams.

### NZSS Athletics Championships

These will take place 11, 12, 13 December in Tauranga. We have 6 very talented athletes entered in various track and field events:

Selena Gee (Y13)

Mia Powell (Y12)

Percy Maka (Y11)

Tom Christie (Y10)

Rina Maka (Y10)

Fiona Siaopo (Y9)

We wish them well for their events.

### Can you help PLEASE?

We are currently seeking coaches and managers for our 2021 teams – for all sports, junior and senior teams. To get summer sport underway, we are looking for help with:

Volleyball

Dragonboating

Tennis

Cricket

Rugby

**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) [sport@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:sport@lynfield.school.nz)**

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

### Uniform Return

**Please return all sports uniforms to the Sports Office as soon as possible** as all sport is now finished for this year. 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.

### Individual Honours

Jamie Hall, Caleb Raymond and Lily Andrews competed in the Interschool rock climbing competition hosted by Vertical Adventures. They all did incredibly well! Jamie placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Senior Males

*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 [sport@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:sport@lynfield.school.nz)*