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From Principal Cath Knell

Me mahi tahi tātou mo te oranga o te katoa

We must all work as one for the wellbeing of all

Kia ora koutou

This is our last newsletter for 2021. What a year it has been! We were absolutely delighted to be able to screen a further three prizegivings over the past week to acknowledge our students' achievements in Learning Support, Year 9 and Year 10. Combined with the senior prizegivings and Festival Awards Evening celebrated in November, over six hours of footage has been screened. From these over 2100 viewings have been logged. Thank you all for joining us in these virtual celebrations of our students successes.

At the last School Board meeting for 2021, a second round of Board Sports or Creative, Innovative Scholarships were confirmed. These have been awarded to a further 13 students who have performed or competed at regional, national or international levels while representing the college. Congratulations to the following students:

FOR SPORT: *Kartik Banerjee, Angad Bhatt, Divyanshi Chauhan, Serina Daunakamakama, Percy Maka, Rina Maka, Troy Maka, Fiona Siaopo, Frisco Tuipulotu, Summer van Gelder, Caleb Young, Kevin Zhang*

FOR INNOVATIVE AND CREATIVE: *Evan Huang*

Thank you for your support of the college this year. We look forward to welcoming back all our students to onsite learning in February and to greeting our new Year 9 cohort.

Kia noho haumaruru - *stay safe and well*

Cath Knell

Tumuaki | Principal

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*Seasons
Greetings*

Renovations are Underway!

This is so exciting! Our long-awaited renovations of the Student Services and also International Department have begun with the removal of ALL interior fittings. Our Student Services Faculty includes our Counselling, Careers and the Health Centre which sit beside the International Department. We are looking forward to seeing a better use of the space around lighting, air-conditioning, workflow and especially a more efficient layout of the Health Centre to better meet the needs of our students and staff. We look forward to it being completed early in 2022.



Year 10 Prizegiving

Year 10 Girls Merit Cup Winner (Top Girls Merit Award Student): **Nuha Wadhwanian**

Year 10 Boys Merit Cup Winner (Top Boys Merit Award Student): **Callum Bint**

Year 10 Merit Awards: **Melissa Ashley, Daisy Chen, Nishikaa Thakkar, Aaron Lobo, Evan Huang, Deevyah Shah, Reshma Tala, Aaron Crasto**

Manaakitanga Trophy: **Rishitt Walavalkar**

Top Junior ESOL Student: **Aadath Manoj**

Year 10 Writing Competition Winner: **Dimagi Jayasundara (Kelvin Glassey Cup)**

Year 10 Speech Competition Winner: **Nuha Wadhwanian (Stewart Dawson Cup)**

Lumino The Dentists Health Prizes – Year 10 PE and Health: **Pranay Tailor, Zara Qureshi**

Year 10 Sportsman of the Year: **Kevin Zhang**

Year 10 Sportswoman of the Year: **Fiona Siaopo**

Runner Up Year 10 Sportsman of the Year: **Rishitt Walavalkar**

Outstanding Sporting Achievement Award: **Kevin Zhang**

Junior Group of the Year: **VEX IQ Worlds Robotics Championship Teams (Evan Huang, Vania Liu, Deevya Shah)**

Year 10 Performer of the Year Equal: **Michael Guillard, Melissa Ashley**

Junior School Service to Arts and Culture Award: **Tate Harrington**

Junior Musician of the Year: **Daisy Chen**

Runner Up Junior Musician of the Year: **Michael Yu**

Year 9 Prizegiving

Year 9 Girls Merit Cup Winner (Top Girls Merit Award Student): **Jing Yi Bai**

Year 9 Boys Merit Cup Winner (Top Boys Merit Award Student): **John Mahe**

Year 9 Merit Awards: **Kate Griffin, Taylor Griffin, Sitanimoa Halufia, Anna Kaufusi, Ahana Lal, Danyon Varney, Dhruvi Visnagara, Abigail Williams**

Year 9 Creative Writing Competition Winner: **Anika Wong (Munden Cup)**

Year 9 Speech Competition Winner Equal: **Deveshi Arora, Ivanka Inamke (Year 9 Speech Award Cup)**

Lumino The Dentists Health Prizes – Year 9 PE and Health: **William Day, Ayema Imran**

Year 9 Sportsman of the Year: **Latoa Maka**

Year 9 Sportswoman of the Year: **Prianka Patel**

Runner Up Year 9 Sportsman of the Year: **Dylan Tearle**

Runner Up Year 9 Sportswoman of the Year Equal: **Abigail Williams, Agnes Wulf**

Year 9 Performer of the Year: **John Mahe**



Year 9 Dean Russell Christie kept the students on their toes with challenges and opportunities to win prizes at their final assembly.



Our final assemblies moved outdoors. Science staff and students all masked up and enjoying the sunshine.

Words of Wisdom for next year's Year 9 Students from our 9IL 2021 Students

- If you do need it, ASK FOR HELP. This can be from siblings, parents, or teachers. It doesn't make you weak, it makes you human.
- **Get to know the school really quickly so you know your way around.**
- Make plenty of friends, communicate with your classmates and get to know them!
- **Don't get overwhelmed! It's just another school year and it's everyone's first time too!**
- Get busy! This way, school can be more enjoyable for you. You could join the fashion club, sports team, book club, and literally anything in between.
- **Get involved in as many groups as you can!**
- Don't be afraid to put yourself out there!
- **Remember to have fun and enjoy the time you have in Year 9. Try new things and be confident. 😊**

Please Note: There are still a couple of places available in the Innovative Learning Programme at Year 9 and Year 10 for 2022. Please email Sharyn Hunt shunt@lynfield.school.nz to find out more.

Term Dates for 2022

- Term 1:** Tuesday 1 February – Thursday 14 April
Term 2: Monday 2 May – Friday 8 July
Term 3: Monday 25 July – Friday 30 September
Term 4: Monday 17 October – Friday 9 December
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Start Dates for 2022 (Monday 31 January Auckland Anniversary Day, Public Holiday)

TUESDAY 1 FEBRUARY

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

WEDNESDAY 2 FEBRUARY (Kiwi Coaches school bus service starts today)

Year 9 Attend from 9.00 am – 3.00 pm (Y9 ID photos taken today)

Year 11 Assemble in the Hall at 9.00 am (released 10.00 am, or when course changes are completed)

Year 12 Assemble in the Hall at 10.30 am (released 11.30 am, or when course changes are completed)

Year 13 Assemble in the Hall at 12.00 pm (released 1.00 pm, or when course changes are completed)

THURSDAY 3 FEBRUARY

Year 9 Attend from 9.00 am – 3.00 pm

Year 10 Assemble in the Hall 9.00am (released 10.00am, or when course changes are completed)

LEARNER-FOCUSED PROGRAMMES 2022

A thorough review of the Lynfield College curriculum and timetable has created opportunities for us to refresh and consider what makes learning at Lynfield unique. We put learners at the centre, we have innovative learning experiences, we are future-focused, and we value relationships.

HUI MAI

Students are in groups of 16-19 students. They meet twice a week with their **Hui mai** teacher for pastoral connections. The **Hui mai** programme includes goal-setting, academic coaching, careers, relationships.

The Hui mai teacher is the connection for whānau.

LIFE SKILLS

The **Life skills** programme runs for Year 11-13 students. Through a rotation of activities, the students will learn about the world outside school. Topics include careers, healthy relationships, practical skills, and rights and responsibilities.

Life skills prepares students for life beyond school.

WĀ HONO

Wā hono is for Year 9 and 10 students to make links across their learning. They learn about a topic across their classes, then apply their learning in a way that is meaningful for them.

Wā hono encourages students to be agents of their own learning.

Learn to Live Our vision is for our learners to be active and successful, both at school and beyond. We recognise that learning is a partnership between student, whānau, and school. The development of programmes which are uniquely ours puts us in a strong position to include the upcoming New Zealand Curriculum refresh and changes to NCEA.

FRIDAY 4 FEBRUARY

ALL year levels attend 8.45 am – 3.00 pm on normal timetable

TUESDAY 8 FEBRUARY (Monday 7 February – Waitangi Day Observance – Public Holiday)

ALL year levels attend 8.45 am – 3.00 pm on normal timetable

SportLink

Congratulations to all our sportspeople on an excellent year of Lynfield sport. Special mention to our major prizewinners for 2021 which are below.

DUX LUDORUM (female): **Serina Daunakamakama**

DUX LUDORUM (male): **Kartik Banerjee**

SPORTSPEOPLE OF THE YEAR

Year 12 **Summer van Gelder** and **Percy Maka**

Year 11 **Tom Christie** and **Rina Maka**

Year 10 **Kevin Zhang** and **Fiona Siaopo**

Year 9 **Prianka Patel** and **Troy Maka**

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Tom Christie: AKSS record for Intermediate Boys 300m hurdles, NZSS 1st Junior Boys 100m hurdles, 3rd Junior Boys 300m hurdles

Serina Daunakamakama: NZSS Netball Squad

Kevin Zhang: NZSS swimming 7 golds, 2 silvers, 1 bronze and New Zealand age group record 100m medley for 14 year old boys

JUNIOR ONLINE FITNESS CHALLENGE: **Calum Bint** (Year 10)

Individual Honours

Mia Powell (Year 12)

Mia is a specialist 400m runner who has recently had great success. On Sunday she broke the long-standing Auckland 400m U18 women's record, with a new pb of 54.97! This record was previously held by Commonwealth Games representative Louise Jones and was set in 2000. Mia is now sitting 1st in the New Zealand Under 18 400m women's ranking, 2nd in Oceania and 49th in the world rankings.



Summer van Gelder (Year 12)

Summer has been selected for the national Netball Development Camp early next year. The selection recognises the cream of NZSS talent and it is the start of the next generation's developmental pathway. Only the top 85 secondary students throughout New Zealand have been selected.



If your son and/or daughter has achieved representative status (Auckland or New Zealand), or has competed in such events the Sports Office would very much like to know. Please either ask them to bring proof of the team they made or 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

Coaches and Managers Needed

As we look ahead to 2022, we send out this plea for your support. Without a coach and manager we cannot enter a team into an interschool competition. It is great fun, incredibly rewarding and truly worthwhile. Please consider helping us.

Right now we **URGENTLY** need coaches for Cricket and Dragon boating in Term 1. If you are able to help, or know someone who can, please email sport@lynfield.school.nz

Situations Vacant

Teacher Aides/Learning Assistants

TERM-TIME ONLY | FIXED AND PERMANENT ROLES FOR 2022

We are looking for active, enthusiastic, caring people who have the passion and motivation to work with closely with students with learning and behaviour difficulties in our collaborative Learning Support Department. Effective people skills, teamwork, initiative, a sense of humour and experience working with adolescents is essential. The position may also involve assisting students, as required, with their personal care, hygiene, toileting and sensory challenges.

Excellent spoken and written English language skills are essential as is IT competency. Familiarity with NZ sign language, Te Reo Māori, Positive Behaviour Management (PB4L) would be an advantage. Applicants must have New Zealand residency. The role is subject to a satisfactory Police check.

The position is for 31 hours per week, during term time only.

Please send a cover letter addressed to the Principal and a brief CV with two references to: Lee Bullinga, Executive Secretary at jobs@lynfield.school.nz

Applications close 4.00 pm, Friday 14 January 2022

Situations Vacant

Sports Engagement Leader

FIXED-TERM, PART-TIME, TERM-TIME ONLY

We are looking for a Sports Engagement Leader to work alongside the Sports Department to increase overall engagement, participation and enjoyment in sport and physical activities at the College.

Starting in February 2022, this role is part-time with the possibility of additional hours during the school holidays. The position may suit someone enrolled in a tertiary programme.

THE SUCCESSFUL APPLICANT WILL:

- Possess strong organisational and administrative skills
- Have excellent IT, written and verbal communication skills
- Enjoy working with young people across both College and contributing Intermediate schools
- Be positive and enthusiastic about physical activities, sports and the opportunities they provide
- Have initiative, be innovative and have the ability to prioritise workloads in busy school environments.

For a copy of the job description please contact Executive Secretary Lee Bullinga:

lbullinga@lynfield.school.nz. The offer of the position will be subject to the outcome of a Police vet. Applications must include a covering letter and CV, including details of three referees and may be sent to jobs@lynfield.school.nz

Applications close 4.00 pm, Friday 14 January 2022
