



LYNFIELD COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER 16
24 September 2021

Ki te wātea te hinengaro me te kaha rere o te wairua ka taea ngā mea katoa
When the mind is free and the spirit is willing anything is possible

Nihao, Talofa and Bula

Next week we are celebrating Chinese and Tuvalu Language Weeks (26 September - 3 October). The week following, the first week of the school holidays, will be Fiji Language Week (3-9 October) so I greet you in all three! Our students have prepared presentations and Kahoot challenges for staff. As always, we learn from each other and it is awesome seeing the students take such a lead here.

Next week is also Mental Health Awareness Week. I would encourage you to check out the SELF-CARE challenges that our student leaders have set for students, staff and whanau in this newsletter. In support of this we are calling a 'Device-free' Day on Wednesday 29 September and look forward to seeing the examples of 'getting outside' 'connecting with nature' and 'having fun with the people in their bubble' that are shared.

Last week we celebrated Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori and participated in a number of wero (challenges) that were set for us and our Lynfield Kāhui Ako. Of the many entries that were submitted one particularly impressed me as it demonstrated our Lynfield College Values in action (***hinengaro wawata - we are ambitious*** and ***wairua kaha - we persevere***), it also highlighted, step by step, what is needed to achieve. Click [here](#) to view our Year 9 Dean, Russell Christie, as he records his learning journey.

This is the last Newsletter for Term 3. We wish everyone a much needed holiday break after what has been an emotional and exhausting term. Alert levels allowing, we look forward to being able to welcome our students and staff back onsite on Monday 18 October.

Kia noho haumarū - *stay safe and well*

Cath Knell
Tumuaki | Principal

ALERT LEVEL 3 - 'SCHOOL BUBBLES' OPERATE

Now Auckland is at Alert Level 3 we are able to provide supervision for a limited number of students who are not able to be supervised at home. This is by registration only (<https://tinyurl.com/ybjkny6d>) with registrations required by 2pm the day prior.

We successfully applied to the Director of Education for permission to have senior student bubbles operate as well. These are only for subjects where access to the equipment at school (eg sewing machines) is required for any work to be progressed. Today we saw students from 12 and 13TFD (Fashion and Design) catching up on what they can't work on at home.

**Give
nothing
to racism**



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**Racism will get
no support here**

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#GiveNothingtoRacism

TE WIKI O TE REO MĀORI

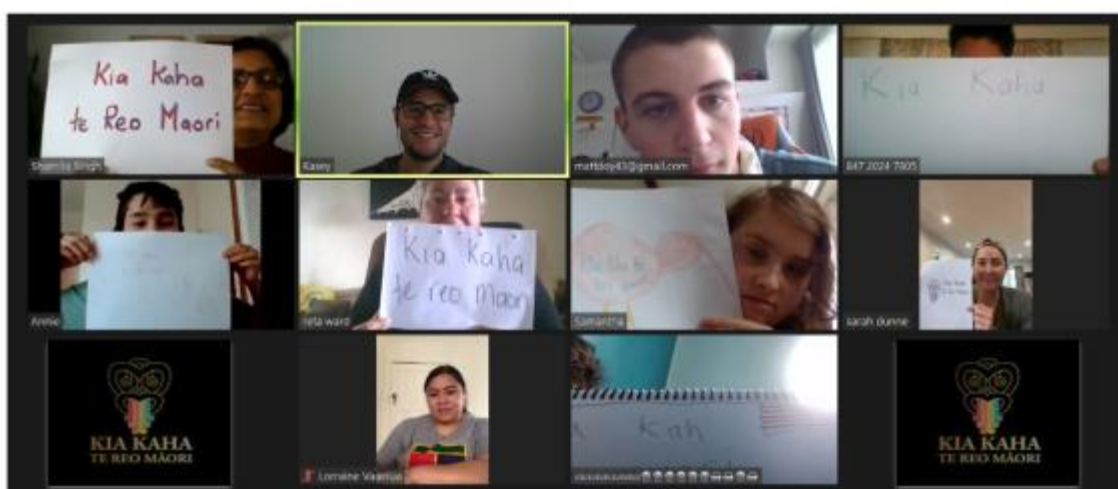
Last week staff, students and whānau from Lynfield College and the Lynfield Kāhui Ako participated in a range of activities and wero (challenges) to celebrate Te Wiki o te Reo Māori. These included Pepeha, Tik Tok, Waiata, and saying the longest place name in Te Reo Māori to name a few.

Thank you to all those who engaged in this week of celebrations.

LEARNING SUPPORT CELEBRATE TE WIKI O TE REO MAORI

[Learning Support Celebrate Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori- Na Whaea Reta](#)

Ms. Singh's Te Reo Maori Lesson-SPEC



LONGEST PLACE NAME CHALLENGE FOR TE WIKI O TE REO MĀORI

Mr Christie [Mr Christie learns the longest kupu](#)

Mr Bangs [Mr C Bangs Longest place name](#)

Mrs Fe'ao and Hahana-Rose [Hahana-Rose and Mrs Fe'ao longest place name](#)

Nga Tamariki a Whaea Wichman-Kelly [Whaea Lisa- tana tama Whaea Lisa-tana tamaahine](#)

Ka nui te mihi ki nga kaitoa. The following entrants who were chosen by judges from our community to receive Prezzy cards:

Mr Bangs, HOD ESOL

Nicole Z, New Windsor Primary School

Jack Compton (9NN)

Hahana-Rose and Mrs Fe'ao

Whaea Lisa's Tamariki



TE WIKI O TE REO MĀORI SURVEY

When asked how and when do you use Te Reo Māori as a Kaiako (Teacher), our Kaiako said:

I try to use Te Reo Māori in my classes. Some of the small kupu I use are: Kia Ora, Ae, Kāo, Mōrena, Ka kite, hoihoi, turituri, haere mai and others.

Greet students with different phrases/words eg mōrena, ata mārie. Use te reo on the board eg pānui, mahi, the date. Have whakatauki etc on the walls. Labels on maps eg Ahuriri, Te Wai Pounamu, Kirikiriroa. Model correct pronunciation eg Māori, whānau.

Use Māori greetings when talking to the class at the beginning and end of the lesson. I encourage my students to use Te Reo when appropriate and to help me to get the pronunciation correct. Create tasks in class and use Māori terms.

When asked how is Te Reo Māori important to you and your whanau, our Ākonga said:

It is important to me because I am from NZ and I think that we should all speak Māori.

Because this is where we grew up, learning our country's culture and language. We respect its value.

My father has a job where he has to take part in a lot of speaking roles which are spoken in Te Reo Māori.

I feel like it connects me more with New Zealand, and that's really important to me.

Since we live in New Zealand I think it's important to learn about the languages and history of the Māori culture

Where, how and when do you use Te Reo Māori?

When I greet people and say my pepeha, this is where they understand about identity.

When somebody greets my family and I in Te Reo Māori, I greet them back for all of us.

You could say hello in Māori when you go see your friends and you could use Māori when you teacher does the roll.

I greet my friends in Te Reo Māori

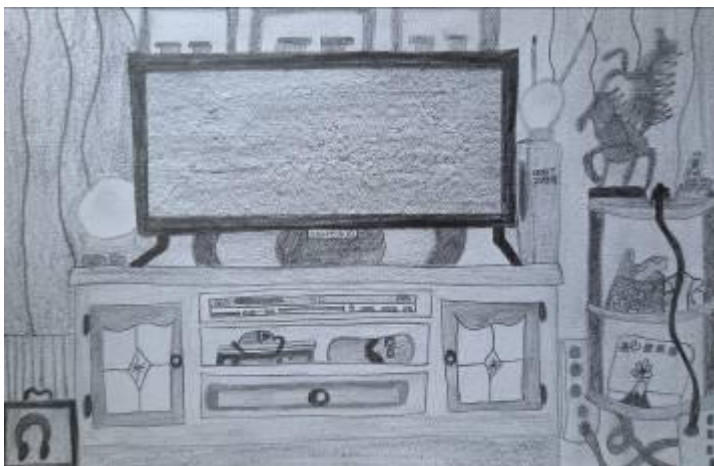
RESULTS FOR SOME OF OUR LOCKDOWN CHALLENGES / COMPETITIONS

PSSP PHOTO COMPETITION

Winner: Sarka Ludvigova, Runner up: Deevya Shah. *View the results via this QR.*



YEAR 10 DRAWING CHALLENGE



Top left: Emili Biswas, Bottom left: Laura McLeod, Right: Emilio Moya Carrasco

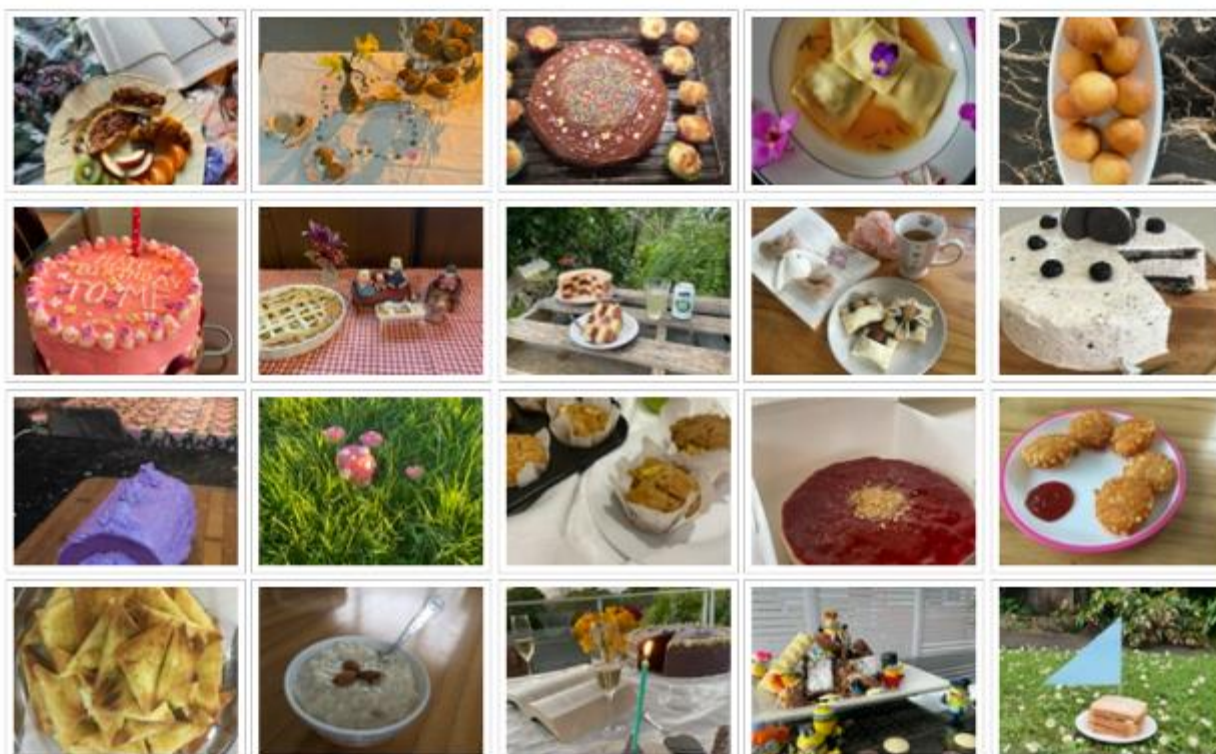
YEAR 10 MUSIC ACADEMY ONLINE PERFORMANCE

<https://youtu.be/eTMvzu0zSKI>



12WIS BAKE-OFF CHALLENGE

12 WIS have been taking part in a bake-off challenge throughout lockdown. Lots of delicious entries ranging from Ti's strawberry birthday cake, Thor's Swiss ube roll, Leilani's red velvet checkerboard cake and Cecilia's Keke Isite for Tongan week. Other entries included ravioli, a club sandwich, cheesecakes, brownies, muffins, pies and subudana tikka. Well done to everyone who took part. It was a pleasure to have so much food envy and now I am looking forward to the next shared lunch!



NZ INTERNATIONAL BIOLOGY OLYMPIAD (NZIBO)

Evan Huang (10JP) has won a Bronze Award, New Zealand International Biology Olympiad (NZIBO) and has been chosen for the New Zealand International Biology Olympiad Tutorial Programme. The Programme runs over the NZ summer, from September to July in 2022.

NZIBO fosters interest, participation, and excellence in biology through participation of secondary school students in the NZIBO Programme. The programme provides University level education in Biology to those students selected to participate in the online tutorial programme.

NZIBO ensures that the students who participate have the necessary knowledge to compete successfully at the International Biology Olympiad (IBO) should they be selected to represent New Zealand at this prestigious international competition.

Evan's other Distinctions and awards are:

- 2021 – 2022 NZ Olympiad in Informatics (NZOI) camp
- 2021 NZ Informatics Competition (NZIC), 18th place
- 2020 – 2021 VEX IQ Robotics World Championships
- 2021 – 2022 NZ Maths Olympiad, invited to Round 2
- 2020 – 2021 American Mathematics Competition, Honour Roll of Distinction, 1st place in NZ, Top 1% worldwide

OTAGO MATHS COMPETITION

This year we had 17 self-selected candidates in the Otago Maths Competition. 4500 students entered from 140 schools throughout Aotearoa NZ. Three of our students were selected to join the top 1600 for the more difficult Round 2. These were Sarah Bai in Y9, Daisy Chen in Y10 and Evan Huang, also in Y10. The following awards have been given to our students. Merit is awarded for being in the top 50% of results. Congratulations to all these students.

Year 9:

Sarah Bai – Merit in Round 2

Alina Murrumkar – Merit in Round 1

Jacky Zhou – Merit in Round 1

Year 10:

Evan Huang – Top 30 in Round 2

Daisy Chen – Merit in Round 2

Calum Bint – Merit in Round 1

Miyu Okuwaki – Merit in Round 1

Year 11:

Mei Matsuki – Merit in Round 1

Angel Yee – Merit in Round 1

COURSE SELECTION FOR 2022

We would like all selections completed by 3.00pm Monday 27 September. This involves students making their selections and parents/caregivers logging in and approving their child's choices.

There has been a great response from students with over 5,500 courses selected already! A massive thanks to those parents who have already approved their child's selections. If you have yet to do this – instructions for parents are here - <https://bit.ly/3zTTLDP>

HOUSE CAPTAINS 2022

For students who would like to stand in the elections for a 2022 House Captain position, expressions of interest are being accepted from Friday 24 September - Monday 18 October.

<https://forms.gle/WUQdWKjbGYjKCgtU8>

ASSESSMENT UPDATES – ANNOUNCEMENTS MADE THIS WEEK

We are aware, that due to the disruption of Covid 19, many of our students will need more time to complete their assessment work. We will be giving students who still need to complete assessments at the end of the year, opportunities to do this as much as possible.

If you are concerned your child might not achieve Level 1 in 2020 because of the disruption to their learning, please note:

Level 1 NCEA does not need to be achieved in Year 11. Level 2 credits gained in Year 12 will count towards a Level 1 Certificate. The same applies if your child is in Year 12, Level 3 credits will count towards a Level 2 Certificate.

GOOD NEWS FROM THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND NZQA FOR AUCKLAND STUDENTS DOING NCEA!

To recognise the extended lockdown for students in Auckland, changes have been made to Learning Recognition Credits.

In summary, these are:

- *Auckland students will be entitled to **1 Learning Recognition Credit (LRC) for every 4 credits** they achieve through assessment in the 2021 school year, rather than 1 LRC for every 5.*
- *Auckland students will be eligible for up to **16 LRCs at NCEA Level 1, and 12 LRCs at levels 2 and 3.***
Changes to Certificate Endorsement
- ***44 credits at Merit or Excellence level**, rather than the usual 50*

The changes to Course Endorsements and University Entrance previously announced remain the same. This means:

- *Auckland students will require 12 credits at Achieved, Merit or Excellence level to receive Course Endorsements, rather than 14.*
- *To be awarded University Entrance, students in Auckland will need to achieve 12 – instead of 14 – credits in each of 3 University Entrance Approved Subjects, as well as attaining NCEA Level 3 and meeting the usual literacy and numeracy requirements.*

Please note: LRCs do not have a grade attached to them and are applied to your Record of Learning by NZQA, in January.

They have got more time to study.

- Most portfolio due dates and exams for NCEA and Scholarship have been moved later, to give more time for students to learn and prepare.

What do students need to do?

Keep working to make sure that they achieve as many standards as they can. Teachers will help them to track their progress. Make sure that they know when their portfolios are due, and double check the [new exam timetable](#).

A reminder of other KEY INTERNAL ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

- Internal assessment deadlines are currently on hold
- Teachers are collecting evidence from student work during lockdown, and this may be used for evidence towards internal assessments and a derived grade for an external exam
- **Our Senior Assessment Weeks have been rescheduled and are now in Term 4 – Weeks 3 and 4 (the exam timetable has been posted on Schoology [Exam Timetable Week 3-4](#))**

DCAT and digital exams for Classical Studies and English will be in Weeks 1 and 2 Term 4:

Week 1 Thursday 21 Oct AM Level 1 DCAT
Friday 22 Oct AM Level 3 DCAT
Week 2 Wednesday 27 Oct AM Level 2 English
Thursday 28 Oct AM Level 3 Classics / PM Level 2 Classics
Friday 29 Oct AM Level 2 DCAT / PM Level 3 English

MCAT Exam (Level 1) cannot be sat during Level 3. Teachers will gather evidence towards this standard and used that for a derived grade.

If you need any more information, please contact your child's Dean or Deputy Principal, Sandy Harris
saharris@lynfield.school.nz

LIBRARY - WHEELERS EBOOKS AVAILABLE

Don't stop reading just because you can't visit the library. We have ebooks available at <https://lynfield.eplatform.co/> or click on the link on the library webpage under the students tab on the Lynfield College website. Login using your 5-digit student number and ebooks 12 as the password. Easy to download to any device. Several popular titles available that have long waiting lists at the public library.

CAREER PATHWAY UPDATE

Gateway Programme 2021 – placements on hold till Level 1. Gateway students – any questions please text Mrs Harvey on Mb. 021 944 013.

Gateway Programme 2022 – applications are open now. Students need to select 'Exemption for Gateway' on SchoolPoint, then request a digital application form from Mrs Harvey: eharvey@lynfield.school.nz. Interviews will be in October/November.

Otago Zoom - On Monday 27th September Year 13 students that are applying to University of Otago for 2022 entry, are encouraged to attend an important university course planning session showing students how to strategically plan their courses for Year 1 on the University portal. This is just for our school and it will be personalised, so it is important to remember Zoom etiquette as you will be spoken to, so, have your formal name showing, camera and sound on when asked. Use this link:

Join from PC, Mac, iOS or Android:

<https://otago.zoom.us/j/5964991239?pwd=OENsU0J5VEtDS1VtN3ZGN2pWUC9pZz09> Password: 243292

AUT LIVE Q&A – register now for 25 September

Do you still have questions about AUT study or student life? We've got you covered! Join us for AUT LIVE Q&A, an online event designed to support your university journey. Our student advisors and academics are ready to answer your questions.

[Register now](#)

University of Auckland Update

Summer Start Scholarships - Applications are open for the University of Auckland Summer Start Scholarship. This scholarship offers accommodation to students from outside the Auckland area or with significant travel times within the Auckland area, who have left secondary school in the previous two years and who are attending Summer School before starting their degree in Semester One 2022.

For more information and to see the regulations for this scholarship please visit [University of Auckland Summer Start Scholarship](#).

Future Science Student Webinars - Are you interested to study science but may not be sure about the subjects we offer? We hosted several live webinars where we discussed each of our subjects, you can watch the webinars [here](#).

Plus, register for our live Q&A sessions and get all your questions answered.

Biomedical Science & General Science Q&A Session Tuesday 12 October, 7pm – 8pm [Register here](#)

Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Advanced Science (Hons) and Conjoint Q&A Session

Thursday 14 October, 7pm – 8pm [Register here](#)

Science Scholar Programme

You may be interested in the Science Scholars Programme here at the University of Auckland?

The Science Scholars Programme is a three-year extracurricular experience on top of student's Science degree aimed at skill building for students who are passionate and enthusiastic about Science and where it can be taken in society. It involves small cohorts (compared to standard university lectures) which students will stay with throughout the three years of the programme.

You can check out our [website](#) for more in depth information or get in contact with the programme directly at

scischol@auckland.ac.nz.

Faculty of Education and Social Work Webinars

Keen to kick-start an exciting career in the education sector? We can help you get started. Join our informative webinars on Thursday 30 September to explore your study options in education and teaching. You will discover what career opportunities await you in the education sector, learn about the applications and enrolment process.

Change young lives: The Bachelor of Education (Teaching) Primary and Huarahi Māori

Thursday 30 September 5-5.45pm [Register here](#)

Find out how we can help you become an exceptional teacher for our tamariki. Learn about *Primary* and *Huarahi Māori* specialisations and how practical experiences in schools and kura will set you up for your teaching career.

The Bachelor of Early Childhood Studies: a degree that makes a difference

Thursday 30 September 5.45–6.30pm [Register here](#)

You might also enjoy our new videos promoting the BSPortHPE featuring [Sean](#), [Beth](#) and [Karishma](#) and a new BEd Teaching video – focused on practicum: [Leah](#)

Business School Majors Evening

Join us for an online Business Majors Evening on Thursday 23 September and explore your options.

Reps from each major will be on hand, so come along with any questions about our study options for some Q&A.

5-5.30pm: Introduction to our majors and specialisation, course planning and advice

5.30-6.10pm: Accounting, Finance, Commercial Law, Taxation

6.10-6.50pm: Marketing, Management, Innovation and Entrepreneurship, International Business

6.50-7.30pm: Economics, Business Analytics, Information Systems, Operations and Supply Chain Management

7.30-7.50pm: Property

Date: Thursday 23 September 2021

Time: 5-7.50pm

Location: Online [Register here](#)

FROM OUR STUDENT COUNCIL

Lynfield is running a week-long campaign next week during Mental Health Awareness Week, focusing on the concept of **self-care** using the hashtag #LCMHAW (Lynfield College Mental Health Awareness Week).

Our Student Council is asking the question, “**How do you practice self-care?**” to various people around the school. This is to start conversations around mental health, to share what people are doing and to emphasise the importance of wellbeing. Their answers will be put together into videos to be posted on our social media pages. Students will be taking photos of themselves with a poster containing their answer.

We will also be participating in a **Self-Care Challenge** organised by the Safe Schools Committee, where students and staff just need to share photos of themselves doing any of the following activities.

- Some interesting clouds
- Fun outside with the whānau
- Looking up to the sky through the tree canopy
- Plants growing in unusual places
- Insects, birds, lizards, spiders, animals...
- The path or trail you are walking/running along
- Spring flowers

We're hoping to build awareness and solidarity around mental health for our entire Lynfield community. We want our whanau, staff and students to be actively participating in this challenge so that we can bring positivity to the conversations we have around mental health next week. Kia Kaha Lynfield!

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK 2021 AT LYNFIELD COLLEGE, 27 SEPTEMBER - 3 OCTOBER 2021

Our student leaders have decided that our focus this year will be on SELF-CARE and are encouraging everyone to get outside to do some physical activity, connect with nature and have fun with the people in their bubble. Our Student Council will also be sharing the things they like to do for self-care. Below are the details of the challenge that they have set for students, staff and whanau.

Mental Health Awareness Week

SELF CARE CHALLENGE

Share a picture each day next week that relates to you practicing self care, getting outside, being physically active, connecting whānau, nature etc.

What do you do to practice self care?

Students, staff and whānau can use the #LCMHAW hashtag on Instagram

Students can DM pics to @lc.safeschools @lc_pssp @lynfieldcollege_nz

#LCMHAW

Mental Health Awareness Week

SELF CARE CHALLENGE

Photo prompts for inspiration:

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#LCMHAW

FAMILIES REQUIRING SUPPORT

If you are in need of any assistance, Work and Income maybe able to help with the following:
food costs
accommodation costs
power, gas, heating or water bills
medical and dental costs

Click on these links to find out more:

<https://www.workandincome.govt.nz/covid-19/help-for-you-and-your-whanau.html#null>
[Food - Essential Items](#)

LOCKDOWN TIPS WITH DR HINEMOA ELDER AND NATHAN WALLIS

From the Ministry of Education

<https://youtu.be/J1GuXHFSOHc>

If you're the parent of a child or teenager in Auckland, you might be feeling a bit anxious about their wellbeing during the extended lockdown or Alert Level 3. This is normal – all young people are different and will show stress in different ways. For example:

- not eating well
 - spending long periods of time in their room alone
 - not doing any physical activity, and
 - disengaging from online work
- We asked some familiar specialists for their tips and advice.

Watch this video with Dr.Hinemoa Elder (Child Adolescent Psychiatrist) and Nathan Wallis (Neuroscience Educator) who describe what you can do if you have concerns. Remember, if you feel you or your tamariki aren't coping, it's important to reach out and talk with your child's school or a health professional. There's lot of support, information and help available. Where to go for help: [covid19.govt.nz/health-and-wellbeing/mental-wellbeing/where-to-go-for-help/](https://www.covid19.govt.nz/health-and-wellbeing/mental-wellbeing/where-to-go-for-help/)

<https://youtu.be/J1GuXHFSOHc>

TUVALU AND FIJIAN LANGUAGE WEEKS

During Week 10 we are also delighted to celebrate Tuvalu and Fijian Language Weeks. There will be a powerpoint and challenges on Schoology, so keep an eye out.

[Tuvaluan Language Week](#)

[Fijian Language Week](#)



Calling Aotearoa's Pacific Youth
Join us for a Youth Fono on Education
Share with your village!
Register via the link.

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your
village**



Ministry for
**Pacific
Peoples**
Te Manatū o ngā Kaitiaki Māori me te Māori Rau ā Ihu

Friday 24 Sept
6pm-7.15pm

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
TE TĀHURU O TE MĀTAURANGA

YEAR 12 & 13 TECHNOLOGY FASHION DESIGN STUDENTS ATTEND AN ONSITE CLASS DURING LEVEL 3



SPORTS SCENE

Summer Sport

Sign-ups are underway for junior summer sports – cricket, volleyball and touch. **Links to the sign-ups are on Schoology and the Lynfield College Sport facebook and Instagram pages.**

Competitions for these teams begin early next term and are held at local venues. **We can only enter teams in these competitions if we have coaches. Are you able to help? Do you know anyone who would be a suitable coach for one of these junior teams?**

Next term, 1st XI boys cricket team continue their season started in Term 1.

Uniform Return

With all winter sports now finished for the year **please return all sports uniforms to the Sports Office as soon as possible** at the beginning of Term 4. 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.

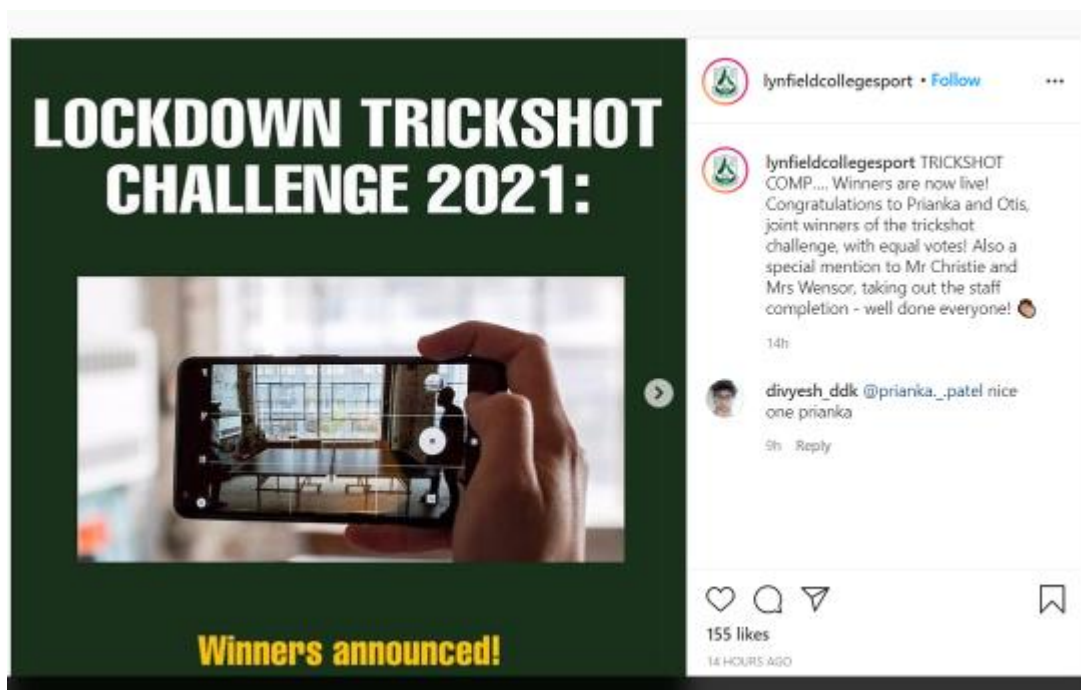
Keeping Active

There have been many and varied challenges we have faced during the last 5 weeks in lockdown. To help keep the students and staff active the Sports Captains have run a Trickshot Challenge. Check out the prize winners here:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1yUF841HXL66H1OgG2kvc6dl04d0k4Mb?usp=sharing>

Congratulations to Prianka Patel (Y9) and Otis Wilson (Y11) on their successful, creative and innovative entries into this competition. Special mention to Mr Christie and Mrs Wensor for winning the staff competition.

https://www.instagram.com/p/CUJz42QBtx9/?utm_medium=copy_link



Students and staff have also had the opportunity to participate in the College Sport challenges in which our school is competing against others. This week is all about clocking up the kilometres whether it is by walking, running, cycling or rowing. All their contributions, once logged on the College Sport website for Lynfield College, help our score.

Individual Honours

Mia Powell (Y12) has been awarded a Don Oliver Youth Foundation Scholarship. This is a very prestigious scholarship.

The Don Oliver Youth Sport Foundation was established in 1997 by leaders of the West Auckland community with the mission to provide scholarships and other forms of support for pre-elite Waitakere athletes in all codes. To be eligible the youngsters must be aged between 14 and 21, live and train in Waitakere and have the realistic ability to step up to national and international 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 (eg certificate, letter of selection etc) so we have the exact wording of their achievement, or email these details to fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz.



**Design your dream public transport station!
Here are 5 steps to help you get started.**

- 1 What type of transport will people be able to catch at your station?**
Will it be for trains? Helicopters? Motorbikes? Bikes? Spaceships? Jet skis? Waka?



- 2 Where will your station be?**
Is it underground? In the sky? On water? Underwater? In space? It could even be under your school!



- 3 What's in your transport station?**
A shopping mall? An arcade? Your school? Your parent's job? A food court?



- 4 How will your station look and feel?**
Will it reflect what's important to you? Your community? Culture? Aotearoa? The environment?



- 5 How will you create your station?**
Using pencil and paper? On Minecraft? With Lego? Using AutoCAD? Playdough? Wood?



Get creating! Remember these are just suggestions. You are free to be as creative as you want.

Entries close 30 September 2021 at 5pm. Send your entries to communications@linkalliance.co.nz.

