

Me mahi tahi tātou mo te oranga o te katoa We must all work as one for the wellbeing of all

Fakalofa lahi atu

Welcome back to Term 4. I hope that you and your family were able to enjoy a change in routine over the school holiday break.

This week we are celebrating Niuean Language Week with our Pacific Pride leaders preparing and sharing information with students and staff.

Our school value for Term 4 is **Wairua kaha** with a focus for the first two weeks of 'we are resilient'. This is particularly relevant as we continue to face frequent changes to how we teach and learn. Resilience will continue to be a focus as we continue to gather evidence of student learning in support of awarding an Unexpected Event Grade should students preparing for NCEA externals not be able to sit an exam.

Last term we had expected to be onsite from 18 October. With Auckland remaining at Alert Level 3 for longer we are only now preparing to welcome our senior students (Years 11-13) back from Tuesday 26 October. Details on this staggered return have been shared with the students via Schoology and emailed to parents via KAMAR. I am providing the link again for you here for ease of reference. Our focus is on making this a safe reintroduction for students and staff.

Later in the term we hope to be able to welcome our junior students back onsite as well. Meanwhile their learning at home programme continues online as it has done this week.

We thank our student leaders for playing their role in supporting a safe return and invite you to view their reasons for being vaccinated.

Kia noho haumaru - stay safe and well

Cath Knell
Tumuaki | Principal

STUDENT LEADERS SHARE THEIR REASONS FOR VACCINATION

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1hWMN_3m7KIONh7EGwytNbVztdaPlhXdf/view?usp=sharing

FROM THE COLLEGE NURSE

The Ministry of Health (MOH) has recommended that everyone aged 12 years and over in New Zealand are vaccinated against Covid-19. The Ministry of Education is encouraging students and staff to be vaccinated. From the beginning of 2022 it will be mandatory for all staff to be vaccinated. To book a vaccine you can contact book my vaccine https://bookmyvaccine.covid19.health.nz/ On this site there is a list of walk-in clinics. Many pharmacies and GP clinics now offer vaccines. If you have any queries, you can email me on nurse@lynfield.school.nz

We are working with the Physiotherapist that is connected to the school. They will be fully vaccinated next year before they see students. For the rest of this year, if any students are needing to see a physio for any injuries, the physio will contact them by phone and do zoom consultations. They will be offsite until next year.

He wero, he wānanga: A virtual wānanga about COVID-19

Dr Rawiri McKree Jansen and Eruera Keepa will join Mihingarangi Forbes for this wānanga. Read about ngā kaikōrero through the registration link.

This will be a safe place for you and your whānau to ask questions about the vaccine from a Māori perspective. Each session will last about 45 minutes. There are two sessions for you to choose from Wednesday 27 October at 4.00pm and Thursday 28 October 2021 at 7.00pm.

Register here for He wero, he wānanga.





KIWI COACHES SCHOOL BUS SERVICES

These school bus services will be starting again on Tuesday 26 October.

All students wishing to use the services are requested to make contact with Kiwi Coaches via email on info@kiwicoaches.co.nz or telephone the office direct on 09 6365232 to ensure adequate seating is available, as depending on the number of pupils bus sizes may change.

All Kiwi Coaches drivers are vaccinated. All students must wear their masks. Hand sanitizers are on buses as well as the COVID-19 QR code.

Pupils must have their bus pass otherwise NO CARD NO RIDE.

Kiwi Coaches also have all the tracking and reporting systems of the pupils that ride the buses in place (via their bus card), should this be a daily school requirement.

AT BUS AND TRAIN UPDATES FOR STUDENTS RETURNING TO SCHOOL

Auckland Transport (at.govt.nz)

KOWHAI KAI- KOHA (DONATIONS)

During lockdown Kowhai Kai have continued to provide care parcels to over 30 of our families. These parcels have included essential items flour, sugar, fruit, vegetables and meat. Where able we have also included some treat items. These parcels have been arranged and distributed because of the financial support and contribution of our school, staff and community. Thank you to those who have provided financial and / or distribution support previously. If you are in a position to donate, or know of any groups that are able to donate to Kowhai Kai to further support our families, please make the donation to the following account. Lynfield College 12-3049-0248027-00. Particulars: Kowhai Kai.

For our families who require urgent support please access the following resources:

FOOD BANK WEST AUCKLAND

https://www.foodbank.co.nz/west-auckland

VISION WEST

https://visionwest.org.nz/

HOPE FOOD BANK

https://www.facebook.com/encounterhopefoundation/

NORWEST FOOD BANK

(021) 086 33785 — (022) 568 6337 - http://www.norwestcaretrust.org.nz

SEED 2 HARVEST TRUST

seedtoharvest15@gmail.com — (021) 678 192— https://www.seed2harvest.co.nz/

CLICK on our website and from the HOMEPAGE scroll down to "S2H Food Parcel" TAB - click and complete the form - the team will arrange a parcel for you. We are a Distribution Hub ONLY for deliveries.

THE FONO WEST

headoffice@thefono.org — (09) 837 1780 — (0800) FONO4U — http://www.thefono.org

Please contact me on lwichmankelly@lynfield.school.nz if you require further support.

ASSESSMENT UPDATES - FURTHER 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 internal assessments, 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.

Learning Recognition Credits for Auckland Students

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.

ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

Some students need to finish internal assessments. These will happen during your timetabled periods, or by negotiation with your teacher if you are learning from home.

The planned Assessment Fortnight in Week 3-4 will go ahead. For some assessments, it will be better if you are onsite, particularly on Thursday and Friday of each week. However, you will still be able to complete these activities at home.

Please remember that what you are doing in class, either at school or learning from home, are part of the evidence needed for an Unexpected Event Grade. If you haven't provided several pieces of evidence, your teacher can't recommend an Unexpected Event Grade (UEG). Evidence

Exam Timetable Week 3-4

NCEA Exams and Unexpected event Grades

NCEA exams will still go ahead however, NZQA have said students who cannot attend an exam because of a specific COVID-19 disruption will receive their Unexpected Event Grade. Where students do attend the exam, they will receive the better of their exam grade or their Unexpected Event Grade.

 $\underline{\text{https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/assets/qualifications-and-standards/qualifications/ncea/exams-and-portfolios/examination-timetable.pdf}$

Practice tasks on the digital platform for Classical Studies and English will be in Week 2:

These tasks will be done remotely. Students DO NOT NEED TO COME INTO SCHOOL on the day of the exam to do these unless they have internet issues. If a student chose to do the paper option, they can access the questions via Schoology or Google Classroom and do the task as an on-line task or come into school and hand write their answer. Teachers will be providing their classes with further details.

Week 2

Wednesday 27 Oct AM Level 2 English

Thursday 28 Oct AM Level 3 Classics / PM Level 2 Classics

Friday 29 Oct PM Level 3 English

Rescheduled DCAT's

Week 4

Tuesday 9 Nov AM Level 2 DCAT Wednesday 10 Nov AM Level 3 DCAT

Level 1 DCAT & MCAT Exams 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

RECENT STUDENT SUCCESSES

Congratulations to the following students who have achieved excellent results.

Riya Patel (13ST) has been awarded a **Price Waterhouse Coopers Scholarship**, which includes \$7,000 towards her university fees and course related costs over the course of her degree, a PwC staff mentor, access to business networks and the opportunity to learn about what they do behind the scenes, so she can choose the career path that best suits her.



Michael Jury (13LE), Dev Dixit (13ST), Vrij Patel (12WS) and Sarka Ludvigova (12RY) achieved Distinction in the **University of Auckland Economics Competition**, placing them in the top 10% out of approximately 1500 students.

Distinction – Evan Huang Merit – Sammy Ware

Auckland Goethe Society German Speaking Competition 2021

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

Year 13: 3rd Place - Revati Ekbote

Year 12: 1st Place - Sarka Ludvigova

Distinction - Alyse Negi, Melanee Edwin, Rhea Ramendra, Oliver Pracy

Year 11: 3rd Place - Matthew Ernst (Year 12 category)

Highly Commended - Keagan Menezes, Ben Way

Year 10: Gold Award - Naimah Manchanda, Miyu Okuwaki, Deevya Shah, Zara Qureshi

Silver Award - Nishikaa Thakkar, Ella Pracy, Reshma Tala, Omisha Mogre, Aaron Lobo, Aayushi Nand

Year 9: Gold – Aryan Saadat

Silver - Rocco Gough, Michael Shand, Akshav Malarao, Reem Mohamed Said

Bronze - Jack Harris, Keiziah Rajapakshe, Vyshnavi Panchumarthy

NIWA Science and Technology Fair

In August ten of our Year 9 Science Fair projects were selected to move on to represent Lynfield College at the NIWA Science and Technology Fair, Auckland Regional-Central/ West 2021. Unfortunately, the NIWA Science and Technology Fair was not able to be held in person due to COVID restrictions. Students were, however, able to present their projects digitally to the judges through ZOOM meetings. The NIWA Science Fair judges were impressed with the quality of the projects and the presentation of the students. Three projects were given prizes this year.

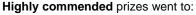
3rd Place in Year 9/10 Physical World and a **special book prize** was given to Jacky Zhou for his project 'Bridge vs. Mass'. The judges were very impressed with his understanding of Physics concepts and the large amount of data he had collected to ensure reliability of his experiment.

The Auckland NIWA Science Fair is a showcase of Science projects created by the curious minds of students.

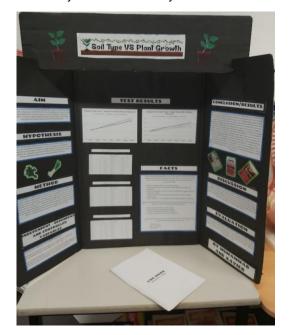
I wondered how building a different bridge design would affect its overall strength. I chose four diverse designs (arch, beam, suspension, truss) and built them out of Lego. I got my data from placing weights onto each bridge three times (to improve accuracy), then logged my

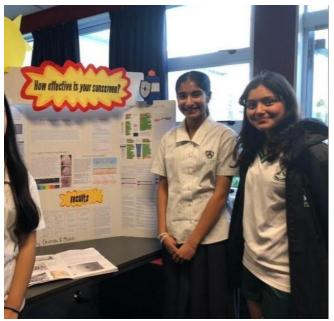
results of each trial. The suspension bridge was the strongest, which withstood an average of 2261 grams. My results showed a cable-dependent bridge was the strongest design.

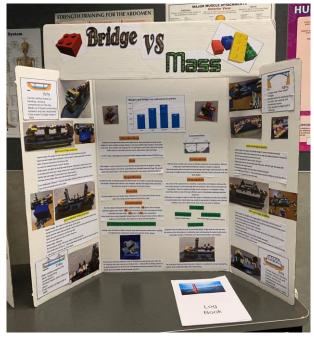
Jacky Zhou



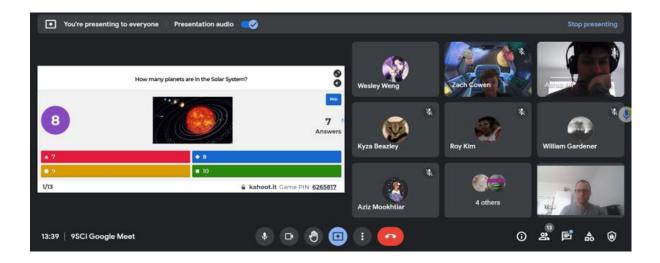
'Soil Type vs. Plant Growth' by Muhammed Patel and Xavier Hamilton 'How effective is your sunscreen?' by Deveshi Aurora and Mishti Saha.







Mr Larsen's 9 Science class doing a Kahoot on Astronomy



CAREERS PATHWAY UPDATES

Careers staff are available for consultations. Students can email to book a Zoom appointment or email questions:

Career guidance: Mrs Keir <u>wkeir@lynfield.school.nz</u>
Gateway programme: Mrs Harvey <u>eharvey@lynfield.school.nz</u>

<u>GATEWAY Programme 2022</u> – applications are open now. The Gateway programme is one of the best opportunities to explore the World of Work whilst still at school. If you wish to find out more or apply, please email Mrs Harvey.

<u>JOBS AVAILABLE for YEAR 13 only - Vodafone Retail</u> is currently looking at part time roles in their stores in the Newmarket, Lynnmall, NorthWest, West City, Botany, Sylvia Park, Westfield Albany, Shore City, Silverdale, and Manukau to assist with the busy upcoming period from November 22, 2021 through to Christmas. The role would consist of greeting customers and assisting customers with simple transactions like pre-pay top ups, locating accessories and assisting with decision making on purchasing a mobile phone. The requirements for the role would be an outgoing personality and also be comfortable dealing with older generations. Vodafone Retail would provide the students with an ID badge and uniform. The work hours will be flexible but generally would be between 9am and 6pm. Pay rate would be \$20 per hour – minimum wage. Use <u>QR Reader</u> below to access application form.



AUT University have information for parents to support student's career options while at school:

https://www.aut.ac.nz/study/parents/preparing-your-child-for-university

AUT 2022 student accommodation Considering living in AUT's student accommodation next year? Our options range from shared apartments to single studio living – and all are within a few minutes' walk to campus. Applications are now open.

Apply now





International students

If you're an international student exploring your options, we'll email you with further details about starting your journey with AUT. In the meantime, <u>watch our on demand videos</u> to explore our latest student information.

If you have any questions, please <u>contact us</u>. Our team of advisors are happy to help.

Connect with us on social media Follow us on Instagram, Facebook, LinkedIn, and Twitter to stay in the loop with the latest updates, find out what's happening at AUT, and hear inspiring stories about our students.



Ready to apply?

Apply now to start your study journey with AUT or to find out more about our application process.

Apply now

Manukau Institute of Technology Teaching Degrees Webinar

Wednesday 27 October 4:30-5:30pm

Thursday 28 October 5:30-6:30pm

Join us to learn more about the two teaching qualifications that can lead to a career in a school or early learning centre:

Bachelor of Education (Primary, Pasifika)

Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Teaching)

Click here to register

MASSEY UNIVERSITY will again be offering Virtual Course Planning Sessions between Monday 8 November—Friday 12 November with the Massey University Recruitment Team.

If any Year 13 cohort need a hand with selecting their courses for 2022 then please remember to REGISTER using button below:

Who is it for? Students starting their first year at Massey in 2022

- Students who have completed an application and/or accepted a conditional offer
- · Ready to enrol into their courses

How will it run?

Via zoom which will be sent out to those who register on <u>courseplanning.eventbrite.co.nz</u>

- Each programme will have a different 30 minute session throughout the week
- Each attendee must be ready to enrol, if students have not yet applied they can find a step-by-step guide on our website.



<u>UNITEC-</u> Need support about 2022 courses? Get in touch with Liaison person John Taufa using the Couch link below. <u>UNITEC Scholarships</u> Our second round of scholarships is open. You can apply for <u>Kura Kaupapa and Rūmaki Reo</u>, <u>School</u>

<u>Leaver</u> and <u>Vocational Pathways</u> scholarships. We want to encourage as many students as possible to apply, so that they'll have a really good chance of taking up these opportunities. *Scholarship close 12th Dec 2021*

Couch Session As we still remain in level 3 our couch sessions are still available. Students can have a virtual 'chat on the couch' with one of our liaisons. We can talk about any of the usual questions they might have. Whether it's study options, scholarship applications or enrolment, we'll help make sense of things as they navigate their journey into tertiary. All you need to do is **book online to schedule a time in.** Appointments can be by zoom or phone call and are set up so to be made a week in advance.

Book a Couch Session

or use this link: www.bookeo.com/upcunitec

Social Media

Want to keep up with the UPC team? We are now on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u>! Our social media platforms are used to showcase most of the events we run and community events that we are part off. It is a platform we use to show off all the amazing things young people are learning, creating and doing when with us. Make sure to check us out and give us a like and follow.

<u>UNIVERSITY OF AUCKLAND-</u> Our team will be working to stand up another series of our **Online Course Advice Sessions** and hope to have these available **in week 2 of Term 4. These will be Posted on Schoology.**

The Lynfield College support person for student enquiries is Junior Toailoa (click <u>contact details</u>) so if you require any support or have any questions, do connect.

For those students that may be interested to study with University of Auckland over Summer, a reminder that our <u>Summer Start Accommodation Scholarship</u> will be closing on the **29 October.**

Students applying for 2022 under **Undergraduate Targeted Admission Schemes** need to apply now. You are eligible if you identify as Māori, Pacific, students with disabilities, students from refugee backgrounds, and students from low socio-economic backgrounds. https://www.auckland.ac.nz/en/study/applications-and-admissions/entry-requirements/undergraduate-entry-requirements/undergraduate-targeted-admission-schemes.html

Apply now for Unibound for Maori or Pacific school leavers. Unibound is a wonderful programme held over the summer to prepare you for study at the University of Auckland: https://www.auckland.ac.nz/en/study-options/undergraduate-study-options/preparation-and-foundation-programmes/unibound.html

<u>UNIVERSITY OF CANTERBURY</u> -applications to enrol at UC for 2022 are now open._Students should aim to complete their application as soon as possible before school finishes – that way, they'll have one less thing on their minds in the lead up to exams.

They can apply online via a <u>myUC</u> account, which they'll need to create if they don't already have one. To complete their application, they'll need to select a qualification, their year of study and the first-year courses they wish to enrol in.

<u>UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO</u> will be delivering a <u>Virtual Information Evening</u> on Thursday 28th October, 6-7pm. If you are considering your university options then you're welcome to tune. Click the registration link on the words above Virtual Information Evening.

The <u>CUP (Certificate of University Preparation)</u> at the University of Waikato is for students who <u>don't</u> initially meet the entry requirements for study at a New Zealand university, but want to gain entrance to study a qualification. Admission to this programme is guaranteed for students who meet any of the following criteria:

- NCEA Level 3 30 credits in university-approved subjects with numeracy and literacy OR
- NCEA Level 2 certificate and 12 credits each in three university-approved subjects with numeracy and literacy. Students
 must not have been enrolled in a high school within the last 12 months* OR
- Successful completion of a Level 3 or 4 tertiary certificate

All other applications are considered on a case-by-case basis. The CUP course is available in any of the three University trimesters (A in March, B in July and C in November). Applications for the CUP course should be made through the usual portal: https://enrol.waikato.ac.nz/. If this student is applying to start in A Trimester 2022, we would recommend they select their

Bachelor's degree as their first choice. If they are not eligible for direct admission to their Bachelor's degree, then they would be automatically considered for the CUP course.

<u>GAP YEAR as CAMP ASSISTANT IN UK 2022 with LETZ LIVE</u> - a brand new programme that could see school leavers 18+ getting overseas for 2022. With the world opening up, now is the time to plan the adventure of a lifetime: https://forms.letzlive.org/camp-assistant/

FESTIVAL AWARDS

Unfortunately, Festival Awards will not be able to be held as an 'in person' event due to Covid restrictions. However, we are planning for it to take place as a special virtual event to celebrate the successes of our students in extra-curricular activities (sports, culture, music, etc). More details will be announced closer to the event which is currently scheduled for 12 November.

SPORTS SCENE

Team Talk

Unfortunately, Auckland's current Covid-19 situation means that all T4 competitions for juniors are not safely able to take place for our teams. We are looking towards a special programme for junior sport at the beginning of our 2022 school year. Meanwhile stay active and stay safe with your whanau.

Uniform Return

Please return all sports uniforms to the Sports Office as soon as possible. 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. Please note that the Sports Office will have limited opening hours with a strict procedure to be followed to adhere to all safety guidelines. The Sports Office will be open for uniform return only from 8.30am – 1.30pm Monday, Wednesday and Friday only until further notice.

CAN YOU OR ANYONE YOU KNOW HELP IN ANY WAY WITH SPORT IN 2022?

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, 2022 summer sports teams especially volleyball, cricket 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 car pooling) and possibly providing transport would be **greatly** appreciated.

We are currently recruiting coaches and facilitators for our 2022 winter sports too. Here the need is for coaches in basketball, netball, hockey, rugby 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: 09 627 0600 ext 595 fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz





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