

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

Namaste

We extend a very warm welcome to the parents and whānau of students joining us in 2022. You will now receive our fortnightly newsletters. We look forward to meeting those of you in person next year that we haven't had the opportunity to meet this year.

Last week many of our families celebrated Diwali. May the warmth and brightness of the Diwali lights shine on you all year. We have included some ways in which the Festival of Lights was creatively reflected in our lessons (photos follow).

Vaccination Register

Schools are required to keep a Vaccination Register for students Student Vaccination Register Directive

All students who have returned to onsite learning (currently Years 11-13) are required to have submitted a form (https://forms.gle/ozADaau8FJTefVjR8) with information on their vaccination status. Thank you to those who have already actioned this. Our school nurse is currently phoning those who haven't. Please help us to reduce her workload by submitting the information.

We would also encourage our Year 9 and 10 students to complete this in preparation for their return, hopefully later in the term (https://forms.gle/ozADaau8FJTefVjR8).

Students joining us in Year 9 in 2022 have also been sent a link. There is a separate form for them (https://forms.gle/9AsCWNcYP7LVKzHe8) and we are delighted with the number who have already submitted this information.

Assessment opportunities

It has been reassuring seeing our senior students make good use of the evidence gathering and assessment opportunities on offer. This has included the opportunity for many assessments to be completed online at home. The evidence gathered will be used to determine the Unexpected Event Grade, available for all students.

We are mindful that Year 11 students who are new to NCEA this year may be anxious about how well they do. Please support them in reducing any stress here. They will automatically earn Level 1 next year as they earn Level 2 credits. The majority of our students leave Lynfield College with NCEA Level 2 or higher and do not need to have achieved Level 1 before beginning the Level 2 programme.

Kia noho haumaru - stay safe and well

Cath Knell
Tumuaki | Principal

STUDENT LEADERS SHARE THEIR REASONS FOR VACCINATION

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1wo63OT44ZG1XH9Mt84wkPiWPI DNyDAi/view

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. New Windsor Pharmacy began offering COVID-19 vaccinations last week. If you have any queries, you can email me on nurse@lynfield.school.nz

3. COVID-19 VACCINATION VIDEOS-NEW

- Videos on the following topics are now available in <u>Hindi</u>, <u>Japanese</u>, <u>Korean</u>, <u>Mandarin</u>, and <u>Punjabi on the Unite Against COVID-19 website</u>:
 - Information about the COVID-19 vaccine
 - Getting your COVID-19 vaccine
 - Wearing a facemask
 - How contact tracing works
 - Bluetooth tracing

As new languages become available, I will share them.

- COVID-19 vaccination message in Arabic; Dr Mazen Shasha, Emergency Medicine at Rotorua Hospital. See here
- COVID-19 vaccination message in Afrikaans: Dr Martin van Zyl, Psychiatrist at Lakes District Health Board. See here
- COVID vaccination message in Gujarati; Dr Rajan Patel, Gastroenterologist at Rotorua Hospital. See here

Now online: COVID-19 videos with Dr Michelle 'Nanogirl' Dickinson

There are 11 videos in the series that cover the 'big questions' you may have about the COVID-19 vaccine – how they work, what makes them effective against COVID-19, what the side effects are, and why natural immunity is not as effective as getting vaccinated.

<u>Dr Dickinson also discusses the efficacy of face coverings and whether those who are pregnant or breastfeeding should get vaccinated.</u>

Access the videos here.

KEY INFORMATION FOR NZQA EXTERNAL EXAMS 2021

Admission Slips and Candidate information Sheets will be distributed on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in Week 5. Details about venue and time to be confirmed.

Below are some links to NZQA resources that will be useful for the upcoming external exams. If you have any issues about the external exams, please contact Ms Harris saharris@lynfield.school.nz

NCEA Exam timetable

https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/assets/qualifications-and-standards/qualifications/ncea/exams-and-portfolios/examination-timetable.pdf

Student information about NCEA, Scholarship and subject information https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/subjects/

NZQA login - where to access results when they come out in January https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/login/

Student Exam Hub – information about preparing for your exam, Digital exams, your results https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/ncea/

Studyit

https://studyit.govt.nz/

Join to discuss achievement standards, and general study and exam advice for NCEA Science, Maths and English with other students and teachers.

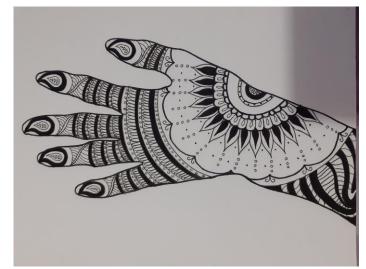
DIWALI CELEBRATIONS

Diwali is a symbol of hope for human mankind. May it bring universal compassion, inner joy of peace love and the awareness of unity to all.

Thank you to our wider Lynfield community for sharing the resource linked below. https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1uV4tJyjYSaUHk MQ4dYb5feeqJJR-o6XXKiZ48V9EVo/edit?usp=sharing

Happy Diwali!

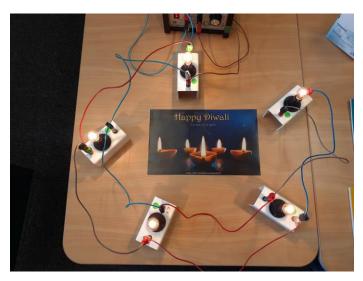
SAAL MUBARAK - HAPPY NEW YEAR

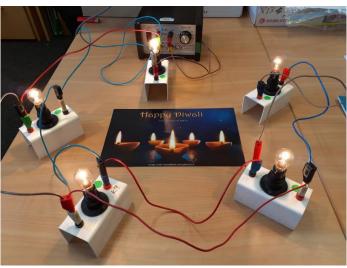


Year 9 Visual Art students: Sumedha Singaraju Amina Sajjad Prianka Patel





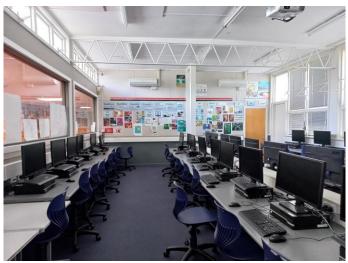




Happy Diwali - Science style!

DIGITAL PRACTICE EXAMS

Despite the disruption caused by Covid 19 and the rescheduling of school exams, Lynfield College still managed to offer Senior English and Classical Studies students the opportunity to do their practice exams on the NZQA Digital Platform. This meant they had a chance to be familiar with the platform before their NCEA exams in November. What are usually very full E Block computer rooms were very empty this year, as students were able to do the exams remotely. Over 100 students chose to take this option if they needed more evidence, wanted to improve their Unexpected Event Grade or just wanted the experience. Thank you to Ms Ram, Ms Moss, Mrs Marshall, Mrs Partridge and the English teachers for pulling this together so well. And thanks to the students who gave it their best shot!





Mr Jansen monitoring the online exam and the few that chose to do the online option at school.

FESTIVAL AWARDS

Congratulations to these students who will be award recipients at our virtual Festival Awards prizegiving, scheduled for the evening of Friday 12 November. 2021 Festival Awards Recipients More details will be announced closer to the event.

NZ MATHEMATICS OLYMPIAN

Congratulations to Evan Huang in Year 10, who has attained a Bronze award in the NZ Mathematics Olympian. This places him in the top 40 secondary school students nationwide.

NZMO will select about 25 students from medallist to participate in the NZMOC training camp, to be held at the University of Auckland in January 2022. Six students selected from the camp will represent New Zealand at the International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO).

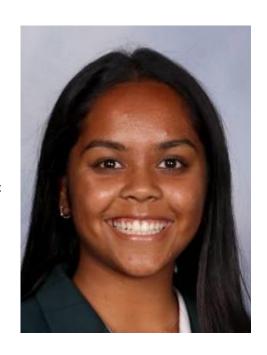
https://www.mathsolympiad.org.nz/competitions/nzmo/results/2021.php

DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

Congratulations to Deputy Head Girl Amanda D'Souza who has achieved the GOLD DUKE OF EDINBURGH QUALIFICATION.

The Duke of Edinburgh's Hillary Award is available to all 14-24 year olds, regardless of their background, culture, physical ability, skills and interests. Doing the Award is a personal challenge and not a competition against others. It pushes young people to their personal limits and recognises their achievements. Since its launch, over 60 years ago, more than 130 countries have adopted this International Award programme, with over 8 million young people having participated worldwide.

Participants are required to complete four sections at each level (bronze, silver, gold): Voluntary Service, Skills, Physical Recreation and Adventurous Journey. At gold level, participants also complete a Residential Project.



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.

CAREERS UPDATES NOVEMBER

<u>Jobs Galore Available!!!</u> Students (and parents), please check out Schoology posts for available jobs in Auckland.

<u>Auckland City Hub and Manukau City Hub</u> are both advertising for scaffolders, labourers, trainees, apprenticeships, CCTV technicians (new jobs coming out all the time). These jobs are available for parents also.

Register your interest here: https://v2.forms.jobadder.com/f/WzDLJEnGePglvzbXoxNZ7A32Y.

Hirepool is also offering jobs and apprenticeships in small diesel engines - check out Schoology.

CV, Interview and pastoral support offered throughout the recruitment process.

Register directly with the Hub contacts:

Samantha Van der Merwe, Mob: 021 853 135, E: Samantha.vanderMerwe024@msd.govt.nz

Sharon Cummings, Mob:029 918 9157, E: Sharon.Cummings011@msd.govt.nz

If you have questions, please contact: Mrs Harvey, Lynfield College Gateway Coordinator eharvey@lynfield.school.nz

Tips on writing a CV and preparing students for a job interview

Careers NZ has a huge amount of information to support students. Go to: https://www.careers.govt.nz/job-hunting/
MoneyHub has further CV template, guide and tips: https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/cv-template-students.html

STUDYLINK: You can't miss it Year 13! Check out your eligibility online for a student allowance or loan for 2022.

Apply before 16 December 2021. Plenty of information, guidelines step by step and videos to explain how, on these links: https://www.facebook.com/getreadystudylink or https://www.studylink.govt.nz/

All Tertiary institutions are continuing to offer online support via 1:1 course information sessions for students-just go online and book a session on their web. Email Mrs Keir, Careers Counsellor if you have any questions: wkeir@lynfield.school.nz

<u>Te Herenga Waka – Victoria University of Wellington</u> will be hosting our **Statistics and Calculus Scholarship Exam**Revision days online this year. Students participating in the NCEA scholarship exams my find this a useful opportunity to run through some practice questions, chat to our academics and meet some of our VUW students. Calculus day is running 10am-2pm on Wednesday 17th November

Statistics is running 10am-2pm on Thursday 18th November.

For more information and to register, please check out the event page. Students can register individually.

Registrations close at 5pm Friday 12th November.

University of Auckland will be offering FREE REVISION SESSIONS CALCULUS & PHYSICS.

Students applying for Engineering who identify as female are offered free virtual one-on-one tutoring sessions that cover the six NCEA Level 3 Physics and Calculus external standards.

Register: https://womeninengineering.blogs.auckland.ac.nz/wen-tutoring/

<u>University of Auckland Identity Documentation</u>- In light of the continued Covid restrictions, Applications and Admissions will be accepting uploaded electronic copies of identity documents with a statutory declaration through the <u>Statutory Declaration</u> form for Identity <u>Documents</u>. Further information has also been updated on the <u>COVID-19 Update for Applicants website</u>. Please note that we will be prioritising those with a firm offer of place for a 2022 start term to allow them to enrol from the 1 November 2021. This will include School Leavers with firm offers and Fast Track offers.

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

<u>Manukau Institute of Technology (MIT) applicants</u> – important message- "Due to the current COVID-19 restrictions, if a student is unable to verify their documents, we can accept a copy - accompanied by a student self-declaration form. We will send this form when we send out the offer of place to each student".

Food Science undergraduate scholarship University of Otago

The Kraft Heinz Scholarship details for students intending to study Food Science or Consumer Food Science at the University of Otago in 2022 and beyond are attached. Food Science graduates are well sought after by the dynamic, challenging and highly competitive food industry. Applications close January 14th 2022. Applicants are required to submit two references. This scholarship may be held in conjunction with other university scholarships where regulations allow. Apply at the following link: https://www.otago.ac.nz/foodscience/study/undergraduate/scholarship/index.html

<u>Gap Year in New Zealand</u>? Leadership training opportunity, career internship programme for 2022. Apply now: https://elrancho.co.nz/Support%20Us/Career%20Training%20Internship%20Programme?_live_edit=1&mv_pc=486

October issue of <u>Leaving School Magazine</u> for Year 11-13 students https://www.dropbox.com/s/vjz79iq80wfyprb/leavingschoollinks2018.pdf?dl=0





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