



## LYNFIELD COLLEGE

### NEWSLETTER 9

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Kia ora koutou

Over the past week we have had a focus on our school value of Whanaungatanga tika. In particular, we are active in our community.

Last Friday, 4 June, saw our teaching staff actively join the 350 teachers from our 10 Lynfield Kahui Ako schools (Blockhouse Bay, Chaucer, Glenavon, Halsey Drive, Hay Park, Marshall Laing and New Windsor Schools, Blockhouse Bay and Waikowhai Intermediates and Lynfield College). We were all learners for the day and had the privilege of listening to two motivational and inspirational keynote speakers.

Laurayne Tafa drew on the research which resulted in accelerating attendance, retention, engagement and attainment of Māori, Pasifika and marginalised learners.

Following on from Laurayne was Sir Ian Taylor, Managing Director of Animation Research Ltd (ARL). In support of the new New Zealand histories curriculum, Sir Ian has created the resource [Mātauranga Māori - Land of Voyagers](#). He hopes it will be shared with all the rangatahi of Aotearoa and Pasifika to show them that this thing we call STEM, is in their DNA. It is known as Mātauranga.

With the changes to the Privacy Act 2020 staff at Lynfield College are completing the **'Privacy ABC for Schools'** modules. These modules provide an overview of privacy rights and responsibilities in the context of schools.

We are delighted that some of our students have also been active in the community. In this particular example the community referred to is the International VEX Robotics community. Their nomination saw Craig Yearbury being presented with an **Inspiration All-stars Award** at the opening ceremony of the 2021 VEX World Champs. Craig has now been inducted into the REC STEM Foundation Hall of Fame. (<https://fb.watch/5ZuSvBAJVB/> OR <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uYeuLojodw4> between 46:55 - 48:31)  
Congratulations Craig!



Noho ora mai

Cath Knell  
Tumuaki | Principal

PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE CALENDAR FOR COMING EVENTS  
<https://lynfield.mystudent.school.nz/calendar>

## PINK SHIRT DAY

Once again, Lynfield College turned to a sea of pink on 21 May!

In New Zealand, we have been taking part in Pink Shirt Day since 2009, though it first began in Canada in 2007 as a campaign to combat homophobic bullying after a peer was bullied for wearing a pink shirt.

In the lead up to Pink Shirt Day, several competitions and activities were run to build up enthusiasm for the event. Members of the PSSP team spoke in assemblies, detailing what would be happening and a brief history of the day. As well as this, a scavenger hunt was run, with students answering questions about the history of LGBT issues in New Zealand.

On the day, PSSP ran a photo booth and a competition revolving around guessing statistics about bullying in New Zealand (Mentos in jars indicated the statistic!). Similarly, Safe Schools were running an affirmation booth to deliver nice messages to students throughout the school.

Overall, it was a successful Pink Shirt Day that was fun and educational for all those involved. We are proud to have raised **\$1,465.80** for the Mental Health Foundation in support of this Kaupapa.

Lynfield College PSSP Team





**JAZZ COMBO PERFORM AT BLOCKHOUSE BAY WORLD MUSIC FESTIVAL**

On Saturday 29 May, the Jazz Combo performed at the Blockhouse Bay World Music Festival. The festival, which featured music and dance performances from around the work was held at the Blockhouse Bay Community Centre and attracted an audience of over 150 people. The Jazz Combo played a range of music including some standards as well as more contemporary works.

Saane Noavea (Vocals) Caleb Young (Guitar) Jack Harken (Keyboard) Thomas Wandstraat (Bass)  
 Glen Fetuani (Saxophone) Daniel Baird (Drums) Sebastian Jackson (Drums)



**EX ROBOTICS LIVE REMOTE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP**

The VEX Robotics World Championship Tournament was held 17 – 29 May. All of the students competing were Y10 students. It was a Live Remote Tournament, which means that we competed here, but it is live online with webcams and controlled online from Dallas, Texas.

The competition divisions our teams competed in were in the afternoon in Dallas, so competition started here at 7am last Friday, Saturday and Sunday mornings. They competed against teams from the USA, Mexico, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Korea, Ecuador, Paraguay and others. A fantastic performance by both teams.

**Evan Huang Team 2915Y**

Ranked 8th out of 25 at the end of match play

Was in finals as the 4th ranked alliance.

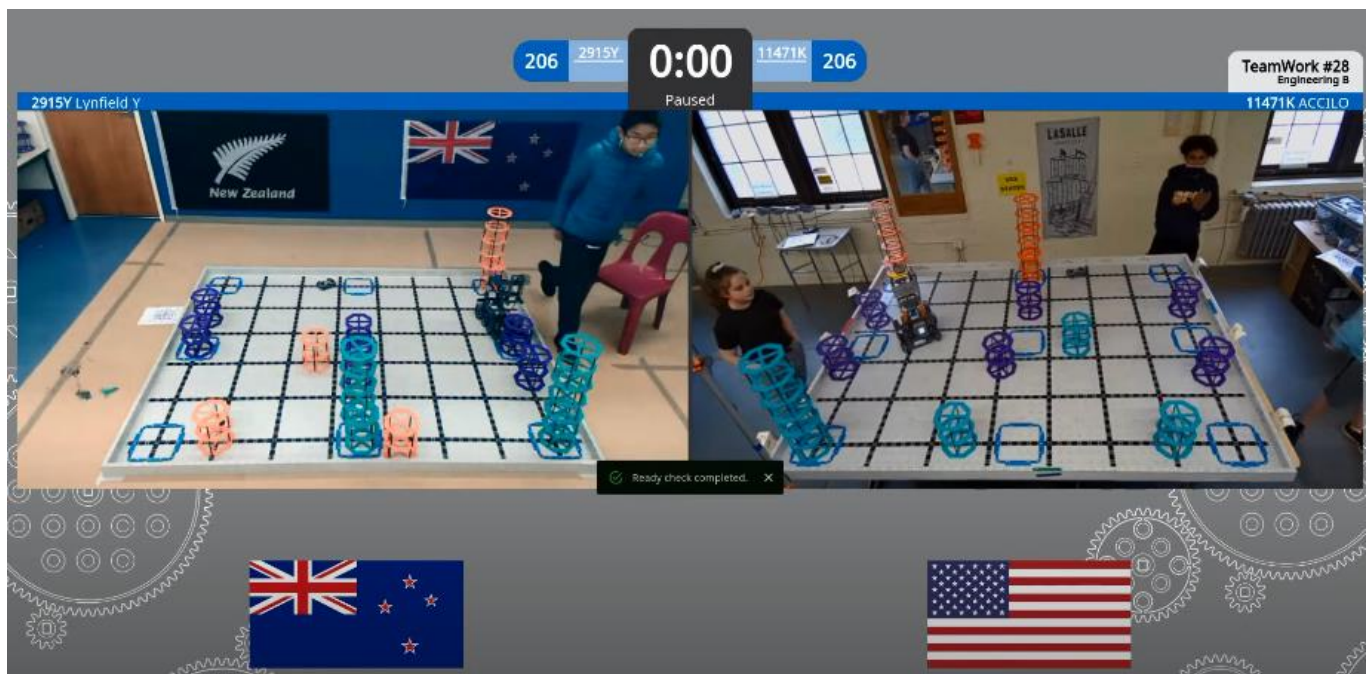
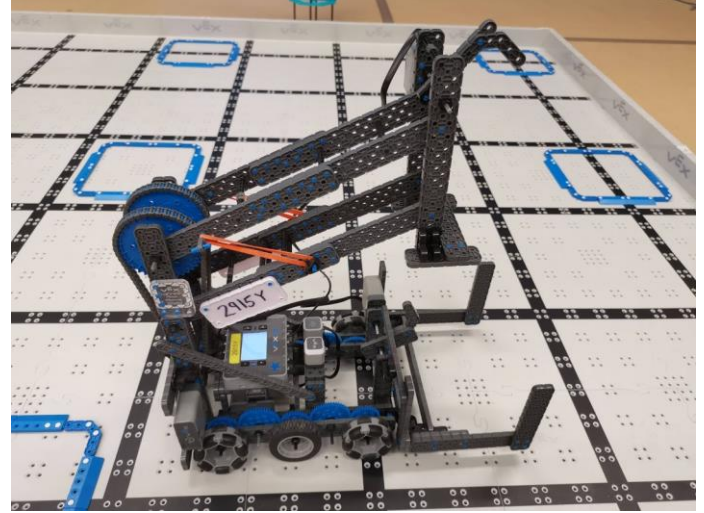
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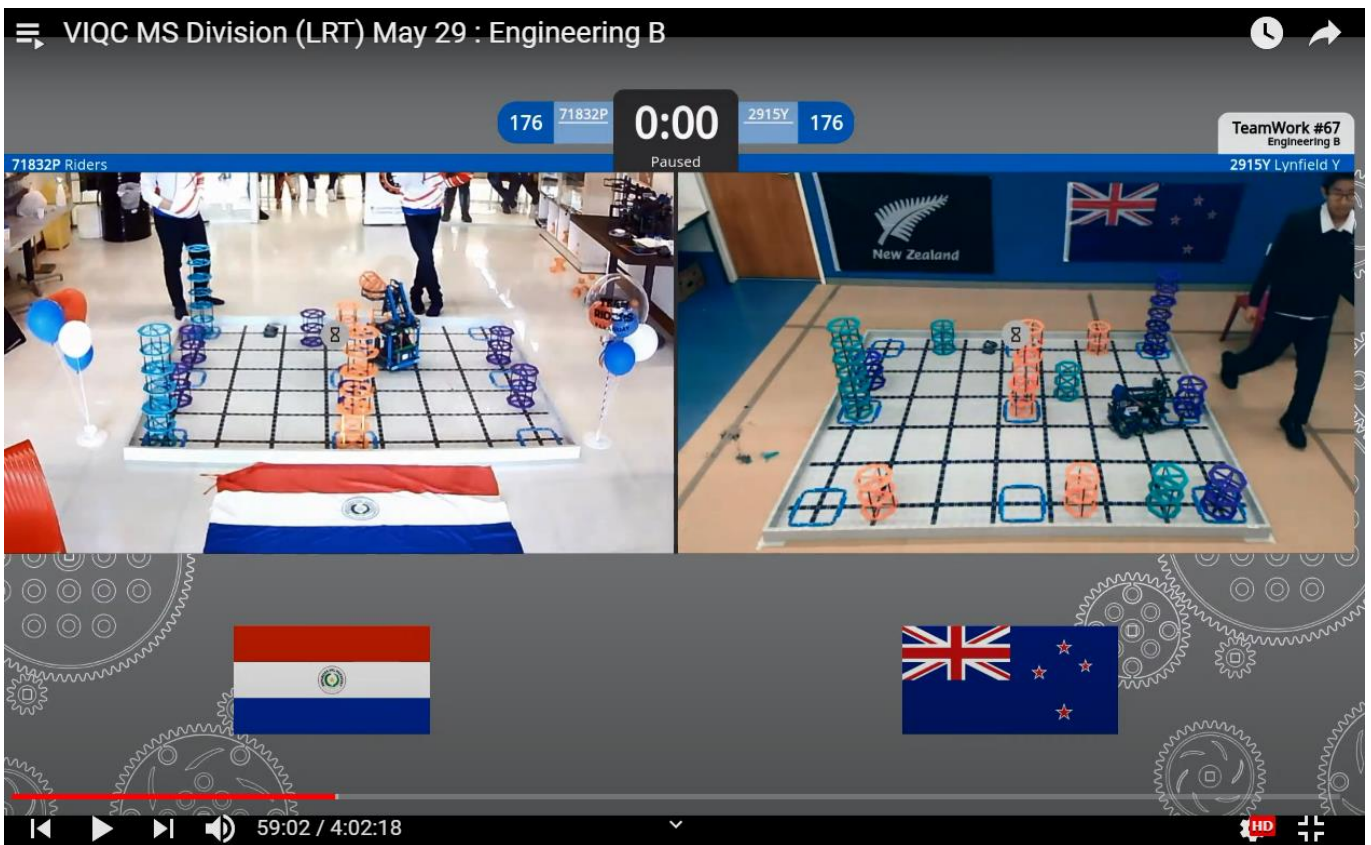
**Vania Liu and Deevya Shah Team 2915V**

Ranked 18th out of 25 at the end of match play.

Was in finals as the 9th ranked alliance.

Final placing was 8th equal for their division





## AUCKLAND ROCKQUEST

Lynfield College student band "Rudi's" (Ari, Noam, Caleb) has made it through to the finals of the Auckland RockQuest 12 June 2021 7.00pm at the Dorothy Winstone Centre with their song "Backgate", recorded and mixed by Mr Charlie Isdale.

Dates/times/venues can be found on this website <https://www.smokefreerockquest.co.nz/>

## SPOKEN WORD

On Wednesday 26 May, 9IL participated in a Spoken Word workshop with Action Education. We started the workshop by playing a little game to familiarise ourselves with each other. The game went like this... We had to say our name and come up with an action and the whole class had to repeat your name and the action. This was by far my favourite game because it was so unique. After that, the facilitators Ken and Talia gave us some creative freedom to create a spoken word of our own. They helped us make our own wordbank and they gave us sentence starters to help us create our spoken words. If we wanted to, we could share our spoken word poems at end the lesson. Personally, I loved this workshop and I am looking forward to writing more of my own spoken words.

Mandita Ram 9IL



## STUDENT LEADER PROFILE – YEAR 12 & CLASS REP COORDINATORS

Hi everyone! We are Angela Lu and Nabeel Dean. We are very honoured to be the Class Rep Coordinators for Lynfield College 2021.

We are here as support alongside the Year 12 Executive team and the Board of Trustees Representative, Sophie Yang, to help guide the Year 9 to Year 13 class representatives. To do this, we provide them with structures to guide them on the right path so that they can get their job done efficiently. We have had experience as class reps in the past so we understand how confusing it would be without the right guidance, especially when you are new to the school.

This year our goal is to be able to create a better and easier environment for the class reps to be more comfortable in. We are here to advise when they have ideas and support them with our experiences. Also, we hope to grow with the different people we work with and be able to learn new skills from the people around us.

We are looking forward to seeing what the rest of the year holds for us and are hoping to brainstorm more ideas that support not only the class reps but also the whole of Lynfield College.



## LYNFIELD COLLEGE SCHOOL BALL 2021

This year the Ball will be held at the Ellerslie Racecourse (Newmarket Room). Dress is formal and will be guided by the theme 'Midnight Memories'. Our school Ball has developed an excellent reputation for being enjoyable, well run and trouble-free.

**Date:** Friday 23 July (this is the last Friday of the school holidays)

**Time:** 7.30pm to 11.45pm (doors open at 7.00pm)

**Tickets:** \$125.00...

The ticket price covers the cost of photography. Photographers will be circulating throughout the evening as well as providing more traditional photography against a backdrop. Photo booths will also be provided for less formal photography. Please be aware that the DJ will use 'flashing' lights.

Our Ball Committee is conscious of the considerable expenses some of our students incur in preparing for the Ball and is encouraging students to limit their spending by searching second-hand shops and assisting each other with hair and makeup.

Ticket purchase is conditional on the following:

- meeting all outstanding obligations to the College
- having no more than 5% unjustified absences
- meeting our Code of Conduct
- having no stand-downs or suspensions in the current year
- having paid fees owing to the College
- having presented signed and completed permission forms.

Outside partners must have Deans' and parental approval. Tickets will be on sale from the Accounts Office. If you have any queries, please contact Mr Russell Christie, Acting Deputy Principal 6270600 ext 706.

### Please note:

- The Lynfield College School Ball is an extra, provided by the College to those students who meet the criteria to attend.
- Attendance at the Ball is a privilege and not a right.
- Students have been informed about the criteria since the start of the year.
- As the Ball is a school event there is to be no alcohol, no drugs, no smoking (including vaping) and no other inappropriate behaviour. If there are breaches of these rules, parents/caregivers will be contacted and asked to collect their child.
- Both males and females will be security checked by the security staff on arrival at the venue.
- The school's responsibility ceases upon students leaving the Ball.

## UNIFORM

As the days become cooler and often wet it is important that your child is wearing appropriate school uniform. There is a range of styles and sizes at our Uniform shop on site at Lynfield College. Please see the following link for further information.

<https://www.lynfield.school.nz/Enrolment/Uniform.html>

If for any reason you are unable to purchase these items, please contact [wichmankelly@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:wichmankelly@lynfield.school.nz) who will be happy to discuss alternatives or options.

## SPORTS SCENE

### Road Race

The annual Lynfield College Road Race will take place Tuesday 15 June, 11am – 12.30pm. This is run around local streets with strict safety considerations in mind. **This is no longer compulsory for all Y9 & 10 students.** All students have had the opportunity to sign up for this event and only those who have registered will be allowed to compete.

Juniors will complete a 3.3km course while a keen group of seniors run 5.4km. **There are strict time limits within which the students must finish.** House points are up for grabs for all place winners as well as competitors who finish within the time frame.

### On-site Physiotherapist

Physiotherapists run a clinic each morning at our school. Students wanting to see a physio **must** book an appointment. Appointments should be booked through the school nurse.

### Football & Hockey socks

Due to the difficulties in supply caused by Covid-19 last year, our football and hockey socks supplier has now gone out of business. This means we have not had sufficient socks for all our players this season. We are now working with another supplier who is hoping to have our socks ready for the beginning of next term. Watch this space for updates.

### Uniform care

To help us continue to provide quality uniforms for our sports teams it is really important that these simple washing instructions are followed for all our sporting garments:

**Cold wash, NO dryer, NO iron**

### Team Talk

With the recent extremely wet and windy weather it is now starting to feel like winter on the side lines of our sports teams! Our winter teams continue to impress both with their rapidly growing team spirit, their self-discipline and their results.

### Student Coaches and Umpires/Referees

It is fantastic to have 19 student coaches, without whom we could not field the number of teams we do - 16 coach netball and 3 coach football. It is such a good experience for both team members and coaches with everyone experiencing a very steep learning curve. The passion our student coaches have for their role is so impressive. Congratulations to **Ana Tanoi**, one of the coaches of 9 White Netball, who was named as Volunteer of the Week by Netball Waitakere last week.

We are also really pleased and extremely grateful to have 7 ex-students currently involved in coaching our teams:

**Netball** Rebecca Smith & Alia St John

**Hockey** Jay Chauhan, Akshay Chauhan, Senu Senathirajah, Sagar Patel

**Football** Nathan Maisey

### Prem 1 Netball

The season has started well. We have just finished the first round of the competition and placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in our pool with 3 wins, 1 draw and 1 loss. The second round starts next week and we will be competing in the Premier Top 6 division of the Netball Waitakere competition.

*Joanne Smith (manager)*

### 9 Gold Netball

After four grading games our team has been placed in A grade for the Year 9 competition. This is the first time this has happened since 2018. Although the girls have lost their first two games in A grade, they are showing good signs of improvement each week.

*Joanne Smith (Co-coach)*

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

It has been a tough start to the season, but the squad is in development mode and working hard at improving their game in time for the NZSS tournament in Hamilton in September. Coach Raj pulls no punches and asserts that better fitness levels are necessary, if we are to start winning games. Encouraged by ex-students Jay, Senu and Sagar, the squad are keen to develop their potential. Our results have been disappointing so far with five losses; 0-4 MAGS 2<sup>nd</sup> XI, 0-4 Glendowie 1<sup>st</sup> XI, 0-4 ACG Strathallan 1<sup>st</sup> XI, 2-3 Ormiston Senior 1<sup>st</sup> XI and 1-5 Kings College 2<sup>nd</sup> XI. We are hunting for our first win and the boys have no doubt that it will come soon. The match against Ormiston was a thriller with Akshaal Nath scoring a blinder after scything through the defence with a straight run. Parth Visnagara leads with determination and a fiery spirit, never giving up, scoring our second goal in this game with force and precision from a penalty corner. We were unlucky not to win, however, our manager Ben, captured a moon photo on the night of the eclipse, the Papatoetoe turf looking surreal below. Our recent game against Kings College was excellent and the boys can be proud of a solid effort, including another PC goal from Parth with Aaron Lobo showing promise as a versatile player, the score-line not reflecting the closeness of the two teams. Outstanding contributions so far this season have come from Saifullah Imran, Angad Bhatt and Miggs Tiongco. In addition, Kana Rahadi has been ferocious in goal, ensuring that many opposition attacks go begging, time after time throwing himself at the ball. We are having a lot of fun and look forward to the rest of the season with growing confidence.

*Ben Coop (manager)*



1<sup>st</sup> XI game V Glendowie College



1<sup>st</sup> XI night game

### Table Tennis

Lynfield has 4 teams in the inter-secondary school competition on a Friday evening. These are played at the ATTA stadium at Gillies Avenue. So far, the A grade team has been undefeated. The B grade team has had one win and the 2 C grade teams are improving each week. Students interested in playing for fun can hit after school on Wednesdays in the upper gym.

*Sigmund Sue (Teacher in Charge)*

### Basketball

**U17s** Thoughts from team members:

- **Nasir Andzue:** A big improvement that I've seen throughout the team is not only the skills which in my opinion have not been boosted, but have been brought to a complete other level in regards to the teams' finishing and ball handling. More importantly the team has boosted their chemistry amazingly in such a short time we are able to joke and laugh with everybody in the team not just our friends.
- **Nick Wu:** From looking at our first game our energy was a big positive as we're all trying to be together as a team and play better in games. I believe we all have the same goals which is trying to win but for that we have to have the same mind set and show up to every training and treat it seriously.
- **Krisheek Singh:** I feel that Lynfield College has been doing well so far in basketball because of the coaching staff and the team chemistry we have. A goal I think we should have as a team is to try and win every game by giving our 100%. As a player I try to play my hardest every game no matter what the result is and try to improve every day from my mistakes. I believe we have the skills and the mindset to win every game we play. As a player I want to improve on my scoring ability as well as my ball handling. I can fix my scoring ability by changing my mindset as sometimes throughout the game I pass the ball too much leading to turnovers or I try to dribble up the court and end up losing the ball. At home I have been practicing my ball handling to try and improve so I do not let the team down when I step onto the court.
- **Micah Apelu:** I feel like we are getting closer as a team - almost like we're forming our own brotherhood. We have been successful so far winning our first game and our team goal is to leave a legacy at this school as one of the best basketball teams in New Zealand. I believe in my team and we believe in each other.
- **Cj Cruz:** Some team bonding and stuff. As a group not separated. Little more basic fundamental training just to get better as an individual. And with the championship with a trophy/medal in our bracket to put up in Lynfield.
- **Salesi Lasike:** I think the game has built not only chemistry on the court but off as well. I think all the boys are starting to develop new relationships with each other.
- **John Ray Biasura:** For me I think it's the bond that we created since we started the programme because at the start of the season to be honest I felt awkward when talking to someone but all the training, games, wins, losses, ups and downs that we all have been through made us, as a team, closer on and off the court.
- **Temeneti Matthews:** I think the team has really improved chemistry wise and everyone is improving together and encouraging each other. A goal I think our team should have is to be talking more on court when on both defense and offense, so everyone is on the same page and working cohesively. I think something that would also be nice for our team is something to build morale like more attention on the Lynfield sports pages on Instagram or more things like the weekly roast.
- **Douglas Nakamura:** So far this season I think our team mentality has improved a lot and our team bonding. As well, our team goal this year is to become better as a group and as individuals. I think that if we want to become the best college in Auckland we need to improve on all the basics and fundamentals of the game (dribbling, passing, shooting, etc).
- **Tyler Nguyen:** Our team is better day-by-day. We have more chemistry together and we understand each other more and more. After an embarrassing loss to the MAGS Gold team, I feel that everyone is prepared very carefully, we play the best that we can, and show up at every single training session because we want to come back stronger. A team goal that I like to add is playing the best as a team - of course we always want to win, but the way we played, the support after a match or a training session is very important.



- **Keshava Kistan:** Our first game was just a taste of what the season has to offer. Even though we won we still need a lot of work, whether it is on offense or defense our team still needs work in general. By us winning our first game it gave us some energy and a better mindset for the rest of season. We discussed and saw that by us having a winning mentality and having the right energy as soon as we stepped on the court and before, our game goes a lot better. We need to keep that same energy for our next game and for the rest of the season if we want to go undefeated and earn Lynfield College a name for basketball. I think one of our main goals as a team is just bonding and trying to build more chemistry on and off the court, we need to discuss more off the court for us to succeed in this goal.
- **Christian Gallo:** All of us want to improve our team chemistry because that is kind of missing and we aren't communicating well. However the defense and offense is going great except that there are slight mistakes when communicating. Most importantly team chemistry and communication thanks.

### Football

With huge numbers of keen players in 2021 (over 125 players across all teams), our football teams have had a fantastic start to the season. We have six boys teams and two girls teams, and have had the great opportunity of having lots of home games already, putting our brand new goals to use – many teams having scored quite a few already.

Our second XI boys team have a great record so far, scoring twelve goals in just three games, six of which have been scored by Ethan Hildrick. Our Premier Development team have won their last two games, 3-0 and 2-0. The 1<sup>st</sup> XI boys have also had a solid start, with Fletcher Mclvor and Atticus Waddington standout performers for this team.

There is plenty to look forward to for the rest of the season, with teams improving each game and most teams training twice a week. Our 1<sup>st</sup> XI girls and boys teams are off to tournament week in term three, as well as our Premier Development team.

### INDIVIDUAL HONOURS

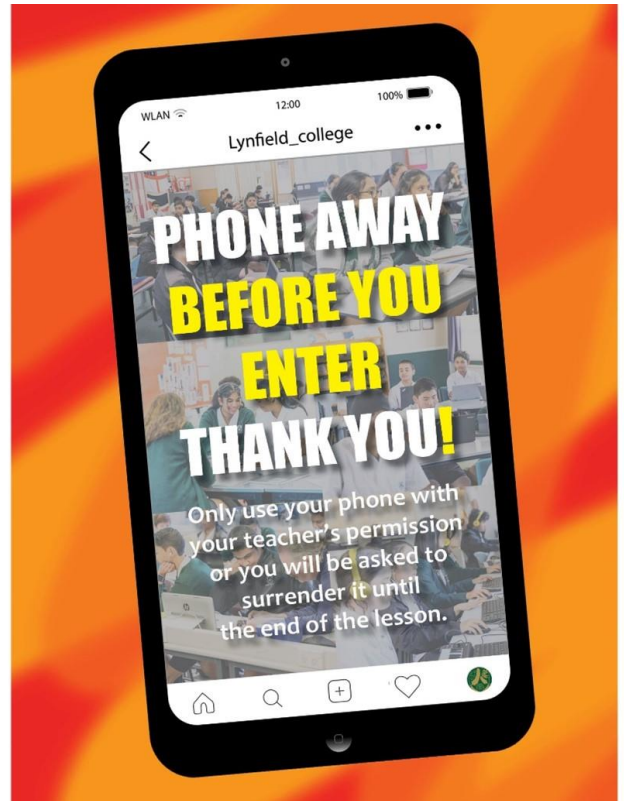
**Serina Daunakamakama (Y13)** and **Summer van Gelder (Y12)** have both been selected as members of the Netball Waitakere U18-1 Rep team.

**Caleb Young (Y11)** won the Gold Medal for the Intermediate Boys (15-16 year old) Auckland Secondary Schools Diving competition.

*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 (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](mailto:fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz).*

### LYNFIELD COLLEGE HOMEWORK CENTRES

Subject/Faculty	What help is offered	When	Where
English	Assessment and homework help.	Tuesday 3.20 - 4.20pm	F10
ESOL	For ESOL students: Writing, reading, understanding the language of subjects, specific subject help from Senior Study Buddies.	Thursday lunchtime (in odd weeks), Friday lunchtime (in even weeks)	L6
Mathematics & Statistics	Study tips, general subject help, homework help, clarification and feedback about internal/external assessment requirements, extension opportunities.	Monday - Thursday lunchtime	G15
Music	Rehearsal space is available (and supervised) – booking system. Computer room with music software available most days before school, lunchtime, afterschool. External and Scholarship workshops.	Mon/Tue/Thu/Fri - before school; Mon/Wed/Fri – lunchtimes; Mon-Thu afterschool  During study leave	Music Suite
Te Reo Māori	Te Reo Maori subject help	By arrangement with Whaea at lunchtime.	Te Ringa Awhina Marae
International Languages	Computer room open for language students to catch up with homework	Tuesday after school 3.10-4pm	C5A
Visual Arts	Individual support progressing student folio boards. Extra assistance for achievement of internal standards.	Lunchtimes (individual students to negotiate with teachers). School holiday workshops Terms 2 and 3	B8, B10 and B12
Drama	Rehearsal spaces for groups working towards a practical assessment. Tutorials and individual help for external assessment.	As required  Term 4	PAC, B1, B6  B6
Dance	Rehearsal spaces for groups working towards a practical assessment. Tutorials and individual help for external assessment	As required, by arrangement  Term 4	PAC, B1  B6
Technology	Support with assignment work Fashion and Design TEL assignment support as required	Every lunchtime Term 2 and 3 lunchtime D1 lunchtime	E2 D8
Science	Assessment and homework help	Tuesday lunchtime	G7



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