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From Principal Cath Knell

***Mā te korero, ka mohio, mā te mohio, ka marama, mā te marama,
ka matau, mā te matau, ka ora***

Through discussion comes awareness, through awareness comes understanding, through understanding comes knowledge, through knowledge comes wellbeing

Kia ora koutou

Korowai Value

This week we have focused on Hinengaro wawata, we are ambitious. Ambition and self-reflection was strongly evident in my Hui mai Parent-student-teacher meetings. I hope this was your experience of how your child presented their learning, achievement and next steps as well. Thank you for supporting them in entering their course selections promptly for 2023. The fact that we have most of these submitted already, well ahead of Monday's deadline, is being attributed to the support provided in Hui mai and the increased number of whānau we were able to speak with during the PSTs. This will help us confirm our staffing for next year.

Board Elections

We were delighted to be able to hold a 'Meet the Candidates' session last Tuesday evening. Thank you to the nominees. It was a wonderful opportunity to hear from you and see the skills and experience you will bring to a governance role if appointed. To our voters - if you haven't already voted please consider doing so. We appreciate the voice of our community in this process.

Mask requirements

Thank you for your support in helping us comply with the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education's request for schools to require masks to be worn indoors for the first four weeks of Term 3. While our school community is experiencing the expected winter colds and flu, we are currently managing to staff our classes. We will, therefore, return to the guidelines that operated at the end of Term 2, ie "masks are strongly recommended indoors". Regular ventilation of indoor spaces continues to be processed.

Noho haumarū - stay safe and well

Cath Knell | **Tumuaki** | **Principal**

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KĀHUI KŌRERO

Your termly update from te Kāhui Ako o Pukewiwi

Course Selection for 2023

Course Selection for 2023 closes at 10.30am Monday 29 August.

With over 6900 courses already selected for students moving into Years 10-13 next year we are well underway to everyone having made their choices. Information gathered now allows the school to work out how many classes of each subject need to run and decisions around staffing can be made as early as possible.

Please make sure your child has completed their choices and you are aware of what they have chosen. Instructions on how parents/caregivers can access these choices and approve them can be found https://drive.google.com/file/d/12XFON_itfCN288CWjQxHZ5Njtfseybs6/view?usp=sharing

Innovative Learning

The IL students and staff are proud to present the August edition of the Innovative Learning newsletter. We are excited by the range of learning and social activities experienced by the students in 9IL and 10IL.

Applications to join the 9IL programme in 2023 will open in Term 4.

There are several places available for current Year 9s to join the 10IL programme in 2023. Students should make this selection through Schoolpoint, or see Mr Braithwaite or Ms Hunt.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/13EhNp4XWJFw486bLk1pyrNB3vsLGqn-6/view?usp=sharing>

School Board Parent Election 2022

We have received ten nominations for our School Board.

The candidates statements can be read at this link: [School Board 2022 Candidates Statements](#)

Voting papers have been sent out by email, including information about what to do and where to go to put your vote forward electronically. Those without valid email addresses have been mailed voting papers. We will provide a courier bag to school to receive any votes that are brought into Reception at Lynfield College.

Please note that the voting email could end up in spam filters – this is possible for those that have a gmail address.

For those voters who haven't received voting papers please let Reception know immediately. CES will reprint those and email them back to the school. Papers are barcoded, pin numbered and have a unique identifier to ensure voters cannot vote twice.

Election closes at Noon on Wednesday 7 September.



Wayne Jamieson, Returning Officer

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School Board Student Representative 2022 - 23 Election

Students are invited to nominate themselves or another student to stand as the Student Representative on the Board of Trustees for 2022-2023.

Nominations close Friday 19 September at 3.00 pm.

The election will be held on Monday 26 September.

Nominees will write a short (less than 400 words) statement about why they should be elected, which will be shared with students. Students of all year levels may stand and will vote.

Nomination forms are available from the Returning Officer: Student Trustee Election, Mr Neil Waddington. His office is located on the Deans' Level, Administration Building.

Welcome to our New Teachers

SWATNA LAL (LAS)

Kia ora koutou. I'm very delighted to be starting in my role as Head of Department Commerce at Lynfield College. I've previously taught at two schools in the Central/West Auckland region and have experience in teaching all three Commerce subjects - Accounting, Economics and Business Studies. I enjoy connecting students with industry-based learning and providing opportunities beyond the classroom. Apart from teaching, I'm a keen sportswoman. I play cricket for Suburbs New Lynn and football for East Coast Bays. I'm looking forward to working alongside the experienced teachers within the Commerce Department and also, connecting with other staff, students, whānau and the wider Lynfield College community.

GEORGIA WONG (WNG)

Kia ora koutou katoa. My name is Georgia Wong and I have just joined the Humanities and Commerce faculty this term. I am a first year teacher and my background is in Social Studies and History. Outside of the classroom, I enjoy cooking and baking, as well as being active. I was lucky enough to do my practicum here at Lynfield College earlier this year and I'm honoured to be back!

WYN MORRIS (MIS)

Tēnā koutou katoa, I am from India (Hyderabad). I migrated to New Zealand in 2003 and live locally. I have worked previously for 10 years at an Intermediate school and 5 years at my last school Mission Heights Junior College. I am excited to be teaching Science as part of the Lynfield College whānau.

NOSHEEN SHAHZADI (SZI)

My name is Nosheen Shahzadi. I was born and raised in Pakistan, came to New Zealand in 2015 as a PhD student. In 2020 when we all were settling to our household bubbles due to lockdown, I disembarked the PhD roller coaster. Because I enjoyed science teaching while being in Pakistan, returning to this profession is my choice rather than retaining my researcher identity I developed over the years of doctorate study. My thesis titled "Changing literacy: Rhetoric and reality of literacy practices in New Zealand secondary science classrooms" talks about the changing literacy trends and its implication in contemporary science classrooms. I am passionate about studying the changes from print based to digital culture. While being a digital immigrant, I wish to offset the effects of instant gratification and convey the message of having grit and a growth mind set to young generations.



Above: Carmeline D'Souza (featured in NewsLink No. 9), Swatna Lal, Georgia Wong, Nosheen Shahzadi, Wyn Morris

Enrolment 2023

Online enrolment for all in-zone students wishing to start in 2023 is **NOW OPEN!**

More detailed enrolment information for 2023 is on our website

www.lynfield.school.nz/Enrolment

Effective Supporting Staff Profile Development

While teachers worked on progressing our junior curriculum on Teacher Only Day (Wednesday), support staff were also engaged in professional development. Marian Pearce from [Tui Tuia Learning Circle](#), University of Auckland facilitated a session that enabled support staff to review the Lynfield Effective Teaching Profile and how this could be adapted to create an 'Effective Supporting Staff Profile'. Support staff identified how the teaching values could be demonstrated in their own practice and soon became immersed in weaving their values together such as (among many others), empathy, kindness and perseverance; cultural recognition and respect; innovation and adaptation; creating opportunities to work together and building supportive relationships throughout our whānau and community. This is an important piece of work as these values guide everyone in the College community in the way we work and live together.



Westpac Shadow Tech

Westpac hosted the ShadowTech 2022 programme delivered by NZTech with the Ministry of Education on 4 August. Senior students attending were exposed to a line-up of speakers and panellist showcasing their experiences across technology and banking. Students heard how to navigate their pathway into the technology sector or the banking industry, either applying for an Internship straight from school or qualifying at a Tertiary Institute first. Customer Experience Design, Software Engineering and Technology were the themes with many eye opening take aways from the day for the students.



Student comments: "There will always be human needs, as there are some things AI can't replace".

"I found it very interesting that Westpac outsource their advertisements". "I was amazed just how in depth Banking goes, not just money handling, so much more needs to be addressed". "The 5,000 Westpac employees in NZ work hard. They focus on problems not just solutions. Mindset matters."

Year 13 KATTI

The Year 13 Kei a Tatou te Ihi (KATTI) 2022 event took place at University of Auckland Epsom Campus on Tuesday 16 August 2022, with three students attending. The workshops included information on tertiary level programmes, accommodation information, accessing academic and financial support and career advice and guidance leading towards employment. Students found it very worthwhile and enjoyed their graduation hangi.



Geography Mysteries at Muriwai

The weather seldom cooperates at Muriwai. Level 3 Geographers learn the expected 'prevailing' conditions of wind and currents at Muriwai Beach and Maukatia Bay, but during the trip last week found that the reality was different. Biodegradable oranges were hurled into the sea as floats to measure sea currents and some groups added lemons for variety. Adapting to the conditions, data from these trials was recorded for the students' research assessment. Assuming the role of scientists, they will present their results, suggest reasons for differences between locations, and evaluate the success of their findings.



Puketāpapa Youth Foundation

The Puketāpapa Youth Foundation held their Community Breakfast for 2022 at the Pah Homestead. The purpose of this event, besides the lovely artwork on display, was to create a vibrant space that sparks connections and active discussions between various community groups within Puketāpapa.

While enjoying a pleasant breakfast catered by Homestead Cafe, we took this opportunity to engage in a *kōrero* regarding youth empowerment and their involvement. With principals from local schools, head students and local board members, we discussed the issues seen in our community and ideas or ways to resolve them by working together.

Through it, not only were we able to enhance relationships but constructively use our perspectives for the future of the growing community. In doing so, we progressed towards a united Puketāpapa, with access to resources for positive change-making.



Back row: March Atherstone, Sourav Shastri, Evana Chan, Gabrielle Clark, Sanat Singh, Varshil Patel, Michael Howell

Front row: Sophie Yang, Nuha Wadhwania, Seetha Veerappan, Teesha Sharma

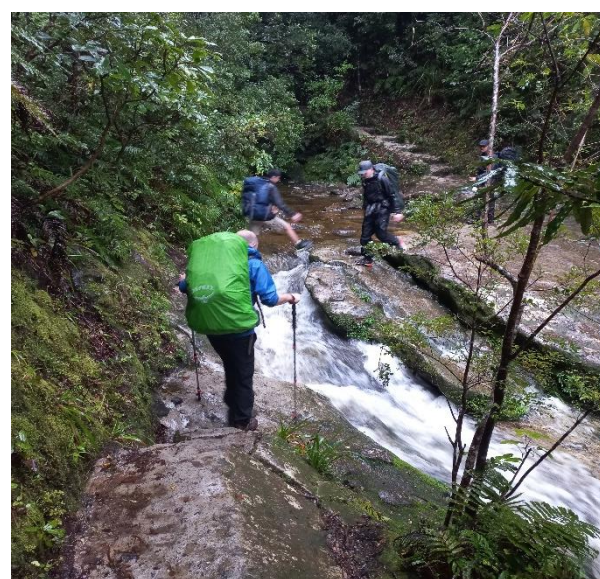
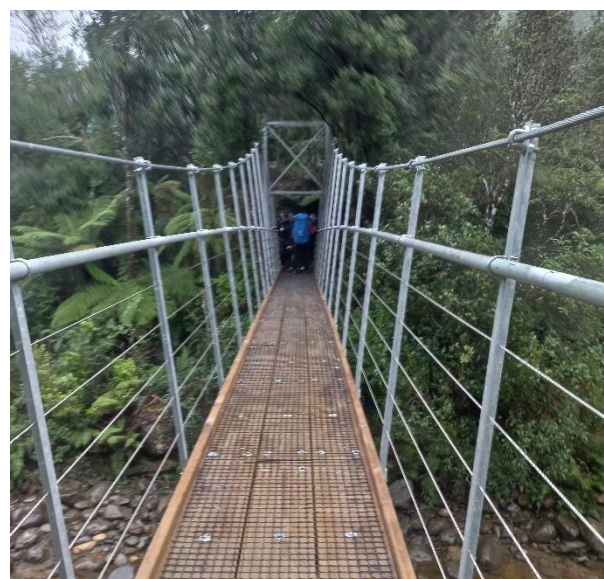
2OED Pinnacles Camp

Thursday 18 August saw 20 Students and 4 staff take on the Pinnacles Walk in the Coromandel area as part of the final camp for Level 2 Outdoor Education.

The weather forecast was not the best for the 2-day trip with rain and wind. Preparation for the camp on the day consisted of the group making sure that they were fully prepared for the conditions. On the way up to the Pinnacles Hut, there was impromptu grid referencing, paths that were like streams and student leadership. Due to the weather, we were unable to climb to the summit of the Pinnacles and arrived at the hut a little wet. At the hut, we had a briefing from the Hut Ranger Rob who told us about the wetas in one cabin and ghosts in the other. The boys were put into the

room with the ghosts! After our dinner, we had a group meeting to discuss the following day. We ended the day with very tense rounds of the card game, 3 up 3 down, which caused much chaos including being sent for a resupply of coal.

We would like to thank the parents of the students who attended the camp for allowing this to be made possible and to Mrs Reynolds and Mr Smith for making sure we could actually have a camp. Also thanks to Graeme Smith and Miss Willson, our wonderful student teacher, for joining us for the 2 days we were away and to all the students who attended the camp for making it an absolutely great camping and tramping trip.



Parent Student Teacher Conferences

Our second round of Parent, Student, Teacher Conferences (PSTs) for the year were held on Thursday 18 and Tuesday 23 August. The focus this time was on academic progress and course options. We were pleased that we were able to offer both a face to face or online option and enjoyed reconnecting with whānau, so we can best support and celebrate the success and progress of our students together.

A reminder: Should you wish to speak to a subject teacher about your child's progress in a specific subject area, you can still let your child's Hui mai teacher know via email and they will ask the subject teacher to phone you.

Change to NCEA Credits for 2022

Due to the impact of COVID-19 in 2022, students will be entitled to **1 Learning Recognition Credit (LRC) for every 5 credits** earned through assessment, up to a maximum of:

NCEA Level 1 - 10 LRC | NCEA Level 2 - 8 LRC | NCEA Level 3 - 8 LRC

To receive a **Certificate Endorsement**, students will need **46 credits** at Merit or Excellence level, instead of the usual 50.

To be awarded University Entrance, students will need **14 credits in each of two UE Approved Subjects, and 12 credits in a third UE Approved Subject** (they will also need to attain NCEA Level 3 and meet the regular literacy and numeracy requirements).

The submission dates for some **externally assessed portfolios** have also been moved back one week.

Senior Assessment Weeks 12 - 23 September

These 2 weeks of assessment are for practice external exams and some internal practical assessments. Year 12 and 13 students will be on study leave over these two weeks and only need to come to school for their exam/assessment. Year 11 students will be on normal class timetable and their practice exams / assessments will take place during class time. These may not be during week 8 and 9. **There is no study leave for Year 11.**

[2022 Sept Exam Timetable](#)

Students need to see Ms Ram ASAP if they have a clash.

Literacy Numeracy Pilot Year 10

The second round of the Year 10 Literacy Numeracy Pilot assessments will be in Week 9. Students who are sitting these assessments are working with their Maths teachers to ensure they are registered on NZQA and have a log in.

The dates are as follows:

Tuesday 20 September | Reading

Wednesday 21 September | Numeracy

Thursday 22 September | Writing

All assessments start at 9.00am in the Hall and are completed digitally. Students will need to ensure their devices are fully charged on the day and they remember their password to log in.

We are expecting the results for the June assessments to be released at the end of August.

Digital Exams

Students in the following subjects and courses have been offered the choice of doing their practice external exam in September and their NZQA external exams on a digital platform.

Level 3: Chinese, Japanese, German, English (3ENG and 3ENW), Classical Studies, History, Media studies, Business Studies

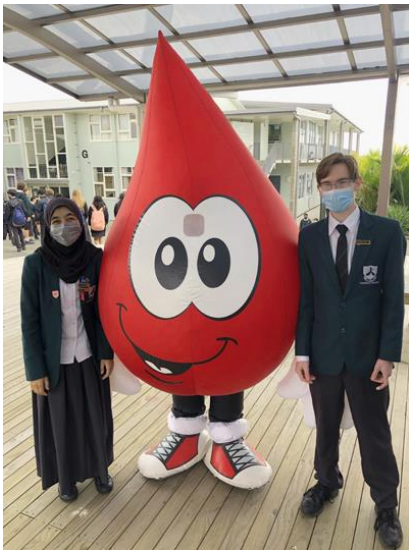
Level 2: English (2ENG, 2ENR, 2ENW, 2ENS), Classical Studies, History, Media Studies

Level 1: History

Teachers in the above courses have been talking with their students about what this choice involves and are now preparing students who have made the choice to do their exam digitally. Students access the exams using their NSN learner login. They already use the student login to see their results, Record of Achievement, personal details or to apply for a review or reconsideration. Students doing the digital exams will need to create their account if they do not already have one, or they will need to login to check their information. Please remind your child to create/check their account, well before they do a digital exam. Information on how to create an account is available via Hui mai classes on Schoology. More information can be found on the Student Exam Hub <https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/ncea/>

Getting Ready for Blood Donor Day

Students and staff having their blood tested by the NZ Blood Service to see what type they are and recruiting for our blood drive on Friday.



Studying Business and / or Law

With an increasing amount of interest from students in Business and Law programmes, three University of Waikato staff came to present to our senior students on Thursday 25 August. Students learnt about Management Studies, Business, Communication and Climate Change Degrees. Year 13 students were very excited to hear that a Waikato OE programme is a fantastic way to experience other cultures through a Global Internship or a Student Exchange. Waikato Management School is currently ranked #1 in NZ for Business and Economics and in the top 1% of Business Schools globally. All degrees at Waikato have a compulsory work-integrated learning component to develop key skills and gain experience. Unlike the other Law Schools across New Zealand, students do not have to enrol in conjoint degrees to study Law. Our students learnt about the core principles of professionalism, biculturalism and the study of law in context.



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Careers Update

EVENTS

AUT University and University of Auckland OPEN DAYS: Saturday 27 August – register on their websites

WOMEN IN TRADES: Wednesday 31 August Vodafone Events Centre, 3-7pm

ITC International Tourism College: Wednesday 31 August at Auckland City Campus, Level 4, ITC House

MAINZ MUSIC + AUDIO Institute of NZ: Thursday 1 September Auckland campus

MASSEY UNIVERSITY: Saturday 3 September Albany Auckland campus

UNITEC Institute of Technology: Saturday 3 September

NZ TRADE SECRETS-Building & Construction night: 6-8 September <https://bcito.org.nz/tradesecrets/>

TRANSITION EXPO: Come and see what is available for School Leavers with disabilities, Wednesday 7 September 9am to 6pm. <https://disabilityconnect.org.nz/annual-transition-expo/>

MASSEY PACIFIC EVENING IN THE WEST: Wednesday 7 September 6pm (see Poster for rego)

MANUKAU INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (MIT): Saturday 10 September

TERTIARY UPDATES

Is your family member applying to study this year, applying to our university will be a two-step process. We are currently in the process of putting in a new application portal that will open in September, and we look forward to letting you know as soon as it is ready.



with us in 2023? Starting



Mānawa Mai | Open Day - Mānawa Mai Open Day, the University of Auckland's flagship event for future students, is coming up on Saturday 27 August 8.30am-3.30pm. Expect an action-packed day with live performances, DJs, food trucks and other fun activities for students to discover the social side of life at university Register for Open Day [Check out what's happening at Open Day](#)

New Scholarship - available for students enrolling in an Undergraduate Performing Arts based degree at The University of Auckland. The Fame Emerging Practitioner Award offers A \$10,000 Scholarship to support a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident enrolled full-time in an undergraduate or postgraduate programme in a performing arts field. Closing date for this new scholarship is August 31 <https://www.auckland.ac.nz/en/study/scholarships-and-awards/find-a-scholarship/fame-emerging-practitioner-award-1133-art.html#:~:text=A%20%2410%2C000%20Scholarship%20to%20support,in%20a%20performing%20arts%20field>

University of Auckland Halls of Residence - Our Halls of Residence is a home away from home. It's an opportunity for students to experience a fun, independent lifestyle but still enjoy plenty of home comforts. Applications opened on August 1. Although there is no closing date for applications, we strongly recommend students apply by 30 September 2022 to ensure their application is included in the selection for a first offer, made in early October. After first offers, more places become available following withdrawals. Further information on our Halls of Residence can be found here.

Faculty of Engineering - Do you want to study Engineering? Our popular Engineering Faculty Tours are back and if you'd like a chance to meet current students and explore the facilities we have on offer - visit our new state-of-the-art engineering building! Tours are led by current students, this 1-hour tour will take you and your whānau to meet our current engineering students and get to know their experience. Book your place using these links.

September Faculty Tours:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/engineering-faculty-tour-2022-september-tickets-399306495477>

October Faculty Tours:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/engineering-faculty-tour-2022-october-tickets-399322413087>

Canterbury University have launched their new Bachelor of Digital Screen with Honours which will be on offer in 2023. Students will work on real-world projects with some of Aotearoa New Zealand's greatest creative minds and use purpose built, world class state-of-the-art facilities, to bring their own creative short films and video games to life. The BDigiScreen(Hons) is an applied, four-year degree with a key focus on storytelling, whether it's with words, still or moving images, animated graphics or sound. You will discover how to build relatable characters, scenarios and worlds. You will also learn what it means to tell stories in Aotearoa and Te Wai Pounamu, considering issues of representation and how your creative choices affect, and are affected by our society. If interested in storytelling and programming see Mrs Keir in the Careers Office.

Resources for Year 9-12 students currently choosing 2023 courses:

Introduction to The University of Auckland- Entry Requirements Page 60 onwards in this pdf <https://cdn.auckland.ac.nz/assets/auckland/study/programmes-and-courses/undergraduate-study-options/undergraduate-prospectus/Introduction-to-the-University-of-Auckland-2023.pdf>

Guide to choosing school subjects:

<https://www.auckland.ac.nz/en/study/study-options/undergraduate-study-options/information-for-careers-advisors/guide-to-choosing-school-subjects.html>

Parents and Caregivers supporting students with their career direction: Use Lynfield College SchoolPoint Home Page and find the Useful Information tab on the left -> Parent Careers Resources

Sports Scene

Auckland Secondary Schools Road Race

This took place recently at Pulman Park, Papakura on a windy day recently. Fortunately, the rain held off until the races had finished. Congratulations to our team of Lynfield athletes who competed. Most impressive placing was Dylan Tearle (Y10) who finished 23rd out of 66 in the Junior Boys.

Uniform Return

With winter sports now finished for the year please return all sports uniforms to the Sports Office as soon as possible. When the uniform is returned in good condition the uniform bond will be refunded, as per the letter your son/daughter brought home at the beginning of the season.

Junior Summer Sports

Soon we will be calling for all Y9 and Y10 interested in summer sports competitions in touch, volleyball, softball, cricket and rugby.

Please check the notices on Schoology to be sure your sons or daughters do not miss trials for the teams they are interested in joining.

TEAM TALK

Football

1st XI Boys Football - Congratulations to this team who finished 3rd in the A3 division, 1 point behind 2nd!

2nd XI Boys Football

Congratulations to this team who won the Senior B North West Plate in a thrilling final. Below is a report on this match:

On Saturday 13 August the two giants of the North West Plate Football division (Lynfield College and Kingsway College) played off in the grand final to decide the league champions. Kingsway scored the opening goal after their striker houdini'd their way through the Lynfield defence. Thankfully, this didn't last long as Leroy Coburn immediately struck a 30 metre screamer into the top corner before also smashing home from close range to put Lynfield 2-1 up. Jacob Cowen then calmly stroked the ball into the corner just before half-time to have the hosts 3-1 up. In the second stanza Lynfield parked the bus to hold on to their 3-1 lead and withstood wave after wave of Kingsway attacks. In particular Ammar Abdurrahman and MOTM Lucas Lockhart being standouts. With 3 minutes to go, Arlyn Millar scored a Fernando Torres-esque breakaway to allow the celebrations to begin with Lynfield wrapping up the game 4-1. The side line was pandemonium, and the manager Corey Walters was barely able to hold back his tears as Lynfield College walked away as deserved North West Plate Champions.

Corey Walters, Coach

Below: 2nd XI Boys Football team in action



Rugby

The 2022 season was an opportunity for our boys to focus on taking it a step further having finished 2nd last year with a handful of games still left to play due to covid. Our team was bolstered by new players who were able to inject a lot of energy into the 1st XV which enabled us to play a quick style of rugby, perfect for maximising scoring opportunities across the ground. A tough grade meant that a lot of games came down to the wire and we were able to win and lose some nail biters as well. A huge thanks to our senior leadership team led by our Captain Jacob Matson and Vice Captain Eric Nanai for leading from the front both on and off the field and ensuring that they got the most out of the team regardless of the result. We are excited to see how we go moving forward with our development players moving into our 1st XV next year.

Jono l'laua, Coach

NZ Secondary Schools Winter Tournament Week

We have been very busy preparing for NZSS Winter Tournament Week. These tournaments involve about 30,000 students moving around the country to compete in a multitude of tournaments.

Our teams will attend the following tournaments:

1st XI Boys Football | Rex Dawkins Tournament, Whangarei

1st XI Girls Football | Kathy Seaward Tournament, Whenuapai

1st XI Boys Hockey | Olympic Stick Tournament, Hamilton

1st XI Girls Hockey | Mary Clinton Tournament, Hamilton

Premier 1 Netball | Upper North Island Secondary Schools (UNISS), Pakuranga

Curling | NISS Championships, Avondale

SPONSORS

A big Thank You to the following local companies who donated prizes for a raffle to help our UNISS Netball players get to their tournament:

***Lucio Jiu Jitsu (Titirangi) | Smith's Sport Shoes | Maungakiekie Golf Club | Autex Industries
Sheridan | Hatworx | Countdown Blockhouse Bay | Barfoot & Thompson Blockhouse Bay
Blockhouse Bay Pharmacy | Caltex Blockhouse Bay | The Block Blockhouse Bay
Botanicals Florist Blockhouse Bay | Novotel Auckland Airport | Just Graphix, Blockhouse Bay***

INDIVIDUAL HONOURS

Congratulations to the following students who have performed exceptionally well in their chosen sport.

Kevin Zhang (Y11)

Kevin competed in the NZ Short Course Swimming Champs last weekend and broke his own NZ 100m Individual Medley 15yrs record (57.66s) in the heats by swimming 57.51s. In the finals he broke this record with an amazing 57.34s swim. This means he shaved 0.32s of the national record he set only 2 weeks prior!!

Rajal Patel (Y9)

Rajal recently participated at the 49th National Indoor Archery Championships and won a Gold medal for individual U16 Compound Mens division and a Silver for Intermediate Compound Mixed Division.

Ben Way (Y12)

Ben also competed in the National Indoor Archery Championships and won a Gold medal in Barebow U18 Male division.

If your son and/or daughter has achieved representative status (Auckland or New Zealand) or has competed in such events the Sports Office would very much like to 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
