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## *From Principal Cath Knell*

***Mehemea ka moemoeā ahau, ko ahau anake.  
Mehemea ka moemoeā tātou, ka taea e tātou.***

If I dream, I dream alone. If we dream as a collective,  
we can achieve our dream | *Te Puaea Herangi*

### ***Kia ora koutou***

Students have been active in their learning both onsite, in class, and at home. The work that is being set for students to progress when rostered home is viewable on Schoology. Currently in Hui mai there is a focus on goal setting in preparation for the conversations that will be held in the upcoming Parent Student Teacher conferences. We look forward to our students leading these conversations about their learning.

***Next Tuesday evening (6.50 pm for a 7 00 pm start) we are looking forward to hosting an online session for our Year 9 Whānau to find out more about learning at Lynfield. Those presenting will include our student leaders and representatives from Year 9.***

We are so proud of the talented students we have at Lynfield College. Two of our robotics teams, having being selected for the Worlds VEX Robotics Competition, are now looking for sponsorship. With the registration fee for each team being \$1800 and with one team of four looking to travel to the USA to compete in person, they would love your support. Should you be able to make a contribution towards covering their costs or put us in touch with a company or organisation that can, please email [accounts@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:accounts@lynfield.school.nz). This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for an exceptional group of students!

The rostering home schedule that has operated over the past two weeks will need to be continued into next week. While not our preferred option, having one year level rostered home each day has allowed us to place a teacher in every class.

***Mondays: Year 13***  
***Tuesdays: Year 12***  
***Wednesdays: Year 11***  
***Thursdays: Year 10***  
***Fridays: Year 9***

Where supervision at home is not a possibility, children under the age of 14 are able to be supervised at school. Please email Deputy Principal Sandy Harris [saharris@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:saharris@lynfield.school.nz) to register your child.

Noho haumarū - stay safe and well

Cath Knell  
Tumuaki | Principal

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## *Parent Student Teacher Conferences*

**Unfortunately, due to Covid 19 restrictions, we will need to hold our PST Conferences online.**

This is not ideal, but we hope to connect with as many parents / caregivers as possible despite the challenging circumstances.

You will be aware from our previous communications that in recent weeks we have had a significant number of staff absent due to Covid and this may occur the week of the conferences. We ask for your understanding should a meeting not be able to go ahead. We will inform you via email on the day, and your child's Hui mai teacher will follow up with you via phone call.

**The online Conferences will be on Wednesday 30 March between 4pm and 7pm and Thursday 31 March between 9am and 3.00pm** (there will be no classes on this day for students).

Appointments can **only be with your child's HUI MAI teachers**. Should you wish to speak to a subject teacher, your child's Hui mai teacher will guide you in the process for contacting them.

The focus of this first meeting will be **goal setting**. **Your child is expected to attend these conferences with you**, and they will lead the conversation. They are preparing for this in their Hui mai lessons.

You will receive an email in week 7 with booking instructions. The **booking site will open on Monday 21 March at 9.00am** and close on Wednesday 30 March at 9.00am.

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## *Ecological Study Group to the Karamatura Stream*

Last week two 1SCB classes visited the Karamatura Stream at Huia in the Waitakere Ranges, and carried out an ecological study to compare the diversity and quality of this water source with an urban water source. Each student was involved in the collection of field data.

Students looked at the diversity of organisms in the stream as well as any factors affecting the quality of water as part of the Level 1 Biology (**Assessment Standard 90951 'Investigate the biological impact of an event on a New Zealand ecosystem'**).



## 12BIO/A Arataki Forest Trip

On the 2nd and 3rd of March the year 12 Biology classes went on a field trip to Arataki Forest in the Waitakere Ranges. The purpose of the trip was to collect data about the different plant species living in the forest to be used for their internal assessment- Biology 2.6, investigate a pattern in an ecological community. It was a successful trip and the students seemed to enjoy themselves (even after a decent bush walk!). We wish the students all the best for their internal assessment write up over the next week.



## International Women's Day 2022

At Lynfield, we are proud to be a school that supports equality. This week student leaders showed their support for International Women's Day by giving 'thank you cards' to staff, creating complimentary bookmarks and encouraging students to sign the #Break the Bias poster.

Most importantly the message of **'appreciate the women in your life'** was shared! A huge thank you to **Vishwa Jayswal** for her leadership in the new Social Impact Co-ordinator role.





## ***Year 9 Whānau Evening: Tuesday 15 March ONLINE***

Normally at this time of year, we would welcome you onsite for our Year 9 Whānau Evening. However with restrictions still in place, this year we will need to make this an online event.

On Tuesday 15 March at 7.00 pm, we will be hosting this special event via Zoom. Presenters will include some of our students, and staff who work closely with Year 9. We will speak about supporting students as they learn at school and at home, activities that are available, and how to seek support if you or your child needs it.

We would value your input into what information you would like to see included. Please take a moment to complete this form for us: <https://forms.gle/fuGVi96vJab6rg8LA>. You may need to copy and paste this url into your browser. We apologise for the link in the previous email not working.

A link for joining the event will be emailed to you on the afternoon of Tuesday 15 March. The event will be recorded if you are unable to attend in the evening.

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## ***NCEA Presentation for 2022***

Academic Advisor Neil Waddington takes us all through EVERYTHING you ever needed to know about the NCEA process. Two links are provided.

The first is a youtube video of the slide presentation with a voice over by Mr Waddington addressing and expanding on the information on each slide. The second link is the slide presentation that would have been played on the NCEA Presentation Evening however that was cancelled due to Covid. It includes links to external information and sites that you can access.



NCEA Video: <https://youtu.be/At4HzygpdDg>

NCEA Slides: [https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1Yw37-yEBGOHwNwYEo9\\_iNMFOg-qDisREbMJhLoFncw/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1Yw37-yEBGOHwNwYEo9_iNMFOg-qDisREbMJhLoFncw/edit?usp=sharing)

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## ***English Lessons in the Time of Covid***

In the current Covid/Omicron environment we are looking for opportunities to move learning outside the classroom. Here is an example of a Year 11 English class making the most of a sunny day and the fresh air while discussing ideas for their formal writing assessment task.

For the previous two weeks students had been looking at a range of texts both verbal and visual, that focused on technology and were asked to make connections to their own lives. Many of the students take technology subjects and could make strong cross-curricular links – and enjoy the sunshine.



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## House Captain Badge Presentations

Following the announcement of their election our House Captains for 2022 were presented with their Badges in keeping with Covid regulations! Congratulations to:

BRAY | **Francesca Walsh and Hellina Dagnew**

FAUMUINA | **Chris Peng and Maria Petelo**

REID | **Marie Fruean and Emma Turner**

FATIALOFA | **Arwa Barghash and Eric Nanai**

LEWIS | **Jameel Waniya and Divyanshi Chauhan**

ZORICICH | **Alina Petricheva and Shalini Patel**



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## Life Skills

The Life Skills programme runs for Year 11 – 13 students. Through a rotation of activities, the students learn about the world outside school. Topics include careers, healthy relationships, practical skills, and right and responsibilities.

**Life Skills prepares students for life beyond school.**



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## 10IL Active Learning

Active learning is any learning activity in which the student participates or interacts with the learning process, as opposed to passively taking in the information. When given the opportunity to actively engage with the information they're learning, students perform better. It nurtures the brain, giving it an extended opportunity to connect new and old information, correct previous misconceptions, and reconsider existing thoughts or opinions.

10IL collecting continuous data connected to genetic traits for their Science/Maths class. Activities included strength tests, vertical jump, hand-eye coordination, and balancing on one foot.

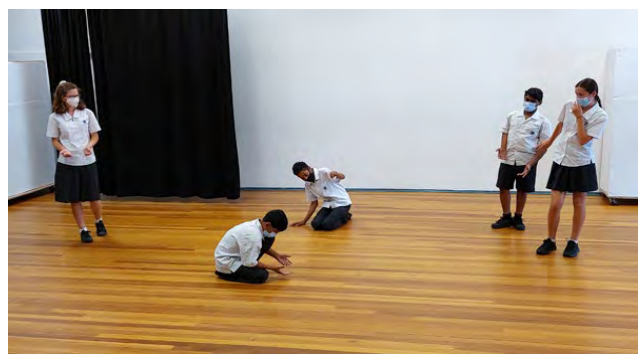


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## Year 9 Drama

Students are progressing well with creating original dramas in their groups. They are basing their stories on images from New Zealand figurative paintings. There is a real range of stories with working titles such as Teleport, Girl on the Steps, Sandstorm, War Crisis and Restrained.

Below are some shots of freeze frames they have created to structure their stories with a clear beginning, middle and end. The level of engagement with tasks and group participation is very pleasing. **Well done Year 9 from Ms Allpress**



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## Helpful Resources for Caregivers and Parents

### HEARING LOSS

The trends in Aotearoa seem to be mirroring global statistics where 1 in 5 young people have hearing loss. The National Foundation for Deaf and Hard of Hearing expect this number to double if we do nothing. To raise awareness of this issue, they will be running a campaign in March to teach people safer listening habits. <https://www.nfd.org.nz/make-listening-safe-filter>

### PORNOGRAPHY

A recent New Zealand survey of 14 to 17 year olds found that 75% of boys and 58% of girls under 17 have seen porn, and a quarter of them had done so at 12 or younger. The Light Project is a website for young people and their whānau wanting to learn more about porn. It contains excellent advice for parents on how to handle conversations with their teenagers and children. <https://thelightproject.co.nz/>

### VAPING

The results of a survey in 2021 looking at the vaping habits of secondary school students in New Zealand found that:

- 26% of students reported vaping and 15% reported smoking cigarettes in the past week.
- Nearly 20% of students are vaping daily or several times a day, the majority with high nicotine doses.
- Over half of those vaping were vaping more frequently and at higher nicotine doses than last year.

Don't Get Sucked In is a website encouraging teens not to pick up vaping or smoking with advice and resources for teenagers and their whānau. <https://dontgetsucked.in.co.nz/>

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## Progress Reports

### TERM 1 PROGRESS REPORTS

The reports will be on the Portal on **Wednesday 23 March**. This report will focus on the progress your child has made against several key competencies during Term 1. A more detailed Report will be issued in July for Junior students and in August for Senior students

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## Uniform

### NAMING UNIFORM

We already have a high number of lost property items that have been found around the school which have not been named. This makes it difficult for the items to be returned to their rightful owners. Please name all items of Uniform. If you have lost an item, all lost property is displayed at the uniform shop.

### CORRECT UNIFORM

Enclosed, plain black leather or leather-like lace-up or slip-on shoes only. Jandals, boots, canvas shoes and sandals are not permitted, due to health and safety reasons. *Students will not be permitted into Technology classes without correct uniform footwear.* Sports shoes are to be used for Physical Education and sports only. Hoodies are not a correct uniform item. This also includes tournament sports hoodies.

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## Uniform and Stationery Shop

The Uniform and Stationery Shop is open to all students on site for their uniform and stationery needs during first and second interval, Mondays to Thursdays, and before school at 8am and first interval on Fridays.

To work within current government guidelines, we are only able to accommodate parents/caregivers on site to assist with uniform fittings or purchases **by appointment only**. For an appointment please book at [Schoolpoint](#) with instructions on using Schoolpoint [here](#).

Online ordering is available through our website <https://www.lynfield.school.nz/shop.html>. Payment can be made by direct credit or credit card and students onsite are able to collect the items from the Shop during the above times.

For any further queries please email Nicky Pin at [uniformshop@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:uniformshop@lynfield.school.nz)

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## SportsScene

The Government has announced its intentions to change school sport vaccination requirements. Currently, College Sport Auckland is discussing the details of this announcement, including the legislative changes that may take some weeks. While further advice is sought and procedures are put into place to provide all schools, parents and students with greater clarity, only vaccinated students can continue competing in CSA sanctioned competitions.

As we receive more information on this matter, we will update parents and students.

### SUMMER SPORTS

Weekly summer sporting competitions began in Week 2 and now we have cricket and tennis teams for both girls and boys competing in weekly competitions. Please remember, all team members are required to wear an appropriate sports uniform which the Sports Office will supply.

- *Team fees and the uniform bond can be paid online (via the parent portal or direct credit), by eftpos or in cash.*
- *Payments by eftpos can be made at the Accounts Office or Sports Office.*



### Cricket

1st XI Boys have had won all their games so far as have the Senior Green team. The Junior A Boys and the 1st XI Girls have each had only one loss in very tight games.

### Tennis

Some opposition teams have found it hard to field a full team for some games this year but despite this our tennis players are really enjoying the chance to be out on the courts representing Lynfield.

The Senior A3 Boys team has lost only one of their 27 individual games and are sitting extremely comfortably at the top of their grade.

### Girls' Cricket Team Win!

1<sup>st</sup> XI Girls Cricket Team won their game against St Mary's. Captained by **Divyanshi Chauhan** who has been a star with both bat and ball, the team has only lost one game over the last two seasons. Other players to star have been bowlers **Shalini Patel** and **Prianka Patel** and batters **Tanisha Ali**, **Esther Rouse** and **Aisha Atif**.

All things going well, the team should qualify for the final of their grade in a couple of weeks. With three year 9's and two year 10's in the team, the future looks bright too.

**From Dean Russell Christie**





## WINTER SPORTS

### **Musters and trials:**

Pre-season training has started for: Girls' Football and Boys' Football, Rugby, Netball, Hockey, and Basketball trials have begun. Rugby League - dates yet to be confirmed. ***It is not too late to join any of these sports. Please contact the Sports Office and check Schoology.***

### **Notices:**

All notices concerning sport are on *Schoology*. Students need to check the notices on Schoology at least twice/day so they don't miss out on being a part of something they will enjoy.

We need your help to manage, coach or transport one of our teams this year, in order to provide sporting opportunities to the large number of Lynfield students wanting to play sport. Remember, to manage a team you do not need knowledge of the sport, just to be a channel for communication between coach and players as needed and help organise (not necessarily provide) transport to games.

***We will not enter a team into a competition unless it has both a coach and a manager!***

***If you or anyone you know is able to help us in any way we would really like to hear from you. There are plenty of openings available!! Please contact the Sports Office 627 0600 ext 595 or email Felicity Walbran (Sports Director) [fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz)***

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## **Individual Sports Honours**

***Congratulations to our students who have achieved outstanding results in their chosen sports:***

### **Parthiv Pabari (Y12)**

Recently Parth gained selection the NZ U17 National Badminton squad who will play some international games in the near future.



### **Mia Powell (Year 13)**

At the New Zealand Athletics Champs at Mitre Park 10 in Hastings recently, Mia performed exceptionally well:

***Gold U20 400m***

***Gold U20 4x400 Relay***

***Silver U20 200m***

***Silver U20 4x100 Relay***



### **Grace Kukutai (Year 13, 2014)**

Grace is a member of the Black Ferns 7s team currently playing in Fiji.

Grace was chasing a netball dream at the time this photo was taken. Sports Director Felicity Walbran was lucky enough to get some rugby stars to appear at little notice to talk to our talents sports students.



### **Caleb Young (Year 12)**

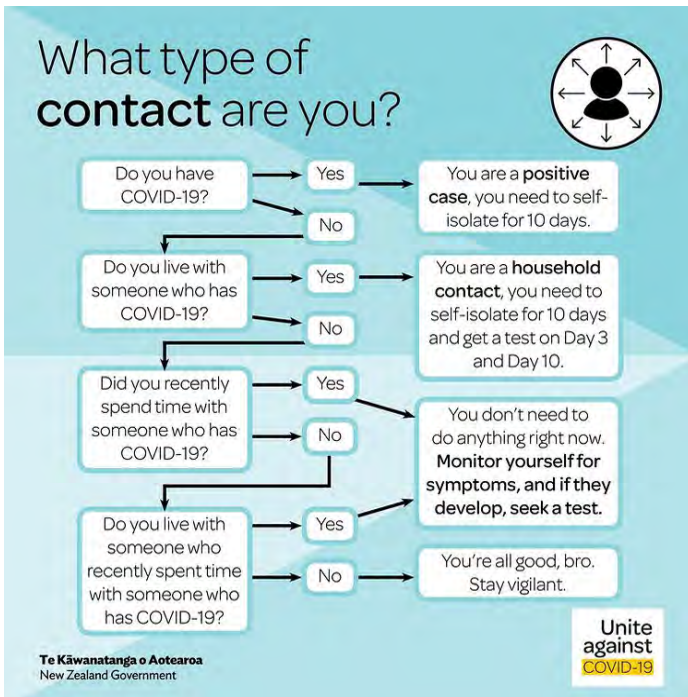
Caleb competed at Auckland Diving Champs last weekend in two events. He was up against two boys who are on the long list for the Commonwealth Games, and he held his through both events. He placed 4th on Platform Junior Elite A Boys, and won Bronze in the 3m Junior Elite A Boys.

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

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# Understanding the COVID-19 Protection Framework at Red Light Phase 3



**LYNFIELD COLLEGE**

**WHAT TO DO**

**IF YOU TEST POSITIVE**

**FOR COVID-19**

Follow these steps so that we can look after you and your schoolmates.

**STEP 1: LET US KNOW**

Email [absence@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:absence@lynfield.school.nz) or phone 627 0600, Extension 729  
We keep your health information private.

**STEP 2: TRACK YOUR MOVEMENTS**

One of the Deputy Principals will call you to find out some more information. They may ask who you were with at lunchtime, did you visit the Nurse, had you played sports, etc.

**STEP 3: SELF-ISOLATE**

Follow the guidelines from Public Health at [www.health.govt.nz](http://www.health.govt.nz)  
If your symptoms get worse, seek medical advice immediately (your doctor or Healthline 0800 611 116).

**STEP 4: LOOK AFTER YOURSELF**

The DP will ask if there's anything you need. We can help you with a device or other support you and your family might need.

**STEP 5: KEEP CONNECTED**

Work will be posted on Schoology. Try and keep up, but let your teachers know if you're not able to.

**AFTER YOU'VE ISOLATED**

Forward your notification of release to [absence@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:absence@lynfield.school.nz). We look forward to welcoming you back to school.

Information from the COVID Protection Framework  
Red Phase 2, 14 February 2022.

## Updated guide to self-isolation

*You will need to self-isolate from others if you:*

are positive for COVID-19	live with a positive case
You must isolate at home or in suitable alternative accommodation. If you test positive for COVID-19, a health professional will help you decide if managed isolation is suitable for you.	
Isolate for 10 days from when you test positive	Isolate for 10 days
No further tests required unless directed to	Tests on Day 3 and Day 10
Financial support may be available - check our website to find out what you may be eligible for: <a href="http://Covid19.govt.nz/financial-support/">Covid19.govt.nz/financial-support/</a>	

This information is accurate as at 24 February 2022. However, it may be updated if phases of the Omicron response change. For the most up to date information, please visit our website at [www.Covid19.govt.nz](http://www.Covid19.govt.nz)

**Unite against COVID-19**

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