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From the Principal

Talofa lava

Happy Samoan Language Week! Our Pacific Pride Leaders have created this visual and informative slide to celebrate the week. [Samoan Language Week](#)

Our newsletters reflect the busy and productive lives that our Lynfield College students lead and this edition shares some of their experiences and successes from the past two weeks. Our Kowowai values of Manaakitanga focused on “We are Compassionate”, “We are Respectful” and students put these values into practice with a range of activities as diverse as an outdoor camp, winning a national songwriting competition and Wa hono presentations.

Teacher Only Day - Opportunities

Last Friday, teachers were treated to a presentation by Dr Mark Osborne on curriculum possibilities focusing on our junior students. Mark talked about the changing expectations for our students when they leave school and how they can be supported by different ways of teaching and learning.

Following on from the presentation, staff worked in faculties to look at their Year 10 programmes for 2023, aligning them to the changed programmes for this year’s Year 9 students and leading on to the Big Ideas that are part of the NCEA Change package.

The day linked to our Effective Teaching Profile as teachers were being agentic, and reflecting and adapting to the needs of our learners.

Managing continuity in learning

Over the last seven school days we have had to close the school early. This was due to staff absences which we were not able to cover in a sustainable manner. Although this change has made the situation more manageable, there is unfortunately still a high number of absences which means returning to full days is currently not feasible. We have therefore made the decision to continue closing early for at least another school week (until Friday 10 June). We will reassess the situation prior to this date and update you accordingly.

WEEK 6 (Tuesday 7 – Friday 10 June)

In order to balance curriculum time across all subjects:

Tuesday, Wednesdays and Thursdays – school will close at 12.45pm The three blocks will be rotated. In the morning slot (9.00am – 10.40am) we will run the current block 2 subject and in the midday slot (11.05am – 12.45pm) we will run the current block 3 subject.

Friday – school will close at 2.20pm Classes remain the same periods 1 – 5.

For further information please refer to our email sent to you Wednesday 1 June. There will be supervision available for students who require it up until 3.10pm each day. Registrations for this supervision are required using this link <https://forms.gle/cocS94DXRBmaGo15A>

Have a safe and enjoyable long weekend.

Manuia le aso

Gabrielle Clark

Tumuaki Tuarua | Deputy Principal

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Student Executive 2022: Student Representative, Board of Trustees

Kia ora koutou

It is an honour and a privilege to serve as your student representative on the Lynfield College Board of Trustees for 2022. Thank you to everyone for entrusting your faith in my ability to represent, listen and understand our students' needs so I can play my part in creating a safer environment at Lynfield.

I started at Lynfield College in 2018 and since then I have been heavily involved in a large variety of school groups and clubs. My involvement has given me the opportunity to socialise and form amazing connections with other students, teachers, and the wider Lynfield community. Everything I learned from my peers has allowed me to establish a broad-minded understanding of our Lynfield student body, giving me the confidence to represent them and leave a positive impact.



As a part of the student leadership team, I oversee our student support networks by working closely with the House Captains and their Hui mai student representatives across the year levels to encourage and amplify the voice of every student at Lynfield. On the Board, I have been able to see another side of how the school functions. I am responsible for the monthly reporting of views, developments and thoughts of our students. This helps the Board understand and address the needs and concerns of all our students. Though I have only just begun my journey in this role, I have already learned so much. This new exposure is a different pace to my usual school day, but I have felt and appreciate the generous help and support I have received from all the staff as I continue to serve in the best interests of our students and community.

I am extremely grateful to be able to represent our students at Lynfield College, and to be a part of the work towards a united school environment where our students can grow both academically and personally. I am looking forward to continuing to work with the amazing Student Executive team we have this year to make 2022 a good one for us all.

Jessie Chen

Youthtown National Songwriting Competition Winner

Year 11 Student Naimah Manchanda has won the Youthtown Songwriting Competition for 2022 with her song 'Sugar and Spice'. Out of the 144 songs submitted across the country, Naimah's song has been chosen as the top song, with Play it Strange CEO Mike Chunn (Split Enz, Citizen Band) complementing the "Lyrical irony and portrayal of the teenage experience."

Naimah will now head to a professional recording studio for a day to record her song, and will be performing at the Play it Strange awards at the end of the year.



Photo caption: Mike Chunn (CEO, Play It Strange), Siobhan Clare (Partnerships and Engagement, Youthtown), Greg McLarin (HOD Music, Lynfield College), Naimah Manchanda (First Place), Debbie Little (GM Play It Strange)

Also being selected as finalists are Year 10 Students Emma Wagner and Tilly Wells with their song 'Never Ever' and Year 11 Students Miyu Okuwaki and Aayushi Nand with their songs 'Who do you think you are?' and 'Temperamental Friend.'

All of these students will also head to a recording studio to record their songs, which will be released on Bandcamp and Spotify later in the year!

Well done all on your incredible achievements!



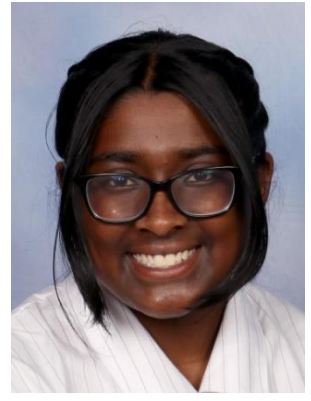
Emma Wagner



Tilly Wells



Miyu Okuwaki



Aayushi Nand

30ED Waharau Camp Report

Last week on Monday 23 May, 130ED left for a 5-day camp at Waharau Regional Park on the Firth of Thames, to learn and experience different kinds of leadership styles. We got to take part in a range of fun activities including low ropes, high ropes, kayaking, Adventure Based Learning, archery and especially cleaning the toilets. While these scheduled activities were a blast, we had the most fun doing simple and unplanned things like an evening fashion show or a small game of Twister or UNO. Camp was a good opportunity for us to get to know our peers well especially in our last year of school along with learning life-long lessons that we will remember and use throughout our lives.





Rugby League Girls Ref Primary School

Tournament

On Tuesday 24 May Marie Fruean (Year 13), Ofa Fononga (Year 11), Cherish Thompson (Year 11) and Thyree Flores (Year 12) attended a Western Zone Primary School League Tournament at Bay Roskill Rugby League Club where we were lucky enough to ref with the guidance and help of ARL officials, Rochelle and Mary. It was an all round fun day and a very good learning experience!

Leading up to this we completed online and in-person sessions to be qualified to ref Mini Mods. Thank you to Ms Bell and Whaea Leauga for the help with the online courses and to Mr Braithwaite for accompanying us on the day.

Image courtesy of ARL



Mahi Ora Work Experience Student: Caleb Phillips

Caleb participated in Kāinga Ora's Construction Plus Mahi Ora Work Experience programme with Piritahi Ōwairaka during the April school holidays.

His objective in participating in the programme was to get a realistic view of life as an engineer on a construction site. Caleb embraced the experience with the enthusiasm of an eager trainee.

Caleb says the subjects he's studying at school - physics, geography and calculus - will help him become a successful engineer. His experience at the Ōwairaka site has also exposed him to new aspects of construction.

"I've learnt heaps of processes around the work site, especially health and safety measures we put in place, a lot I didn't know before and unnoticed by the public. There are processes that go on and all the small things that work together towards the big goal. There's a lot."

During the last two days of his work experience, Caleb was given the opportunity to work side-by-side with a new graduate engineer on-site which was a big highlight:

After finishing his high school career at the end of this year, Caleb plans to study at the University of Auckland in their Engineering School. As well as preparing for a future in engineering, Caleb leads a busy life. He works part-time at Rebel Sport, competes regularly in karate where he's earned a black belt, and he leads the College Squash team in the inter-school competition. Caleb is hoping to take up any work experience on offer in the remaining school holidays of his final year at school.

The Construction Plus Mahi Ora Work Experience programme is a Kāinga Ora initiative run with the Piritahi Alliance. It involves secondary school students in Gateway or Trade academies working over the school holidays on large-scale projects around Auckland to gain valuable experience in the civil infrastructure industry.

Host Families Needed

As our borders have opened, we are receiving requests from international students, who will arrive in Terms 3 and 4 2022. We are looking for warm and welcoming host families for them. The length of stay will range from 3 weeks to a term.

Hosting an international student can be a very rewarding experience. Host families can make a real difference to young students' lives by sharing their homes, lifestyles and cultures with them.

International students need:
Their own comfortable bedroom
All meals
To be included as part of your family
Host families who speak English fluently at home

Host families are paid \$308 per week. You can expect ongoing support from the International team at Lynfield College.

If you would like to host, or know of a local family who would like to take a student, please email or call Vibha Bangs.

Phone: 09-627 0600 Ext 748

Email: homestay@lynfield.school.nz

Korean Language Group

Korean Language Group (KLG) is a club that was recently established in 2021. In this club students learn Korean Language and freely share their interest in Korean soft culture (eg. KPOP, K-Drama, etc). Highly motivated club members have been making great progress in their language learning. To celebrate our students' success and Manaakitanga, we congratulate Mei Matsuki for coming 1st in "THINK-then-TALK Korean Video Competition". Mei has won \$200 worth of KPOP dance class in En Beat Academy. Congratulations also to Silvia Kim who participated in "The Peaceful Unification Advisory Council Golden Bell" competition. Students around New Zealand who have advanced knowledge in history/politics of Korea have participated in this competition. Silvia gained an Excellence Award (\$200 prize) in this competition. She will be competing in the "Asia – Oceania Peaceful Unification Advisory Council Golden Bell" competition which will be held later this year.

Thank you to our Korean Language Group leaders who have been putting a lot of effort into making this club motivating for our club members. Our group will be looking forward to connecting with schools in Korea to have more engaging communication in Korean/English.



Photo caption: Ms Kim, Silvia Kim, Mei Matsuki, Tammy Bi, Yandi Zhang

Students Entered in the Literacy Numeracy Assessments (28 – 30 June)

Students have created a NZQA account with the help of their English teachers over the past few weeks. They need to REMEMBER their username (school email) and password (they created) as they will use this to log into the exam on the NZQA website.

Hui mai, English and Maths teachers will be reminding students to check they remember their log in details over the next few weeks. To support your child and the teachers running the pilot, we ask for your support in this too.

Can you please ask your child if he /she/ they know their username and password and watch them practice logging into NZQA. [NZQA log in](#)

Students will be required to use their own device, so they need to ensure it is working and fully charged the night before. (We will ask teachers on the morning of assessments to refrain from device use, to save the charge). They will need to use Google Chrome as their browser.

Please note: Not all students are involved in the pilot. If your child is part of the pilot, you would have been informed and your child will know from their teachers.

Career News | We need to start early: Fostering a career mindset in young people

CHANGES TO NZ TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS

Vocational education in Aotearoa New Zealand is changing, to put learners at the centre of everything we do. Te Pūkenga is a national network of polytechnics, ITOs and institutes of technology. From the beginning of next year, we will take another big step forward in this journey when the national network becomes a single body, forming one of the largest tertiary institutions in the world. We want students to understand what this means for them. From 2023, things might look a little different. A nationwide Te Pūkenga recruitment campaign for learners will be in place from August 2022 with the new Te Pūkenga look and feel. New learners will enrol with Te Pūkenga from 2023 & will benefit from a network-wide range of opportunities including by location, modes of learning (online, on campus and on-the-job) and programme. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D0d3witE170&t=9s>

SCHOLARSHIPS

The Year 13 REACH Otago Scholarship (Realising Educational Aspirations for Careers in Health) provides the opportunity for twenty Māori students to spend three nights and days on the University of Otago's Dunedin campus. Monday 20 June is the extended due date for applications for 2022. <https://www.otago.ac.nz/mhwdu/tearahauora/>

TERTIARY EVENTS THIS MONTH

Victoria University of Wellington Te Herenga Waka invite whanau to the Auckland Information Evening Wednesday 22 June 2022, 6-8pm at Aotea Centre, 50 Mayoral Drive, Auckland Central. Register: <https://go.wgtn.ac.nz/auckland-information-evening-2022.html>

University of Otago will present an overview of courses offered to students, Tuesday 21 June at lunchtime at Lynfield College.

University of Otago invite whanau to the Auckland Information Evening, Tuesday 21 June, 6.00-8.30pm, Ellerslie Event Centre, 100 Ascot Ave, Auckland.

***Ehara tāku toa i te toa takitahi, engari te toa takitini
Success is not the work of an individual, but the work of many***

From the College Counselling Team

We are often approached by organisations with services that may be supportive for families experiencing specific issues. When we have checked that they indeed will be helpful for our community we will include them here in the newsletter.

Are you a family experiencing a young person with an eating disorder?

With Love: Eating Disorder Recovery Forum for NZ Families.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/360577826016574/?ref=share>

This is a private Facebook page and is a great place to hear from experts and those with lived experience and families.

If you would like to reach the counselling team at school please email chawke@lynfield.school.nz in the first instance.

SportsScene

ROAD RACE

The annual Lynfield College Road Race will take place **Tuesday 14 June, 11am – 12.30pm**. This is run around local streets with strict safety considerations in mind. 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.

Travel to and from school games

When students are transported to and from games in a school van they will be returned to school. Sometimes this may be after dark. Staff who transport our students to and from games cannot be expected to wait for significant periods with students until they are collected. Please ensure you have arranged for your child to be collected immediately they return to school. All vans will return to Gate 1 and students should be collected from the Gate 1 car park.

House Competitions

House meetings occurred this week. The Sports and House Captains are learning how to be flexible with their planning as House competitions are on hold while we have early finishes. Once we are back to a normal daily routine House competitions will get under way.

AKSS Cross Country

A team of 5 runners competed in the AKS Cross Country Champs yesterday at Lloyd Elsmore Park. The competing students were: Maren Capps, Oskar Ludvig, Kenisha Mediratta, Dylan Tearle, Timothy Truc.

Physiotherapy service

We now have physiotherapists back on site every morning from 8.30am – 12.30pm. Entrance is through the Student Services office door closest to the staffroom. Students can book appointments through this email Physioappointments@lynfield.school.nz

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

Junior Boys Basketball

Basketball is finally back in full-force! Check out the boys junior Lynfield Basketball Team giving the number one Mt Albert Grammar School team a battle, in their final grading game. Admittedly we lost 97-15 but, all things considered, we put a up a good fight. Mr Wright, Coach



Winter Team Standings

Our winter teams continue to impress both with their rapidly growing team spirit, their self-discipline and their results.

Ist XI Boys Football	2nd A3 division
Premier Development Boys Football	3rd 15A2
Premier 1 Netball	3rd Premier 1 grade, Section A at Netball Waitakere
9 Gold Netball	1st in 9A grade, Pool Z
10 Gold Netball	1st in Grade A, Section A
1st XI Girls Hockey	2nd in C Grade West
2nd XI Girls Hockey	1st in C Grade West
Open A Boys Basketball	2nd in Central/West
Junior Girls Basketball	2nd= in Central/West



Photo caption:

Left, Football 2nd XI

Right, Football Junior Boys

Individual Sports Honours

Our students certainly take on some interesting sports and challenges! Congratulations to the following students for their recent notable success.

Jamie Hall (Y13)

Jamie placed first in the Auckland College Climbing Series– Bouldering Competition on Sunday 22nd May.

Dior-Cruz Wea (Y11)

Dior has been selected to represent Hokianga Maori Rugby League in the U15 Whatitiri team at the NZ Maori Rugby League Rangatahi National Tournament being held over Queens Birthday weekend in Rotorua.

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

On-site Physiotherapy clinic at Lynfield College

Proactive Northwest are excited to be providing physiotherapy at Lynfield college for the third year running.

Our goal is to ensure that every student has access to Physiotherapy services. At Proactive we want to ensure students get the right advice so that they can keep being active and have a full recovery so that injury doesn't affect them later in life or stop them from ongoing involvement in sport, exercise and recreation.

The on-site programme allows students to attend physiotherapy appointments without missing too much school and to prevent caregivers having to leave work to take them to appointments.

To start off we will be available for appointments at the College Monday to Friday from 8.30am - 12.30pm. These physio appointments are available to all students and staff members. Initial appointments will be 40 minutes and follow up appointments will be 20 minutes. Appointments can be made by emailing physiotherapists@lynfield.ac.nz

Community News & Events

Interested in trying out different art mediums at the low low cost of free? Want to explore your creative side but don't know where to start? Puketāpapa Youth Foundation is inviting you to our Art Workshop! Come join us at the Art Workshop this Saturday 4 June from 2pm to 5pm at Wesley Community Centre (9 mins drive from LC)! It's beginners friendly, all equipment will be provided, and there'll be prizes to be won 🎁! Just bring yourself and your friends, and register! 📍 <https://9fjogj4qc6u.typeform.com/to/glu1ueY4>

Find out more about Puketāpapa Youth Foundation on [@pyfnz](#) on Instagram, on Facebook, or at www.pyf.org.nz

**ART
WORKSHOP**

**SAT 4TH JUNE 2PM - 5PM
WESLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Sign up using the qr code
or at www.pyf.org.nz/upcomingevents

Fully sponsored = Completely free for you!
There are prizes to be won!
Beginners friendly
Opportunity to explore art at your own pace
Meet like minded people!

TRY YOUR HANDS AT

Sketching

Watercolour

Acrylic painting