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## *From the Principal*

***Kia ora, Talofa lava, Mālō e lelei, Fakalofa Atu, Kia Orana, Ni sa bula, Guten Tag, Konnichiwa, Ni hao, Salam, Namaste, Bonjour, Kamusta ka, Annyeonghaseyo, Ayubowan, Xin chào***

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

This week we have been celebrating International Languages week and Schools' Pride week. We are so privileged to have such a diverse student community and to be able to learn from each other. A number of students and staff have been taking the opportunity to increase the number of languages they are able to greet each other in.

### ***Korowai of Values***

With this term's Korowai of Values focusing on Manaakitanga we are delighted to have had some positive feedback from the community about this in action. Four of our students recently helped an elderly couple relocate some furniture which has made a massive difference to their quality of life. The couple were very appreciative in their letter to the school.

### ***Past Pupil recognition***

Past pupil Lisa Reihana was named an Officer of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to art in this year's Queen's Birthday Honours. 2022 has been a significant year for our alumni with Michèle Hawke being awarded a Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to gymnastics and Vivien Bridgwater a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to governance and education in the New Year's Honours. Do let us know if you are aware of other alumni successes.

### ***Return to a normal timetable***

Due to a shortage in staff, including relievers, we have been operating shortened school days for the past four weeks. With staff numbers improving we are delighted to be able to return to full school days (9am – 3.10pm) from Monday 20 June.

### ***Keeping us safe***

We thank those who have remained at home when unwell and those who have continued to wear a mask indoors. We are reminding students about good hygiene practices given the range of winter colds, flus and gastric bugs currently circulating. Please keep your child at home if they are feeling or showing any symptoms.

Noho haumarū - stay safe and well

Cath Knell

***Tumuaki | Principal***

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## *International Language Week at Lynfield*

Guten tag, Konnichiwa, Ni hao!

This week, Lynfield College celebrated International Language Week, an annual event held in New Zealand to promote language and culture from around the world. It is a special week that provides an opportunity to showcase, learn and promote the diverse languages and cultures in our schools, communities and nation. Our Arts and Cultural Captains have been promoting the importance of the languages in assemblies. The College staff participated in a Kahoot prepared by the International Languages Department and the Assistant Arts and Cultural Captain, Kenny. The department also organised interval and lunchtime workshops every day for our students. These were Japanese origami and games, Chinese Calligraphy and traditional music and German traditional games. There were two taekwondo workshops as well for students, funded by the NZ Korean Education Centre. Special thanks to the students and staff who helped to organise these events and to those who participated. In particular we would like to acknowledge the NZ Korean Education Centre for their support.



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## *Schools' Pride Week*

This week we celebrated Schools' Pride Week and our rainbow young people. Some of the highlights were an engaging book display and posters in the library of famous rainbow New Zealanders, and a timeline of key events in New Zealand / Aotearoa rainbow history. Skittles and Safe Schools also organised a film afternoon, a shared lunch and rainbow ribbons to increase awareness.



Skittles and Safe Schools would like to thank all their supporters, particularly our Rainbow Focus Group teachers.

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## *Welcome to new staff member*

### ***Carmeline (Camy) D'Souza***

Camy recently joined Lynfield College as a teacher in our Learning Support Department.

Camy's very interesting career path has included tourism, airline operations, teaching English, History and ESL with a focus on guiding at risk student achievement in the University Entrance programme. With a wealth of life skills, including being a busy parent and grandparent, Lynfield College is fortunate to have Camy join our team.

The past two years teaching in the literacy and learning support areas of education has enabled Camy to find her niche and she is very much enjoying her teaching position in the Learning Support Department at Lynfield College.



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## *2021 Proxime Accessit*

### ***Ashley Mar***

In Term 4 2021, due to the COVID Protection Framework restrictions of events and gatherings, we held virtual prizegivings. Ashley Mar visited us this week and Ms Knell was able to present her with the Proxime Accessit medallion awarded last year as runner-up equal to the Year 13 Dux.

In 2022 Ashley is studying a Design and Science conjoint degree, majoring in Environment Science.

She is still in contact with her Lynfield friends and she continues to play football (now for West Auckland). If Ashley is not busy enough, she also has a part time job on the weekends at Briscoes!



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## *Student Executive 2022: Social Coordinators*

Kia ora koutou

The Ball Committee was thrilled to announce the launch of our Lynfield 2022 School Ball last week, which will be held Thursday 21st July at the Pullman Hotel. This year's theme is City of Stars from the film La La Land. Think deep blues and purples, black and gold. We have been working tirelessly to deliver an extraordinary experience to our friends and peers and we hope they will be impressed with the results.

Alexander Andrew-Salter & Ava Shields



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## *Music Department Competitions*

### **Chamber Music Competition**

A busy week for the Music Department, with both the Chamber Music Competition and the Smokefree Rockquest competition taking place.

Our two chamber groups, Trio Sognando and Trio Atalanta, took a trip out to St Heliers Church to compete in the Auckland District round of the NZCT Chamber Music Contest. Both Groups performed incredibly well and received great comments from the adjudicators, however, both narrowly missed out on making the top 12 groups.

### **Smokefree Rockquest**

The Auckland Central Heats for the Smokefree Rockquest Competition were held over the weekend, with the bands on Saturday and the solo duos on Sunday. Our band 'The Observers' took to the stage at Auckland Girls Grammar and were dynamic in their performance, making it through to the next stage where they will have to film themselves performing a second original song, in the attempt to get one of two places in the video stage. Miyu Okuwaki took the stage Sunday in the Solo comp, and performed her song 'The Moon' exceptionally well.



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## *Year 9 and 10 Wā Hono Presentations*

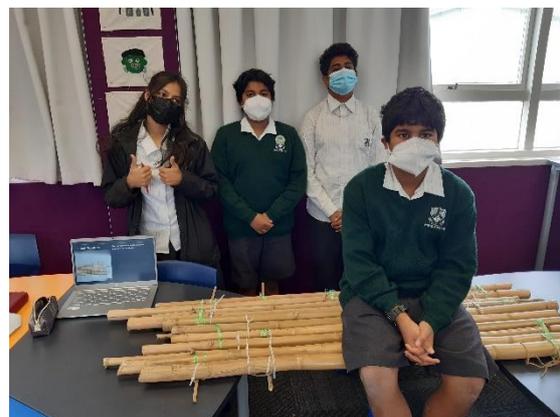
The last two Fridays have seen the Year 9 and 10 students present their Wā hono creative responses.

Wā hono means Time to Connect and it came out of an awareness that students were finding it hard to make connections between what they were learning in different subjects. Many activities use multiple skills and knowledge, such as baking a cake or planning a party as well as most jobs, and we wanted students to experience these real world connections.

Students learnt around the theme of Castaway in Term 1, then had several weeks to put together a project that connected their learning across different subjects. As well as deciding which area to explore, students also learnt how to work effectively in groups, how to manage their time, and how to give and receive productive feedback. These are all essential skills for their future learning and work and reflect our school motto: Learn to Live.

On the presentation days, students gave a 30 second elevator pitch to other students and staff. They also answered questions about their responses. As students moved around, they awarded points for the quality of the products and presentations.

We were delighted with the variety of projects the students created, including time capsules, escape rooms, choose your own adventure stories, board games, infographics and websites. One group even built and tested a working raft!



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## *Lynfield Performing Arts Alumni News*

We are delighted announce that two of our former Performing Arts students, Lewis Tagaloa and Harry Ashley have completed a rigorous audition process to be accepted into the inaugural Auckland Theatre Company Youth Company.

Lewis visited Lynfield College on Wednesday this week to share his good news and thank his Drama teachers Celia Nicholson and Susan Allpress for their support in his learning journey while a student at Lynfield College.

Both students achieved outstanding results in their Drama courses throughout their Lynfield years. Lewis and Harry were also cast in significant roles in the annual school productions directed by Miss Nicholson. Both earned nominations and awards in the secondary school production competition Showdown.

It is of interest to our current students what learning pathways look like for our leavers when they move on from Lynfield.

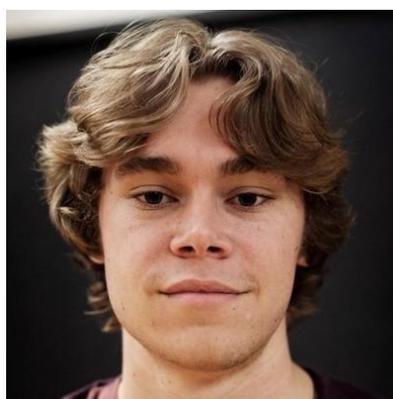
In Year 13 (2016) Lewis took courses in Drama, Music, Health and Physical Education and Tourism. He then went on to complete a Bachelor of Performing and Screen Arts UNITEC - acting for screen and theatre.

Harry took courses in Drama, Media Studies, Creative Writing, History and Maths. He was awarded a Drama scholarship in Year 13 (2018) and won the International Youth Silent Film competition that same year. Harry has continued to study at UOA while writing for page and stage and continuing to make films.

We wish them both continued success as they follow their passions as lifelong learners.



***Photo caption: Miss Nicholson, Lewis Tagaloa, Ms Allpress with sweet treat gifts from Lewis.***



## **LEWIS TAGALOA**

I was born in Sydney, Australia and I enjoy music and acting. The music I grew up on was 90s music, from Michael Jackson to Tupac, Biggie, Snoop, Dr Dre and even the slow jamz like Boys II Men and so on. Acting has played a real big part in my life ever since I was young. I want to learn and soak in every element in the theatre of performing arts. I enjoy expressing myself in a positive way and showcasing and unpacking what's in my mind onto the floor for people to see, interpret and feel in their own way.

## **HARRY ASHLEY**

I was born in Fitzroy, Melbourne, but spent my childhood in Brunei, where I developed an interest in filmmaking and the performing arts. I now use part-time study at Auckland University (majoring in literature, philosophy, and maths) as a kind of cover-story for my increasingly alarming poetry and playwriting problems.

### ***Auckland Theatre Youth Company is the resident company for artists aged 16-25.***

Offering fortnightly workshops, exclusive access to masterclasses, production opportunities and free tickets to each Auckland Theatre Company production in 2022; the Youth Company is a part-time training and performance program running from May 2022 to January 2023. Sessions run outside school hours and during the holidays for students still at high school or undergoing tertiary training.

The Youth Company is for actors, directors, designers, writers & theatre artists looking for in-depth, pre-professional training and practical opportunities. Company members will develop, create and grow at the heart of Auckland Theatre Company.

***Photographs and profiles found at Auckland Youth Company – Auckland Theatre Company***

***<https://www.atc.co.nz/youth-company/meet-the-youth-company/>***

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## ***Lynfield College Presents – The Merchant of Venice***

This year the school production will be the Merchant of Venice by William Shakespeare, presented in the Performing Arts Centre. The play raises questions about justice, racism, friendship and love. On the surface, it is the story of one friend prepared to make the ultimate sacrifice for the other friend. However, Shakespeare clearly questioned racism and bigotry, especially in one of Shylock's famous speeches. There will be comedy and drama in this version of the famous play.

***The show will run from Tuesday 28 June to Saturday 2 July. All sessions start at 6.30pm.***

***Tickets can be purchased from the Accounts Office. Adults \$10, Students \$5.***

***Payment by Eftpos, credit card or cash, or email [accounts@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:accounts@lynfield.school.nz) to make payment by internet banking or via the Parent Portal. There will be no door sales.***

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## ***Lynfield College School Ball 2022***

This year our annual School Ball will be held at the Pullman Hotel. Dress is formal and will be guided by the theme 'City of Stars'. Our school Ball has developed an excellent reputation for being enjoyable, well run and trouble-free.

***Date: Thursday 21 July (this is the last Thursday of the school holidays)***

***Time: 7.30pm to 11.45pm (entry must be between 7.00 – 7.30pm)***

***Tickets: \$135.00... Ticket sales close Monday 27 June***

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 restricted to current Year 13 and Year 12 students and is conditional on the student meeting all outstanding obligations to the College, having no more than 5% unjustified absences, meeting our Code of Conduct, having paid fees owing to the College and having presented signed and completed permission forms. Outside partners/guests must have Deans' approval. Tickets are on sale from the Accounts Office.

If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Gabrielle Clark, 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.
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## ***Uniform Price Change***

Unfortunately, due to higher costs of freight and textiles, brought on by the COVID19 Pandemic, our uniform supplier has had to raise their prices.

For us at the uniform shop, this means that regrettably we will also have to raise our prices.

We will be keeping prices as low as possible as we understand the financial pressures we are all experiencing at the moment.

The price increase will come into effect on 1 July 2022 so it is a great time to purchase your winter uniform before then!

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## **Important information for students sitting the Literacy and Numeracy Assessments (28 – 30 June)**

**Students need to bring their chrome book - charged and working. Also check you have the correct specs as outlined on Schoology.**

**The supervisors will remind students the following, on the day of the assessment:**

- Use only Google Chrome because any other browser may affect how their exam displays
- Must turn off notifications and screen savers to avoid being locked out
- Should have turned off their mobile phones, and placed them in their bags along with watches, and power banks. **Calculators are allowed.**
- If connection issues or slow DON'T refresh browser or screens
- Go to NZQA website [www.nzqa.govt.nz](http://www.nzqa.govt.nz). (bookmark this before the day)
- Type in email/ username and password for NZQA **KNOW YOUR PASSWORD**
- An access code when the assessment is about to start instructions on how to FINISH, SUBMIT and CLOSE the exam.

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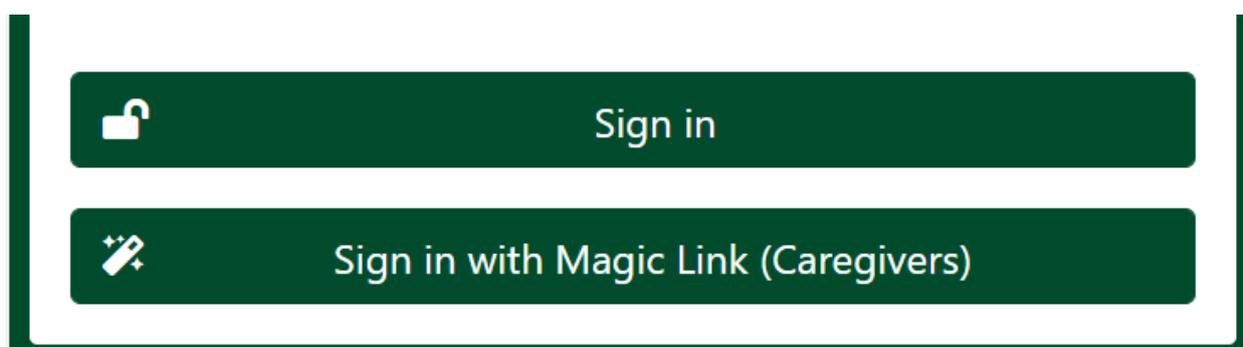
## **EOTC – Trip Procedures**

Any trips where students are taken off site during class time will require parental permission to attend the trip. Gone are the days of lost letters that need signing and returning to school.

If your son/daughter is going on a school trip, you will receive an email from the school that has the information about the trip including the activities, dates, and costs if there are any.

To give permission and provide any required information please follow the instructions at the bottom of the email, by clicking the relevant link and signing in using your login and password.

If you have forgotten your password click "Sign in with Magic Link" This will send a link to your registered email address and by clicking on it you will automatically be logged in.



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## **Online Safety**

NETSAFETY Week is 25 – 29 July. Leading up to this we would like to highlight some of the resources that are available through Netsafe <https://www.netsafe.org.nz/>

In particular there is a parenting section that offers a range of articles to support you and your child with online behaviours and provides some advice <https://www.netsafe.org.nz/advice/parenting/>

One focus is on Tik Tok which is a very popular social media platform and this link takes you to an article on understanding Tik Tok <https://www.netsafe.org.nz/tiktok/>

Should you or anyone you know need support with any issues happening online Netsafe can help you.

**If you or someone you know needs help or advice with online challenges, you contact us by:**

emailing [help@netsafe.org.nz](mailto:help@netsafe.org.nz)

texting 'Netsafe' to 4282

calling toll free on 0508 NETSAFE (0508 638 723)

making a report using our [online form](#)

Our helpline is open from 8am – 8pm weekdays and 9am – 5pm on weekends.

If you're concerned about the immediate safety of you or someone else, call 111.



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

**Career Events (links are Posted on Schoology for your teenager or e: [wkeir@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:wkeir@lynfield.school.nz))**

June 18	Whitecliffe Open Day, City Campus, Symonds Street, 10-2pm
June 21	University of Otago Information Evening in Auckland, 6.00-8.30pm, Ellerslie Event Centre
June 22	Victoria University of Wellington Auckland Information Evening, 6-8pm, Aotea Centre
June 22 & June 23	VR JOB EXPO <a href="https://kiwi-can-do.co.nz/vr-job-expo">https://kiwi-can-do.co.nz/vr-job-expo</a>
June 27	Year 13 Police Pathways Career Fair, Vodafone Event Centre – see or ph Mrs Keir for details
June 28	University of Auckland Online Mānawa Mai   Info Evening <a href="#">Register here</a>
June 28	STEMism Women in Engineering & Technology (can register for online broadcast) <a href="https://events.humanitix.com/steminism-2022-uc-women-in-engineering-and-technology">https://events.humanitix.com/steminism-2022-uc-women-in-engineering-and-technology</a>
July 02	Techtorium NZ Institute of Information Technology Open Day
July 13	Nursing Simulation Lab Workshop 10-11.30am for Year 13, Massey University Auckland Campus

### **Scholarship funding for tertiary study:**

<https://www.careers.govt.nz/courses/scholarships/where-to-find-scholarships>

#### **AUT Scholarships:**

[https://www.aut.ac.nz/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0017/523502/AUT-Scholarships-Auckland-v3.pdf](https://www.aut.ac.nz/_data/assets/pdf_file/0017/523502/AUT-Scholarships-Auckland-v3.pdf)

University of Auckland School-leaver and First-year Scholarships are now open and accepting applications. Students can find out information on these by using the find a scholarship or award search function on website or by visiting school-leaver and first-year scholarships information page. Also available is the Scholarships and Awards Guidebook 2023 to assist students with the process of applying for scholarships. To connect to further information on the school-leaver and first-year scholarships please see the links below:

[University of Auckland Top Achiever Scholarship](#)

[University of Auckland Māori Academic Excellence Scholarship](#)

[University of Auckland Pacific Academic Excellence Scholarship](#)

[University of Auckland Academic Potential Scholarship](#)

[University of Auckland Waka Moana Scholarship](#)

[University of Auckland Vaka Moana Scholarship](#)

[University of Auckland International School Leaver Scholarship](#)

## **University of Auckland Mānawa Mai |**

Online Info Evening Tuesday 28 June-Join us online to learn more about the huge range of programmes we have on offer. You'll hear from our teaching staff about what you can expect in your first year at Waipapa Taumata Rau and find out everything you need to know about how to apply. Our team will also be available in each session to help answer any questions that you have. Whether you already know what you want to study or not, this is a great place to begin.

[Register here](#)

**UNITEC Holiday Workshops – a few spaces still available** <https://bookeo.com/upcunitec>

### **MoneyHub:**

MoneyHub has updated its comprehensive directory of **student jobs**. With 50+ well-known employers listed and links to their student job application details, getting a part-time job is a lot easier with this guide: <https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/student-jobs.html>

Like our scholarship page, this guide is free to use, download and take action on. We have published a number of tips for job application success as well as a CV guide and interview tips, designed to make the application process less stressful for your students.

### **GAP Years are back!**

<https://www.letzlive.org/types/gap-year/>

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## **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](mailto:homestay@lynfield.school.nz)

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## **Sports Scene**

### **House Competition**

The annual Lynfield College Road Race took place on Tuesday 14 June in perfect conditions for the event. All who took part and finished within the time limit received House points.

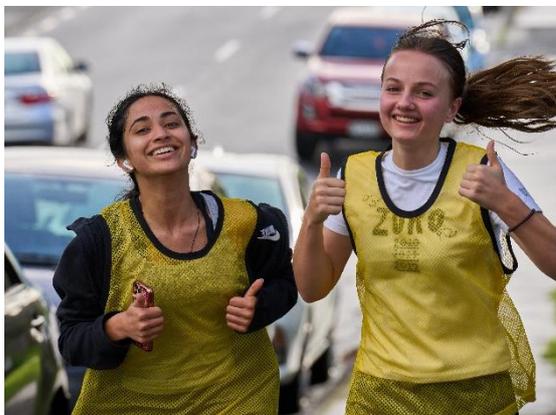
Any students wanting to run the Road Race had to sign up at the Sports Office in the days leading up to the event.

Congratulations to the winners of the various divisions:

### **2022 Road Race Results and House Points**

<b>First</b>	<b>Reid (25)</b>
<b>Second</b>	<b>Faumuina (22.5)</b>
<b>Third</b>	<b>Zoricich (20)</b>
<b>Fourth</b>	<b>Fatialofa (17.5)</b>
<b>Fifth</b>	<b>Lewis (15)</b>
<b>Sixth</b>	<b>Bray (12.5)</b>

Placing	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Senior Boys	Kartik Malik 13CLK Zoricich	Stanley Long 13CLK Faumuina	Campbell Boulton 13GRT Bray
Senior Girls	Esther Rouse 13CLK Zoricich	Zoya Qureshi 13RAM Zoricich	Ava Shields 13CLK Zoricich
Year 11 Boys	Oskar Ludvig 11STA Faumuina	James Liggett 11BYN Fatialofa	Calum Bint 11MTH Reid
Year 11 Girls	Daisy Chen 11PSD Lewis	Fiona Siaopo 11HDY Fatialofa	
Year 10 Boys	Dylan Tearle 10ISD Fatialofa	Timothy Truc 10EYR Reid	Nikhil Prasad 10IRN Fatialofa
Year 10 Girls	Janine Robinson 10MKE Lewis	Leora Isaac 10BRK Reid	
Year 9 Boys	Jacob Knox 9BRT Reid	Carter Meyer 9FLT Lewis	Ryaan Malik 9kNL Faumuina
Year 9 Girls	Kenisha Mediratta 9BLL Faumuina	Maren Capps 9PHL Faumuina	Kirsten Williams 9STH Bray



With a return to students being on site for full days, our first lunchtime House competition will begin next week. It will be mixed netball for juniors. We can't wait to get started!

### **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](mailto: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

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## **Team Talk**

### **Football**

Our 1st XI boys team are now through to the quarter finals of the Knockout Cup, having defeated Mt Roskill Grammar 1-0 in the previous round. The Knockout Cup is open to all boys 1st XI football teams throughout Auckland so it is not surprising that we are playing teams who are in higher grades for Saturday competition. MRGS is in the A1 grade while our team is in A3! Our boys have played extremely well, keeping cool heads in tight situations.

The quarter final games have just been announced and we will play Takapuna Grammar who are in A2. This game will be a very intense and exciting home game for us. The date is yet to be confirmed but is likely to one day next week with a 3pm kick off. Check the Lynfield Sport facebook page for updates.

### **Badminton**

We have 8 badminton teams in weekly competitions. There is at least one team playing on any given night of the week. Our Friday B1 grade team is at top of the points table.

### **Basketball**

Our four basketball teams are performing very well in their competitions and all are at or near the top of the points table for their grade.

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## **Individual Sports Honours**

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

### **Kenisha Mediratta (Y9)**

Kenisha has made the Auckland and National Cross Country champs (in Nelson)!



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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)***