

## From Principal Cath Knell

He aha te mea nui o te ao He tangata, he tangata, he tangata

What is the most important thing in the world? It is the people, it is the people, it is the people,

#### Kia ora koutou,

#### Whanaungatanga tika – We learn together

Our Korowai value for Term 1 of **whanaungatanga tika** has a current focus on **'we learn together'**. As you will see from the articles in this NewsLink this has been in evidence at Wednesday's well attended NCEA Information Evening. The evening included reference to the new Literacy Numeracy requirements which have featured in the media. Piloted by Lynfield College in 2022, the mandated requirements will come into effect in 2024.

Our next edition of NewsLink will include features on further events with a focus on whanaungatanga tika – 'we learn together' with articles on the Year 9 Whānau Evening held on Thursday 9 March and the upcoming Hui Talanoa evening for whānau of our Māori and Pacific students scheduled for Wednesday 15 March.

#### **House Sports Day**

We were delighted with the level of participation and engagement demonstrated at the **House Sports Day** held on Friday 3 March. If anything the earlier postponement of this event due to rain added to the House Spirit demonstrated!

#### PPTA Strike Day – Thursday 16 March

A strike day has been called by both PPTA and NZEI for Thursday 16 March. This will affect students from primary through to secondary school. While no classes will run on this day at Lynfield College and no new work will be set, students will have work that they can continue with at home. Supervision, by non-union teachers, will be available for students under 14 years old if needed.

#### Board funded SPORTS or CREATIVE, INNOVATIVE SCHOLARSHIPS

At their February meeting the School Board confirmed that they will continue to offer these Scholarships for 2023. Any student who is representing their chosen activity (sport or creative, innovative) at regional, national or international level may apply. Recipients may use the scholarship to assist

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#### **COMING EVENTS**

Wednesday 15 March @ 6.30 pm Hui Talanoa evening for whānau of our Māori and Pacific students

> Thursday 16 March School Closed for PPTA Teacher Strike

> Thursday 30 March and Tuesday 4 April Parent Student Teacher Conferences

Saturday 1 April Lynfield College Cultural Day

> *Thursday 6 April* Last Day of Term 1

with expenses directly related to the activity in which they excel while they are representing the College. Application forms will be made available on Schoology next week with applications closing **3.10 pm Monday 3 April**.

Noho haumaru - stay safe and well

Cath Knell Tumuaki | Principal

## Coming Event: Hui Talanoa Evening

#### You are warmly invited to our Hui Talanoa on Wednesday 15 March at 6.30 pm in the Staffroom

The focus is Whanaungatanga tika; to develop positive relationships with families, students and kaiako. There will be a LitNum overview, introduction to the Young Maori leaders and Pacific Pride leaders, and items from the students. Light refreshments wil be available but you are most welcome to bring a plate to share.

## **Coming Event: Parent Student Teacher Conferences**

Our Term 1 Parent, Student, Teacher (PST) Conferences will take place on:

#### Thursday 30 March (from 1.00 to 7.00pm) and Tuesday 4 April (1.00 to 7.00 pm)

#### Bookings open on Friday 17 March at 3.00 pm and close on Wednesday 29 March 3.00 pm They will reopen Friday 31 March at 9.00 am and close on Monday 3 April at 3.00 pm

The appointments will be for 15 minutes. The meetings can be **either face to face or online** however, all bookings will receive a Google Meet link. Your child's Hui mai teacher will ask which option you plan to use prior to the meeting.

The focus of the meeting will be goal setting and readiness to learn. Students are expected to attend these conferences with you, and to lead the conversation.

## Literacy and Numeracy Standards for Year 10 Parents and Caregivers

The NCEA Literacy and Numeracy standards will become compulsory next year in 2024. This year, we are able to offer some Year 10 students the opportunity to obtain Literacy and Numeracy standards in Term 2, before it becomes mandatory. Decisions about who attempts each standard will be made on individual readiness, based on curriculum levels. If students pass this year, they do not need to sit the standards in Year 11.

All other students will be offered the standards two times, next year in Year 11 and similarly again in Year 12 if needed. All teachers, across subjects, will be providing tips and guidance to students, to help them hone the skills necessary to pass. Information can be accessed on the NCEA website link below should you wish to read further about these new standards.

NCEA Website link: <u>https://ncea.education.govt.nz/te-reo-matatini-me-te-pangarau-literacy-and-numeracy-</u> <u>transitional-year-2023</u>

## NCEA Information Evening held on 8 March 2023

On Wednesday, March 8, we held our NCEA Information Evening. Academic Advisor, Neil Waddington, delivered an informative and entertaining presentation to a packed staffroom. Our Faculty Leaders were available for parents and caregivers to answer questions after the presentation and many parents took this opportunity.

Thank you to Neil, our Faculty Leaders, and whanau for making this evening such a success. A link to the presentation can be found here: <u>NCEA Information Evening Slideshow</u>



### **House Sports Day**

#### With superb photographs from Mr Delgrosso

THANK YOU to all our staff and students for making our House Sports Day on Friday 3 March an enjoyable day for the whole school last Friday. This is such an important event for many reasons, but especially that is the only one which involves all students and staff. Although it was a long and tiring day it was wonderful to see our students soaking up the atmosphere as they participated in the wide variety of events.

Thanks to the skills and expertise of the group who ran each of the rotation events and ensured the day ran so smoothly and especially to Mr Dye who co-ordinated this. Thanks also to all the staff involved for their preparation and management of the day, especially the Sports Department: Felicity Walbran, Su Yim, Jo Smith and Kieren Chhiba, and to Mr Waddington our sound system expert who was controlling our new sound system.

Links to the final results for House Sports Day are as follows:

#### HOUSE SPORTS DAY MORNING EVENTS | HOUSE SPORTS DAY RELAYS | HOUSE SPORTS DAY: FINAL POINTS





New Staff Profiles Introducing four new teachers in this issue ...



LUKE JACOBS Kia ora tatou my name is Luke. I completed a teacher placement here in 2019 and it's exciting to be a part of this school again. This is my fourth year teaching. Prior to teaching I worked at the University of Waikato in the School of Arts as their technical officer and retrained in 2019 at AUT. I was born in South Africa and moved to New Zealand as a child 30 years ago. I grew up in Thames and spent most of my adult life in Kirikiriroa. In my spare time I like to go out to see live music at least a few times a month and checking out what's on at the cinema.



#### ASMA SHAHID

Kia Ora and Salam. My name is Asma Shahid and I am teaching digital technologies and Programming. It is my goal to make students responsible digital citizens and programmers. I enjoy connecting students with industry-based learning and providing opportunities beyond the classroom. I was lucky enough to do my practicum here at Lynfield College last year and I'm honoured to be back!



#### ADRIAN McCORMACK

I teach in the Humanities faculty: history and social studies. I've been teaching for 25 years, mainly in New Zealand, but also in London and in Japan. I've taught English in a small fishing village and at a private university on top of a mountain in prefectural Kyushu. I'm a keen sportsman, still playing competitive football, and, for all those Man.Utd. fans out there, I really enjoyed our last derby! I'm pretty much a local and already know that this is a community I feel comfortable in. I'm looking forward to a long tenure here at Lynfield.



#### DANIELLE NORMAN

I am really excited to have joined Lynfield College as the Head of Faculty for Humanities and Commerce after 11 years at Rosehill College in Papakura. I have enjoyed settling into life at Lynfield and teaching History, Geography and Junior Social Studies. Outside of school life I enjoy watching and playing sport (particularly netball and tennis) and spending time family and friends. I am really looking forward to all the awesome things we can achieve here at Lynfield.

## Me mahi tahi tātou mō te oranga te katoa

## We should work together for the wellbeing of everyone

We are aware this has been a disruptive start to the term not only for our students and staff but also our wider community. As a school we have noticed that this disruption is having an impact on the way our students are wearing their uniform and the high number of non-regulation items being worn. Our staff have been checking in with their students during Hui mai to make sure that each child has access to the correct uniform.

There are a number of options that we can investigate to help you and your child if you do not have the right items. Please don't hesitate to email *<u>lwichmankelly@lynfield.school.nz</u>* to discuss these options.

Please work alongside us by ensuring your child is leaving home in the correct school uniform. If you are unsure what that is, please visit the Lynfield college uniform website for more information <u>https://www.lynfield.school.nz/Enrolment/Uniform.html</u>.





## Music Students Enjoy a Special Treat

Lynfield music students were invited to a special treat ahead of the Harry Styles concert this week.

On Sunday night on 5th March at Ponsonby Intermediate, students attended a chat and concert given by Ny-Oh, an APRA-AMCOS nominated singer songwriter, guitarist AND support act for Harry Styles.

Originally from Tauranga, Ny-Oh has been playing keyboard since she was four years old before picking up viola and guitar while at College. She and her own band-assembled with a variety of Kiwi artists such as Paige and Jesse Sheehan (Lila

School of Bands, who organised the event and graciously invited our students), opened for Harry Styles on Tuesday night at Mt Smart Stadium.

Students listened to NyOh talk about her journey from New Zealand to London (and back), to eventually land a gig with one of the world's biggest pop stars. And they got to hear her set which she performed in its entirety before Tuesday night's show.

Pictured above: Fan Club (Thomas Christie, Caleb Young, NyOh, Tilly Wells and Emma Wagner), Youthtown Play it Strange finalists.

## New Song Release

Fan Club are celebrating the release of their new single, <u>...was it us</u> out on Spotify 10 March. *The band would appreciate it if everyone streamed the song*.



## **Careers Update**

*Mrs Keir is encouraging all Year 13 students to make a career planning appointment during one Study block on their timetable this term, to talk through career ideas for their first steps in 2024*. Email <u>wkeir@lynfield.school.nz</u> for an appointment.

**NZMA NATIONAL OPEN DAY:** Wed 29 March 202, 10am – 1pm. Trades, Esports, Sport Management, Personal Training, Police Preparation, Health, Pre-Nursing, Pharmacy, Early Childhood Education, Cooking, Baking, Hospitality, Horticulture and Floristry: <u>https://www.nzma.ac.nz/our-campuses/auckland-central-campus</u>

**YOOBEE COLLEGE OF CREATIVE INNOVATION:** Register for the National Open Days in March online and on campus. <u>https://info.yoobee.ac.nz/yoobee-national-open-day</u>

**MAORI OR PACIFIC STUDENT ON CAMPUS EXPERIENCE** (POCE) Scholarships at University of Otago are now open. Applications close on Friday 17 March, 2023. The scholarship funds return travel to Dunedin, two nights of accommodation at a Residential College, meals and programme activities and events. To apply please see Mrs Keir in the Careers Office prior to Monday 13 March.



**CURIOUS ABOUT A CAREER IN ENGINEERING?** Free one-day workshop during the April school holidays at University of Waikato (Friday 21 April) for student's years 10-13. Find out more and register now <u>https://eng.waikato.ac.nz/future-students/experience-engineering</u>

ANU (AUSTRALIA NATIONAL UNIVERSITY) OPEN DAY: Saturday 18 March 2023. Discover your future at Australia's #1 university <u>https://www.anu.edu.au/</u>



JOIN GIRLBOSS EDGE: HEALTHCARE TODAY! GirlBoss NZ was founded with to close the gender gap in Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths, Entrepreneurship and Leadership. Their purpose is to empower confident, resilient, future-ready, young women to lead and change the world. Applications are now OPEN for the 10-day online accelerator designed for young women aged 15 to 18 with a passion for healthcare. <u>https://www.girlbossedge.com/healthcare</u>

**APPRENTICESHIPS:** MoneyHub have published a new guide to help your students understand apprenticeships. This is the first time such a guide has been published. It will be updated regularly. Visit it here: https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/apprenticeships.html

**SCHOLARSHIPS:** MoneyHub, a personal finance website, has updated the comprehensive guide to school-leaver university scholarships. The resource is exclusively for 2023's Year 13 students and it will be updated regularly: *https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/scholarships-nz.html* 



**JOBS:** MoneyHub *Student Jobs* guide links to 50+ New Zealand employers hiring students part-time. It also encourages students to put together a CV. *https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/student-jobs.html* 

## **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 on Fridays before school at 8.00 am and first interval. Parents can attend the shop at the following times:

Mondays to Thursdays: 10.00 am to 12.00 pm, and 12.30 pm to 1.30 pm, and on Fridays: 8.00 am to 11.30 am

## PLEASE NOTE: The Uniform Shop will be closed on Thursday 16 March 2023 due to the PPTA Teacher Strike

Online ordering is available through our website <u>https:/www.lynfield.school.nz/shop.html</u>. 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.

Stationery packs are available in the shop and online for Year 9 students. Stationery lists for all other year levels can be found on our website <u>https://www.lynfield.school.nz/site/lynfieldcollege/files/Stationery-Lists-2022.pdf</u> and all stationery items on the lists are available for purchase at the Uniform and Stationery shop.

For any further queries please email Alys Higgs at *uniformshop@lynfield.school.nz* 

## A Message from School Nurse Lee Ryan

There is a lot of sickness around at the moment. If students are unwell please make sure they stay home until they are well. *If a sore throat continues please have your child seen by a doctor.* 

## Sport Scene

#### LYNFIELD COLLEGE SPORTS FACEBOOK PAGE

At the beginning of the school year our Sports Captains set up a facebook page so we can share information more quickly and regularly than previously. It is frequently updated and contains a lot of interesting, important and relevant information about what is happening in Lynfield College Sport.

Check out the many excellent photos from various events. Dates for trials will be posted as these come to hand.

Please *Like* our page to spread the word further that this is now an important way of celebrating success and providing information.

This works alongside our message system 'Schoology'. Students <u>cannot</u> rely on our facebook page for all sports information – they must also check Schoology at least twice each day.

#### HOUSE SPORTS DAY COMPETITIONS

Not having had this event in 2022, all students were ready for a huge day of fun with others in their houses.

The House Captains had worked hard to involve all students in the presentation of their House Mascot. They really let their creativity flow as they came up with some interesting ideas, to impress the judges.

With a rotation of twelve 15 minute events in the morning students tugged, ran, jumped, threw and scrambles to gain points for their house. Any teachers who did the obstacle course With the incentive of 5 points for their house, several teachers were seen scrambling through the obstacle course too!

Congratulations to overall winners, Faumuina house who discovered participation was the key to success as the whole house ran, threw or jumped to the max.

Special thanks to Mr Dye and his team of event organisers, Mr Waddington for providing the sound system, Ms Van Nierkerk and her team for providing morning tea for the staff while they were all out supporting their houses and the Sports department for their co-ordination of this fantastic day.

Check out our facebook page for photos of this event: <u>https://www.facebook.com/LynfieldCollegeSport</u>

#### Results

HOUSE RESULTS	BRAY	FATIALOFA	FAUMUINA	LEWIS	REID	ZORICICH
Morning Events	30	40	50	35	25	45
Relays	15	20	22.5	25	12.5	17.5
House Mascot	12	10	18	14	20	16
Enviro Cleanup	7.5	10.5	6	9	12	4.5
TOTAL	64.5	80.5	96.5	83	69.5	83
FINAL PLACING	6th	4th	1st	2nd =	5th	2nd =

#### **CENTRAL/WEST ZONE ATHLETICS**

We have a team of seven athletes entered in this event which will take place Tuesday 21 March at the Trusts Stadium.

#### **GETTING ACTIVE**

This programme continues to grow, meeting the needs of an expanding number of students. At the moment the following are on offer and will kick off again at the start of term two:

#### Social Badminton at Lunchtimes

Girls only on Tuesdays in Lower Gym | Boys only on Fridays in Lower Gym | No equipment needed.

#### Basketball Workshops | Wednesdays 3.20 - 5.00 pm

#### Watch this space for more opportunities which are at no cost, all equipment supplied and no experience needed.

#### **GETTING BEHIND LYNFIELD SPORT**

Thank you so much to those from our community who have offered to help with Lynfield Sport whether it be coaching, managing or helping with transport to games. *If you have skills in any sport and can spare some time to work with our students in some way please contact the Sports Office: Phone: 627 0600, Ext. 595* or *Email: fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz* 

#### We urgently need of coaches for:

Basketball (Senior Boys) | Hockey (Boys and Girls) | Netball (Junior and Senior) | Football (Boys) | Badminton (Mixed)

#### Managers:

A manager is needed for every team. Some teams already have managers in place but we are still need to ask for your help to manage your child's team.

### **Team Talk**

#### **SUMMER SPORTS**

#### Tennis

As with most of our sports, we have some competitive and some social tennis teams. Consequently, results are mixed but all are enjoying their sport.

#### Volleyball

Both boys' teams have had excellent competition band have either had wins or very close losses. The senior boys' team will play in the Auckland Secondary Schools Championships next week at Pulman Park, Papakura.

#### Cricket

Our **1st XI Boys** team is performing extremely well having won all their games so far in the 40 over, **1B** grade which plays on Saturday afternoons.

Our 1st XI Girls team has played three games so far. Their coach, Swatna Lal reports on Game 2 vs Rangitoto College:

Lynfield won the toss and elected to bat first.

- Lynfield College 163/3 (20 overs)
- Rangitoto College 34/4 (9 overs) 6 batters only.
- Lynfield College won by 129 runs

Rangitoto bowled A LOT of wides and no balls, we didn't hit those 163 runs scored... it's an interesting scorecard to look at. Our team is improving heaps in every game! It's starting to come together well.

#### Orienteering

We have 26 students who are entered into the weekly orienteering competition which takes place each Monday after school. Each week the group goes to a different school to navigate a course set out around the school.

#### Winter Sports

Trials for various winter sports are now well underway but it is definitely not too late to trial for any winter teams.

Without your help to manage, coach or transport one of our teams this year, we definitely could not provide sporting opportunities to such a large number of students. 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

## **Individual Honours**

#### Congratulations to the following students who have gained representative status in their chosen sports:

At the **National Track and Field** competitions in Wellington last weekend several of our past and present students won national titles:



Troy Maka (Y11) Men's U16 Discus



**Percy Maka** Men's U20 Discus

**Netball** | Both *Summer van Gelder (Y13, 2022)* and *Serina Daunakamakama (Y13, 2021)* have both been selected in the Northern Marvels netball team which play in the National Netball League (NNL) which are the feeder teams for the ANZ league.

If your child/children 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 or level they achieved (eg. certificate, letter of selection etc) so we have the exact wording of their achievement, or email these details to fwalbran@lynfield.school.nz



**Mia Powell (Y13, 2022)** Women's U20 400m



Maddison Wesche (Y13, 2017) Women's Shot Put



Summer van Gelder (Y13, 2022)



Serina Daunakamakama (Y13, 2021)

## Help Council make the difficult budget decisions

#### | PUBLIC NOTICE

Auckland Council is facing budget shortfall of \$295 million for the 2023/2024 financial year and may need to reduce or stop some projects, facilities and services that you use or funding you receive. It is important that you tell Council if you agree with the proposed changes.

More information and feedback forms are available at the website akhaveyoursay, at your local library or at the Have Your Say drop-in session.



- Have Your Say drop-in, Thursday 16 March
  6.00 7.30 pm at the Puketāpapa Local Board
  office, 560 Mt Albert Road
- Have a quick chat, get help to complete a feedback form, provide feedback at a glance, translations will be available
- All are welcome



# Hui Talanoa

## Wednesday 15 March 6.30 pm, Staffroom

You are warmly invited to our Hui Talanoa on Wednesday 15 March. The focus for this evening is to whakawhanaunga; to develop positive relationships with families, students and kaiako.

OUTLINE OF EVENING

KARAKIA Pacific Pride Leaders OPENING ITEM Lynfield College Kapa Haka Group INTRODUCTION Pacific Pride Leaders and Young Māori Leaders LITERACY AND NUMERACY

Head of Mathematics Faculty Mr Ben Coop

ITEM

Pacific Pride Leaders FEEDBACK FROM OUR FAMILIES

> Ms Mitch Cranch KARAKIA MO TE KAI Young Māori Leaders

#### KAI

Light refreshments will be provided however you are welcome to bring a plate to share.

## We hope to see you there!

Please RSVP via return email: <u>jleauga@lynfield.school.nz</u> by Monday 13 March including: Your name, your child/ren's name/s, number of family members attending.

## Ngā manākitanga

Na matou o Te Roopu whai take Māori, Māori Focus Group, Young Māori and Pacific Pride Leaders.



info@marcuswheelhouse.com or visit www.marcuswheelhouse.com One-on-one coaching and clinics available for most ages and skill level with the MW Team