



**LYNFIELD  
COLLEGE**

# NEWSLINK

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## *From Tumuaki 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***

Term 2 is flying by — with only 9 teaching days left and Matariki next Friday, the holidays are nearly here! Although short, this term has been full of activity and achievement.

### ***School Production: Chicago – Teen Edition***

Our talented cast of over 45 students is ready to shine in this year's production. Bring your whānau and friends along for a night of dazzling entertainment!

### ***Bollywood Showdown***

Arohanui to our Bollywood dance team performing tomorrow night in Aotearoa's largest Indian high school dance competition. After weeks of dedication, they take the stage at Victory Convention Centre. Tickets are only available online.

### ***Korowai Value Focus: Manaakitanga***

This term we're focusing on manaakitanga – showing care and respect. Unfortunately, we've seen some behaviour that doesn't reflect this, including around shared spaces like bathrooms. Students are being reminded that cubicles are for individual use only, and disruptions to others' learning or wellbeing will have consequences.

### ***2026 Enrolment***

The Board has approved 15 Out of Zone places for Year 9 (Category 6). No other Out of Zone places will be available at other year levels. We look forward to welcoming prospective students to our *Open Evening* (Tuesday 22 July) and *School in Action Tours* (Thursday 24 & Friday 25 July).

### ***Alumni Stories***

Know a former student doing great things? We'd love to hear from you! Please email stories or suggestions to [admin@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:admin@lynfield.school.nz) – we're planning to make alumni features a regular highlight.

Nga mihi nui

Cath Knell

**Tumuaki | Principal**

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## COMING EVENTS

**Tuesday 17 June**  
**TALANOA EVENING**  
**Friday 20 June**  
**MATARIKI HOLIDAY**  
**Wednesday 25 June**  
**WINTER SPORTS PHOTOS**  
**Wednesday 25 – Saturday 28 June**  
**PRODUCTION WEEK**  
**Friday 27 June**  
**TERM 2 ENDS**  
**Monday 14 July**  
**TERM 3 BEGINS**  
**Technology Careers Week**  
**Y11 Semester 2 begins**  
**Thursday 17 July**  
**Mt Maunganui Exchange**

## Samoan Language Week

Last week, from 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> June, we celebrated Vaiaso o le Gagana Samoa – Samoan Language Week. From Wednesday to Friday, we engaged in various activities to honor and explore the richness of the Samoan language and culture. The theme for this year was **la malu lou sã. Folau i lagimã – A well-grounded self, is a successful self**. This theme underscores the significance of being firmly rooted in our identity, culture, and values, much like a well-crafted vessel prepared for a successful voyage. It serves as a reminder that a strong foundation equips us to navigate life's challenges with resilience and purpose.

One of the highlights of the week was a coconut scraping demonstration, led by our experienced students and joined by a few enthusiastic teachers. The demonstration showcased the traditional method of scraping coconut cream, which was then used to make the beloved Samoan dessert, panipopo. We also had a tasting station where students were able to sample the delicious treat—an experience that was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

We ended the week with a meaningful Siapo painting activity, a traditional Samoan art form made from bark cloth that holds deep cultural significance. Students explored traditional patterns and symbols, using them to tell their own personal stories. It was a powerful way for them to reflect on their identity, culture, and the deeper meanings behind Samoan design.

In the south seas, we honour le gagana Samoa (Samoan language) not only as a Language but as a vessel that carries our stories, our strength, and our future.

Fa'afetai tele lava

Poto Lau Lu Cheung





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## Enrolment Promotional Visits

This week a number of our talented students presented at Blockhouse Bay Intermediate, Glenavon School and Waikowhai Intermediate. Those presenting included our awesome Robotics team, Indian Dance Group, Year 9 and Year 13 musicians, Head students and Year 9 students.

Each visit was led by our Head Boy, John Mahe who did an amazing job connecting with the Intermediate students.

**OPEN EVENING: TUESDAY 22 JULY**

**SCHOOL IN ACTION TOURS: THURSDAY 24 AND FRIDAY 25 JULY 11.30AM - 1.00PM**



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## School Board Elections


**HAVE YOU CONSIDERED?  
THIS YEAR IS ELECTION YEAR.**

**NOMINATIONS WILL BE SOUGHT IN JULY AND CLOSE 12.00PM  
WEDNESDAY 6 AUGUST.**

For more information <https://www.schoolboardelections.org.nz/becoming-a-board-member/>



## Production 2025 – Chicago: Teen Edition

 **Lynfield College proudly presents CHICAGO: Teen Edition** — a bold, high-energy production of the iconic Broadway musical, specially adapted for young performers. Set in the roaring 1920s, this dazzling show follows Roxie Hart and Velma Kelly as they navigate fame, fortune, and justice in a world where the spotlight is everything. With unforgettable music, sharp choreography, and a darkly comic edge, *CHICAGO: Teen Edition* is a thrilling showcase of student talent and stagecraft.

### Show Dates & Times

- **Wednesday 25 June 2025** 7.00pm
- **Thursday 26 June 2025** 7.00pm
- **Friday 27 June 2025** 7.00pm
- **Saturday 28 June 2025** 7.00pm

### Location

Lynfield College School Hall (**Doors open at 6.30pm**)

191 White Swan Road, Mt Roskill, Auckland

 **Tickets on sale now via TryBooking.com**

<https://www.trybooking.com/nz/events/landing/15831>

### Special Discounts (limited numbers per session available- get in while they last)

Use the following promotion codes at checkout:

- **Students** – LCSTUDENTS → \$10 off
- **Seniors (65+)** – LCSENIORS → \$10 off



LYNFIELD COLLEGE PRESENTS

# CHICAGO

Book by Fred Ebb and Bob Fosse. Music by John Kander, Lyrics by Fred Ebb

Join us in the Lynfield College Hall, show on four nights only from the 25th to the 28th of June. Doors open at 6:30pm, show runs until 9:30pm.

If you can't be famous, be infamous. Starring our very own killer killers, our scintillating sinners, Velma Kelly, Roxie Hart, and the infamous Cook County Girls. Watch live as Roxie rocks Chicago!

Based on the play by Maurine Dallas Watkins. Script adaptation by David Thompson. Music editing by Paul McKibbins. BY ARRANGEMENT WITH 'ORIGIN™' THEATRICAL ON BEHALF OF SAMUEL FRENCH, A Concord Theatricals Company



## THE PRODUCTION CAST



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### ***PASCH German Scholarship***

Congratulations to Year 12 student Maren Capps, who has been awarded a full PASCH Scholarship, through the Goethe-Institut, to attend a three-week German language and cultural programme in Sankt Peter-Ording, Germany from 28<sup>th</sup> June to 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025.

This fully funded scholarship covers all flights, transport, accommodation, tuition, activities and meals, and has a value of approximately NZ \$11,130 per scholar. Each of the seven PASCH schools in New Zealand is awarded one spot in this programme.

This scholarship is a wonderful opportunity for Maren to strengthen her linguistic skills and experience Germany's rich cultural landscape firsthand. While there, Maren's programme will include German language classes from Monday to Friday, complemented by a variety of active and creative leisure activities. Students will explore local cultural and tourist sites and visit CAU, University of Kiel, offering them a unique insight into German university life.



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## Clothing Swap

During Week 5 of this term, from Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May, our school had its first ever clothing swap! We've been planning it for the past couple of terms, and in the weeks leading up to the event we collected clothes from students and staff. We did this by advertising in assemblies and putting lots of posters around the school. We sorted through everything, checked the quality and organised the clothes into piles so they were ready to be put out.

The reason we ran the clothing swap was to help reduce overconsumption and waste. These days, people buy a lot of clothes they don't need, often from fast fashion stores where items are cheap and don't last long. This leads to a lot of clothes being thrown out. By swapping clothes instead of buying new ones, we can reduce waste and help the environment. It's also a fun way to refresh your wardrobe without spending money!

The swap went really well. Lots of people came by to have a look and pick up some items, and it was great to see clothes being reused and appreciated again. We've also had some good feedback and ideas for next time. We have lots of ideas for future clothing swaps, such as running seasonal swaps, so warm clothes in winter and lighter clothes in summer.

Thanks so much to everyone who donated, helped out, or came to take part in the swap! We're proud of how it went and are looking forward to doing it again in the future. Alina Murumkar, 13CRS





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## Lynfield College Alumni News

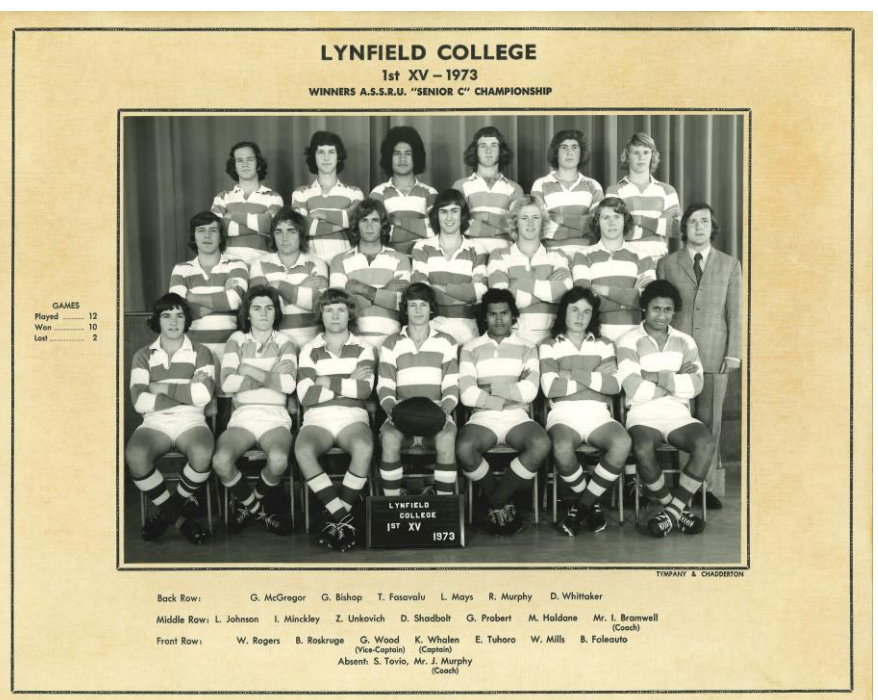
### BRUCE FALEAUTO

One of our past pupils, **Bruce Faleauto** recently contacted the office to ask if we still had a formal photograph of the Rugby team he was in when he attended Lynfield College some 52 years ago. Our Receptionist Jo Morgan took on the challenge and after discovering our archives room explored its contents to locate the image Bruce was hoping to find. He was delighted and a time was arranged for him to visit the school from down-country to collect a copy of the image and to reminisce about his time at Lynfield College.

Bruce was the youngest member of the 1st XV Rugby team in 1973, when he was in the 5th form (Year 11) while the majority were in the 7th form (Year 13). Bruce was instrumental in driving the team's success. He was also the Steeplechase (Cross Country) winner in 1973, so we were able to find and photograph him with the trophy on which his name is engraved, and the 1st XV Rugby photo.

After leaving Lynfield College, Bruce became a Plumber for many years but then gravitated towards community support spending most of his later years as a Social Worker. We are delighted that he shared his time and memories of being at Lynfield College with us.

We would welcome other Alumni sharing their stories and achievements with us.



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## Please Help Support Kowhai Kai

Kōwhai Kai is a student wellbeing programme that supports Lynfield College students and their whānau who are experiencing hardship. At the start of lunch time, kai is provided in D12 for students who do not have the means to bring lunch to school. If you want to find out more, you can contact Mr Dye, Deputy Principal [edy@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:edy@lynfield.school.nz) This has been able to operate thanks to the generosity of our community. We would love to make connection with new corporate sponsors.

**DONATIONS CAN BE MADE TO: LYNFIELD COLLEGE, 12-3049-0248027-00, REF: KŌWHAI KAI**

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## 9IL Parents Evening

In week 5 of this term 9IL students and teachers hosted a parent evening. This was a chance for whānau and caregivers of 9IL students to find out about what students have been doing in the Innovative Learning Programme so far this year and to meet the teachers. Students were split into groups to present their learning in the respective paired subjects: English and Technology, Science and Maths, and P.E./Health and Social Studies. Whānau then rotated through the different student-led presentations and were shown different samples of work, such as the cultural passports from the beginning of the year, models of different nutritional dishes from Science, waka hourua models from Social Studies and cultural food dishes from Technology.

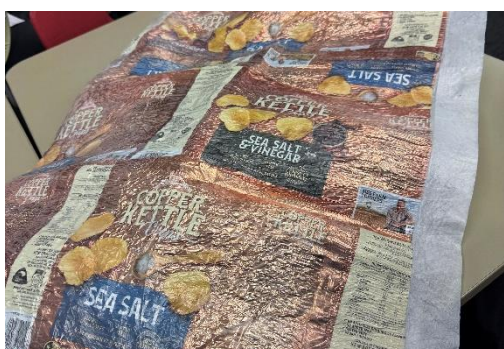
Overall, the 9IL Parent Evening was a fantastic opportunity for students to showcase everything they have learned and created so far, and for whānau and caregivers to build connections with each other and the teachers. Thank you to the students who led the evening, Ms Hunt, the 9IL teachers, and all attendees for making the night a success!



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## Learning Support Recycling Activity

Learning Support has been putting an emphasis on recycling. We have a bin for scraps, but we would like the whole school to bring us their chip packets after they have eaten the contents. We will wash them, iron them and turn them into a blanket. The process of ironing chip packets, seals them together and when a number have been connected, it turns into a well-insulated blanket.



**We would love your empty chip packets in M block for recycling!**



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## ***Lynfield Bands Shine at RockQuest!***

The Smokefree RockQuest Auckland Central final was held on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June. Lynfield had 3 bands performing in what was a stacked lineup of amazing talent from across the region.

Of the 12 bands **Nø Aid** (pictured below) came **2nd**, which is a massive result. They won prizes from the Rockshop, and now have the chance to make it to the National Final.

Also performing on the night were **Soular** and **The Wang and Bone Company**. Both bands performed exceptionally well and were highly praised by the judges. Of particular note is **Sascha Oldehaver** (PCF) who picked up the Musicianship Award for her drumming in **Soular**.

**Nø Aid** - Left to right - **Senna Roberts** (13MKE), **Diyon Pushparaja** (11ISC), **Tristan Dear** (11COP), **Frank Ave** (12BRT)



## Pacific Pathways

Earlier this year we were able to donate classroom furniture to schools in Vanuatu. This furniture was surplus to requirements from across the school, and further to B block demolition, which was replaced with our new 30 teaching spaces building, C block. The donations were made possible through Pacific Pathways, who recently sent us the following letter of thanks.

*Hello from Vanuatu*

*Re: Resources for schools in Vanuatu*

*We are pleased to advise that the container of resources has landed, and distribution is underway.*

*We are working with the Ministry of Education who will decide where the resources will go with the focus on the schools in the remote areas.*

*This is always a journey in itself :*

- *Chairs going to Malo Island will travel an hour by long boat and then truck to the school.*
- *Desks and chairs for Day Spring School, on the West Coast Santo, will travel in August as they are waiting on a ship (Helpr1)*
- *Desks and chairs for Matevai School, also on the West Coast have been collected and travelled by truck, boat and on foot.*

*The playground initiative is due to start in June at the Aore Yumi Primary School & Kindy on Aore Island, where we live. This school suffered damage after cyclone Harold in 2020, the kindy playground built with local materials did not survive. Pacific Pathways would again like to thank you all for your support and contributions, which has made this all possible.*

*Thank you & kind Regards,*

*Sue Mitchell, Founder/CEO, Pacific Pathways*



Chairs for Banaviti Primary on Malo Island

Distribution of resources is managed by the Ministry of Education. The desks and chairs will be shared with a focus on schools in the remote areas : West Coast Santo, Inland bush, and outer islands: Malo. This means being transported on the back of a ute, then on a boat and a ute/ truck to the school or on the west coast carried and walked to the school. At this stage we do not have photos of the resources in classrooms.



Chairs for Matevulu College, the largest secondary school in Santo





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## Chinese Bridge Proficiency

On 24<sup>th</sup> May, we had 5 of our Chinese class students participate in the 2025 Chinese Bridge Proficiency Competition. The Chinese Bridge Proficiency Competition is an annual event that offers a platform for the students, from primary to tertiary, to undertake dynamic and robust communication in the Chinese language. Congratulations to our prizewinners.

Students from Y11 Chinese class - Merit Prize (senior category): Riveesh De Mel, Tanvi Rana, Lucy Lovie-Tyler

Students from Y10 Chinese class - Merit Prize (Junior category): Mallesh Chetty, Mathaniyun Syed Abdagir



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## Black Grace Dance Trip

Last Wednesday, the Senior Dance class attended a performance by the contemporary dance company *Black Grace* at the Aotea Centre.

The students were treated to a visual spectacle full of dynamic dance movement and strong themes based on the human response to issues such as nuclear testing.

The Senior Dance class is currently using *Black Grace's* previous show as a stimulus for their own choreography, so it was a fantastic experience to see the company live and meet the choreographer, Neil Ieremia.

It was a truly inspiring experience.



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## Have you downloaded our SchoolBridge App yet?

This gives you easy access to report an absence, see attendance, results, ability to pay any fees, see sports draws, and reports. Information about the app and login details can be found [here](#)



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## **Uniform & Stationery Shop**

### **UNIFORM SHOP CLOSURE**

The uniform and stationery shop will be closed on Tuesday 17 June 2025.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

### **PRICE CHANGES:**

Our suppliers have notified us of a price increase across our product range.

Unfortunately, this may mean that we must raise prices of some of our items.

Please be aware that we do keep prices to an absolute minimum.

If you are needing uniform items but are suffering financial hardship, please email Mr Dye, Deputy Principal [edye@lynfield.school.nz](mailto:edye@lynfield.school.nz) to discuss how the school can help you.

### **HOURS**

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

We are not open on Saturday and Sunday, Teacher Only Days or the between term holidays.

### **Parents can attend the shop at the following times:**

Monday – Thursday 10.00am – 12.00pm and 12.30pm – 1.30pm. Friday 8.00am – 11.30am

### **SECOND HAND CLOTHING**

The Uniform and Stationery Shop also sells second hand items. We ask that if you wish to purchase the second hand items, you do not come during student's morning tea or lunchtimes.

**Please be aware that we do not have the full size range in the second hand items. Proceeds from secondhand uniform sales go to our hardship fund to support students in need.**

### **LYNFIELD COLLEGE BLAZER**

The Lynfield College blazer is available to all students. The cost is \$260 and it can be purchased from the Uniform Shop. We only have a few available in each size at the moment, but if we have high demand, more stock can be brought in.

### **ONLINE ORDERING**

Online ordering is available through our website <https://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. Orders are usually ready the next day.

### **RETURNS POLICY**

We require a purchase receipt, tags and the skirt "runner stitch" to still be in garments to process returns. Please be aware that we can only return items up to 90 days from the date on your receipt.

### **LOST PROPERTY**

If your child has lost uniform items, please ask them to check the Lost Property bin outside the uniform shop.

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO NAME YOUR CHILD'S UNIFORM.**





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