



**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

It is not usual for there to be staff and students onsite at school at 4.30am in the morning! However, with today's dawn ceremony to bless the New 30 Teaching Space Building there was a hive of activity.

We were honoured to have kaumatua and kuia from Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei walk us through each of the spaces over the three floors as we brought life to the building with over 60 staff, students, Ministry and construction representatives attending. While we had hoped to finish on the top floor to see the sun rising over the horizon we had a lightening of the rain, lifting of clouds and an increase in birdsong instead. Our Kapa haka performed a very spirited haka to complete the proceedings before we descended back to the ground floor to share a light breakfast. Thank you to the parents who provided transport for the students at such an early hour!

At a much more civilised hour the rest of the staff joined us to look through the New Build before joining their Faculties for Teacher Only Day. With some of the furniture having been delivered, time was spent exploring how the space will allow teaching and learning to be a more collaborative experience. Workshops for staff and support staff held in the building allowed staff to experience how much more comfortable this new learning environment will be.

The students are super excited about moving in. Some will have the opportunity to be taught there this year as part of a pilot to explore how the furniture and spaces will operate best. We look forward to sharing their findings with you.

Ngā mihi nui

Cath Knell

Tumuaki | Principal

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COMING EVENTS

Tuesday 26 November

PPTA PAID UNION MEETING

1.10 – 3.10PM, STUDENTS

RELEASED 12.45PM

Friday 29 November

YEAR 11 PRIZEGIVING 9.30AM

Thursday 12 December

YEAR 9 PRIZEGIVING 9AM

YEAR 10 PRIZEGIVING 11AM

TERM 4 ENDS





School Policies and Procedures

SchoolDocs is now LIVE!

Lynfield College has been working with SchoolDocs to create a website for our policies and procedures. We are excited to announce that the site is now live and available to our school community.

The school works on a subscription basis with SchoolDocs to maintain, update, and review our policies. SchoolDocs provides us with a comprehensive core set of policies, which have been well researched and align with the National Education and Learning Priorities. These policies and procedures are tailored to our school, and the school supplies specific information such as our charter, and procedures for behaviour management, reporting to parents, and many more.

SchoolDocs updates, modifies, or creates policies in response to changes in legislation or Ministry of Education guidelines, significant events, reviews/requests from schools, and regular reviewing from the SchoolDocs team. Our school board has the opportunity to view changes/additions and comment on them before they are implemented. We will advise you when policies are up for review and how you can take part in the review.

We invite you to visit the site at <https://lynfield.schooldocs.co.nz> (note that there's no "www."). Our username is 'lynfield' and password 'learn2live'.

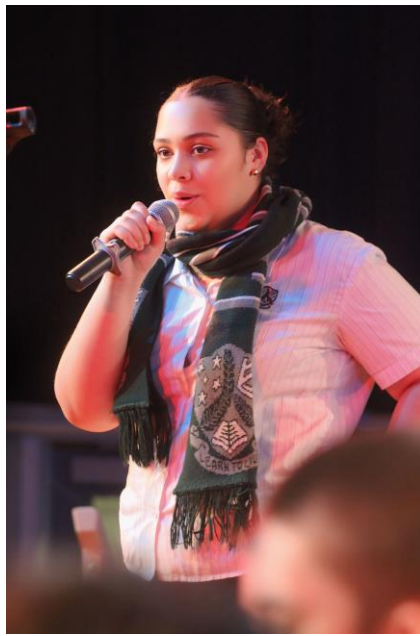


Jazz and Soul Concert

Jazz and Soul was a chance to celebrate all of our Jazz Combos, Big Band and Stage Band, as well as a special guest performance from the Tutor Band. It was a fantastic night, and a great way to finish off the music programme for the year.

Big thanks to Vini Laga'aia as usual for his awesome photos!





National Chess Finals

Ayaan Vasudeva (Y10) participated in the Regional Chess tournament, winning all his games and qualifying for the National Finals.

Ayaan participated in Chess Power Champions Trophy Individual National finals over Labour Weekend in Wellington, where he won a gold medal and a certificate of Distinction for first in the under 16 category. He was 2nd overall in the Open/Senior division.



OnScreen Finals

Year 13 students Yazlyn Fa'agutu and Kaylani Hansell's film "From South Auckland to Success: A Brown Boy's Triumph" was named Runner Up Documentary, Best Lighting and Highly Commended Cinematography. The awards come with a \$500 cash prize. The documentary short was screened at Academy Cinemas in Auckland CBD along with the other finalists, followed by an awards ceremony. During the day, Kaylani and Yazlyn took part in workshops to inspire and educate young filmmakers, including visits to SAE Creative Media Institute and WETA Unleashed. A huge congratulations to Yazlyn and Kaylani for their work and for representing Lynfield College.



Showdown Awards

Students attended the annual Showdown Awards that recognise outstanding performances in school productions across Auckland schools. Our production *Hairspray* were nominated for the following awards:

Best performance by a Lead Actress: Jamine Wilkings

Best Supporting Actor: Luke D'Cunha

Best Supporting Actor: Toby Pin

Best Supporting Actress: Lupe Fetuani

Outstanding Musical

Auditions are already underway for our exciting 2025 production of *Chicago: Teen Edition* for our current Year 9-11 students. Year 13 and new Year 9 students and new students to the school will audition early in 2025.



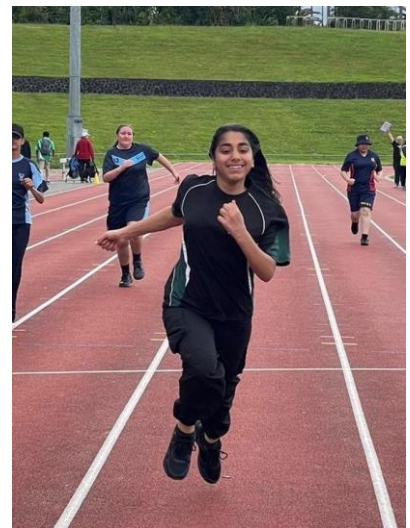
Kapa Haka are preparing for ASB Polyfest 2025

Kapa haka have been preparing for ASB Polyfest 2025 see pics below. New members are welcome to join. Practices are on Tuesday during lunchtime at the whare, Māori department.



Special Olympics Athletics

On 31st October, students from Learning Support enjoyed a day at the Trust Stadium for the Special Olympics. Athletics was the focus with long jump, javelin, shotput and many activities on the agenda. Lynfield students displayed the whole spectrum of our values - manaakitanga, hinengaro wawata, wairua kaha and whanaungatanga tika. One student, Hindol Roy, was particularly noticed and singled by the organisers for showing sportsmanship to students from all schools not just Lynfield. It was the final Olympics for some of our students, so they made the most of the camaraderie they have developed with their fellow classmates in this successful and enjoyable day out.



Handball Workshop

Learning German is fun!

Year 9 students and some Year 11 students had the great opportunity to take part in a handball workshop.

Handball is a team sport, also represented in the Olympics and is played world wide by more then 30 million players. We learned about the rules, learned some more German vocabulary and competed against each others in several games. Everyone enjoyed the competitions! A special thank you to Frank S., our trainer who came from Wellington, and Mrs Weinhart and her husband from the Tui Tuia Leaning Centre, our new German language advisor. Our favourite word - TOR!!! (goal).



Young Māori
and Pacific Pride
Leaders present...

I P U T I

WEDNESDAYS

WEEKLY ACADEMIC WORKSHOP

Open to all students!

- Unfinished work?
- Due dates looming?
- Need help?

3.15 PM - 4.30 PM
JOIN US IN I2/I3 (END OF
CORRIDOR IN THE UPPER GYM)

Goethe Society German Language Competition

We congratulate Akshay Shrijith (Gold) and Aditya Parab (Bronze) for their fantastic achievements in this year's Auckland Goethe Society German language competition.

Students take part in a group conversation on an unknown topic and get assessed. Participants are from High Schools across Auckland, such as Westlake Boys, Mount Albert Grammar, Glendowie College, Rutherford College, Greenbay High, etc.

Congratulations!

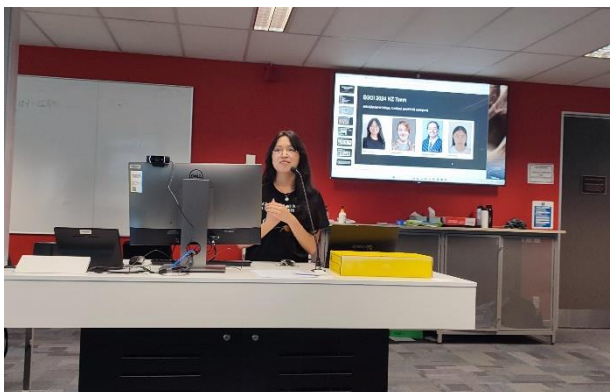


PC4G Improving Equity for Young Women in Computer Science

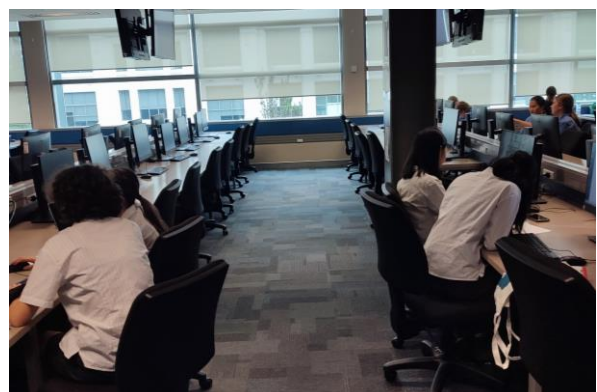
Lynfield College made its debut in the PC4G (Programming Competition for Girls) this year, showcasing the remarkable talents of its young female students. On 13 November 2024, Cassandra Walters, Huan Qi Low, Siobhan Wong, and Tanvi Rana represented the school at the University of Auckland, under the guidance of Mr Wright.

The nationwide competition brought together 54 teams from schools across New Zealand, and Lynfield College made an impressive mark. The Year 10 team secured 5th place in Auckland, while the Year 9 team demonstrated exceptional potential by competing admirably against older students. Overall, the school achieved a commendable 8th and 46th ranking nationwide.

These students demonstrated stellar performance, resilience and ambition, proving that Lynfield College's young programmers are a force to be reckoned with in the competitive tech landscape.



RANK	TEAM	SCORE	Procs 1	Procs 2	Procs 3	Procs 4	Procs 5	Procs 6	Procs 7	Procs 8	Procs 9	Procs 10	Procs 11	Procs 12	Procs 13	Procs 14	Procs 15	Procs 16	Procs 17	Procs 18	Procs 19	Procs 20
1	Waiwaka	98	200	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
2	UP THE CASTLE	98	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
3	Sturminster	90	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
4	Team Healey	78	244	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
5	TEAL HEALTH	75	244	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
6	SHOCS Systems	69	226	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
7	A.A.	66	224	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
8	GLD	66	217	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
9	TeamYoda	55	111	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
10	SHOCS	55	102	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
11	Haberdaishery_Center	55	214	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
12	Middleton Grange 418	55	214	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100



Sports Scene

STAFF VS STUDENTS SOFTBALL

As the Year 13s have now finished their regular timetables and go into their study leave, there was one final Staff vs Students match held after their appreciation assembly on 29th October. This was an extremely fun and spirited match and although this was their last chance in a Staff vs Students match, the Staff still came away with a 10-4 run win!

TEAM TALK

VOLLEYBALL

The Junior Volleyball regular season has now finished with some very close matches for the finals. Our Junior Green Boys finished their competition in 3rd after a tough season, an amazing result considering this team was made up entirely of year 9s and playing against year 10s.

Our Junior Girls finished their competition in 2nd! A close 2-1 loss early in the season was the difference however, this team can be extremely proud of their achievements and how they've grown as players and as a team.

Our Junior Gold Boys have finished the regular season undefeated in their grade, deservedly finishing 1st! They've had a great season and have had some very strong performances to bring home the victory.

We look forward to seeing how our Junior Gold Boys and Junior Girls get on at the Auckland Secondary Schools Volleyball Champs this week.

CRICKET

Our cricket Junior Boys have gotten off to a flying start in the term 4 season, comfortably winning their first 2 games in the Junior A Grade. The team are now preparing for some tough matches in the coming weeks in order to keep up this momentum they've started with.

The Cricket 1XI Girls are now 3 games in with 3 wins under their belt. They've played some incredible cricket this term and their bowling accuracy has been crucial in their success so far. Some amazing performances include Sabaa Kothiwala (Y10) taking 5 wickets for only 6 runs in 4.4 overs last week against Mt Roskill and also Anya Patel (Y11) who scored 45* (45 runs not out) earlier this season.

UNIFORM RETURN

Please ensure all sports uniforms have been returned to the Sports Office as soon as possible unless they are currently being used for cricket or volleyball. *When the uniform is returned the uniform replacement fee will be removed from your child's account, as per the letter your son/daughter brought home at the beginning of the season.*

CAN YOU OR ANYONE YOU KNOW HELP IN ANY WAY WITH SPORT IN 2025?

This year we have had to restrict the number of teams in some sports because we simply could not find coaches and/or managers to cater for all our students wanting to play sport.

We urgently need coaches and facilitators/managers for our Term 1, 2025 summer sports teams especially cricket and volleyball coaches. To facilitate a team **you need NO knowledge of the sport**. The role could involve communicating with the coach to help them as needed with organisational tasks but more likely your help with organising transport (eg sorting our carpooling) and possibly providing transport would be greatly appreciated.

We are currently recruiting coaches and facilitators for our 2025 winter sports too. Here the need is for coaches in basketball, netball, hockey and boys football.

Every team must have a coach and facilitator/manager. If you, or anyone you know, is interested in helping in any way by becoming a part of the Lynfield Sport team, please contact the Sports Office:

09 627 0600 ext 595 sport@lynfield.school.nz

Remember, to be a team manager/facilitator, no knowledge of the sport is needed. It is simply a communication role.

Uniform & Stationery Shop – Late Night

The uniform and stationery shop will be open on **Wednesday 20th November 2024** from 4:00pm – 8:00pm for uniform fittings.

Fittings are available by **appointment only** and you can make an appointment [here](#).

Appointments are 25 minutes long, which is ample time to be fitted for a uniform. Please arrive a few minutes before your appointment time.

Entry will be via **Gate 2**.

If you have any questions, please contact Alys Higgs at uniformshop@lynfield.school.nz.

LAST TRADING DAY

The last trading day for the uniform and stationery shop in 2024 is **Monday 9th December 2024**.

We will be open from 10:00am – 1:30pm.

UNIFORM FITTINGS FOR NEW STUDENTS IN 2025

Our Uniform Shop is open for fittings on the following dates:

Saturday 18 January 10.00 am – 3.00 pm. Sunday 19 January 10.00 am – 3.00 pm.

Monday 20 January CLOSED

Tuesday 21 January 10.00 am – 3.00 pm. Wednesday 22 January 10.00 am – 3.00 pm

Thursday 23 January 3.00 pm – 8.00 pm. Friday 24 January 3.00 pm – 8.00 pm

Saturday 25 January 10.00 am – 3.00 pm. Sunday 26 January 10.00 am – 3.00 pm.

Monday 27 January CLOSED.

Tuesday 28 January 10.00 am – 3.00 pm. Wednesday 29 January 10.00am – 3.00pm.

Uniform fitting appointments are for 25 minutes. If you have more than one student requiring a fitting, then please book an appointment for **each** student.

Due to the volume of appointments, should you be late to your fitting we can only allow you the remaining time left for your appointment. For example, if you are 10 minutes late to your fitting, we can only allow you 15 minutes fitting time.

We do not provide a layby or hold facility. All items must be purchased on the day if you wish to take them with you.

Due to the volume of appointments, second hand uniform is not sold during these fittings. Second hand uniform can be purchased during our usual shop hours during term time.

Payment can be made via EFTPOS or cash only.

Should you require a quote for WINZ, please email Alys Higgs (Shop Manager) at least 10 working days in advance of your appointment and a quote can be emailed back to you. The shop email address is uniformshop@lynfield.school.nz Please state WINZ QUOTE as the subject.

[Please click here to make a booking for a uniform fitting.](#)

A **Year 9 Stationery Pack** can also be purchased at the time of your fitting. This pack contains all stationery required for students in year 9.

Our prices are very competitive and at the time of creation are cheaper than Warehouse Stationery.

Please see attachment for a list of items in the pack.

The cost of the pack is \$42.00.

We look forward to welcoming you to Lynfield College when you come for your fitting.

Uniform & Stationery Shop

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

ONLINE ORDERING

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

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 <https://www.lynfield.school.nz/site/lynfieldcollege/files/Stationery-Lists-2022.pdf> 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

RETURNS POLICY

We require a purchase receipt and tags 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.

Laundry Markers can also be purchased from the uniform and stationery shop.



Christ the King Catholic School

Te Kura Katorika o te Karaiti te Kingi

Respect - Compassion - Service - Peace & Joy

TWILIGHT FAIR

FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER
5:30pm to 9pm

JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN!

- Food trucks •
- Games •
- Bouncy castles •
- Cake stall •
- Face paint •
- Raffles •

and much more!

STARDOME OBSERVATORY
NEW ZEALAND CRICKET
AUCKLAND ZOO
BUTTERFLY creek



The poster features a dark blue background with a central circular logo depicting a landscape with a sun, trees, and a blue swirl. The logo is flanked by two strings of hanging golden Diya lamps. At the bottom, three lit Diya lamps are shown on a decorative base.

Join us for a
**Diwali
Celebration**

**New Windsor School
22nd November
Start 3:30 pm**

★ **Delicious Indian Food for Sale** ★
Indulge in Butter Chicken, Chole
(Chickpea Curry), Vada Pav, and
much more!

Bring your picnic rug and enjoy an
afternoon filled with flavour and festivity

Contact
Amabel Fernandes - Room 3 or email
afernandes@newwindsor.school.nz