



QUEEN CHARLOTTE COLLEGE



Newsletter to Parents, Caregivers & Friends of the School • 27 May, 2016



I have recently been to a number of education seminars and there are some interesting changes being developed at National level. I am very enthusiastic about some of the concepts in design, and will be looking forward to the development centred around streamlining student information and to working on just how the new Communities of Learning will function.

I have also been on the sideline at some of our recent winter sport games and would like to extend a thank you to all those in our community who support, coach or transport the students to the games during the season. Involvement in sport has so many benefits for our students.

At the start of Term 2 we welcomed two new teachers, Heather Moller, Social Sciences, and Caroline Weaver, Hospitality, to our staff. We look forward to the contribution they will make to our students education.

Kia ora koutou

I am a descendant of the Tainui waka, and was brought up on a farm not far from our maunga – Maungatautari and our marae – Te Taumata ki Parawera.

Juul and I have three adult children all who have spent much of their time travelling or living in Denmark, the UK, Spain, the US, Canada and Australia.

After 35 years in education I continue to be passionate about learning and teaching. My first year teaching was in Bluff after which I transferred my



IMPORTANT DATES

Garin Sports Exchange at QCC
Queen's Birthday – NO SCHOOL
QCC Formal Dance
ICAS Writing test
ICAS Spelling test

Wednesday June 1st
Monday June 6th
Saturday June 11th
Monday June 13th
Wednesday June 15th

Term Dates 2016

Term Two Monday 2nd May – Friday 8th July
Term Three Monday 25th July – Friday 23rd September
Term Four Monday 10th October – Friday 16th December

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papers in Education, History and Politics from Waikato to Otago University to complete my Masters in Education. I have taught at primary, secondary and tertiary levels in Westland, Central Plateau and the Hawkes Bay and now I am very fortunate to be teaching Social Sciences at Queen Charlotte College

I look forward to meeting parents and whanau and know that we all want the best for our children.

Nga mihi
Heather Møller



I am from Liverpool in the UK and arrived in New Zealand at the beginning of April. I have one son who is 21 and he also emigrated with me and lives in Auckland. He is doing an internship at a tennis club.

I started teaching six years ago and in my last job I was Head of Food, Textiles and Health. Before I became a teacher I was a Nutritionist for many years and I would help families across Liverpool to eat healthy and get fit. I am passionate about teaching and encouraging young people to eat healthy and that is one of my aims at Queen Charlotte College. In my spare time I enjoy watching football (Liverpool of course!), cycling and playing tennis.

I am excited about teaching at Queen Charlotte College and look forward to meeting you all. *Caroline Weaver*

Formal – Saturday 11th June

Students are working hard behind the scenes to make this a night to remember and with the theme being based on The Oscars, I'm sure that it will be.

Remember, no school on Monday 6th June as it is Queen's Birthday Weekend. Enjoy the long weekend!

NCEA

Parents please open the link below for information regarding NZQA.

<http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/qualifications-standards/qualifications/ncea/understanding-ncea/mobile-app/>

NZQA fees are in the process of being added to all senior students. The domestic student fee is \$76.70 with an extra \$30 for every Scholarship subject to be added as required. The deadline for payment through Queen Charlotte College is Thursday 1st September. Financial assistance is available to assist with the payment of entry fees for National Secondary Schools qualifications (i.e. NCEA). To be eligible to apply you must be the fee-payer and must meet at least one of the following criteria:

- be currently receiving a Work and Income or Study Link benefit, or have a current Community Services Card (benefit-based applications)
- are not currently receiving a benefit, or do not have a current Community Services Card, but do have a joint family income that would entitle you to receive a Community Services Card (income-based applications)
- have two or more children who are candidates, irrespective of family income, and the total fees you would have to pay would otherwise be more than the \$200 multiple candidate maximum (multiple candidate applications).

<http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/qualifications-standards/qualifications/ncea/entry-into-ncea/fees-for-ncea/financial-assistance/>

<http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/about-us/publications/newsletters-and-circulars/assessment-matters/fees-and-financial-assistance-for-2016/>

Trip to Japan

Mina-san konnichi wa

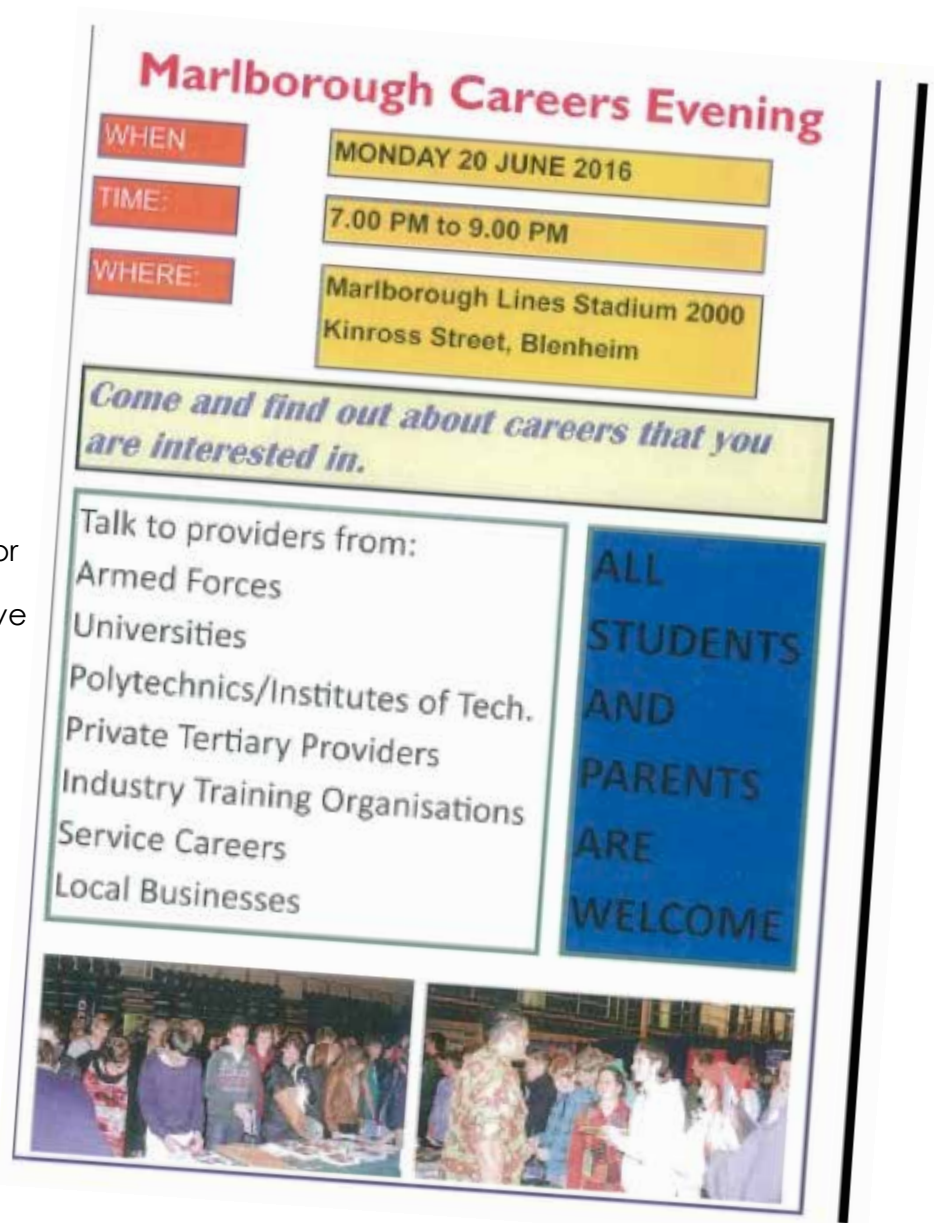
The group of students traveling to Japan in September have been fundraising for a year now, and for some of the students, their participation has meant a good portion of the cost of going has already been earned. One of our major fundraisers has been selling firewood, and we owe a debt of gratitude to Jimmy Stuart, David Gibbs, Mark Ivamy, Kevin Haughey and George Shallcrass for their support. If you have not yet secured this or next season's wood supply, please get in touch with David Collins through the school for pine, gum or a mix of both. We are also selling trailer loads of mulch if you are putting the garden to sleep.



Arigatō gozaimasu

Marlborough Careers Evening

This evening is for all parents and students to attend but especially for those in the senior school. Parents take your student along and receive information vital to your son/daughters future.



Marlborough Careers Evening

WHEN: MONDAY 20 JUNE 2016

TIME: 7.00 PM to 9.00 PM

WHERE: Marlborough Lines Stadium 2000
Kinross Street, Blenheim

Come and find out about careers that you are interested in.

Talk to providers from:

- Armed Forces
- Universities
- Polytechnics/Institutes of Tech.
- Private Tertiary Providers
- Industry Training Organisations
- Service Careers
- Local Businesses

ALL STUDENTS AND PARENTS ARE WELCOME

(Two small photographs showing people at the event)

Science Department

Year 12 Bio Camp at Lake Rotoiti

Whether it was Callum's bagpipes, or Rosie's speaker, there were plenty of reasons sleep was denied on Biology Camp. Our late working nights caused tragic breakfast incidents. The view at the top of Parachute Rock was beyond spectacular, however, the same can't be said for the gruelling walk to the top. After a long day of walking, learning and blisters, Siobhan's scones were a welcome feed on our return. One of the most memorable parts was when some of the students went crazy halfway through research and started licking honeydew trees. Needless to say, they ate more bark than honeydew. To relax, we had quite a few options such as eating hazelnuts, cooking and playing table tennis, although free time was few and far between. Assessments took top priority however, and credits were there for the taking. The more work you put in the better your results. Often it was a hard decision to choose between hanging with friends or spending that extra half an hour writing about tree patterns... UGH!! Another highlight was watching the boys battle it out at sting pong, the loser gets the ball hit at their bare stomach!

With all of our internal assignments being dealt to on camp we are now able to focus on our end of year external exams, but Ashish is still sour about losing at table tennis to Helena.

All in all great friendships were made, fantastic food was eaten and most importantly NCEA credits were gained, even if we got hardly any sleep the whole week.

By Rosie, Siobhan and Ashish



District Health Board Letter re Measles

20 May 2016

Re: Measles in the Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast Area

The Nelson Marlborough Public Health Service confirms that there have been no more cases of measles notified from GPs in the Nelson, Marlborough or Tasman regions to date.

Last week one person was confirmed with measles in Nelson.

Medical Officer of Health in Nelson, Dr Ed Kiddle says that non immune people could be at risk of contracting measles given the outbreak of the disease occurring in Hamilton with cases also in Northland and Manawatu. These are mainly teenagers and young adults.

Regional GPs are on alert to identify possible cases and will notify the Public Health Service if appropriate.

Nelson Marlborough Health is also linked to a national measles management co-ordination effort led by the Ministry of Health. A national approach is necessary given that cases have spread beyond Hamilton. The Ministry of Health will also coordinate with the Ministry of Education on advice around Measles in schools.

Dr Kiddle says that to minimise any local spread of this highly-infectious and potentially serious disease, people need to:

- Make sure they are up to date with the MMR (Measles Mumps Rubella) vaccine.
- Be alert to the early symptoms of measles: It starts with a fever and usually a cough or runny nose, and perhaps sore, red eyes before the rash appears.
- Stay at home with any symptoms; phone and discuss any symptoms with a GP or practise nurse, rather than putting other people at risk by visiting a GP, after-hours GP or hospital ED unit.

Measles is highly infectious to non-immune people and can spread to others in a waiting room.

People born before 1969, and people who have had two doses of the MMR vaccine are 'almost certainly' immune to measles. If you have definitely had measles in the past you are also immune.

Health officials are leading the response to the measles outbreak and are the best place to go for the most up to the minute information– they are advising schools on the appropriate responses –

Contact for the medical officer of health in your local DHB:

<http://www.health.govt.nz/new-zealand-health-system/key-health-sector-organisations-and-people/public-health-units/public-health-unit-contacts>

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Cross Country Championships 2016

Aramoana 286	Rangatira 553	Tamahine 238
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AGE GROUP CHAMPIONS

<p>Yr 7 Girls</p> <p>1st Lea Polleti 2nd Mekah Lawrence 3rd Mia McNicholl</p>	<p>Yr 7 Boys</p> <p>1st Bray Taumoefolau 2nd Hunter Bendell 3rd Mario Moody</p>
<p>Yr 8 Girls</p> <p>1st Abbey Moody 1st= Maggie Lane 3rd Poppy Carter</p>	<p>Yr 8 Boys</p> <p>1st Kyren Taumoefolau 2nd Connor Hillgrove 3rd Ryley Thom-Parker</p>
<p>Under 14 Girls</p> <p>1st Georgie Lightfoot 2nd Grace Morton 3rd= Emily Overend 3rd= Samantha Brimble</p>	<p>Under 14 Boys</p> <p>1st Ollie Morton 2nd Callum Nicholson 3rd Jack Clerke</p>
<p>Under 16 Girls</p> <p>1st Sophia Bendell 2nd Savannah Lawrence 3rd Jessica Cameron</p>	<p>Under 16 Boys</p> <p>1st Dakota Jones-McGough 2nd Aron Radzik 3rd Waru Tait</p>
<p>Over 16 Girls</p> <p>1st Kate Overend 2nd Brylee Stammers 3rd Selina Stuart</p>	<p>Over 16 Boys</p> <p>1st Lachi Woolf 2nd Oli Overend 3rd Hamish Westwater</p>

Golden Bay Sports Exchange Results

For the first time on Wednesday 11th May, Golden Bay High School and Queen Charlotte College participated in a sports exchange held at QCC. The weather was atrocious but the games proceeded regardless and the spirit of the games did not dampen.

Results were evenly spread with Queen Charlotte College winning the Girls and Boys Badminton, Touch Rugby and Girls Basketball, while Golden Bay won the Girls

and Boys Football, Netball, Girls and Boys Volleyball and the Boys Basketball.

The Volleyball games were thrilling to watch with both the Boys and Girls games going down to the wire.

Measuring ourselves against a school of similar size was a great success and the invitation has been extended to QCC to travel to Takaka next year to continue the Exchange.

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School Photographs

Orders were sent in last Friday. We should receive photo packs some time in June.

Donations of College Uniforms would be much appreciated!

Cubs (School Years 4-6)

Meet every Tuesday, 6-7.30pm at the Den in Market St during the school term. Please consider being a Leader or helping out on the Support Committee. You can play a part in providing a worthwhile activity for the youth of Picton.

School Uniforms

Feebies (Fee Busch) at 68a Upper High Street, Picton, is looking for school uniforms to sell. Uniforms can be in any condition as they will repair. They will also sell uniforms on behalf of the seller, so if you have any part of the uniform for sale, give them a call on 5736816 or 0211110820.

'Oliver' – The Musical

Marlborough Children's and Youth Theatre and Marlborough Civic Theatre Trust, are producing the musical

Oliver! Please copy the link below to your browser for audition packs which have all the information you need regarding auditioning for this show.

https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/?ui=2&ik=3e9529ea5b&view=att&th=154c20afcebf3d1&attid=0.1&disp=safe&realattid=45b26b34d72b35ba_0.1&zw

Should you be interested, audition packs and song sheets, and character descriptions are available at the Box Office at the old theatre in Arthur Street.

For further enquiry, please contact

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