



# QUEEN CHARLOTTE COLLEGE



**Newsletter to Parents, Caregivers & Friends of the School • 28 August, 2015**



Thank you to all the whānau who took time to come and talk to staff about your child's goals and achievements on MAP day. Research has shown that one of the big contributors to a child's academic success is that the whānau are involved with the school and support the learning. We had an 81% attendance which is good but I would really like it to be 100%. If anyone was unable to make their appointment I would urge you to make contact with the Form Teacher and see if the meeting could be rescheduled. For those parents with specific subject concerns please feel free to contact the teacher directly, emails are of a similar form as [bwhyte@qcc.school.nz](mailto:bwhyte@qcc.school.nz) and can be found on the school website.

The buzz around school at the moment is our curriculum emphasis to move more towards Modern Learning practises and 21st Century learning. This is being looked at in a number of ways including; changing the lengths of periods within the school day, more cross curricula learning, different teaching styles and best use of facilities. We will keep you informed as possibilities firm up.



## **New Staff**

Welcome to Michael Stewart who joins QCC as the new LTR Science/ Aquaculture teacher replacing Mrs Karli Murphy while she is on Maternity Leave. Michael is NZ born, originally from Thames. He has been teaching in Malaysia for the past two years but is happy to be back in NZ and is looking forward to teaching at QCC. After completing his Science Degree several

## **IMPORTANT DATES...**

12 Aqua – Paua farm trip	Wednesday 2nd September
NMIT Viticulture trip for seniors	Wednesday 2nd September
Parent Info night re Orientation Day	Thursday 3rd September at 7pm
Last date for payment of NCEA fees	Friday 4th September
Orientation Day	Thursday 10th September
Marlborough Science Fair	Tuesday 15th – Wednesday 16th September
Assessment Week	Monday 21st - Friday 25th September
End Term 3	Friday 25th September

## **Term Dates 2015**

### **Term Three**

Monday 20th July – Friday 25th September

### **Term Four**

Monday 12th October – Thursday 10th December

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years ago, Michael lived in Picton while working for King Salmon on the salmon farms and he is keen to get back into diving and fishing in the Marlborough Sounds. After leaving King Salmon, Michael worked in aquaculture in Queensland and Tasmania before heading to Malaysia to teach.

## QCC Orientation Day

Senior students will visit Picton and Waikawa Bay schools this week to deliver enrolment packs and to speak to prospective students for 2016. Mrs Whyte and Mrs Morton will follow up to collect enrolments forms and speak to any parents who may wish to ask questions, on Tuesday 1st September. They will be at Waikawa Bay School at 11.30am and Picton School at 1.30pm. For any parents unable to attend, there will be a meeting held in the QCC Library at 7pm on Thursday 3rd September where senior staff will answer questions relating to Orientation Day and the 2016 school year.



## QCC 50th Reunion

The QCC 50th Reunion is looming large on the horizon. The countdown is on with just over three months to go.

Make contact with your generation, and maximise this (possibly) once in a lifetime opportunity to gather, catch up and reminisce.

For registrations or further information, check the QCC webpage, or QCC 50th Reunion on Facebook. You are also welcome to contact the College.

## Senior Uniform for 2016

Senior students will need to start thinking about blazers and skirts for 2016. These can be ordered through the school at a cost of approximately \$210.00 for a blazer and \$70.00 for a senior skirt. Alternatively, students may be able to arrange to purchase second-hand uniforms from a current Year 13 student or from Pheebees in High Street, Picton.

## NCEA

NCEA fees are due by Friday 4th September 2015.

The cost is \$76.70, however in case of a family holding a Community Services card or if there is financial hardship, these fees are reduced to \$20.00.

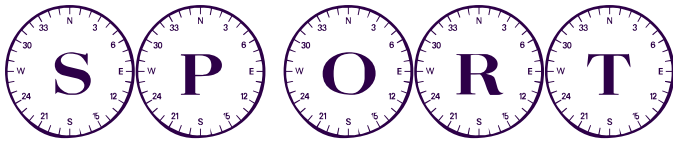
Please contact Kay Severne on 5736558 for any further information.

## New Phone to Text Absences

The School now has a mobile phone for texting absences to. The number is 0224584209. We still prefer a phone call but if you find this difficult, then you can text.

## Spring Creek/Tuamarina/Havelock Buses

Bus payment for Term 3 is \$150.00 and can be paid by contacting Ms Kay Severne, the Executive Officer, on 5736558. For automatic payments, the school bank account number is Westpac 030599 0208587 000.



## Football (aka Soccer)



Congratulations to **Maggie Lane** in 7Su who has been selected in the Marlborough 12th Grade Girls Rep Soccer team. Maggie will be playing in a tournament here in Marlborough on the 8-10th of October. Well done!

## Cross Country

The Marlborough Primary School's Cross Country was held in Blenheim on 18 August. Students participating from Queen Charlotte College were: **Poppy Carter, Maggie Lane, Caitlin Guest, Connor Hillgrove, Grace Morton, Emily Overend, Beth Grey, Ollie Morton, Callum Nicholson and Aaron Riach.**

All students ran well in slippery conditions with Ollie Morton finishing 6th and Emily Overend 10th from a field of approximately 30.



## Motor Cross

**Hugh Campbell** and **Johnno Cuddon-Corlet** were first time riders competing in the Farmers Class in the Tasman Secondary Schools Champs held recently.

Both boys rode extremely well with Hugh winning the section with consistent finishes over four races. After winning two of the four races, Johnno was unlucky not to win the section but unfortunately, not finishing in two races due to bike breakdowns, cost him dearly.



# notices

Tua Marina School PTA presents:

## 'FROCK UP'

Our fundraising Fashion Show

Friday September 4th @ 7pm (doors open 6.30pm)

Tua Marina School Hall

\$20 (includes glass of bubbles & canapes)

Cash Bar & EFTPOS Available

TICKETS ARE LIMITED SO GET IN QUICK!


Please email [pta@tuamarina.school.nz](mailto:pta@tuamarina.school.nz) for ticket purchases  
or call 0211 637 101 Pre-loved clothing, accessories & more all available for purchase! Includes:

NZ Fashion Designers: Kate Sylvester, Zambesi, Workshop, Jane Daniels,  
Helen Cherry & Trelise Cooper

European Fashion Designers: Armani, Burberry, Max Mara, Michael Kors & Marc Jacobs



The poster features a green background with a white logo at the top center containing the letters 'NW' inside a diamond shape. Below the logo, the text 'NEW WORLD' is written in red, and 'Blenheim' is written in black. The main title 'MARLBOROUGH KIDS DUATHLON 2015' is in large, bold, blue letters. Below the title, the slogan 'Run it Bike it Achieve it' is written in a white, italicized font. The date 'Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2015' is in blue, followed by 'Open to all 6-18 year olds' in blue. The venue 'Brancott Vineyard, 180 Brancott Road' is listed in black, with a note in curly braces that it is the same venue as the Marlborough Wine Festival. Entry fees are listed as '\$16.00 entry fee - \$12.00 for the collectors t-shirt'. Prizes include 'Great spot prizes including a mountain bike!' and 'Choice of courses to suit everyone'. Entry forms can be obtained online at [www.kidsqu.co.nz](http://www.kidsqu.co.nz) or from Avantiplus Queen St Blenheim. Entries close on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2015. At the bottom, there are logos for Avantiplus and MORE.

  
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# Public Meeting



## **‘BIG PICTURE’ ideas for Picton... (what do YOU want to see happen?)**

**Come and meet the Picton Smart & Connected team**

- Discuss a raft of Big Picture ideas for a strong Picton future
- Learn about our role, Strategic Plan and Vision for Picton
- Hear about the first six months of PS&C: goals & achievements of voluntary working groups who are simply passionate about Picton!

**2 September at 7pm**

**Endeavour Park Pavilion, Waikawa Rd**

**ALL WELCOME!**

Visit our website

[www.pictonsc.org](http://www.pictonsc.org)

**Get involved!**

