



QUEEN CHARLOTTE COLLEGE

Newsletter to Parents, Caregivers & Friends of the School • 6 November, 2015

NCEA



Our Year 11, 12 and 13 students finished timetabled classes today and external NCEA examinations begin on Monday 9 November. Apart from the exams and individually arranged tutorials, we do not see the seniors again until the Prizegiving on Monday 9 December. We wish them all the very best for their exams, as we do the Year 9 and 10 classes who also commence their exams on Monday 9 November.

The rest of the College, however, still needs to be focused on school work. Although there will be quite a few activities and interruptions as we lead up to the end of the year, it is important to keep everything as structured and normal as possible.

IMPORTANT DATES...

Year 9/10 Exams	Monday 9th November – Friday 13th November
Year 10 Camp	Monday 23rd November – Friday 27th November
Leadership Camp	Monday 30th November – Thursday 3rd December
Prizegiving	Wednesday 9th December
End of Term 4	Thursday 10th December
Start Term 1 2016	Wednesday 3rd February (For new students and Council members)
Start Term 1 2016	Thursday 4th February (for whole school)

Term Dates 2015

Term Four Monday 12th October – Thursday 10th December

Term Dates 2016

Term One Wednesday 3rd February
(For new students and Council members);
Thursday 4th February (Whole School) – Friday 15th April

Term Two Monday 2nd May – Friday 8th July

Term Three Monday 25th July – Friday 23rd September

Term Four Monday 10th October – Friday 16th December

Important Dates

End of Year for Senior Students - Senior students will be on study leave from Friday 6th November. We wish them all the very best for their upcoming NCEA exams. Make the most of the study time available to you and you will reap the rewards.

Senior Reports

At the end of Senior Assembly on Friday, November 6th, senior students must collect their reports from their Form teachers before leaving school.

Prizegiving – compulsory for all students, will be at 7pm on Wednesday 9th of December. You are most cordially invited to attend. Guests are to be seated by 6.45pm.

Junior Prizegiving will be held in the school hall from 11.30am on Wednesday 9th December.

End of Term 4 - School will close for the year on Thursday 10th December. For most students the final day of attendance is Wednesday 9 December after Prizegiving.

New Enrolments – Staff will be available 9.30am-12.30pm the week of the 25th-29th January for new enrolments in 2016.

Start of Term 1, 2016 – For new students and Council members only, school will begin again in February 2016 on Wednesday 3rd February. The full school will start on Thursday 4th February 2016.

Attention all students

If you have competed at a national level in any sport or cultural activity this year, please let Sandi know at the office so these achievements may be recognised in the newsletter and at our Prizegiving ceremony.

Marae Experience

On Thursday 29th October, 120 junior students from Whitney School came to Waikawa Marae for a Marae Experience. They were welcomed with a Powhiri. After morning tea, they were rotated around workshops. Junior students from QCC totally managed and organised these activities. These included teaching them Raranga Weaving, Ti Rakau stick games, and a Haka.

Staff from Whitney School, were amazed at the confidence of the QCC students successfully managing these large groups. We can be so proud of Ollie Morton, Grace Morton, Soraya Timms, Clayton Tautari, Ryan McLeod, Toby McLeod, Dre Fale-Solofa and Te Moe Moea Thompson. They were absolutely awesome students and did QCC proud. Waikawa Marae is so grateful to QCC for their continued support for our Marae. Bev Maata-Hart

Last Thursday our junior syndicate (NE - Year 2) visited Waikawa Marae. We were lucky enough to have students from QCC as our activity leaders.

On behalf of Whitney Street School, I would like to commend and congratulate the students who were involved from your school and to let you know how much we enjoyed having them lead our children through the day. All were great with the kids - patient, friendly, involved, and spoke to them on their level, all the while gaining and maintaining interest and attention from even our youngest school members. Our staff were highly impressed, and surprised at how young they were.

Karen Edwards
Whitney Street School



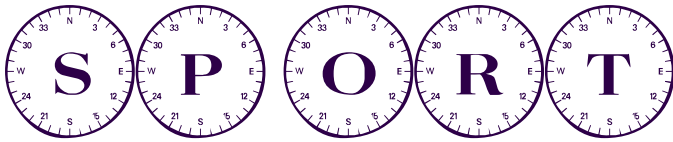


On Friday, Queen Charlotte College welcomed former students from far and wide back into the school for their 50th reunion. A Powhiri was held in the school hall where the current Principal Tom Parsons, and members of Te Atiawa spoke of the changes that the school had experienced over the last five decades.

Reunion attendees were then invited to afternoon tea with the senior Kapa Haka group and then onto a tour of the school grounds and facilities. Attendees were able to observe authentic classes and mingle with current students and share their experiences of what school was like for them. A slideshow of photos from 1965 captured the attention of attendees along with past trophies, classroom relics, and uniforms including rompers that former pupils had donated.

The reunion attracted 250 guests, and was generously sponsored by over thirty businesses in Marlborough as well as some individuals. A committee consisting of 12 ex pupils had been planning the reunion for over 18 months. Their President, Beryl Bowers, was extremely grateful for the support of the school and community for the event.





Mountain Biking

Abbey Moody (7DC) and Maggie Lane (7Su) had a successful trip to the Primary Schools Mountain Bike Competition in mid October where they competed against other Year 7/8 students from across Marlborough and Kaikoura. They negotiated 8km of steep farm track, fields and stream crossings. Maggie did extremely well finishing 2nd girl across the line and Abbey was 8th girl across the line. Both girls were in the Top 20, despite the boys having a couple of minutes head start! Well done girls.

Touch Rugby

Congratulations to the following boys who were selected as Marlborough Touch Representatives for 2015.

U13 Boys



U13 Boys Development



Jay-Don Huntly

U15 Boys



Ryan McLeod



Dylan McManaway



Andre Heberd

Sailing

At the end of last term two of our young sailors, Alice Overend and Jessica Cameron, were selected to represent New Zealand in Australia at the Inter Dominion School Teams Racing Championship held in Canberra. Alice and Jess were skippers for the six member Nelson College for Girls composite sailing team with three sailors from Nelson College for Girls and one from Waimea College. The girls trained hard over the winter and spent three days pre regatta training alongside other New Zealand teams in Auckland becoming accustomed to the Australian boats. (In NZ, secondary school team racing is sailed in 420's; the Australians use Pacers.) All of their training and hard work paid off and the girls came away with a 2nd place out of the top girls teams in both Australia and New Zealand.

The Team will be attending the Tasman Secondary Schools Sports Awards on Sunday where they will be acknowledged for representing New Zealand in sailing.

Well done Alice and Jess!





Salsa and Latin Dance

Congratulations to Sophia Bendell, Kristina Gibbs, Lucy Bendell, Abbey Sullivan, Emma Crossen and Maxine Barnes who will travel to Brisbane at the end of next week to attend the World Salsa Solo Competitions. The girls will be dancing in several categories of Latin and Salsa Dance. The girls will also compete at the NZ Salsa Open on 21st November in Auckland. Best of luck girls.



THE HARD FACTS

Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012

Someone under the age of 18 cannot be supplied with alcohol unless:

- The person supplying the alcohol is their parent or legal guardian AND the alcohol is supplied in a responsible manner***
- The person supplying alcohol has the express consent of the teenager's parent or legal guardian AND the alcohol is supplied in a responsible manner. (Express consent may include a personal conversation).

The penalty for breaching the law is a fine of up to \$2,000

***Supplying in a responsible manner involves;

1. Supervising the drinking of alcohol
2. Providing food
3. Providing a choice of low-alcohol and non-alcoholic drinks
4. Ensuring safe transport options are in place

If you have another daughter or son who is over 18, then it would be wise to let them know that the rules apply to them also.

YOU ARE ENTITLED TO KNOW WHAT YOUR UNDER 18 IS DOING WHEN THEY ARE GOING OUT...

- Where they are going?
- Who will they be with?
- If they are drinking - know what will they be drinking
- When will they be getting home?
- How will they get home?

If they are drinking, discuss safer partying - drinking water plus eating. Talk about knowing their limits, so they can remain in control and look after their mates.

Your teen may want out of a situation without losing face with their mates so it's a good idea to work out a 'Code Word' with them that they can call or text you, when they want a lift home.

Remember your teens will probably do as you do, not as you say! As parents, remember that you set the bar.

New laws for keeping our teens safe, and information about supplying alcohol to minors, can be found at www.alcohol.org.nz/legislation-policy/sale-and-supply-alcohol-act-2012

Sometimes as parents the best way of assessing what they are up to is by encouraging them to share it and not overreacting when you hear things you don't want to know.

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Trophies

All trophies must be returned to QCC immediately for Prizegiving.

Host Families Needed

The College is seeking expressions of interest from families willing to host students from overseas in 2016. If you are interested in assisting us, for remuneration and other details, please contact Ray Fitzgerald, International Student Co-ordinator, on 5736558.

Senior Uniform for 2016

Senior students will need 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 Feebies in High Street, Picton.

New Phone to Text Absences to

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 4 is \$120.00 for students at school until December 9th and for families with junior school students. If you are a senior student with no junior school siblings travelling on the bus, payment is \$54 up until November 6th. Bus fees 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.

For Sale

Senior Boy's full dress uniform: jacket size 96cm, pants size 14 and a shirt and tie. \$150 for all. Please phone Cindy on 5736938

Scouts

Scouts is suitable for school Years 6-10 and will start on a Thursday there is sufficient numbers and another Leader. Parents can phone John Welch on 5737901 for further information.

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.

SMILE NZ

FREE DENTAL DAY

Do you suffer from dental problems but can't seek care due to cost?
Do you have a current Community Service Card?

Here is an opportunity to get one dental problem sorted. The New Zealand Dental Association and the Southern Cross Health Trust are offering a **free dental day** on **Friday 13 November 2015**.

Beattie, Gilchrist and Associates and Durrheim & Associates are providing their dental practice for use during this day.

Appointments are limited – so book your place now.
Call **0800 FREE SMILE/0800 373 376**

Please Note:

- We are expecting high demand for this service so you must have an appointment.
- Some delays are likely on that day, so please be prepared to wait.



13 NOVEMBER 2015 **BLenheim**

WHERE: Beattie, Gilchrist and Associates, and Durrheim & Associates, Lister Court, 16 Francis Street, Blenheim

TIME: 8.00am to 5.00pm

please telephone

**0800 FREE SMILE/
0800 373 376**

TO MAKE YOUR APPOINTMENT



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