



QUEEN CHARLOTTE COLLEGE



Newsletter to Parents, Caregivers & Friends of the School • 21 FEBRUARY 2008

Principal's Comment...

Our NCEA results from 2007 are impressive. We anticipate 2008 being even better.

Benchmark Indicators (According to NQF site): 2007

	All schools Nationally	Decile 3 schools	Queen Charlotte College
NCEA Level 1 qualification (Year11)	61.5	48.7	72.1
NCEA L1 Literacy requirement	76.4	69.7	79.4
Numeracy requirements attained	84.0	78.4	91.2
NCEA Level 2 qualification (Yr12)	64.2	50.9	75.7
NCEA Level 3 or University Entrance	49.4	31.8	31.6



Our first four weeks back at school have simply raced by! Tabloid Swimming and Swimming Champs were great days. The student involvement and obvious enjoyment made for another sporting occasion with several records being broken, as mentioned later in this newsletter.

Athletics Day on Tuesday dawned fine and sunny. The grounds were in superb condition and all events got off to a fine start. Rivalry between the houses was strong and all athletes hotly contested each event. A big thank you to those parents who came along to support the athletes on the day. It certainly makes a big difference to effort and determination.

With more than 100 new students at Queen Charlotte College in 2008, we see the sports days as being a great venue for the school culture to be enjoyed and indeed built upon as all students join in and participate.

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The rain held off for the 2008 Year 7 barbeque. Our new students had a wonderful time swimming in the pool, while Mr Boyce and Mrs Campbell answered our parents' questions and delicious barbeque smells filled the air.

Classes are settling well despite the swimming and athletic sports and Year 8 camp away at Davies Bay next week. Our focus will be on really establishing our academic routines over the next few weeks.

Auditions for this year's production will take place over the following two week. The musical *The Amazing Mr Fitz* which will be directed by Rick Edmonds, begins on June 26th in a matinee performance and will run on the nights of 26th, 27th and 30th June. Mark this in your diaries now!❖

Apologies It was Hamish Baxter and not Hamish Baxter-Broad who won the Green Fleet competition during the recent South Island Age Group Sailing Champs held at Charteris Bay. ❖



Notices

Year 8 Camp 2008 Reminder that payment is now due for the Year 8 Camps. If you have paid already, thank you. If you have not yet paid please make arrangements to do so as soon as possible.

Picton Youth Group Pool Fun Night in Blenheim. Fun and games plus how to survive in the water. February 22nd from 6.30-9.30pm. Cost is \$2.00 person. Spaces limited to first 40. Meet at Picton School with togs and towel. Open to all Year 8-13 students.

The Amazing Race! Will you be the first team to complete the race? Meet at Picton School 7pm on February 29th for instructions. Teams of two or more are welcome. Open to all Year 8-13 students.

Changes to Personal Details Ensuring we have the correct information on our data base at all times is extremely important, particularly in the case of emergency situations or when a student is unwell. If you have a change of address, phone number, work phone etc, please contact Glenda or Sandi at the school office.

School Uniform 10% Cashback Just a reminder that you are able to purchase a range of our school uniform or garments from our local Postie+ store. We are registered on their School Tex Rewards Programme, every time a School Tex garment is purchased and the sale is nominated to our school, we receive 10% CASHBACK. This can help enormously with our fundraising projects.

Children's Track Cycling Athletic Park, Brewer Street (off Eltham Road) Blenheim. Every Monday except public holidays, cancelled if raining. Start time 5.00pm, no charge. Everyone welcome. All children must wear a helmet and shoes and have a bike with working brakes. If you need more information phone Gill Caughey 5789301 or 021845415

Workshop Technician A position has arisen for a Workshop Technician to assist in the Technology Department. This position would suit a handyman (or woman) and will be approximately 5 hours per week. Suitable candidates may apply in the first instance, before March 1st 2008, by phoning the Executive Officer, Kay Riwaka, on 5736558, extension 846. ❖

Coming Events...

February 25th
March 3rd

Year 8 Camp No 1
Year 8 Camp No 2

Term Dates 2008

Term One	January 29th - April 18th
Term Two	May 5th - July 4th
Term Three	July 21st - September 26th
Term Four	October 13th - December 12th

Please note: Easter weekend
Friday March 21st -
Tuesday March 25th

SWIMMING SPORTS RESULTS 2008

AGE GROUP CHAMPIONS

Yr 7 Girls

1st Iliana Barclay
2nd Hannah O'Brien
3rd Keri Wratt

Yr 8 Girls

1st Bonnie Brady
2nd Libby Molloy
3rd Brierley Stewart

Junior Girls

1st Olive Butcher
2nd Chantze Usher-Somers
3rd Stephanie Lewis

Intermediate Girls

1st Kimberley de Haan
2nd Amalia McLaren-Brown
3rd Sophie Strawbridge

Senior Girls

1st Cloe Vining
2nd Katie Keir
3rd Sarah Wright

Yr 7 Boys

1st Connor Hickey
2nd Blair Timms
3rd = Hamish Neal
Ross Macdonald

Yr 8 Boys

1st = Jacob Johnson-Firth
Connor Dunford
3rd Taylor Burn

Junior Boys

1st Joseph Timms
2nd Will Nunn
3rd Mitchell Mackenzie-Mol

Intermediate Boys

1st Stefan Roguski
2nd Dylan Matthews
3rd Matthew Johnston

Senior Boys

1st Michael de Haan
2nd Hayden Gaudin
3rd Bradley O'Rourke

RECORDS - 18 Records Broken!

Senior Boys	Michael de Haan	75m Medley
Senior Girls	Cloe Vining	25m Freestyle 100m Freestyle 25m Breaststroke
Intermediate Girls	Kimberley de Haan	50m Breaststroke 50m Freestyle 50m Backstroke 100m Freestyle 75m Medley
	Amailia McLaren-Brown	25m Freestyle
	Ani Thomson-Huntley	25m Backstroke
Junior Girls	Olive Butcher	25m Breaststroke 50m Breaststroke 75m Medley
Year 7 Girls	Iliana Barclay	75m Medley
Year 7 Boys	Connor Hickey	25m Backstroke 50m Backstroke 75m Medley

