



# QUEEN CHARLOTTE COLLEGE

Newsletter to Parents, Caregivers & Friends of the School • 7 May 2009



Welcome back to Term 2 and a very 'wet' beginning it has been! I hope the school holidays were not too stressful for parents and that you are sending off your students every morning with encouragement and renewed energy towards their studies.

The school roll has increased substantially this year with 407 students currently enrolled. This increase has meant that we are eligible for two new classrooms and once resource consent is granted we are on target to have these classrooms available during Term 3. Security cameras have also recently been installed throughout the school. This is not as a result of increased vandalism, but in reality, more a sign of the times.

This term is always a busy one and it is widely accepted by staff and students, to be the most important in terms of class attendance and developing good study habits and, in the case of senior students, the prime time to accumulate credits as part of the assessment cycle.

This term promises to be action packed. As well as the highly successful fundraising dinner held last Saturday night for the Netball and Rugby teams' trip to Australia during the next school holidays, the Formal and Workday are just two of the many exciting events taking place.

Wearable Designz preparation is well underway thanks to our dedicated and hardworking committee. This wonderful extravaganza will take place on 6th, 7th and 8th August. Entry forms are available at the school office. Mark it on your calendar! The theme this year is "The Power of Patterns".

Every week our students achieve in their chosen sport. As Principal, I take great pride in hearing of these achievements and at Monday morning assembly, in sharing these achievements with the school as a whole. Should the weekend's sport provide some excellent individual performances, please feel free to contact Sandi or Glenda on 5736558 before 10am, prior to assembly. ❖

## Coming Events...

May 8th	Cross Country
June 1st	Queen's Birthday
June 18th	Reports posted home
June 24th	Reports – Parents Evening
July 3rd	End of Term

## 2009 Term Dates

2nd February - 9th April 2009	Term 1
27th April - 3rd July 2009	Term 2
20th July - 25th Sept 2009	Term 3
12th Oct - 11th Dec 2009	Term 4

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# Student Achievement

Congratulations to **Ana Mason** who was selected in the **U17 Te Waipounamu Maori Netball Team** to play in the Aotearoa Maori Netball Tournament. This was a National Tournament and Te Waipounamu represented the South Island.



**Joseph Timms** and **Charlene Wills** represented **Mainland New Zealand in the U17 Australian Badminton Team Championships** held in Ballarat, Australia during the school holidays. The team of 5 girls and 5 boys had wins against Central New Zealand, South Australia, Western Australia and the Victoria Titans. They lost to Northern New Zealand and New South Wales. The team finished placed 6th out of 17 teams. In the individual competition, Joseph and Charlene played very well. They were eventually beaten in some hard fought games by top seeded opposition.

**Mitchell Mackenzie-Mol** competed in the **North Island Moto-X Championships** where he was placed 3rd. He also achieved an 11th placing in the Junior Nationals in Taupo. Well done, Mitchell.

Congratulations to **Cloe Vining, Libby Donovan, Warren Horncastle, Lee Stuart, Hamish Baxter-Broad, Nellee Gregor, Luke Bergman and Justin Richards** who represented Queen Charlotte College at the **Secondary Schools Team Sailing National Championships**. There were 25 teams competing on Lyttleton Harbour. Queen Charlotte qualified in the Silver Fleet finals and finished 3rd.

**Hamish Baxter and Evie Baxter** along with **Connor Hickey** competed at the New Zealand Optimist Championships held in Wellington. All three sailed well and enjoyed the weekend.



# Notices

## Thank You – Waikawa Marae

Waikawa Marae wishes to sincerely thank all those who participated and helped on DIY Marae. It was an enormous success and your help and support was truly appreciated. As the DIY team announced at poroporoaki 'Waikawa Marae is not just for Maori, it is a Marae that embraces the whole community'. Mou, Moku, Mo Nga Iwi Katoa – For you, for me, for all people.

## ICAS

The details for the ICAS exams to be held later in the year are as follows. Students who wish to enter should let their subject teacher know. Payment for all exams to Mrs Riwaka by: 1 July please.

### **Mathematics**

Wednesday 19 August \$7.50

### **Writing**

Tuesday 23 June \$14.50

### **English**

Tuesday 4 August \$7.50

See the website: [www.eaa.unsw.edu.au](http://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au) for more information and practice questions.

## Maths Homework

All students by now should be well practised in completing their weekly Maths homework. Parents wishing to check how they are doing can monitor the work using the answers enclosed in the book. Any concerns please contact the Maths teacher or Mrs Dew.

## Interested in playing Hockey?

We need more hockey players for our 11 aside team. Games are on a Thursday or Friday night with transport provided. Practices are on alternate Mondays and Tuesdays after school. Phone Lee-anne O'Brien on 5736466 for more information.

## Wanted

Pair of size 12 or 14 boys uniform long pants Ph 5735539.

## Found

Picton Police have a number of bikes and a Samsung cell phone. If you have lost or misplaced a bike or cell phone please contact Mary at the Picton Police Station. ❖



# THE POWER OF PATTERNS

Queen Charlotte College  
Wearable Designz  
6th, 7th & 8th August 2009

Thursday 6th August Dress Rehearsal 11.00 am  
Friday 7th August Evening Show 7:00 pm  
Saturday 8th August Evening Show 7:00 pm

Categories Primary ♦ Years 7 & 8 ♦ Years 9-10 ♦ Years 11-13  
Tertiary/Adult Individual ♦ Business Group

Amazing prizes for all categories

Entry forms available from OCC Office,  
Seaport News Office &  
Beyond The Fringe, Picton & Blenheim

Entries close: Friday 26th June

Wearable Designz Show  
Ticket Prices Adult \$14.00 ♦ Children \$7.00

Information  
Phone 573 6558 or [www.qcc.school.nz](http://www.qcc.school.nz)