



QUEEN CHARLOTTE COLLEGE



Newsletter to Parents, Caregivers & Friends of the School • 1 April 2010



We have had a busy Term One this year and a great way to finish was the Parent/Teacher Evening on Tuesday night. I wish students and staff a relaxing and well earned holiday. Term Two promises to be just as frenetic. Some highlights include:

We have Workday coming up in May, the date is yet to be decided. As you are aware we do not charge school fees so we rely upon fundraisers such as this instead. Start thinking now of someone who could employ your son/daughter for all or part of the day.

The school production 'Much Nothing About A Do' is in rehearsal already. Tentative dates for the show are May 19th – May 21st. This promises to be a very entertaining show so remember to get your tickets when they go on sale.

The Senior Formal is to be held on the 12th June, with all the glamour that 'An Evening In Paris' promises.

On Friday June 18th we play host to the Regional Manu Korero Competitions. This will involve students from the Marlborough, Nelson and West Coast. All welcome.

Student Achievement



Congratulations to all students and staff who completed **The Forrest Graperide** last weekend.

Congratulation to **Matt Larsen-Horne** who represented Marlborough in the Region 5 Secondary Schools Bowls Champs in Christchurch. Matt lost the first match, but he bounced back beating the two Nelson players. He then went down narrowly to the two Canterbury champions. Matt's Coach said "this is a great first year at a tournament for Matt and he is a credit to his family and school."



Navy Adventure Challenge Cameron Robertson, a year 13 student, has been selected to attend the Navy Adventure Challenge. This is held every year at the Naval Base in Devonport, Auckland. The objective is to challenge students who are interested in careers as managers and leaders in the Navy and to show them the roles and responsibilities of young Navy Officers. Congratulations, Cameron.

Coming Events...

Last Day of Term 1
First Day of Term 2
Cross Country
Production Week

1st April
19th April
27th April
19th – 21st May

School Photos
Garin Sports Exchange
Queen's Birthday Holiday
Senior Formal
Regional Manu Korero

10th June
1st June
7th June
12th June
18th June

Notices

Uniform

A few items continue to cause a lot of problems and have students and staff at odds with one another. We would like to clarify some issues:

☐ **Shirts under uniform shirts** - these are only allowed to be white, no other coloured t-shirt, thermal or camisole is allowed.

☐ **Shoes** - these are not to be the suede or skateboard type of shoe. They are to be a totally black school shoe with no other colour or brand slogans on.

☐ **Tops** - please ensure your student has a warm

uniform top to wear. This is usually the long sleeved fleece top but jerseys or the older style sweatshirts are still worn by some students. Non-uniform hooded sweatshirts and jackets are too often causing confrontation with students. These are not to be worn to/or at school.

☐ Please ensure lip and nose piercings are covered up during school hours.

☐ Remember that dyed hair must be in natural hair colours.

☐ Facial hair is not allowed, all male students should be clean shaven.

CAREERS DEPARTMENT

There is so much information available about career opportunities, training options, universities, polytechnics and apprenticeships that it can be difficult for you and your children to sort through it all.

The best place to start is www.careers.govt.nz This site has all you need to know, from making a CV, to choosing the best subjects for next year. It also contains very detailed profiles of thousands of careers which exist in New Zealand now. You are able to find out how much you can earn and what the job outlooks are for the future.

Soon there will be a link from this site called CAREER QUEST which can help you decide on the best career for you by matching your interests to hundreds of suitable options. Some of our students were the first in New Zealand to trial this last term and they have found it very helpful.

It is never too soon to start thinking about future directions. It is exciting to explore all the options available and having a focus makes classes much more enjoyable and meaningful.

www.careers.govt.nz is not just for kids either, there are sections for adult learners and those who want to change careers. If you have any questions, please ring **Ann Wood, phone 5736558**.



SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Top of the South Secondary Schools Swimming Championships 2010

The Special Olympics for the Top of the South was held on Wednesday 24th March at the Richmond Aquatic Centre (Nelson). There were 90 students from the Nelson, Marlborough and the Golden Bay area.

QCC performed exceedingly well, the students' behaviour was exemplary and the team unity and the pride they displayed towards each other made them stand out amongst the schools. They represented QCC with distinction and their efforts were well rewarded.

All four students made up the team for the 4x 25m Freestyle Relay, placing a credible 4th amongst eight teams.

Jocelyn Hudson A special mention for Jocelyn, she was tasked with aiding the students in the pool. She showed maturity and a total focus to ensure Georgia and the other students were safely cared for and encouraged them throughout the day. Jocelyn rose to the occasion and willingly volunteered her help. The supporting staff appreciated her efforts. Well done and thank you.



Group 1	Georgia Payne, Taylor Robinson, Ben Morris and Tahlia Graham.	
Results:	Georgia Payne	15m Walk 4 th
	Tahlia Graham	15m Walk 3 rd 15m Freestyle 4 th 15m Kickboard 3 rd
	Taylor Robinson	15m Walk 1 st 25m Freestyle 2 nd 15m Kickboard 3 rd
	Ben Morris	25m Freestyle 5 th 15m Kickboard 2 nd 15m Walk 2 nd
Group 2	Haeora Hillman, Daniel Bensemman, Nicole Dixon and James Moore.	
Results:	Haeora Hillman	50m Freestyle 1 st 25m Backstroke 1 st 25m Breaststroke 3 rd
	Daniel Bensemman	25m Backstroke 2 nd 25m Freestyle 3 rd 25m Breaststroke 4 th
	Nicole Dixon	25m Backstroke 1 st 25m Freestyle 3 rd 25m Breaststroke 4 th
	James Moore	25m Backstroke 3 rd 25m Freestyle 1 st 25m Kickboard 1 st

