



QUEEN CHARLOTTE COLLEGE

Newsletter to Parents, Caregivers & Friends of the School • 20 May 2011



The Sculptors

I dreamed I stood in a studio
And watched two sculptors there.
The clay they used was a young child's mind
And they fashioned it with care.
One was a teacher.
The tools he used were books, music and art.
One a parent.
With a guiding hand and a gentle, loving heart.
Day after day the teacher toiled
With a touch that was loving and sure,
While the parent laboured at his side
And polished and smoothed it o'er.
And when at last their task was done
They were proud of what they had wrought
For the things they had moulded into the child
Could neither be sold or bought.
And each agreed he would have failed
Had he worked alone
For behind the parent stood the school,
And behind the teacher
The home.

Last week we welcomed Kate Souness as the new Te Reo Maori Teacher. Kate was born in Christchurch and raised in North Canterbury where she attended Rangiora High School and Canterbury University. Moving north, she later attended Waikato University and Auckland University to complete further studies associated with her degree in Te Reo Maori. Kate has had an interesting and varied life thus far, having travelled widely; competed and represented in many sporting codes including waka ama, basketball, touch rugby, rugby, soccer and surf lifesaving. She has owned her own jewellery design business; worked in an art gallery; for the Ministry of Education; and as a Corrections Officer. Kate is keen and eager to begin working with the students at Queen Charlotte College and is looking forward to making new friendships with her colleagues. Along with her many sporting interests, Kate enjoys working out at the gym and designing jewellery.



IMPORTANT DATES...

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| Term 2 | 2nd May – 15th July |
| Term 3 | 1st August 7th October |
| Term 4 | 25th October 9th December |
| School Closed | 3rd June (Friday) |
| Queen's Birthday | 6th June (Monday) |
| School Closed | 7th June (Tuesday) |
| Wearable Designz | 18th – 20th August |
| Labour Day | 24th October |
| Marlborough Anniversary Day | 31st October |

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Mid Term Break

The College will be closed on Friday 3 June and Tuesday 7 June for Mid-term break (please note Monday 6 June is Queen's Birthday Statutory Holiday).

NOTICES

Honour an Outstanding Teacher

Parents value teachers' efforts. However, we rarely have the opportunity to publicly express our appreciation. This is our chance to do so by nominating our teachers and leaders for the NEITA 2011 National Excellence in Teaching and Leadership Awards.

Show our teachers how much we appreciate them and nominate them for an award. It's easy to nominate! Nomination forms can be collected from the school office or they can be downloaded or completed online at: www.neita.com.nz or requested from the NEITA Administrator by phoning 09 308 0576. Nominations can be made by individual parents, the parent association, secondary student council, and community organisations.

Wearable Designz 2011

Any materials, wool, leather or other resources that may be suitable for using in the creation of students' designs would be gratefully accepted. Please drop off at the school office or phone 5736558.

SPORTSTART Funding Assistance for Families

SportStart is a funding scheme available to families where financial hardship is a barrier to participation in physical activity.

Funding is available for 5-16 year olds in the Nelson Tasman region. You can apply for up to \$30 twice a year/ per child/ per family. For example a child can receive assistance to participate in a summer and a winter sport.

The purpose of the SportStart is to allow more children and young people to take part in physical activity opportunities - by providing some financial assistance. We believe with the support of sports clubs and organisations across our region we will be able to encourage and support more young people into sport and physical activity thereby directly contributing to the health of both the individual and the community.

If you have any questions please contact Gary Timms or get your child to pick up a form at the school office.

Raffle Results

Results for the Queen Charlotte College European Classics Trip Raffle are as follows:

- 1st Acer Notebook Atlantic Back Packers
- 2nd Lochmara Lodge pass Libby Donovan
- 3rd Fresh Choice grocery items Viv Butcher

Thanks for all the support. Students will be running a second raffle for firewood and groceries later this term.

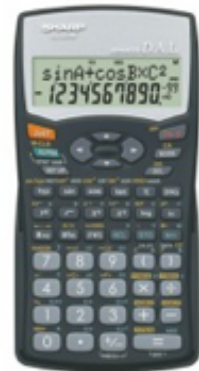
Superb Offer from QCC Maths Dept

Sharp EL-531WHBK Scientific Calculator

Our Price: \$16.70 (RRP \$25)

Pay Mrs Riwaka by Thursday 2 June

(Sorry not on account)



Return the slip to your Maths teacher by Thursday 2 June

Name: _____ Form: _____

- I do not wish to order a calculator
- Yes I want a calculator and have enclosed \$16.70

Signed: _____ (parent/guardian)

Change of Caregiver Details: -Please complete and return

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Student Name: _____

Address: _____

Cellphone: _____

Parent/Caregiver (1)
Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cellphone: _____

Parent/Caregiver (2)
Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cellphone: _____