

Queen's News

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Kia koutou

How lovely it was to see the many students and their whanau at parent interviews last night. I trust you had good learning conversations about where your daughter is at and the next steps needed for continued progress.

I recently attended the Queen's High School Ex-Girls AGM. At this meeting *EquipMENT*, was discussed. This is a mentoring programme that the ex-girls run, alongside Lesley Signal, where past students are used to mentor current students. Girls who have been involved, shared with us what they found so valuable about the programme. They talked about gaining confidence in pursuing new possible career directions and the value of having someone else to discuss their ideas and plans with. In attendance were Dame Pat Harrison, Liz Welch and Julie Anderson, all past principals of Queen's High School. All three of them, along with myself, spoke on what is important in education at Queen's High School and how it fits our ethos of empowering young women.

I would like to say a big thank you to our PSTA and their supporters for the marathon effort last weekend, in making over 1800 dozen cheese rolls. The money raised from this goes directly to providing further resources and opportunities for our girls. One very happy customer told me 'they are the best cheese rolls ever', so again, thank you.

Last week in assembly I spoke of one of our school goals, that our values of Respect for People, Place and Learning, will show in all we do. That we understand what is the Queen's Way and we meet the expectations around how we behave both individually and collectively. This term we have many events and activities happening and I wanted to remind the students that being in one of these teams or groups comes with responsibilities. That you show respect for your team mates, for your coach, for your manager, for our school by; being on time, always give your best, play fair, be gracious winners and equally gracious in defeat and you support your team members to do the same. I look forward to seeing as many of our girls as possible in their chosen activity over the next term.

A very warm welcome back to Ms Koni, after her Term 1 Sabbatical and to our new students, to what will be another very busy and successful term.

Barbara Agnew
Principal



ANZAC DAY DAWN SERVICE



Queen's High School was very well represented by staff and students at the Dawn Service during the recent holidays where Louise Nicolson read one of the lessons.



MARKET DAYS

It was that time of year again when the Y11 Economics and Business Studies class holds its annual market day. It is always a highlight and this year was no different – in fact we had students flocking to our stalls as soon as the bell rang and one group sold out within minutes of lunchtime beginning! This year we had 6 groups making, marketing and selling their products, which included paua trinket shells, popsockets, goat's milk soap, highlighter (makeup), shower jelly and wheat bags with prices ranged from \$1-\$4. Three of the groups sold out all of their stock on the first day and the remainder held a second market day on Thursday. Well done to all the students involved and thank you to all the students who supported the market day for 2017.



ACTORS REUNITED

It was great to have the Year 13 Drama class of 2016 come back to school to revive their award-winning Macbeth scene for Juliette Bernard's Fundraising Concert which will help her represent NZ as one of the Young Shakespeare Company at London's Globe Theatre this year.

"Rehearsing together again in the old Drama Room was a blast!"



QUEEN'S HIGH SCHOOL DRINK BOTTLES

Year 9 students Krystal and Jaya holding the new Queen's drink bottles which are available for students to purchase. The white sipper bottle is \$6 and the blue drink bottle is \$8.

Available for purchase from the student office - cash/efpos only.

We expect these to be very popular so get in quickly (and don't forget to name your bottle ☺)



NEWS FROM THE HOUSES



WOMEN'S REFUGE

PICKERING

is leading the way with supporting its chosen charity, **Women's Refuge**. Donations are coming in daily but many more would be appreciated. This organisation has asked specifically for toiletries suitable for teenage boys and girls as well as 1B4 exercise books and pens for teenagers to keep a journal and books to read.

RAE

has chosen **CanTeen** to support and got their funds underway when some members did some busking at lunchtime last term. They are planning a BBQ but also will be selling bandannas in Term 3, about the time of the National Appeal, on September 15th.



DAWSON

is keen to support **Ronald McDonald House** and some of these girls will be out in the community on Friday helping with their collection. They also have a 'spare change' jar at the student office.



BALLARD

has a BBQ at Mitre 10 booked for Sunday 24th September to raise funds for the **Sophie Elliott Foundation**.



If you wish to support any of the above charities or have ideas which will help encourage house spirit, please contact Noeline Burden (noelineb@queens.school.nz)

Coming up this term:

Interhouse Marching competition as well as other school activities like the Spelling Bee which will earn House points.



SPORTS NEWS

Winter Sport

Winter sports have started. We have teams entered in Netball, Basketball, Badminton, Ice Hockey, Hockey, Football, Rugby 7's and Cross Country. We also have girls training hard for Hip Hop and Aerobics. Thanks very much to coaches and managers of these teams.



Representative Selections

Congratulations to Serena Evile and Lunisi Finau who have made the Otago under-17 Volleyball team to travel to Wellington in June. Congratulations to Louise Nicolson who has been selected in the Southern under-18 regional Hockey team, travelling to Whangarei in July. Jade Kinnane has been selected for the Otago U-15 Basketball team. We wish these students all the best with their training.

LOGAN PARK SECONDARY SCHOOLS' ROAD RACE



Six students competed in the Logan Park Road Race on Tuesday 9 May. All should be pleased with their effort and enthusiasm. We are hoping to have more runners for the Caversham Relay on Wednesday 17 May at Kings High School.



SAS fitness STRENGTH - AGILITY - SPEED

QHS Gymnasium Term 2 & 3 Wednesdays 7-7:45 am

For those wanting to get an edge on their winter sports.

Work on your strength to pass the ball, improve agility around the court and speed to go for the line and finish strongly!

This will incorporate team work, partner exercises, strength training and dance moves and more!
All sports codes welcome.

Free to all!

Bring your mates and give it a go. Exercise shoes are a must and a drink bottle!

Drug Free Sport Seminars for Secondary Schools

This is a great chance to educate athletes/coaches/parents NOW to the perils of some supplements and performance enhancing drugs.

Monday 15 May 6 pm – 7 pm students
7 pm– 8 pm parents and coaches

At the Queen's and King's High Schools Performing Arts Centre

2017 School Photos now available online.

For 2017, the ordering of school photos is now done via the Kelk Photography website link below

<http://events.kelkphoto.co.nz/event/549/Queen's%20High%20School>

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Photographs can be ordered and paid for via the website.

All orders are then delivered to Queen's and will be distributed to the girls.



14/15th May	OE Warrington Camp
15th May	Year 10 Science Works programme
16/17th May	Year 11 Camp/Tramp
17th May	Caversham Harriers Relays
	Defence Force Speaker
22nd May	Junior Science Competition
24/26th May	Year 12 Tramp/Camp
27/28th May	Aerobics Otago Qualifier



A letter has gone home with all senior students about NZQA fees and financial assistance.

Fees are due **Friday 30th June (end of week 9 Term 2).**

[www.nzqa.govt.nz/financial assistance](http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/financial%20assistance)

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