

Queen's News

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Kia ora Greetings

It is now the end of the 13th week of the high school year and it is fitting that it lands on Friday 13th. This means that we are nearly half way through the academic year for senior students. Do you know how your daughter/granddaughter is going? Did you find out this at the Parent/Teacher interviews held on Tuesday night. It is so important for you to know what is happening at school and in class. Communication is so important between school and home. If you are having any doubts about academic progress then please contact us. We as a school community want our students to succeed and we know you do too. Let us work together to make this happen.

Other exciting happenings this week has been the first meeting of the Queen's PSTA. We would love you to come and join us. Also the election of the new BOT closes on the 20th May. Please make sure that you vote for your BOT. Another way to help the school community is the ANZ Olympic School Programme. By taking out a home loan Queen's can earn credits to spend on items from the ANZ Awards Centre such as sports equipment or computers. As an example an eligible home loan drawn down by someone linked to our school to the value of 50K or more will entitle the school to 800 credits which equates to around \$400 of spending power at the ANZ Awards Centre.

Thank you and happy voting.

Di Carter
Principal

THE LION KING JR



QUEEN'S 2016 MUSICAL: THE LION KING

25 - 29 MAY, 2016
KING'S AND QUEEN'S PERFORMING
ARTS CENTRE

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Those involved in this years Musical, The Lion King, are working hard to prepare for the show, which is set to be spectacular! Students are rehearsing regularly, and behind the scenes helpers are sewing, painting, and prepping so that everything is ready for opening night. Pictured right are Mrs. Chris Reeve with

some of the cast members getting their costumes fitted.

As we get closer to the opening performance of our musical, requests for any of the following would be greatly appreciated:

1. Old sweatshirt hoodies (grey, blue, navy, black). These need to be old ones, scruffy is fine, and ones you don't want back.
2. Old cotton/lycra leggings, any colours, prints or plain, and any condition - these will be cut up and re-sewn so won't be returned.
3. Old white buttons for sewing onto costumes.
4. Sewing helpers needed (mums, staff, ex girls etc). This weekend Saturday 14 May, 9am - 4pm and Sunday 15 May 10am - 4pm in the QHS School Fabrics room.



INCUBATOR VISIT TO THE CARDIOLOGY AND RADIATION THERAPY DEPARTMENTS



Fifteen Year 12 and 13 students travelled to Dunedin Public Hospital after school last term. They visited the Vascular Lab and the Oncology departments. One of the important messages students get through this programme is the need to honour the confidentiality and privacy of what they see, so we feel very privileged to have the experiences we do.

Students found out about the placement of pacemakers, the heart and its function, tools used in the diagnosis of cardiac problems, and saw images of healthy and less functional hearts on the ultra sound machine. They heard from two cardiac physiologists about their work and training, and were lucky enough to observe two stents being placed in patients' hearts, while the Cardiology Consultants explained the procedures. Students then met a Radiation Therapist who explained her work, and what is involved in the training and the provision of Radiation Therapy.



Students learnt about the information that must be gathered to ensure the radiation treatment is correct and correctly directed, and that no other tissue is unintentionally damaged by the treatment. They were shown the Linear Accelerator and the room used for treatment. Students also saw the materials used to create frames to hold the patient in the correct position for treatment each time, as accuracy of treatment is very important. Radiation Therapists

must also be empathetic and good 'people people' so they can provide emotional support to the patients. Once again, this was a fascinating and valuable visit. Thanks to Vicie Hodge from SDHB for planning the programme for us.

YEAR 13 DUATHLON

Last term Year 13 PE completed their Duathlon assessment. This achievement standard involves students racing the clock to gain 4 credits, based on their time in a 5km run and 10 Km bike. This year we saw a very fit group of students achieve some great results, with 3 excellence, 4 merit and 3 achieved passes. Congratulations to Judah Kelly who was 1st and completed the course in the fastest time on record over the last 5 years.



Queen's High School
MAKERSPACE
A place to make, create and explore
Information Centre
Mondays 12.30pm to 1pm
Wednesdays 3pm to 4pm
Create
Think
Dream
Explore
qhsmakerspace.weebly.com

On Monday 9th May, our brand new Makerspace opened in the Information Centre with an introductory session that covered what a Makerspace is and provided some inspiration to start making and creating. The Makerspace gives all students the opportunity to create and make things, or to just have a bit of a go with jigsaws, brainbox sets, found poetry, computer coding, electronics, robotics or some craft projects. From time to time we will be bringing in experts to guide us through specific projects or teach us new skills, and of course any students who already have a bit of expertise in various things will be encouraged to share. For more details about the Makerspace, please visit our Makerspace website (<http://qhsmakerspace.weebly.com/>). We are also very keen to add some Lego and K'NEX to our Makerspace, so if you have any sets that you are prepared to donate, please contact Carole Gardiner (Librarian) at caroleg@queens.school.nz

SPORTS NEWS

Redlands School from Sydney visited Dunedin during the first week of the holidays and while their boys played football against King's, their footballers and netballers played against Queen's. The visitors were more prepared for winter sports than the hosts, but both matches were competitive and the social interaction over lunch was enjoyed by all.



Winter sports are underway. All teams have coaches who are working hard to improve skills and get the girls playing together as a team. This term we have 10 netball teams, 4 basketball teams, 5 badminton teams and one each for football, rugby and ice hockey. The number will vary for the inter-school cross country series which also has started. For those who are interested in multi-sports, information has been provided for the winter duathlon series run by the Dunedin Triathlon Club. Their next event is Sunday 12th June. Winter sports fees are now due or in several cases overdue. Thanks for attending to this as soon as possible. If fees are a problem, please don't hesitate to contact either the student office or sports office: 4557212, ext 821.

FUNDRAISERS: All girls have a chance to help pay for their own sports fees, tournaments or trips by selling paper towels and/or tickets to see the world-renowned hypnotist, Andrew Newton. Order forms can be collected from outside the Sports Office. Paper towels are \$15 for a pack of 12 and are available now. Andrew Newton tickets are \$22 and students will be credited \$5 on their account for every ticket they sell.

Congratulations to Cate Davidson, the only Queen's girl who competed in the inter-school equestrian event at Palmerston on April 17th. Cate was placed 2nd in the 70cm dressage and jumps category when she teamed up with two riders from Bayfield.

Now that winter might finally be upon us, please remember that the girls can buy the QHS microfleece for \$48. If they want their name embroidered on the back, that will be an extra \$10. A variety of sizes are available at the Sports Office to try on and order forms can be collected from the Student office.

Our annual cross country and fun run was held the last week of Term 1. For full results, go to the website http://www.queens.school.nz/?page_id=3166, where you can also check out other sports news, photos and draws. Our top junior runners were all from Year 9: Eva Te Hiwi, Aqua Spiers and Holly Brodie. Seniors were led by Year 11 students Ella Scott and Molly Stephenson followed by Judah Kelly, Year 13. Dawson House demonstrated the best house spirit and chant but Rae once again took out the top points for the overall competition.





THANK YOU FROM INTERACT

Queen's Interact would like to thank the following businesses for their very generous support by providing prizes for the Random Acts of Kindness programme the club is running in the school. There are 2 weeks to go, girls – keep up that kindness over the weekend!! Maybe you could make breakfast for Mum, Dad or Grandma one morning? Mow the lawns for them? Do some baking for an elderly neighbour? Remember – Happiness is like honey – you can't spread even a little of it without getting some on yourself!



HYPNOTIST ANDREW NEWTON

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An evening of side-splitting laughter for all the family!
\$10 of every ticket goes to local fundraisers - schools, sports clubs, hospitals, scout groups, Plunket, Kapa Haka groups, etc.

Kings & Queens Arts Centre
270 Bay View Road, Dunedin
Thursday 16 June – 7.00pm - \$22
(suitable for all ages)

SPORT OTAGO COACH WORKSHOP

Abby McMullan (Yr 9) is already coaching a primary student as part of our QHS Aerobics Community Coaching Programme and she recently attended a coach workshop at Sport Otago. The following is what she wrote about what she gained from her experience.



I attended a coaching workshop through Sport Otago about being a better coach. The most important things I learned were:

“**Don't wish to be, work to be**”. So still wish, but use those wishes to motivate yourself and work, work, work to get that wish complete.

A great coach is - communicating, holding attention, being prepared, listening and providing knowledge.

Goals

Reality

Options – what are your options?

Willpower – use your willpower to complete those goals.



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| May 17 | Board of Trustees Meeting |
| May 18 | Caversham relay |
| May 25 - 29 | Queen's & King's Musical |
| Jun 2 | Careers Expo |

World Challenge



WORLD CHALLENGE PARENTS' PRESENTATION

A reminder that the parent information evening for the Queen's and King's World Challenge trip to Malaysia is being held in the King's Library next Wednesday, 18th May at 6.30pm. Students can collect an information sheet and RSVP form at the student office.



Youth Innovation Fund

Nidd Realty is excited to announce the first 2016 grant in the Nidd Realty Youth Innovation Fund.

If you're under 18 years old, live in Dunedin and have an innovative idea that a \$2000 grant would help with, then this grant is for you!

Maybe you want to fly to Auckland to attend a game development conference, maybe you need some money to build a prototype of your invention or you may be a budding musician or artist who needs help towards some studio time or setting up your art studio. You are only limited by your imagination - don't hold back!

Entries close 3rd June 2016. Winner announced 17th June 2016.

visit nidd.co.nz for more information.