

Queen's News

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Kia ora Greetings

Congratulations to the Lion King Jnr Queen's and King's High School Production. What an amazing show and the talent that was show-cased was incredible. No show can go on without exceptional work done in the background. Thank you to all of our helpers but especially Alison Morgan from Queen's who was the Director of the show. Alison was so committed that she went to Australia to watch the show and she sat in the front row to take notes! Alison has recently retired from Queen's as my personal assistant and is heading to quieter waters of Kakanui. We wish her all the best in her new home and what will be a well-deserved rest.

Also good luck to our budding Shakespeare players next week in Wellington. He Waka Kotuia is well on their way to getting ready for the National Kapa Haka Competition in Napier in July. They are busy fundraising for this event. Our winter sports teams are underway and achieving good results. Thank you to all of the support from the Mums and Dads and whanau members in helping getting the girls to where they need to be.

Don't forget that school work keeps carrying on, so please give all the support that you can to all of our students in achieving to their academic potential this year.

Thank you
Di Carter, Principal



DAWN IBBOTSON ESSAY COMPETITION SUCCESS FOR QUEEN'S

Queen's had three entries in the Dawn Ibbotson Essay Competition 'Does feminism still matter?' This was an Otago wide competition, run by the National Council of Women, Dunedin Branch, and judged by Jocelyn Harris, professor of English at the University of Otago.

Angel Loper, Shani Ayson and Raiven Todd all received commended certificates, with \$25 prize money. This competition was open to Years 11, 12 and 13, and so these awards are especially notable for Raiven and Shani who are Year 12, and Angel is Year 11 and they were competing against Year 13 students. It was wonderful to see Queen's girls winning three awards at this prestigious competition.



YEAR 12 MT COOK GEOGRAPHY TRIP

On Wednesday the 18th of May at 9 o'clock we set off. We first stopped at the Moeraki Boulders, where we learnt that one large boulder took around 4 million years to form. Then we visited the Blue Penguin colony in Oamaru where in high season up to 400 visitors can see the little fellows come in at dusk. We admired some seals lying on the rocky beach and took photos of some pillow lava; Oamaru is one of the rare places where this type of rock formation can be found. We had stops at the dams (Waitaki and Benmore) on the way to Twizel and south of Twizel we visited the High Country Salmon Farm, before arriving at Glentanner.

The next day we visited the DOC Centre where we learnt more about the natural and cultural significance of this area. The most exciting part of the day was getting into a jet boat to see the Tasman glacier and the icebergs in the Tasman lake up close. It was very educational as Shaun our guide explained the effects of climate change on the Tasman glacier. We drove back to Mount Cook Village to learn about human impacts on this area. Then we rushed to the Hermitage Hotel. We all stayed around the fire to warm ourselves while we waited for Waisea, our guide. He took us to the different rooms (can we please stay here next time!) and taught us heaps about tourism at the National Park.



The day ended with a beautiful film in the Edgar Hillary Centre and we enjoyed learning about how many of our cherished native animals actually come from Australia! Super tired we went back to Glentanner and had a fairly early night, as well as an early start the next morning so we could meet Mark from Meridian at the Ohau power station to learn about hydro dams and their impact – both positive and negative – on the environment.

After another lunch stop in Oamaru we arrived back home with lots of new knowledge and an appreciation of how beautiful our country is!

NZQA FEES DUE

It is that time of the year again, when NZQA fees are due. All senior students have now received an information letter to take home regarding these, including a financial assistance form which must be returned to the student office.

Fees must be paid by the end of Term 2. Payment can be made to the student office or by direct credit. Any fee payments made after the NZQA deadline incur a \$50 late fee.



FRESH HORIZONS WORKSHOP

In the first week of the school holidays seven of our Māori and Pasifika girls attended the Fresh Horizons three day art workshop organised by Tautai at the Dunedin School of Art – Otago Polytechnic.

There were three workshops running, Writing for Television and the Stage with Victor Rodger, supported by ex-Queen's girl Jocelyn Faalavelave, Contemporary Painting in the South Pacific workshop run by Claudia Jowitt, and Mark Making with Josh Bashford. The students each created

their own pieces of art which they presented in an exhibition to their whānau on the last day. The girls who were involved were Leanetta Cockburn and Tessi Freeman (Yr 12), Sadonia Folimatama, Victoria Tupai, Kimiora Priestley and Teremoana Munro (Yr 11), and Mereani Taana (Yr 9).

SPORTS REPORT

Extra activities have been happening in the Sports Department. Interhouse Wednesdays continue at lunchtimes and this term so far the girls have had a chance to enjoy dodgeball, basketball played with a Swiss ball and Multi-Sport. Coming up soon are Stop Ball, more elastics and limbo.

Early last week all our winter sports team captains discussed over lunch the role of a captain. They shared lots of good ideas and are ready to accept the responsibilities which go hand in hand with captaincy. An initiative of the school Sports Council was to give the girls the opportunity to learn more about nutrition and sport. We were lucky enough to have ex-Queen's student, Nicola Wood (née Shanks) address our senior sportswomen on Friday. Hopefully they will share some of their knowledge at home but we are also looking at providing an evening when such topics as sports nutrition, injuries, recovery, fitness and volunteering being presented to any students and their whanau or sports supporters. If you would be interested in attending or contributing to such an evening here at school, please get in touch (sport@queens.school.nz).

To develop their game in any sport it is beneficial to be well informed of the rules. Many of our girls have to referee or umpire which takes both confidence and skill. To assist them, this week our basketballers have all had a lunchtime session with Melony Wealleans, the Basketball NZ Referees Manager. On Tuesday evening the Senior A & B, as well as 10A netball players spent time with Gracie from Dunedin Netball. She took them through the Game in Action umpiring course which is compulsory for any teams playing in the Premier grade but very useful for other players who find themselves with umpiring duties on Saturdays. It was great to see other Year 10 players take the initiative and come along too.



On Wednesday 18th May Queen's had three teams in the Caversham interschool relay competition. Special congratulations go out to our Senior Team of Molly Stephenson, Ella Scott, Judah Kelly & Hayley Kettings who narrowly missed second place in a class, competitive age group. Well done also to our eight Year 9 & 10 runners. The last event on their calendar is the Otago Secondary School Championship Cross Country to be held at Kaikorai Valley College on June 2nd.

Please remember our fundraising efforts. Paper towels: a pack of 12 rolls for just \$15 and tickets to the Andrew Newton (hypnotist) show on June 16th. These tickets are \$22 but the girls get \$5

GYMSPORTS AEROBICS

Girls competed in Cromwell in the first Gymsports aerobics qualifying competition. To attend nationals in September, the competitors have to qualify in at least 2 events. Abby McMullan (Year 9) achieved 1st place in Aeroskools Level 4 Individual and 1st in Aeroskools level 4 team 12-14 years. Leah Anderson (Year 12) was placed 3rd in Aeroskools Level 4 15+ and Lucy Elliott (Year 12) was placed 5th in Open level 4 15+. Abby, Leah and Lucy all achieved the first qualifying mark.

Riley Haugh (Year 12) coaches Aerobics at Dunedin Gymnastics Academy. Her athletes achieved two 1st places and one 6th place and also achieved the qualifying mark. Girls from primary, intermediate and other secondary schools, who train at Queen's as part of the Queen's Aerobics Community Coaching Programme, also performed well, achieving eight 1st places, and four 2nd places. The next event is in June.



Art Fundraiser

Curated By...

'He Waka Kōtuia'

(The King's and Queen's High School's Kapa Haka Group)

- Featured Artists -

Simon Kaan - Tracey Tauhiao
 Aroha Novak - Andy McCreedy - Mike Watt
 James Bellaney - Danny Brisbane - Harley Jones
 Ewan McDougall - Flynn Morris-Clarke - Ewan Duff
 Jennifer Duff - Davon Anna Smith - Blair Kennedy
 Andrea McSweeney - Sarah Sharma - Robin Sharma
 Amber Bridgeman - Deon Owen - Jacob Yikes - Ryan
 Mok 'Ikarus' Tam - Bezi Schreider - Ekos Arts - Olli 'Haunt One'
 Si 'Cracked Ink' Omer - Kiri Hiha - Tupa Papaki - Nicolas Leitner
 Mason Stephens - Shaun Funnell - Gemma Rae Dudson
 Elias Tyro - Jack Pillans - Aja Maedonald - Maia Maedonald
 Kirsten Parkinson - Smeagol Does Art - Sam Tihoi Jackson
 Earl Tutty - Andy Langford - Saskia Nickless - Ben Orton
 Nathan Corbett - Tim Armstrong - Heramaahina Eketone
 Mike Tuwaddle - Kheang Ou - Anna Ward
 Katherine Van Beek - Guy Howard-Smith
 Kate Dempsey - Jonathan Waters
 and Many More!

- Art Exhibition & Auction Details -

6pm, Friday the 17th of June, 2016

King's & Queen's Performing Arts Centre
 270 Bayview Rd, St Clair, Dunedin

Tickets \$5 Per Person from the King's Office & Door Sales!

NGAI TAHU TUITION OPPORTUNITY

Ngai Tahu iwi has nominated NumberWorks n' Words as an accredited provider of Maths and English tuition for children who are registered. These children are entitled to apply for a grant which provides one term of tuition, valued at \$450, per year.

Forms can be downloaded from the Ngai Tahu website, or can be requested from the school office, or by contacting Pauline at NumberWorks n' Words, Dunedin, or phone 474 1104.

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IMPORTANT DATES



- May 30** Young Leaders Day
- Jun 1 - 3** Yr 12 PE/OE Tramp/Camp Waiora
- Jun 2** Careers Expo
- Jun 2** Otago Cross Country
- Jun 2 - 6** Sheilah Winn Trip - Wellington
- Jun 8** 12BIO Fieldtrip Portobello
- Jun 9** 13BIO Fieldtrip
- Jun 11-12** Aerobics GSNZ Qualifier
- Jun 11-12** Chamber Music Competition

Individual Ticket \$15
Family Ticket \$50
 (2 Adults + 3 Children)

Jack Frost On Ice



FRIDAY 22 JULY 2016
2 SHOWS: 2PM & 4PM
Dunedin Ice Stadium

IS YOUR CHILD ACTIVE IN THE CLASSROOM?

Queen's High is contracted by the Ministry to conduct a research project based around Active Education. This project is a continuation of the Sport in Education approach to learning. The aim of the programme is to provide the students with more activity in the classroom to help motivate, engage and maintain their focus.



Teachers are changing their approach to how they teach some tasks in their classrooms – by making the tasks more active for the students. Teachers also use energiser and brain gym activities to 'break up' long periods of sitting. These photos show 9 Spence working on their Korowai (cloak) for their health class. This will reflect their home,

school and personal values. 9 Tregidga are completing their picture dictation timeline for their Our Place Humanities unit.

