

# Queen's News

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Kia koutou

Today we announced our Queen's Charitable Trust Year 9 Scholarship recipients. These scholarships are awarded to Year 9 students who have demonstrated excellent classroom participation and contribution, with special achievement in their selected area. They exhibit a positive and supportive attitude towards other students and staff as well as having been involved in a number of co-curricular activities. My congratulations to the six recipients who are shown below.

The team from The Education Review Office have finished their visit with us. They spoke with many students and were delighted with how engaging these students were in their conversations with them. A draft report is provided to the Board of Trustees within 20 working days and once this has been accepted the report will be available online to everyone.

Congratulations to all students, staff and ex-students who were involved in the musical, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. It was a fantastic showcase of talent. I would also like to take this opportunity to publicly thank ex-girl, Lydia Bernard, who produced the show; she did an amazing job!

Each student has been sent their mid-year report this week. I ask you to take the time to read through this report with your daughter. Some possible questions to discuss with her are:

- What has gone well over the first half of the year?
- What will you do to keep challenging yourself?
- Have you given your best and worked hard in each class?
- Do you need to make any changes next term for you to get the best results you can?

The next parent teacher interview night is on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> August where you have the opportunity to meet with your daughter's individual teachers. Information on booking interview times are included with the report.

Have a safe and happy holiday break.

Barbara Agnew  
Principal



## YEAR 9 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Queen's Charitable Trust Year 9 Scholarships – presented in recognition of the positive contributions made to this school by students in their first six months at Queen's.

Daisy Kitto-Thomas – All Round, Jade Kinnane – All Round, Holly Cook – Academic, Jodie Hyatt – Sporting, Amberly Orr – Service, Tiara Nafatali – Cultural.



## Open Night

Wednesday  
2nd August  
6.30pm  
School Hall  
Surrey Street entrance

196 Surrey St, St Clair, Dunedin  
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## JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT

Congratulations to the cast and crew from Queen's and King's High Schools on their wonderful performance. A highly polished, professional show, enjoyed by all.



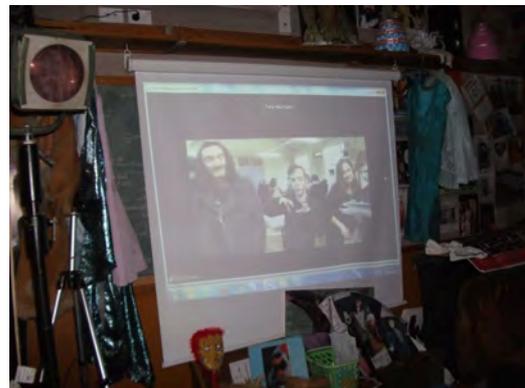
## SPELLING BEE

Today we held our inaugural Junior Spelling Bee competition. All Year 9 students have had word lists since earlier in the year, and have been practising their spelling and being tested in English classes. In recent days, students have been tested again to see their progress. The first winner of the **Most Improved Year 9 Speller** award is Shuzen Wu and she will receive a cup at the end of year Prizegiving. 11 students also took part in the NZ Spelling Bee competition, and we are delighted that Lily Sudol-Ware is one of the top 200 spellers for Year 9 or 10 students in New Zealand. She will be competing at the regional finals here in Dunedin on 1st August.

Today 12 wonderful young women took part in the Spelling Bee, in which they went head to head to spell words as they stood in front of an audience of their peers. Well done to all contestants, and congratulations to our place getters:  
1st - Lily Sudol-Ware  
2nd - Amberly Orr  
3rd - Holly Cook & Lily Reid



## DRAMA VIA VIDEO LINK



Here are Year 12 Drama students doing a video link-up with the Fortune Theatre so our girls can watch actors rehearsing Twelfth Night and engage in actual conversation with them. This technology is a first for the Fortune Theatre and Ms MacTavish.



## BCITO BIG CONSTRUCTION TOUR

Some Year 12 and 13 students spent a wonderfully sunny day travelling around the city and Mosgiel visiting a number of sites and facilities that were showcasing the fantastic career opportunities available in the building industry and allied fields. Students were able to engage in hands-on activities in a range of settings from a joinery factory, to painting and wall-papering and bricklaying. We also investigated carpentry and tiling. Women are highly sought after in many of these fields, and we were spoken to by young people who had travelled the world, easily obtaining well paid employment wherever they went, based on their trade qualifications. Any girls who did not take this opportunity, but would like to know more or perhaps spend some time in a workplace, should see their Mentor teacher or Ms Signal to find out more and make arrangements to visit workplaces of interest.



## DUNEDIN SHADOW TECH DAY

This programme was organised by NZ Tech, in conjunction with the Otago Polytechnic, and it provided an opportunity for female students in Years 9 -11 to shadow a technology professional for a day to gain first-hand experience of what a career using technology would be like. Students were matched in pairs or small groups with a female Mentor working in Dunedin's technology sector, and they spent most of the day with the Mentor in their workplace. The aim was for students to gain an understanding of what careers in the Technology sector would be like, and to encourage them to take pathways that lead into Tech. Sector roles. A group of 10 students were hosted in the following workplaces: Innov8HQ, Dimension Data, PGG Wrightson, AD Instruments, Runaway Play, Interger, Hive Dunedin and the Otago Polytech. All students found the experience interesting and have gained insights into pursuing a career in this fascinating and developing sector. Check out the video on the Queen's High Facebook page, to see more about the day.



**RYPEN CAMP 2017**

Twenty three junior students attended the RYPEN Junior Leadership camp in Waiholo. This camp is organised and funded by the St Kilda Rotary Club. It involves the selected Year 9 and 10 students participating in a variety of initiatives and activities over the weekend, with the aim of developing their confidence around group work and leadership.



## INTERNATIONAL NETBALL GAME



Our Senior A Netball team played Seaford College from Sussex (UK) on Thursday 6 July. This was a great experience for the team who won the game 48-16. Player of the day – chosen by the Seaford Team was Aimee Bryan. She had a strong and accurate first half, as goal attack and limited the oppositions scoring, as goal defence, in the second half.



Thanks to ex-student Carina McLay who umpired the game.



## HOUSE NEWS

**Interhouse Marching** was a novel new event to challenge team work and enthusiasm amongst the members of our four houses. Both **RAE** and **PICKERING** had obviously practised some routines while **BALLARD** and **DAWSON** produced the biggest number of participants on the day. Mrs Finnie received an award for her marching with Ballard. Amberly Orr, who is becoming renowned for her rapping ability, led **RAE**'s final movement with a rap but **PICKERING** took out the honours as most accomplished marchers. Not only did they show good timing, team work and a degree of difficulty but they also looked great in their orange and white polka dot bow ties.

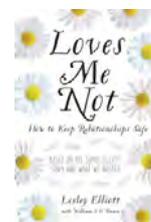


### House Charities:

This week **PICKERING** members delivered boxes of books, toiletries, pens and notebooks, specifically for teenagers, to **Women's Refuge**. Louise and Lara were made very welcome and both came away from Te Whare Poumanu wanting to do more for their house's chosen charity. Anyone who missed Monday's deadline for getting their donations to school are urged to still bring them as they will go again with more contributions next term.



On Wednesday some of the **BALLARD** students met with Lesley Elliott, the founder of the **Sophie Elliott Foundation** (their chosen charity). All Year 12's took part in the *Loves Me Not* workshop day, to raise their awareness of the difference between a healthy and an unhealthy relationship and how to keep safe in a relationship. Huge thanks to Lesley and the Police education team for their energy and passion, towards our young women and for a great day. Ballard is holding a **BBQ at Mitre 10 on Sunday 24 September** to raise funds for this foundation.



## PARENT—TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Thursday 10 August - 3 - 7 pm

### ONLINE BOOKINGS

The online booking page for Year 9-13 parent-teacher interviews will go live Friday 7th July and will close at 12noon on Wednesday 9th August. Interview are 5 minutes each. Go to <http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/home> Key in the School Code **afw7a**



## IMPORTANT DATES

- 24th July** Term 3 starts
- 27th July** Australian Maths Competition
- 29th July** NZ Secondary School Championships
- 2nd Aug** Open Evening—school finishes 2.30pm
- 4th Aug** Otago Polytech Liaison meetings
- 6th Aug** Aerobics Southland Championships
- 7th Aug** Southern Youth Jam
- 10th Aug** Book Lovers Week
- 10th Aug** Parent-Teacher Interviews 3-7 pm