



Queen's News

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We are nearing the end of the first term and classroom programmes and school activities have been the focus for the girls and the staff. I have been impressed with the variety of sporting, cultural and academic pursuits in which the girls have been involved. These have included French and German camps, geography field trips, outdoor education scuba diving and surfing experiences, Year 9 Team Building Day, class-based drama productions, the National Bank Mathematics Competition, the South Island Athletics Championships, the Maadi Cup National Rowing Regatta and the Pacific Island Culture Group and Jazz Band performances.

Certainly there are plenty of opportunities for students to get involved and we applaud their energy and enthusiasm. We expect them all to exhibit the required effort and commitment that will allow them to engage fully with their teachers, coaches and classmates in these extra endeavours.

Queen's provides a secure environment that thrives on challenge, cooperation and participation. The school's strength is linked to the community that is prepared to support it and thus we must work together to enhance our girls' learning potential. We greatly value your input into school life and your support of our girls' education.

Julie K. Anderson
Principal

CONGRATULATIONS

Olivia Robb and Leigh Olsen attended the "Paddles Up" kayaking competition in the weekend. Leigh Olsen gained 3rd place while Olivia was placed 2nd. Well done girls!



UNDER 17 NZ YOUTH SOCCER

Elise Mamanu-Gray, Year 10, has been selected for the NZ under-17 Soccer Youth World Cup Development Squad for 2007. Congratulations, Elise.

Amy Douglas - Head Girl 2005

Congratulations to Amy who was awarded one of the two Alumni Scholarships for the University of Otago. Amy now has her fees paid for one year.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS – 2005

Congratulations to Hannah Melville who was awarded Scholarship in mathematics with statistics and biology, and to Amy Douglas, awarded Scholarship in English.



Queen's High School Board of Trustees

Annual Meeting, 27 April 2006

Queen's High School staff room, at 5.30pm. Everybody welcome.

Queen's High School Health Committee

This committee is in its fourth year of operation. It is made up of a very committed group of students representing each year level, and staff and parent representation.

The group meets twice a term to discuss issues and structures that relate to a wide variety of health aspects within the school life. They make recommendations to the Board of Trustees and bring to the attention of the school and community, health related issues. Our latest event was to develop student awareness of the importance of drinking water by celebrating National Drink Water Week. Our next focus will be an application for a Heart Foundation Health Heart Beat Gold Award.

We welcome suggestions and support from every corner of our community. If you would like to be involved, please contact Eleanor Stacey, our Year 13 Health Committee leader, or Mrs Colleen Lyons at school.

Drink Water Week

To celebrate and highlight Drink Water Week Queen's prefects invited King's prefects to a water competition at lunchtime. Water obstacles were included in the challenge and the winning team was the Queen's prefects!!



EOTC DAY

The EOTC day was a great success with Year 9 students going to different places around Dunedin to participate in a range of different activities such as Sherpa walk and Minefield. At the end of the day each class had to do a performance, singing, acting or dancing. The aim of this day was to build better friendships among classmates and get a better understanding of the people in our classes. Here are a few people's reactions to the day.

Imogen Boereboom 9 Webb. "It was a lovely day for the team building to happen. We did a range of activities that made us think hard. We all co-operated to complete the tasks. My favourite activity was the performance at the end of the day. Overall it was a great day and I thoroughly enjoyed it."

Ashtonne Scott 9 Browne. "It was a very fun day and getting to wear mufti was cool. My favourite activity was the electric fence."

Annabel Greig 9 Webb. "It was a very fun day. Overall I thought it was a great success."

By Annabel Greig and Lisa Young



Statutory Minimum Wages

Recently a number of students have called at the careers office to check the minimum pay rate applicable to their circumstances. As of March 21 2005, the following rates have applied. These are, of course, before tax figures.

Youth Rate (16-17 years)	Adult Rate (18 year plus)
\$ 7.60 per hour	\$ 9.50 per hour
\$ 60.80 per 8 hour day	\$76.00 per 8 hour day
\$304.00 per 40 hour week	\$380.00 per 40 hour week



Queen's Rowing Results from the Maadi Cup Regatta held recently.

Hilary Knox – Girls' U18 Single Scull, 3rd in B final, 8th fastest time overall and winner of top 10 badge. Hilary was named in the Dunedin Winter Training Squad as a result of her overall performance during the season.

Hilary Knox and Nicole McGregor – Girls' U18 coxless double sculls, 5th in B final.

Laura Simpson and Lauren Jordan – Girls' U17 coxless double sculls, raced in the semi-final.

Other rowers: Paige Parslow-Boyd, Nicole Jordan, Sam Scott, Kassidy Wytenberg and our cox, Rachel Batchelor.

Everyone enjoyed a magnificent week of rowing at Lake Ruataniwha.

Avon Cosmetics

Earn extra cash, receive 24% discount on your own orders. Sell Avon while the children are at school. Avon is flexible and free to join. Avon will support the school with the donation of product to be used as a fundraiser. **Phone Julie 489-0656**

Important Dates Term 1 and Term 2

Please note the important dates

April 12	School finishes for all students
April 13	Teachers' only day
Term 2	
May 1	Term 2 begins – all students
May 4	Junior Report Evening 4-7pm
May 4 or 5	Stage Challenge
May 6-7	Rock-Quest Heats
May 9	Tertiary Open Day – all Year 13 students
May 10	Year 10 at Youth Expo Senior Report Evening 4-7pm
May 13-14	Rock-Quest Finals
May 15-17	Senior drama production – public performances
May 18	Year 10 parents- Designing Careers evening 7pm
May 23	Mufti Day
May 24	Careers Expo-Year 10
May 29 –	
June 2	Senior practical exams - <u>NO</u> exam leave
June 2	Manu Korero Speech Competition
June 5	Queen's Birthday – long weekend
June 8	Southland Girls' interchange
June 9	Chamber Music Competition

YEAR 12 GEOGRAPHY AND TOURISM FIELD TRIP

Year 12 Geography and Tourism students enjoying their field study work at Mt Cook earlier this term.



Queen's High School Results for the Otago Secondary School Athletics Championship

This event was held in glorious sunshine at the Caledonian Ground in Dunedin on Saturday 11 March. Our athletics team was pleased to welcome a good number of Year 9 students. It was a pleasure to see our students performing well and supporting each other. Athletes to gain top 8 places in their event were:- Shinay Archer, Philippa Mackay, Sophie Robb, Courtney Gray, Hannah Carey, Romana Salis, Elise Mamanu-Gray, Susanna Greaves, Nicole Bradley.

Otago-Southland Secondary School Athletics Championships

This event was held in Dunedin on March 17 and 18. Queen's was well represented by a group of talented and enthusiastic athletes. We were delighted with the performance of all our athletes. The following athletes were placed in the top five of their event and therefore qualified to compete at the South Island Secondary School Athletics Championships held in Christchurch. Shinay Archer, Susanna Greaves, Nicole Bradley, Philippa Mackay, Sophie Robb, Elise Mamanu-Gray, Romana Salis, Lauren Wilson.

South Island Secondary School Athletics Championships

Seven of these athletes travelled to Christchurch for the South Island Secondary School Championships. A number of students achieved personal bests which is a goal of all our athletes. In addition to this, notable performances came from:

Nicole Bradley

4th U14 Discus

2nd U15 Hammer

Philippa Mackay

2nd open pole vault (new Otago record)

4th senior hammer

Romana Salis

2nd senior 3000m

5th senior 1500m

All of this squad plus Olivia Robb (who is currently injured) will be eligible to attend the New Zealand Secondary School Athletics Championships in December.

Queen's and King's Pacific Island Group

Our Pacific Islands cultural group performed a wonderful routine of Pacific Island dances at the Luau held recently on the St Clair Esplanade.



!!!!Wanted!!!! Winter Sports Coaches

If there are any parents, caregivers, friends or relatives who would be interested in helping out any Queen's winter sports teams we would love to hear from you.

We have basketball, netball, soccer, badminton, ice hockey, rugby and squash. All of these sports require coaches and managers and if we do not get the support then sometimes the students miss out if we do not have the supervision for every team.

We are also looking for a coach for our B Soccer team for terms 2 and 3. Is anyone keen on taking one coaching session a week and to attend the weekly game on Sunday at 10 am? No experience is necessary. If you know the game and are very enthusiastic to help the students improve their game please phone me.

Any coaching, refereeing, injury prevention and management courses that are run by organisations will be offered to you free.

If you are willing to support sports at Queen's please phone
Anita Van den Beld (Sports Co-ordinator) on 455 7212 ext 821