

Queen Elizabeth College



Panui to Parents, Caregivers & Friends of the School

May 2019

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents and caregivers

Kia Ora and welcome back to term two which is a very busy term for all students especially those that are involved in sports and cultural activities. As it is the end of the month, we share our news with the community and we also grade the students on "their attitude to learning". These grades are available on the Edge App. Instructions on how to download the App are on our new website under the heading "Links". I would encourage everybody to get the App. You can access the school notices, keep a track of your child's attendance and track their progress in class through the monthly teacher grades.

Last term we farewelled Mr Matthew Schmidt as the year 9 homeroom teacher and welcomed Mrs Kiri Latu to our staff as his replacement. Mr Schmidt has continued in the school as our senior basketball coach. We are very pleased to see the QEC "Royals" back in the premier secondary school basketball grade this year. Mrs Lucy Jackson also left us after nearly 10 years in the office. We thank her for her service and interactions with our community.

We have opened a "Student Centre" at the front of the school. You will see a large new sign on our front block. If you or your child need to drop off things or arrive late to school etc, please use the Student Centre office. The main office is to be used for formal meetings with senior staff, new business or enrolments and financial payments. The Student Centre is designed to be less formal and an easy drop in point for the community.

As mentioned earlier we have a new website and all documents on that site have been revamped. We are still in the process of minor refinement. However, your feedback would be appreciated.

The staff have asked that I remind parents and caregivers that all issues such as student illness etc should be handled through the Student Centre. We do not want parents arriving to pick students up when we have no idea the student is unwell. We have good systems at the College and trained staff to respond to illness. Please send your child to the Student Centre if they contact you directly. We can often deal with these situations without the families being disturbed in their daily routines. We are also noticing that parents are ringing and texting students in class time. This is disruptive and inappropriate. Please only ring and text in an emergency. Class time communication is not allowed in the school and can lead to your child being in trouble with staff.

Some students are very busy with winter sports and cultural commitments, which are all happening at the same time. Please support your child in getting good rest and recovery where possible. School work still needs to happen and we expect all students to have some kind of homework to complete.

We are looking forward to the Pacifika and Kapa Haka Roopu standing at the end of term in their respective competitions. They are all working very hard towards these goals and I thank the wider community for their support.

A quick reminder that the school is open but there will be no timetabled lessons on Wednesday 29 May (PPTA strike) and Tuesday June 4th (Teacher Only day). Students can come to school on those days and be supervised in the library by non-teaching staff.

Lastly, we are running the School Cross Country Championships on Friday 31st May from 2pm.

Keep an eye on the Face Book forum for more details.

Board of Trustees Results



SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

**Make a difference
Ki te whakapiki**

At the close of nominations the number of valid nominations was equal to the vacancies required. I hereby declare the following duly elected:

Parent Election results:

Shane King
Vicki Fuldseth
Marama Plumbridge
Keisha Roache
Stefan Speller

Staff Election results:

John de Burgh

Lesley Fail
Returning Officer

School Jumper SALE!!

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Keep warm this winter !!
The jumpers were \$90 and are now \$50 - for a short time only. Limited stock - selling fast.

Email Shaldene on: spinto@qec.school.nz or call her in the office to organise payment and pick up. Cash sales only unless your account is in credit.

Visit to Higgins

Ten senior students spent the day looking around the Higgins Site and experiencing what the industry has to offer. They had hands on experience driving a roller and digger. A big thank you to Higgins.



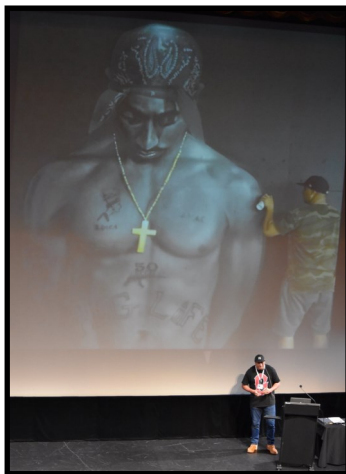
PPTA Strike Notice:

Wednesday 29th May the school will not be running classes. However, students that do come to school will be supervised in the library.

Teachers Only Day:

Tuesday 4th June the school will not be running classes. However, students that do come to school will be supervised in the library.

Art Trip



The conference was designed by Manawatu Teachers (including Mrs Jacob) and headed by Lisa Purda as an opportunity for students to access, discover and engage with successful artists who are working within the wider creative industry. It is our aim to inspire students to consider their own creative futures and what pathway they might take to achieve their creative career goals.

Pink Shirt Day

Speak UP
**STAND TOGETHER
STOP BULLYING**
KŌRERO HĀI, KŌRERO ATU, MAURITŌ, MAURI ORA





Proud to deliver

**THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S
INTERNATIONAL AWARD**



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🔒 Closed group

Rotary Presentation

As a part of the growing relationship between the Terrace End Rotary Club and QEC two Duke of Edinburgh participants attended a Rotary Meeting in early May to thank the Club for its continued support of the programme at QEC and to share their experiences. Sophie and Jamie's presentation was warmly received well by the Rotarians who were most interested in the experiences shared.



THE ADVENTUROUS JOURNEY

During the first week of the April holidays seven Duke of Edinburgh participants completed their training and practice for their Adventurous Journey. The four days included tramping, survival, first aid, cooking, building shelters.....



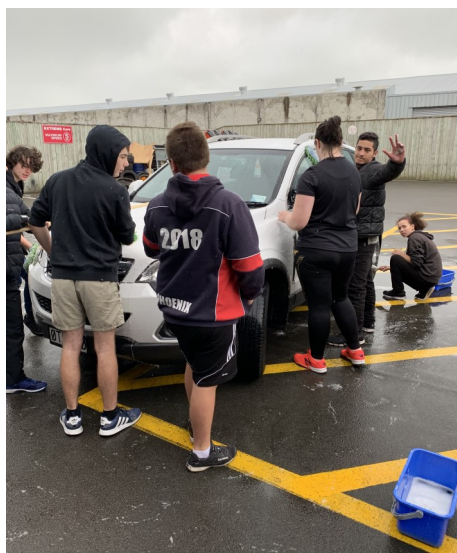
The weather was perfect and our students represented QEC proudly.

There will be further in the July holidays to complete their Adventurous Journey training.



Carwash

Participants are assisting to raise funds to assist with the ongoing costs of the Duke of Edinburgh programme at school. A bunch of keen students participated with the carwash on 18 May. Fun, team work and great spirit was shown throughout the morning.



Queen Elizabeth College thanks the Rotary Club of Terrace End for its ongoing support of our Duke of Edinburgh participants. With funding provided by the Rotary Club, participants have their registration fees and outdoor experiences funded.

Year 11 student, Jamie Gilbert, was selected to attend the RYPEN 2019 weekend held in Stratford, Taranaki, in early May. RYPEN is aimed at young people in the 15 –17 age group who are still at school and possess qualities of decency, persistence and application and who deserve further encouragement. The participants at the camp were presented with a series of ideas, challenges and social experiences, which will hopefully assist them in broadening their horizons socially, culturally and physically.



2019 participants from all over the lower North Island are pictured (left) with Jamie in the bottom right corner. Picture right: High ropes activity with Jamie supporting his team (centre bottom).



Kapa Haka Update

"FINALLY, WE HAVE A KAPA TEAM"
"Moea tō poi, moea tō rākau"



Finally, after ten years we have a kapa haka team which will compete at the next regional competition at the Regent Theatre on Monday the 24th June. We are fortunate to have Turehu Simon and Anaru Mokai, who are very experienced tutors in the world of kapa haka and taking our students to another level.

We have 26 students putting in long hours to perfect each item and they are excited about the journey to the Pae Taiohi regionals. We have had many Kapa Haka Noho over the last two terms to enhance our skills and ability with a high level of expectations from our tutors. Our ultimate goal is to make the top two placings at regionals to go through to the Nationals next year, 2020.

Our Kapa Motto
 Work Hard
 Train Harder
 Haka Hardest

Nā Allannah Whanau
 Prefect (Maori)

**QEC KAPAHAKA NOHO
 SCHEDULE**
 Date/Month Description



DATE	DESCRIPTION
MAY	
25th - 26th	Noho - Te Mātui (GYM 2) Fri- 6pm - Sun- 2pm
JUNE	
7th	Manu Kōrero (HPC)
7th - 9th	Noho - Te Mātui (GYM 2) Fri-6pm - Sun- 2pm
14th - 16th	Te Mātui (GYM 2) Fri-6pm - Sun- 2pm
21st - 24th	Noho - Te Mātui (GYM 2) Fri 6.30pm - Mon
24th	Pae Taiohi Regionals (Regent Theatre)

From the Sports Hub

Rugby



During the school holidays, Ocean represented New Zealand in Brisbane for the World Oceania event. Her biggest event was the full marathon in a time of 1hr 40mins. She also did a relay coming in 3rd place! Well done, Ocean! We are so proud of you!



Netball

Ripper Rugby Winners



Volleyball Runners Up



Basketball



U19 BOYS

LAQUAHN MATAKATEA
JAKE MCKINLAY
TRE WIHONGI
FRASER SCOTT
JOHNSON MENDOZA-BELL
CHRIS LYONS
RYAN CUTLER
ANDREW HEARN
KOPERE TANOA
CRAIG PARKINSON
EHAU HAPUKU TE NAHU
TAANEPOTIKI ROYAL-MORRIS

HEAD COACH: MATT TE HUNA
ASSIST COACH: JORDAN HAMLIN

BASKETBALL MANAWATU
ALL ENQUIRIES TO
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Congratulations,
Craig

Who is selected
for the BM U19
Boys team for
2019.

Craig will be playing
in the National
Tournament next
weekend in
Dunedin.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE 2019

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
27 MAY	28	29 Teacher's Strike	30	31 Cross Country Whole School	1 JUN	2
SAS Bush Craft						
3 Queen's Birthday	4	5	6	7 Ngā Manu Kōrero Regionals	8	9
10 Matariki	11	12	13	14 New BOT	15	16
17	18	19 Pasifika Fiafia Dress Rehearsal	20	21 PPTA Strike Day	22	23
24 Pae Taiohi - Kapa Haka regionals	25 WCC Sports Exchange BOT Meeting	26	27	28	29	30



TEXT IN ABSENCES

Absences can be texted in using the number **(027) 813 8482**. Please text <student name> followed by <reason> end with <your name> by 8.30am.

Breakfast Club

Who For: Everyone welcome
Where: Te Matui
Days: Mondays to Friday
Time: From 8 am