

Principal

Queen Margaret College, Wellington



“Under our gracious old building the foundations which you do not see are there, solid and sound as ever. We build on the achievements of the past but we do not rest on them.”

Nancy Black, Head 1966-1977

Queen Margaret College is Wellington’s leading, independent girls’ school, providing education for students from Year 1 to 13 with a co-educational Pre-School. The only girls’ school in the lower North Island offering students a dual qualification pathway of either the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma or NCEA, QMC provides a curriculum continuum of the three IB programmes across the Junior, Middle and Senior School.

The College has a holistic philosophy and provides a curriculum guided by a clear vision focused on promoting passionate learners, resilient women and future leaders within an inclusive Christian environment. QMC is well known for its warm, inclusive culture and outstanding academic results and offers students a variety of sporting, cultural and leadership opportunities. QMC will offer onsite student accommodation from 2018 for Year 9 -13 in a new purpose-built boarding house.

The inner-city location and diversity of its students offer a perspective and environment that is culturally rich and global in orientation. QMC balances its rich history with a future focus ensuring that students are equipped for today’s global and digital world whilst not losing sight of the traditions that have contributed to the School’s success and special character.

The QMC Board seeks an accomplished educationalist with the following attributes:

- A visionary educational leader with a passion for modern learning and girls’ education and the ability to connect with all members of the QMC community.
- Warmth, mana, credibility, presence and profile to lead Queen Margaret College and attract and inspire staff, teachers and students.
- Previous experience in International Baccalaureate would be advantageous but more necessary is an appreciation of the importance of the IB framework and successfully managing the dual pathways to provide options for students.
- An affinity with the special character and progressive spirit of Queen Margaret College and the ability to harness the love of history and tradition with modern teaching and future focus.
- Strategic ability to position the College for the future and execution skills to successfully deliver.
- An articulate and persuasive communicator and advocate with sophisticated understanding of the internal and external relationships which are important to the School and its community.
- A sound understanding and empathy with New Zealand values, cultural diversity and unique history of biculturalism.
- Strong leadership, operational and financial management skills are essential and previous experience in a school with boarding facilities would be advantageous.

Applications for this role close on **Monday, 3 April 2017**.

Enquiries can be made to Barbara Taylor at enquiriesnz@caldwellpartners.com. All applications will be acknowledged by email. All responses to Caldwell Partners are **confidential**.



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