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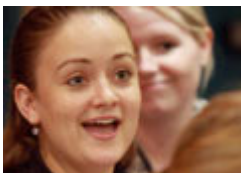
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Welcome to the first issue for 2012 of *QCT eNews*, the electronic newsletter for Queensland registered teachers.

The Board and staff of the QCT wish all Queensland-registered teachers a year full of wonderful teaching and learning.

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QCT professional engagement sessions for 2012

During Term 2, the QCT will visit major centres in Queensland conducting workshops and information sessions about teacher registration requirements. Workshops for provisionally registered teachers focus on using professional standards in progressing to full registration, while the sessions for fully registered teachers highlight information about the CPD Framework, renewal of registration and reflective practice. This year's sessions will also include information about the national standards and other changes which will apply from 2013. A full schedule of dates and an opportunity to register for these events will be available on the QCT website in early March.



QCT Teacher Research Grants – applications for 2012 now open

The QCT provides a small number of research grants annually to practising teachers to assist them to present their research at key Australian education conferences. This initiative is part of the QCT's program of activities to promote teaching as a profession.

Queensland-registered teachers who have undertaken research related to their teaching practice or that of their colleagues are invited to apply for a grant to enable them to present their findings in a suitable national or state forum. The grant provides financial assistance to cover conference registration fees and travel and accommodation associated with conference attendance.

Applications must be on [the form](#) provided by the QCT and must be submitted to the QCT Office by 30 April. Please see the [Guidelines for Applicants](#).



QCT Strategic Plan 2012 - 2015

The [Strategic Plan](#) for the next four years states the QCT's Vision, Purpose and Values and sets out its objectives in five key areas.



QCT Board reconstituted

The Board is the governing body of the QCT. Members of the Board for the three-year term 2012 - 2014 were announced in December. The 17 Board members are nominated or elected by a range of education stakeholder groups and are appointed by the Governor in Council. The [reconstituted Board](#) includes a mix of new and returning members.



The Music Teachers' Project

This is a new online community especially for first-year music teachers. Share stories about your music teaching experiences - positive, negative and everything in between. It is a dynamic and exciting place, where you can explore who you are as a teacher, ask questions and support one another through this first crucial year.

The website is part of a broader study into the development of music teachers' professional identities and the impact of this on their

success as teachers. Participating will not only assist you, it will also help to make the transition from university to teaching more successful for future graduates.

For further information contact Claire Petherick c.petherick1@uq.edu.au, or register at www.musicteachersproject.net



QELi's Future Leaders Program

Starts 3 April 2012.

QELi is the Queensland Education Leadership Institute. QELi's [Future Leaders program](#) is for proficient teachers with 5+ years' experience starting to think about moving into a formal leadership position. The program builds confidence through practical advice, skills and support - to enable teachers to become highly effective and influential leaders in their school. [Click here](#) for more information and to access the registration form. REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 12 MARCH. [QELi's full e-newsletter](#) detailing upcoming programs is available [here](#).



BETA conferences

The Beginning and Establishing Teachers' Association (BETA) is hosting the [Building Blocks to Success in 1st Year](#) Conference on **Saturday 17 March 2012** at Jupiters Hotel and Casino, Townsville. The program features practising teachers offering practical strategies to complement school and district induction programs. The draft program is now available.

Also coming up is BETA's [Spirit of Learning Conference](#) to be held at the **Hilton Hotel, Brisbane, 5 May - 6 May 2012**. The program provides delegates with relevant and timely professional development to complement school induction programs.



QSA's 2012 conference

[Shaping teaching and learning: The assessment factor](#) will be held on **26 - 27 April 2012** at the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre. In the two-day conference program, the Kindergarten Forum and the Leadership in Education Forum will be held on day one, with both days offering a broad range of events aimed at Kindergarten to Year 12 educators.




Inside Teaching

We regret to advise that due to financial constraints, *Inside Teaching*, the national journal of the Australasian Teacher Regulatory Authorities, has ceased publication. The June 2011 issue was the last. All issues of the magazine that were produced during its short lifetime (2010- 2011) are still accessible via the periodical publications page of the QCT website: www.qct.edu.au/Publications/PeriodicalPub.html.

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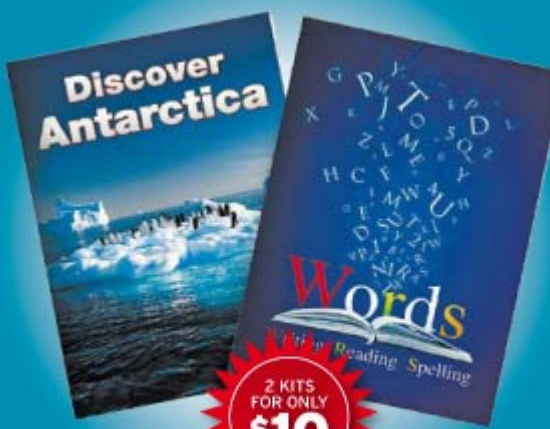


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