



Dunedin NZCFS Newsletter May 2018

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Recently

LANGUAGE CLASSES underway



10 students, each with a conversation helper, and led by laoshi Annie Zong, have begun their eight week language course.



Interested in future courses run by Dunedin NZCFS: contact coordinator Karen Tang lifeng01@163.com



FROM NATIONAL EXECUTIVE Extracts from April National Newsletter

Teacher(s) needed for Shandan Baillie School

Help, we need this to be broadcast widely!
The search for a teacher for SBS has become urgent. Michelle Siloata has been a wonderful representative for NZCFS for two years, and we certainly wish to continue our presence here. The job could suit somebody in early retirement years, 65-70, and options for a couple are available, and starts late August/early September.. Salary is now at 4,500 rmb per month, with free accommodation, and return airfare for a one year placement. A further 2000 rmb is payable for Spring Festival holiday travel. The new college will open later this year or early next year. Be the first New Zealander to hold a position at the new Baillie International Vocational College! *More details available [Here](#)*

He Mingqing Scholar

I met our new HMQ scholar in Xi'an recently in the Office of the Shaanxi Red Phoenix Volunteers which provide support for female students in poverty. Click on the heading to read the report by National President *Dave Bromwich*

Dunedin members Viv and Colin Child will be visiting the He Mingqing (Kathleen Hall) museum display in Baoding this June.



DUNEDIN MLAS

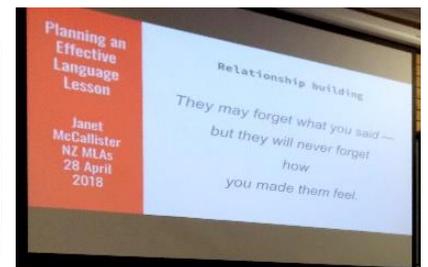
Mandarin Language Assistants enjoyed training and tourist opportunities in the recent school holidays:

I'm Anne (my Chinese name is Zuo Nana). I have a really great holiday in North Island and a wonderful training in Victoria University of Wellington. I have learnt lots of useful language teaching skills from the professors in Victoria University of Wellington.



Zuo Nana Rotorua

Victoria University Planning an Effective Language Lesson – Relationship Building: *“They may forget what you said, - but they will never forget how you made them feel.”*



We do have a lot of fun in North Island. I went to Rotorua, the caves, Auckland and some other places, very beautiful places.

And I really enjoyed this trip, and the training in Wellington. Xiexie MA Hui



Ma Hui Hobbiton

It's a great trip for us. We also get a lot of training about teaching in wellington which is very useful. North Island is beautiful. Heather Gao

Heather Gao – Tongariro National Park



BRANCH MEMBERS ...NEWS

Branch member Rosalie Foote recently spent two weeks in China with her friend Jian. **“We did so many things I feel I was away a lot longer.”**

We were given a tour of Asia's largest coal mine near the city of Xue Jia Wan, South west of Hohhot. We stayed in the city two nights with Jian's younger brother

Xiao Bin, wife Xiao

Shi and baby

Embao. Her other

brother was

instrumental in

setting up the

electrics for the mine

to open. He organised the tour.



The city is very interesting. In 2006 it was a small town, now it is the size of Dunedin. Everything new. Amazing tree planting between Hohhot and Xue Jia Wan all new trees with the new leaves coming, a sign they have survived the cold winter. The gardens in Xue Jia Wan were most new, planting well set out and used by the community. There was dancing in the evening with beautiful music, families enjoying themselves. I was almost mobbed by ladies wanting photos with me and a lot of children between 8-12 who wanted to practise their English, hug and tell me I'm beautiful. Quite nice for an elderly lady!

DUNEDIN CHINESE GARDEN



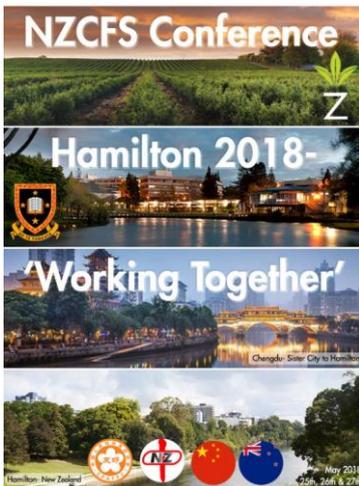
Keep up to date with what's happening at Dunedin Chinese Garden with the monthly radio show.

Lan Yuan Radio Show

When: 12pm - 1pm Every month on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, until further notice

Where: Otago Access Radio 105.4 FM

Or [Subscribe to the Dunedin Chinese Garden Newsletter](#) Ctrl+Click



NZCFS National Conference to be held at Waikato University over the 25th, 26th and 27th of May.

Dunedin branch president Craig Holmes will be attending and will report back to us ...watch for next newsletter.

Branch Membership

Benefits of belonging – your subscription supports the work of the society – fostering understanding, language culture and friendship, and you might enjoy some of our local activities too!

Send a reply email with *membership form request* in the subject box.

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“Building New Friendships on Solid Foundations”

Learn more about the aims of NZCFS, its history, its current projects

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