

## *Specialising in early childhood teacher education*



### **Greetings**

Greetings from the International Team of New Zealand Tertiary College (NZTC)

The international team is committed to enhancing cooperative relationships with our educational partners and recruitment agents around the world. We thank all of you for continuous support on promoting our programs. I hope you will enjoy our August 2010 Intouch.

Please contact the International Team if you have any enquiries.

**Audrey Wang**

International Marketing Manager

### **Chinese Education Consul visits NZTC**

The Education Consul of the "Consulate-General of the People's Republic of China in Auckland" Mr. Yuhang (Tom) Gao and his wife visited NZTC on Tuesday 6th July. Consul Gao presented a Safety Issues Seminar to more than 50 Chinese NZTC students. Consul Gao reminded students to make friends with others carefully and to carry out outdoor activities with caution. He also briefed NZTC students on road safety issues in New Zealand. He illustrated his presentation with real cases. Consul Gao encouraged Chinese students to have vision and ambition, to respect different cultures and to create a good image in the local community. He concluded that the Chinese government cares about Chinese students studying abroad especially with regard to students' safety and living circumstances.

News of Consular Gao's presentation was published on the Skykiwi website, in the New Zealand Chinese Herald and in The United Chinese Press.

Consul Gao and Mrs. Gao then visited a Kindercare centre in the Remuera area. They met one of NZTC's Chinese male students and spoke to him about his experiences working in an early childhood centre and studying with NZTC.



Scott Barber, Audrey Wang, Consul Gao, James Ward,  
Kathryn White, Mrs Gao and Nicole Benjamin (*left to right*)

## Marketing Activities

Marketing activities in the second quarter of 2010 focused on the July intake of college based students. The international team has visited more than 50 agency companies in Auckland to further create awareness of the NZTC brand. The team trained recruitment officers in the agent offices, interviewed candidates and received applications. The team briefed agents on NZTC's history, programs and application procedures. NZTC looks to maintain its high reputation in the market by working with the best recruitment agents and attracting the highest quality students.

Jane Ji, International Marketing Officer of NZTC had a one week marketing trip in Fiji. She has visited Lautoka, Suva and Nadi between 6<sup>th</sup> June and 13<sup>th</sup> June 2010. With the support of the Fiji Early Childhood Teachers Association, Jane met staff of Lautoka Ministry of Education, Lautoka Teachers College, and Early Childhood teachers in Lautoka, Suva and Nadi. She spoke with hundreds of high school students and visited University of South Pacific in Fiji. Jane also visited several agents and trained the recruitment officers on NZTC programs and application procedures.



Jane Ji – International Marketing Officer with early childhood teachers in Lautoka

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## Staff Training Sessions on Student Support

In July, NZTC organised training sessions on the Code of Practice for the Pastoral Care of International Students for our staff. The sessions have covered the library, reception, administration, IT Helpdesk and other areas directly or indirectly involved with the support for international students. These sessions deepened staff understanding of the needs of international students.

During the sessions, the international team covered the status of international students, orientation to life in New Zealand, issues faced by international students, and the reality of cultural shock. Some interesting discussion on different cultures and customs allowed staff to reflect on how they can support international students.

The sessions were part of NZTC's ongoing commitment to the support of international students.

## Student Success Stories



Hello, my name is Hee Jeong (Crystal) Lee and I come from Korea. I graduated from the Bachelor of Teaching (Early Childhood Education) in June 2010 and my provisional teachers' registration has just been approved. My husband started his cleaning business in New Zealand with an open work visa since 2008 and now his business is successful.

I will work for two years in my current full time job to get my full teacher's registration. And I am now applying for New Zealand Permanent Residency with my husband and two children.

Namaste, I am Mrs. Kavitha Chiluka from South India (Hyderabad). I came to New Zealand as an International student in 2007. I am glad that I have successfully completed my Bachelor of Teaching (Early Childhood Education) from NZTC in May 2010. Now I have received my Provisional teachers' registration and am working on my full registration. I have applied for the New Zealand Permanent Residency. I am very much thankful to the excellent services provided by the staff members of NZTC especially for the support they provide to the International students who are new to the country.



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