



Principal's Perspective

I would like to sincerely thank our parents, whānau, and caregivers for supporting the Academic Conference Day held last Thursday. With upwards of approximately 90% attendance the day was an outstanding success. Having an opportunity to discuss students' academic progress, and identifying the steps that can be taken to support and improve their achievement is critical to their ongoing success.

As a school we are hugely appreciative of your commitment to the shared responsibility of supporting our students to achieve to the best of their ability.

Last Friday our Year 12 students attended the Careers Expo at Horncastle Arena. This is part of broadening our students' understanding of life beyond school. The day provided a wonderful opportunity to support students' thinking and planning in relation to their future, complementing the timing of the Academic Conference day.

I have started the process of visiting our contributing schools this past week by going to see the Year 8 students at Casebrook Intermediate. Accompanying me are student leader representatives from both Year 9 and Year 13, who have been past students of the school. Next week we will visit Belfast, Breens, and Heaton as part of our preparation for our Open Night on Tuesday 23rd May. The feedback is extremely positive, and the students are wonderful ambassadors for our school.

Jeff Smith
Principal

Early Finish for Open Night and Teacher Only Day

Please note that:

Tuesday 23rd May the school day will finish at the end of Period 5 (1.45pm) to enable staff to prepare for Open Night.

Friday 2nd June is a Teacher Only Day. The school will be closed for instruction, as all teachers will be involved in Professional Development. **This means that students will not be required to attend school on FRIDAY 2nd June.**

Monday 5th June is a public holiday for Queen's Birthday and the school will be closed.

The Week Ahead

Monday 15	PTA meet – 7.30pm
Tuesday 16	Y12 – First Aid Homestay meeting – 7.00pm
Wednesday 17	Snr 2 weekly engagement reports Y12 – First Aid Winter sport starts
Thursday 18	Y10 girls Endometriosis presentation Primary schools Music tour Board of Trustees meet
Friday 19	BIO31F Orana Park visit
Saturday 20 & Sunday 21	Rockquest



PAPANUI HIGH SCHOOL

Our aim is simple....to provide the best education possible for every student

OPEN NIGHT

Tuesday 23rd May 6.30pm

The evening will consist of an address from the principal and student representatives, followed by guided tours of the school's facilities.

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Applications for enrolment are due by Friday 28th July

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Fundraising Meeting

The school facilitates several lucrative fundraisers throughout the year. These include: cleaning AMI stadium after games/events, running car parking at Riccarton Mall at Christmas, and packing and distributing the Christchurch Marathon packs. These on-going fundraisers provide much needed financial support to students and their families for co-curricular activities.

We are having a meeting for students and parents/caregivers; to explain these opportunities further and to explain the new changes to the schools fundraising policy on the 18th of May at 6.30pm in the school's Study Centre - G1.

This meeting is for all students and their parents/caregivers involved in the following groups currently on our fundraising roster: Winter Tournament teams, Duke of Edinburgh, travelling groups such as Senior Boys' Touch, Music, and STOMP.

Please note: If you have attended one of these meetings in the past it is still a requirement to attend as we have made changes to the school's fundraising policy, and therefore need families to sign a copy of our fundraising agreement on the night. Students/caregivers will not be able to participate in fundraising until they have signed the agreement.

If you are unable to attend but would still like to be on the fundraiser roster please contact Kirsten Hill hik@papanui.school.nz for more information.

Outdoor Education

Term 1 was action packed for Year 10, 12, and 13 Outdoor Education classes. The Year 12's had the opportunity to climb a few hills in the Craigieburn area, and experienced some scree running (something many trampers do not get the opportunity to do, if sticking to tracks). Their second expedition saw them going up the Hawdon Valley, and were lucky enough to hear kiwi at night, and witnessed the release of three endangered Orange Crested Parakeets.

The Year 13 class started the year by completing the Cass Lagoon in some of the best summer weather we have ever had. The students were working towards their bush craft assessment which saw them lighting fires with wet wood, bunking down in their own man made bivouacs, completing river crossings, and pack floating. Their second trip took them to Mt Somers. They were treated to hut living and made the most of it. The trip was completed during the roar and they heard deer roaring in the distance. The sky was incredibly clear, and many sat outside to watch the stars. Over the last couple of weeks the pupils have been visiting the Waimakariri River to complete river crossings and pack floating. No mean feat when the water is freezing and I have been particularly proud of their efforts.

Year 10's were treated to a day at The Groynes, completing a high and low ropes course with the staff and students from Horizons. Everyone had a good time, with many asking to return for another trip.

Term 2 brings more excitement with the Year 10's going rock climbing, and the Year 11's going on a field trip looking at land formations, and a few weekly trips of orienteering, rock climbing, and mountain biking. The Year 12 class has just completed an outdoor first aid course, and they will be mountain biking each week culminating in a trip to Hanmer Springs for three days. The Year 13's are also completing their outdoor first aid in the Hawdon Valley, and will be soon begin their adventure based learning unit, incorporating how to run low ropes courses.

I am sure there will be many a tale to tell at the end of Term 2 as well.

Jen Rutherford
TIC Outdoor Education



Sport

Student Achievements

National Futsal Tournament

Congratulations to Jazmine Tufau and Sam Richards, who have again been selected by Mainland Football to represent the region at the up and coming National Futsal Tournament.

Have you competed in a Sports Competition lately? Send your story and results (with pictures if possible) to Kirsten in the Sports Office – hk@papanui.school.nz

Sport Results

Basketball

Boys' U17 were just defeated by North Canterbury

Football

Boys' 1st XI beat Christchurch Boys' High School 2-1 in their first match of the season

Important Dates

- Tuesday 16th May – Last day for students to hand in Permission forms for Wednesday sport
- Monday 15th May – Hockey 11-aside games start
- Wednesday 17th May – Wednesday winter sport starts
- Tuesday 23rd May – School Cross Country Event

Rugby Games this week

U16 Boys' vs Shirley Boys' 1pm Nunweek 5

U15 Boys' vs Christchurch Boys' High School 10:50am Nunweek 3

Fundraising Meeting

Students who are going to be involved in Winter Tournament travelling teams, or attending a national event, have been added to an updated Fundraising distribution list. Parents/Caregivers of these students have been emailed home a letter stating that they need to attend a meeting around fundraising as follows:

Thursday 18th May – 6:30pm – Study Centre (Papanui High)

This meeting is compulsory for all students and parents/caregivers to attend, as there is a new policy in place with contracts needing to be signed off on the night, as students/caregivers will not be able to participate in fundraising until they have signed the agreement.

Kirsten Hill
Sports Coordinator

Important Dates for Term 2

MAY

- 15 PTA
- 18 Board of Trustees meet
- 23 Open Evening

JUNE

- 2 Teacher Only Day
- 5 Queen's Birthday holiday
- 12 PTA
- 22 Board of Trustees meet
- 23 Senior Formal

JULY

- 6 Jnr Report evening
- 7 Last day of Term 2

PTA Entertainment Book Fundraiser

It's that time of the year again for our Entertainment Book Fundraiser.

Over the next week your child should be bringing home the order envelope for you to order your 2017-2018 books.

Get your order in early to take advantage of the Early Bird Offers for either the Book or Digital Membership.

The Digital Membership can be shared to 2 devices - but if more are required you can contact Entertainment Books and they will add additional devices.

Memberships are again \$65.00 and this year there is a great selection of new outlets for example: Coupland's.

You can order via the order envelope or on-line with the link below:

<http://www.entbook.co.nz/1371p69>

Thank you for your support

Carolynne Som

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