



Principal's Perspective

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the first edition of the PapaCommunity News for 2018. I hope the holiday period has provided an opportunity for students to have a restful and enjoyable break.

I would particularly like to welcome our new Year 9's, transferring students, adult ESOL students, international students, and staff to the school.

This newsletter is emailed home to parents/caregivers, and students each week. Its aim is to give you up-to-date information on a weekly basis about the general happenings within the school. We will also use this forum to highlight recent student achievement, and significant up-coming events.

Last Tuesday we had our traditional powhiri. This is our way of formally welcoming all new students and staff to the school. I would like to thank the large number of family and whanau who were present to support their child into high school. Following this, we moved into our orientation programme, which is particularly important for transitioning our Year 9 students. I am very grateful to the Year 13 Peer Support leaders for their involvement in supporting the Year 9's. The initial three day programme is about integrating the students into the school's systems, culture, and expectations. The Peer Support programme continues on throughout the first term.

Part of the orientation process was the Year 9 Wednesday 'meet and greet' bbq evening. This gave an opportunity for an informal gathering where family and whanau met the Form Teacher, and subject teachers, of their child's class. This was very well attended, and I thank those who were able to be there.

Wednesday and Thursday saw the remaining year levels return to school, briefly, to allow us the opportunity to welcome them back, and start the process of analysing our student numbers. Student numbers are particularly important because we need to assess class sizes and viability as we move to finalise the student timetables. Our returning numbers have been very good, particularly in the senior school, with more students deciding to stay at school and build on their success. The school timetable is based on maximizing subject choice on a majority "best fit" basis. We have put on some additional classes, and some "re-shuffling" has taken place. The greater majority of student timetables are now set. Next week we will see a settling in process, and the remaining timetables confirmed.

I look forward to the year ahead.

Jeff Smith
Principal

Subject Teacher Meet and Greet

Subject Teacher Meet & Greet – Year 10-13

On Thursday 15th February we are holding a "Meet & Greet" evening for parents/whānau, students and subject teachers of our Year 10-13 cohorts. The purpose of this evening is to give you the opportunity to increase your understanding of the teaching and learning programme planned for the year and how this fits with assessment opportunities.

There is no need to book a time through our usual parental booking system as the sessions will be held in class groupings in the classrooms students are taught in. Please encourage your son/daughter to attend with you.

You will receive a personalised e-mail over the next week with further details. However, if you would like further clarity, please contact the school office.

Lynette Archer
Assistant Principal

Peer Support Leaders



Year 13 Peer Support Leaders at the three day camp at Hanmer Springs



Peer Support Leaders with new Year 9 students during orientation at the 'newspaper fashion parade'

Sport News

Student Achievements

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

This is a great way to showcase what our students are doing outside of school in sport with our community.

Important Dates/ Notices

- Summer Sport Sign Ups close on Friday 2nd February – if you have not signed up please see Kirsten in the Sports Office on Monday.
- Summer Sport Starts in Week 3 and goes for 5 weeks. Permission forms will be sent home with students next week for teams that are going ahead.
- Make sure you follow our Papanui High School – Sport Facebook Page and Download the School App to receive all sports notices

Kirsten Hill
Sports Coordinator

Welcome to our New Staff



Janet Ainsworth
Kimi Ora Unit



Cameron Dickson
Counsellor



Rob Fuller
Science/Electronics



Karen Hoare
Food Technology



Jane Herman
Music



Kellie James
Health/Phys Ed



Rebekah Norris
Adult ESOL



Shane Rose
Supported Learning



Elizabeth Roxburgh
Mathematics



Michael Smith
English/Media



Kendra Takle
English



Cheryl Thompson
Textiles



Steven Van Garderen
Technology



Ann Whyte
Mathematics

The Week Ahead

FEBRUARY


Monday 5	Normal timetable
Tuesday 6	Waitangi Day – school closed
Wednesday 7	
Thursday 8	
Friday 9	3.00pm Year 11-13 Noho Marae
Saturday 10	Year 11 – 13 Noho Marae

PTA News

Second hand uniform sale dates Term 1, 2018

- Thursday 8 February from 2.30 till 3.30pm.
- Thursday 15 March from 2.30 till 3.30pm

EFTPOS available.



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Ask an “expert”!!

Come to Papanui Library where **Papanui High School** students will be available every Tuesday during term time from 12.10-12.50 pm to help you find answers to all your questions!

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Papanui High School offers an extensive range of Nightclasses which begin from Monday 12 February. For a full list please visit our website <https://www.papanui.school.nz/com-ed/categories>

For all course enquiries and enrolments please email Barbara Roper rpb@papanui.school.nz or telephone our office on 3520701.



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