



Principal's Perspective

Monday evening saw the first PTA meeting for the year. It was great to see a large number of new parents joining the committee, particularly from Year 9. I would also like to acknowledge the parents who have come back to support the school for another year. The PTA is a very valuable component within our school structure, and I am appreciative of their contribution and their comments, as a sounding board in relation to current and future initiatives that the school seeks feedback about.

Week 4 is now complete, and staff and students will be well and truly settling in to the routine of teaching and learning. Year 9 and 10 students have received their Engagement Reports, and Year 11 to 13's were completed last Wednesday. We know when students are engaged in their learning, they give themselves the greatest opportunity to succeed.

Learning beyond the four walls of a classroom is an important component of what we do here. The opportunity to include authentic and enhanced learning opportunities is critical to support student engagement, and to potentially see the "bigger picture" of what the learning means and/or where it might fit with their future aspirations. Alongside classroom curriculum is the school's co-curricular programme, which is also gathering momentum as the various councils and committees are under way, and students become involved in an extensive range of activities.

As we near the end of February, we are reminded that we are vulnerable to a range of weather conditions in Christchurch. We've certainly had some hot days over the last month, and some that were very wet. When weather conditions are adverse, we will do our best to inform the school community as quickly as possible, if this is going to affect the school day; in the first instance information will be posted on the school's website, followed by the school app, and the school's Facebook page. In extreme situations we would potentially also email and text message.

On a positive note, when the weather has been fine, it has been nice to see students relaxed at break times, playing games and/or sitting in groups enjoying the sunshine.

Jeff Smith
Principal

Academic Celebration Day

Monday 5th March

On Monday 5th March we will be holding senior assemblies to further introduce our Year 11 students to NCEA and to celebrate our NCEA successes from 2017.

The following assemblies will take place:

Year 11 Academic Assembly period 2
NCEA focus

Year 12 Academic Assembly period 4
Acknowledging endorsement recipients, followed by an afternoon tea

Year 13 Academic Assembly period 5
Acknowledging endorsement recipients, followed by an afternoon tea

Parents/caregivers of students who received a Merit or Excellence endorsement for their Level 1 or 2 NCEA certificate will be invited to attend and share an afternoon tea with the staff. Please check your email for your invitation and R.S.V.P. to the main office before Friday 2nd March.

Lynette Archer
Assistant Principal

Year 11

The Year 11's have adjusted well with the daunting prospect of their first year of NCEA upon them. Just a few weeks in there is already talk of assessments, credits, internals, externals, and more. They are starting to focus on what they need to do, to get to where they need to be. Before the end of Term 1 there will be meetings with their academic mentors to help focus their goals for the future.

Along with NCEA there are a number of students already participating in co-curricular areas across the school, including a small group that are currently planning a trip to Cambodia at the end of 2019. It's going to be another exciting year to track students' progress and achievements.

Paul Anderson
Year 11 Dean

Congratulations

Year 12 photography student Geoffrey Symes-Laughton has been shortlisted in this year's NZ Secondary Schools' Photography Competition. He is one of only twenty students to make it to the finals of this competition out of 400 entries from throughout NZ. His work titled 'Formation Flying' will be displayed at the Bruce Mason Centre in Auckland from February 10th to March 4th.

Geoffrey describes the concept behind his work in his artist statement where he states that 'This photo captures wonder by showing the viewer stunt planes working together as a group in perfect formation. The colours are bold and proud and project a feeling of amazement, showing that planes can be used in a fun and eventful way not just for war.'



Congratulations to Geoffrey on this great achievement.

You can vote for Geoffrey for the People's Choice Award via this link (www.tinyurl.com/nzsspcpc). To see HD versions of the photos, please visit the NZSSPC website.

The Week Ahead

Monday 26	YES Kickstart 9 – 12pm
Tuesday 27	PE11F surf assessment OED22F trip
Wednesday 28	Jnr 2 weekly engagement reports PE11F surf assessment OED22F trip BOT meet
MARCH	
Thursday 1	Form Time – March 1 st roll return PE11F surf assessment
Friday 2	Period 6 - Athletics (House relays) House PRIDE Day

Sport News

Sports Results

Futsal

Year 9 Boys were defeated by Burnside
Year 10 Boys beat St Andrew's College 15-1
Year 11/12 Boys beat Burnside 7-6

Indoor Football

Junior Mixed were defeated by Catholic Cathedral
Year 13 Boys' 2 beat Catholic Cathedral 13-0

Indoor Netball

Year 9 Girls' 1 were defeated by Lincoln
Year 9 Girls' 2 were just defeated by Marian College
Year 9/10 Girls were defeated by Villa Maria
Open Girls were defeated by Lincoln

Volleyball

Senior Boys beat Catholic Cathedral 2-0
Premier Girls beat Lincoln 4-1
Senior Girls beat Christchurch Adventist 2-1
Year 12 Girls were defeated by Middleton Grange
Junior Girls 1 beat Christchurch Girls' High School 2-1
Junior Girls 3 were defeated by Villa Maria
Junior Girls 4 were defeated by Hillview

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 – hk@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

Mainland Volleyball Championships on this Friday – Sunday at Cowles Stadium , feel free to go and support our Premier A and B Girls' Teams that are competing.

A Team playing as follows:

- Friday – 1pm/ 4pm
- Saturday – 10am/ 2:30pm
- Sunday TBC (Play offs)

B Team playing as follows:

- Friday – 11:30am/ 4pm
- Saturday – 1pm/ 4pm
- Sunday TBC (Play offs)

Make sure you follow our Papanui High School – Sport Facebook Page and Download the School App to receive all sports notices.

School Sport Canterbury also have an app to access the weekly draw for your chosen sport – see below to download.



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Kirsten Hill
Sports Coordinator

Candle Making

Would you like to learn how to create your own soy container candles and melts either for yourself or as a gift? Discover more about soy wax, fragrance, wick selection and trouble shooting common candle making issues? Papanui High School is offering a hands on course where you will make three full sized scented candles, six melts, five tea lights and one votive. The cost of all materials is included in the course fee.

This course is being taught by Jane Alexander and is being held on Saturday 3 March 10.00am - 4.00pm at Papanui High School, at a cost of \$150. For further information and enrolment please email Barbara Roper rpb@papanui.school.nz or telephone our office on 3520701



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