



### Principal's Perspective

This week saw the annual Ministry of Education's "March 1<sup>st</sup> Return" take place. Essentially, this is the official count of the number of students attending each school nationwide. Students' attendance is noted over a three day period, to formulate the count. Student numbers form the basis for funding and, in particular, for staffing. Our overall roll including international students will be somewhere between 1550 -1570, to be confirmed by the above process.

At Thursday's Board of Trustees meeting, the annual election of Board Chair and Deputy Chairperson was held. I am pleased to announce that the Board Chair for 2018 is Jerome Williamson and the Deputy Chair is Shane Watson.

Friday's focus was "House Pride day". It was great to see a large number of students wearing their House colours, and supporting/participating in the House relay competition.

On Monday 5th March we will be holding our Academic Celebration Day. This is an opportunity to celebrate the very good Merit, and Excellence Endorsements from the 2017 NCEA results. Students will receive certificates and badges to recognise those who achieved Level endorsements.

We will be looking forward to the afternoon tea for award winners and their parents following each assembly.

Jeff Smith  
Principal

### Student Safety

The wellbeing and safety of our young people is of paramount concern to the Board of Trustees and staff of Papanui High School. The school is presently concerned about the safety of students as they move to and from school. Traffic regulations should be observed at all times, both within and outside the school grounds. This is especially important before and after school, because these are the peak times when students are being dropped off and picked up near the school gate on Langdons Road.

This is a reminder to parents, and caregivers, that the area inside the school gate off Langdons Rd is designated for staff parking only; **this is not a drop off zone**. Please take care when stopping to drop off or pick up your child, being careful not to stop over the entrance to the school, as students and staff use the driveway to walk into the school. We also have cyclists coming in the gate as another factor to consider, and we have a bus stop on Langdons Rd, so please drive slowly and carefully around a parked bus.

Thank you for supporting this important health and safety message.

Tim Kirby, Deputy Principal

### The Week Ahead

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| Monday 5    | Academic Celebration Day – Periods 2 – 6<br>Period 4 – Y12 Academic Assembly<br>Period 5 – Y 13 Academic Assembly |
| Tuesday 6   | SPACPAC Supreme Awards  |
| Wednesday 7 | Snr 2 weekly engagement reports<br>AUT Liaison visit – 12.00 – 1.00   |
| Thursday 8  | L2 Geo trip   |
| Friday 9    | Transport Industry trip   |

## Academic Celebration Day - Monday 5th March

On Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March we are 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

We look forward to celebrating with the students and their parents/caregivers on Monday.

Lynette Archer  
Assistant Principal

## Vehicle Permit Applications for Students

Reminder: all senior students who are intending to drive a vehicle to school, or ride a motorbike, must **first** see Mr Kirby to complete a Vehicle Permit Application. This process supports the school as it endeavours to meet the requirements of the Health and Safety at Work act, 2015. Thank you.

## Year 12

It is hard to believe that we are nearly half way through Term 1 already. Overall, I was incredibly proud of our year group and the success that they achieved in NCEA Level 1. Some students learnt valuable lessons; that attendance and Engagement are crucial to achieving the potential they are capable of.

This year the expectations go up another step. Nearly every Year 12 student has study lessons, where they are expected to complete work, or revise notes from classes, that will aide with assessment. The range of courses that are now available to the students are vast, and I have had some positive feedback from students who are enjoying the nature of these new subjects.

The year group have taken a keen interest in the leadership opportunities that have been offered to them. I look forward to the challenges that will push him past their comfort zones.

I hope to see many of you on Monday when we celebrate the success of those students who gained Merit and Excellence endorsements at Level One in our Academic assemblies.

Tanya Sapwell  
Year 12 Dean

William Tait (Year 9) was part of the All-Comers Brass Ensemble that played with the CSO at 'Sparks' in Hagley Park on Saturday, to a crowd of 60,000+ people. The band is an amalgam of players from various Christchurch brass bands, and William is one of the players from Nor'West Brass who were included. Nor'West Brass is based here at Papanui High, and William is an example of the value of their presence locally. The photo is a selfie taken on stage at the event.



## House Pride Day

The School House competition kicked off today with our annual House PRIDE Day. Students were encouraged to wear house colours and costumes to represent our four houses; Taa Hiko (Yellow), Ngarunui (Blue), Ahi Ka (Red), and Ruu Whenua (Green).

Students were given the opportunity to support their houses further by watching or participating in 100m relays in the afternoon. A large number of students participated in the Junior and Senior Boy and Girl relays, which culminated in a student versus staff relay.

Overall results for the relays: Junior Boys - 1st place Yellow house, Junior Girls - 1st Place Red house, Senior Boys - 1st Place Yellow, Senior Girls - 1st Place Blue House, Staff vs Mixed Seniors - 1st - Yellow house with staff in second place

Overall standings: Yellow 1<sup>st</sup>, Blue 2<sup>nd</sup>, Red 3<sup>rd</sup>, and Green 4<sup>th</sup>.

The students' next opportunity to show their house pride, will be later in the term during the school Athletics competitions.



## Sport News

### Mainland Volleyball Championships

"From the 23rd to the 25th of February 2018, the Senior A Girls' Volleyball and the Papanui B team competed in the Mainland Volleyball Champs. This tournament gave the girls the chance to compete against other players from around the South Island, giving them the opportunity to challenge themselves, work together as a team, and have fun playing the sport they love. Day 1 consisted of two games and duty, resulting in consistent enthusiasm and a positive attitude amongst both teams. With both wins and losses, the girls returned to Cowles Stadium on Saturday, determined, and ready to rumble. Putting up a solid effort on the second day, both teams were feeling frustrated with results and performance, but were adamant to come back on Sunday with a fresh burst of energy, and the desire to win. In their final game, the Senior A Girls' went out with a bang, walking away with a win, and a few new bruises. Although the teams did not achieve the results they had hoped for, this tournament was a valuable learning opportunity for all players and coaches, and a great chance to play some quality Volleyball. All in all, the Mainland Volleyball Champs for 2018 were an experience worth learning from, and motivation to push ourselves for the following tournaments, in order to achieve our goals of better results. A special thank you to Joel Martin, Peng Tay, and Fran Edmonson, who contributed significant amounts of time to help the girls train and motivate us on tournaments, we couldn't do what we do without you."

**Belle Ashby – Senior A Team**





## Canterbury Touch Championships

"The Senior Boys' Touch team participated in the Canterbury Secondary Schools' Tournament last Saturday at Sheldon Park, Belfast. After losing a number of Year 13 players after nationals last year we saw this as an opportunity to gain experience, and develop a positive culture that would set us up to rebuild for the future. To their credit, the boys showed an excellent attitude and were competitive in every game. Despite not qualifying for South Islands', the boys made huge gains and learned lessons from each game. Our goal for this time next year is to make the final, so watch this space!!!"

**Paul Peawini – Boys' Team Coach**

"We are rebuilding our squad with many changes from last year. Over half of our squad are new this year, and debuted at Canterbury Secondary Schools' Championships. The girls stuck to our game plan well, and their teamwork, communication, and individual desire to do well led to some very good performances. We faced the eventual winners Rangi Ruru in our first game, and put four very good tries on them but lost 7-4. We backed this up with a good win over an inexperienced St Andrew's College team. We needed to win our final pool game against St Margaret's College to make the semi finals. We played our best game, controlling our defence with strong communication, and transitioned well off the field, but lost 2-1. I am very proud of the girls' performances, and excited about the future of Touch at Papanui."

**Mel Carson – Girls Team Coach**



## Sports Results

### Futsal

Year 10 Boys beat Burnside 7-2

Year 11/12 Boys beat Burnside 8-2

### Indoor Football

Both Year 13 Boys' teams played each other with a great crowd – ending in a 2-2 draw

### Indoor Netball

Year 9 Girls 2 beat the Year 9 1 Girls 21-12

Year 9/10 Girls were defeated by Lincoln

### Korfbal

Senior were defeated by Burnside

Junior were defeated by Catholic Cathedral

## **Tennis**

Year 9 Girls beat St Margaret's College

Year 10/11 Girls beat Mairehau High

## **Touch**

Boys Super Touch beat St Andrew's College 4-3

Girls Super Touch were defeated by Burnside

Intermediate Boys were defeated by St Thomas

Year 9 Boys beat Kaiapoi 7-2

## **Ultimate Frisbee**

Mixed were defeated by Riccarton High, but coming together well as a team after only two games

## **Volleyball**

Senior Boys were defeated by Ellesmere

Premier Girls beat St Margaret's 2-1

Senior Girls beat Rangiora New Life 2-1

Year 12 Girls were defeated by Marian College

Junior Girls 3 were defeated by Avonside Girls'

Junior Girls 4 beat Emmanuel Christian School 2-0

## **Waterpolo**

A Team played Burnside

B Team played Christchurch Girls' High

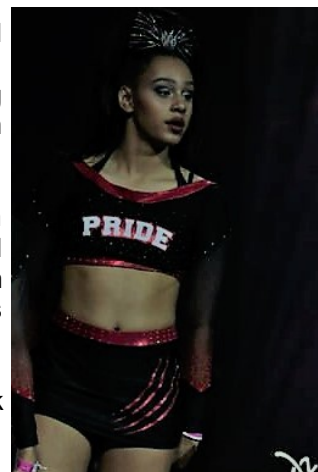
## **Student Achievements**

### **NZ Cheerleading Team**

Holly Taitt (Y12) started cheerleading when she was eight years old with Christchurch All Star Pride. In October 2017, Holly was selected to be part of Team New Zealand, travelling to Orlando, Florida in April this year, to the 2018 ICU World Cheerleading Championships. New Zealand has a fantastic track record at the ICU Worlds having won the world title three times previously.

The squad of 24 athletes will be travelling to the USA. Only 6 athletes were selected from Christchurch, which means Holly and her team mates travel to Auckland every weekend to train with Team New Zealand. Holly also trains with her Christchurch team in preparation for the 2018 competition season in NZ and Australia twice per week. She is also a coach for a younger team of cheerleaders who also compete in NZ and Australia.

It is a great honour for Holly to be representing her country doing what she loves. We look forward to hearing about her experience in Florida when she returns.



### **New Zealand Canoe Sprint National Champs**

Congratulations to Jess Nisbet (Yr 12), who travelled to the New Zealand Canoe Sprint National Champs at Lake Karapiro last weekend. She competed in the Under 18 K1, K2, and K4 races (with her team mates from Arawa Canoe Club), and won Gold and three Bronze medals, as well as winning her individual 'B' Final.

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](mailto: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

- Students who have put their name down to compete at the Canterbury Secondary School Athletics Meet are to confirm their entries with Kirsten at the Sports Office ( or email) by Tuesday.
- Students wishing to represent PHS at the Canterbury Secondary School Swimming Sports are to see Kirsten in the Sports Office by Thursday.

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.



Kirsten Hill  
Sports Coordinator

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