Papanews Community Edition

# **Principal's Perspective**

Last Monday form teachers had Academic Counselling interviews focussed on students' academic progress to date in 2018 by reviewing: their academic progress in their subjects and assessments, their academic goals for 2018, their career aspirations and intentions, and, how they are managing themselves in terms of workload and other commitments. This process is part of the ongoing support for students, and builds into the Conference Day in Term 2 where there will be an opportunity to further discuss student progress with the support of family/whanau.

Parents and caregivers will be receiving information shortly about the Conference Day.

Building on the success of the Band Camp, the school's Concert Band took the opportunity to perform Courtyard Concert last Wednesday evening. They have been practising incredibly hard, and this evening was an opportunity to

showcase just how talented these students are. Thank you to our community who were able to attend the showcase, and we look forward to many further opportunities to hear an array of musical performances throughout the year.

To cap off Careers Week, a helicopter from the Royal New Zealand Air Force (RNZAF109) landed on the school fields. A number of senior students had the opportunity to speak with RNZAF personnel about potential career pathways, and during lunchtime students who were interested in seeing the helicopter close up and speaking to the crew were able to do so. The helicopter left to continue to Wanaka for the Warbirds show over the Easter weekend.

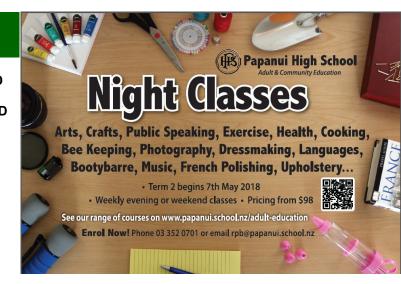
I wish you all a restful and enjoyable Easter break with your family and friends.



Jeff Smith Principal

# The Week Ahead

| APRIL<br>Monday 2 | EASTER MONDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED   |
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| Tuesday 3         | EASTER TUESDAY – SCHOOL CLOSE   |
| Wednesday 4       | Snr - 2 weekly engagement reports<br>Gallery group trip<br>GSc22S trip UC<br>Canterbury Schools' Dressage |
| Thursday 5        | NZ Blood Bank visit   |
| Friday 6          | Positive Education Conference<br>Cat/Res/Hosc32 trip  |
| Saturday 7        | Positive Education Conference<br>Shakespeare Festival   |
| Sunday 8          | Shakespeare Festival  |



### **Biology Trip to Temple Basin**

The Year 12 Biology classes went on a two-night field trip to Temple Basin. This was for our assessment involving ecological patterns of plant species. We had to look at the alpine species present, and see the pattern that emerges as we increase altitude, known as zonation. To carry this out we were required to walk up through the mountains from a height of 800m to 1700m. We had six different locations to do our sampling. We learnt how to take a sample from a one metre quadrat, and then use that sample to find the average percentage cover of plants at the specific alpine zone.

The practical side of the trip meant we had to do some hiking. The walking took a toll on some, but in the end it was definitely worth it. The changing environments and views were amazing. We started at a luscious green mountain Beech forest, filled with moss and bush at 886m, into a boggy wetland filled with yellow tussock at 989m, being able to see the snow capped mountains at the lodge at 1350m, and then the rocks and the cold water, covered in snow being up 1700m, among the clouds – the scenery was quite spectacular.



The assessment side of the trip meant we had to write a report discussing our findings and the science behind our results. This was our way of showing what we had learnt and applying our knowledge of biology.

Jack Baker and Jacob Laurenson - Year 12





## Year 11

Nearing the end of the first term of Year 11, and most students have managed to get settled into the NCEA lifestyle. Assessments are coming thick and fast now, and the students are stepping up to the challenge.

Academic Counselling is gaining traction, and giving the students insights into how big of a year it really is, and how much effort is required. Monitoring their own progress will be important in making sure they keep on top of their achievement, along with help from their academic mentor.

I personally hope they all take a break over Easter and smash out the last couple weeks of school before the first set of holidays and winter settles in.

Paul Anderson Year 11 Dean

# Band Camp 2018

### Band Camp 2018 – Hanmer Springs Forest Camp

The Concert Band has just returned from a most successful weekend of music making in the glorious surrounds of Hanmer Forest Park. Band Camp is an annual event, the purpose of which is to bring together the band and other music groups in the school for a weekend of intensive rehearsal, and to give its members a chance to get to know each other better. The students and staff work incredibly hard with first rehearsal Friday evening followed by a full schedule of sectionals and group rehearsal on Saturday and Sunday morning.

All those attending had a great time, and the Concert Band had their first public performance on Wednesday at the

Courtyard Concert. This concert marked the first performance event in, what is scheduled to be, a very busy year for the Band. They will also be touring Nelson schools in July, competing in the annual Christchurch Wind Festival, and performing at the Papanui Methodist Chapel on the 15<sup>th</sup> May.

# Adult ESOL Food Fair

We had a Food Fair on Tuesday 13th March at school, because that week was International Week, so the Adult ESOL classes cooked traditional food to sell to staff and students. It was a special experience for me because I could taste lots of delicious food from different countries, and get to know different cuisines. At the same time there was a live performance of Chinese dancing and Japanese drumming to entertain everyone who came to buy food. It was absolutely fantastic. I really enjoyed the Food Fair.

Iris Hsu 15Wmm



# **PTA Second Hand Uniform Sales**

- The PTA is holding a pre-winter second hand uniform sale on Saturday 5th May from 9.00am 11.00am.
- In Term 2, the PTA are holding second hand uniform sales on Tuesdays 8th May and 12th June, from 2.30-3.30pm.

Gaye Shearer PTA Uniform Sales





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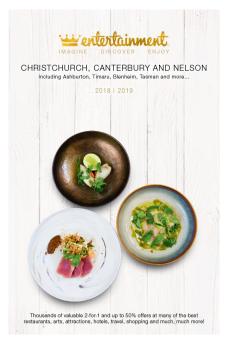
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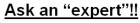
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



The Gen Connect Programme is up and running for another year. Last Tuesday at lunchtime 15 members of our community were helped by a small group of Papanui High School students at the Papanui Library. The feedback regarding our students has been fantastic.

# GenConnect Connecting generations by sharing knowledge

- Questions about your iPad, Smart Phone or Tablet?
- Want to know how to use Skype, Facebook, or share your photos with family or friends?
- What is an app and which ones are the best ones to use?



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!

Ph (03) 941 7923 christchurchcitylibraries.co



# **Sport News**

### **Canterbury Secondary Schools' Swimming Championships**

On Wednesday we had a squad of 12 students represent Papanui High School at the Canterbury Secondary Schools' Swimming Champs held at Jellie Park. Overall a great performance from a small group with top three finishes and personal bests all round.

Full results will be available next week.



( Open Girls Relay Team Left to Right – Courtney Linkhorn, Katelynn Donaldson, Ruby Wagenvoord, Claudia Rogers )





#### Satellite Volleyball Tournament

Last week during Summer Tournament week we had our two senior girls' volleyball teams compete at the Satellite Volleyball Tournament at Cowles Stadium. The teams had some great close games over the 3 days with the Senior A team taking out the Silver Medal in the final.

Great effort from both teams after having a full on few months of tournaments.

# South Islands Secondary Schools' Athletics Championships

Last weekend a group of 13 students represented Papanui High School at the SISS Athletics Championships in Timaru.

Results:

Jared Neighbours:

 $1^{st}$  U19 Pole Vault,  $2^{nd}$  U19 Shot Put,  $2^{nd}$  U19 Javelin,  $5^{th}$  U19 110m Hurdles ( PB time)

Thomas Logopati: 2<sup>nd</sup> 3000m Open Race Walk

Frances Stevenson: 4<sup>th</sup> U15 High Jump, 6th U15 80m Hurdles, 9th U15 Long Jump

Thomas Clarke: 9<sup>th</sup> U15 1500m (PB time)

Kala Burgess: 2<sup>nd</sup> U16 Pole Vault

Liam Pasfield ( Junior Para Athlete): 5<sup>th</sup> 100m, 2<sup>nd</sup> 200m, 1<sup>st</sup> Long Jump, 2<sup>nd</sup> Shot Put

Reuben Anguisaca-Bland ( Junior Para Athlete): 6<sup>th</sup> 100m, 3<sup>rd</sup> 200m, 2<sup>nd</sup> Long Jump, 2<sup>nd</sup> Discus

Sean Geoghegan ( Junior Para Athlete), 7<sup>th</sup> 100m, 4<sup>th</sup> 200m, 5<sup>th</sup> 400m, 7<sup>th</sup> Shot Put

Josh Jones (Junior Para Athlete): 8th 100m, 4th 400m, 4th Shot Put, 3rd Discus Jacob Lowson (Senior Para Athlete): 2<sup>nd</sup> 100m, 2<sup>nd</sup> 200m, 3<sup>rd</sup> 400m, 2<sup>nd</sup> Long Jump

Finn Walker (Senior Para Athlete): 3<sup>rd</sup> 100m, 3<sup>rd</sup> 200m, 2<sup>nd</sup> 400m, 3<sup>rd</sup> Shot Put

Michael Davies (Senior Para Athlete): 4th 200m, 2nd Discus, 5th Shot Put

Carl Te Tone Huia (Senior Para Athlete): 4th 100m, 5th 400m, 1st Dicsus, 4<sup>th</sup> Shot Put













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

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

### **Important Dates/ Notices**

- Summer Sports Uniforms are now to be returned.
- Winter sport teams are now being listed on the sports noticeboard please collect a permission form.
- 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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