

# Papanews Community Edition

Friday 13th April 2018

## **Principal's Perspective**

Term 1 has come to an end. It has been a very busy term, and there have been successes and much to celebrate.

Moving into the start of Term 2, the school will be holding two key evenings: our annual Conference Day for all students/family/whanau/caregivers on the 10th May and then Open Evening on the 22nd May. We look forward to an opportunity to talk about student progress and goals on the Conference Day, and to showcase the school for potential student enrolments on Open Night.

I would like to acknowledge and thank our wider community, for your support during the term. Whether this is in relation to student classroom learning, attending student performances, coaching or managing teams or groups, being part of the PTA, etc.. your help in this is greatly appreciated.

Our whole staff is committed to doing their best to help and support our students to achieve. The holiday period brings an opportunity for both groups (staff and students) to balance out some school work with a bit of a rest and relaxation.

Jeff Smith Principal

# ACADEMIC CONFERENCE DAY – Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2018 BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN

Please visit the below website to book your interview for Conference Day...

www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

The event code is: **g2pav** 

Conference Day is an extremely important part of our Academic Counselling Programme. On this day, the school will not run its usual timetabled classes. Instead, individual 15 minute meetings slots will be available for you to discuss your child's academic progress. Students are only required to be at school for their 15 minute appointment and are to undertake independent study from home for the remainder of the day. However, if your child requires supervision, the study centre will be open from 8.30am - 2.30pm.

Students are expected to attend their conference with their parents/caregivers and it would be greatly appreciated if you could prioritise this meeting as an absolute **'must attend'**. Students can wear smart casual clothing, rather than school uniform on the day.

Further information explaining the booking process has been emailed/posted to you. However, if you require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

We look forward to discussing your child's academic progress with you.

Lynette Archer Assistant Principal

## **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

## Students pitch in to help Christchurch Community

The walkway off Catherine Street in Woolston, beside the Heathcote River, has been revitalised with help from some of our Year 12 students and the University of Canterbury (UC) Student Volunteer Army (SVA).

In March, our students, alongside the UC SVA and other year 12's from local schools, revitalised an 80 metre section of fencing as part of the SVA's Year 12 UCan programme. Over two mornings the group first painted over graffiti and then, with the aid of a local artist, took to adding colourful imagery to the area, which is often used by locals as a riverside walking area.

The UCan Year 12 programme encourages local secondary students to become leaders in their communities through volunteering, while being mentored by SVA members. Along with getting out and being making a different in the community, the Year 12 students also got to learn more about the



Annabel Stone, Jamie Healey, Ohinemuri Williams, Keeley Black

SVA, how it was founded, and the work it continues to do in the community. The students were also tasked with coming up with a project idea that they would like to implement within their own school and community, before pitching it to a panel consisting of representatives from the university and SVA.

Josh Blackmore, SVA President and one of the judges of the presentations, was impressed with what he saw. "The quality of ideas generated in such a short space of time was highly impressive. Teams presented well thought out plans that took advantage of their own skills and networks to address needs they saw in their communities. We wish the students all the best in their mission to implement their project plans, and look forward to hearing how they go."

## Year 12

This term Year 12's have been busy both in and outside the classroom covering curriculum content, as well as a small group volunteering within the community with University of Canterbury's Student Volunteer Army, and a large number of students supporting the Blood Drive and donating blood.

On Wednesday I along with the Careers Department, took over 100 Year 12's to the University of Canterbury's Discovery Day. We attended lectures, and the students got to experience what life could be like for them in 2020. Our students were respectful and showed great pride in representing Papanui High School, and could not have made me prouder as their Dean.

Academic Counselling interviews have been had with the majority of students, with form tutors giving advice and discussing the options that are available for students beyond school life. Our Careers Department have been working with the students to get some work experience placements, as well as providing guidance around courses and tertiary information. This is only the beginning in what will be an important year in setting students up in their potential pathways.

While Term 1 has now concluded, the students know how busy Terms 2 and 3 can be, so attendance is important. Please keep the lines of communication with the subject teachers, and inform them of any concerns that you may have around Engagement or achievement in a subject. The more we know, the more support we can offer.

I hope they have a good holiday, and recharge their batteries for a full on Term 2.

Tanya Sapwell Year 12 Dean

#### **UN Women's Breakfast**

#### **UN Women's Breakfast at The Elms**

The 8th of March 2018 was a day of 'equality, justice and rights for women and men all over the world'. As we live in the country, which 125 years ago was the first in the world to give women the right to vote, we have much to be proud of. Yet there is still much to help fight for. Nina and I were grateful to be given the opportunity to attend the recent United Nations Women's breakfast, where we celebrated with others who have the same passion for equality. I was proud to speak on behalf of Barbara Williams, the president of the UN Women's Committee Aotearoa.

The 2018 New Zealand focus is rural women and how their hard work is often undervalued. Tash Penny (middle), was the guest speaker at the breakfast. She spoke powerfully about domestic violence in New Zealand. Tash had instances in her early life where



close friends experienced violent and sexual assault. Since then, her aim has been to make a change for the better in New Zealand (where domestic violence statistics are alarmingly high). Every four minutes in New Zealand, someone reports domestic violence, and this is only the ones who aren't too afraid to reach out. Her speech mesmerised everyone there. Nina and I learnt a lot from her, and now we aim to take what she had to say and seek to make a difference ourselves.

by Tamsyn Brown: Photo from left to right: Nina Sales, Tash Penny, Tamsyn Brown







What a fantastic response from Papanui High School for our NZ Blood Service Blood Drive Thursday 5th April. We collected from 60 Donors which was a great effort as our target was 50! What a bunch of over achievers @ What is more exciting is that we had 44 NEW DONORS in donating

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## **Arts Council Competition Results**

Over the last few weeks, the Papanui High Arts Council has been running an Easter themed art and photography competition.

These were the winners, as voted by other students: 1st: Cushla Barriball (11Scd) and Rose Pradhan (11Mrj)

2nd: Abigail Walker (9Smm) 3rd: Megan Townshend (9Hrk)

The winning photo



## **Notice from the Canterbury District Health Board**



#### Measles Alert for Schools and Early Childhood Centres

As the majority of children head into the term one school holidays, it is important to remind parents to be mindful of the risks of measles.

Over the past week, there have been five confirmed cases of measles reported in Queenstown, Wanaka, Canterbury, and Nelson-Marlborough, and other cases are possible, including elsewhere in New Zealand.

Measles is a serious and highly infectious disease, and these new cases show how easily it can spread.

Families/whanau are encouraged to make sure they are fully immunised against measles and be aware of measles symptoms if they (or their children) are not fully immunised.

Immunisation is the best protection to stop you and your children getting measles. For the best protection, people need to have two MMR (measles, mumps, and rubella) vaccinations. The MMR is available from your family practice and is free to eligible people.

With the school holidays coming up, parents should be mindful that families and children could be exposed to measles, especially if they are travelling, attending events, holiday programmes, camps, or have friends and family travelling to visit them.

Anyone who is not immunised and gets exposed to a case of measles will need to stay home for at least 14 days to ensure the virus doesn't spread.

Anyone who suspects they may have measles should avoid contact with other people, especially those who aren't fully immunised, and should phone their GP, or call Healthline on 0800 611 116 for advice.

It is important to call your GP first because measles is highly infectious, and people with measles can infect others in the waiting room.

Further information can be found at www.health.govt.nz/measles or by calling 0800 IMMUNE.

Dr Raman Pink Medical Officer of Health – Canterbury District Health Board

## **Sport News**

#### **New Zealand Gymnastics Team Selection**

Congratulations to Emma Logan (12WLA), who has been selected to represent New Zealand Gymnastics (competing at Level 10), at the 2018 Australian Gymnastics Championships in Melbourne in May.

Emma is having extraordinary success with her sport, she is currently NZ Rhythmic Gymnastics National champion (Level 8).

In 2016 she also represented New Zealand, and brought home two medals from the Australian Nationals...a bronze, for placing third in her individual Clubs apparatus, and her team of four gymnasts came second overall winning a silver medal.

#### **New Senior Boys School Javelin Record Set**

Last Friday, Jared Neighbours beat the PHS Senior Male Javelin Record, throwing 50.95m. The last record was set by Michael Walters in 1994, with a throw of 47.63m.

Well done Jared.



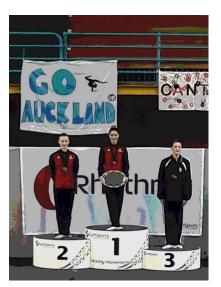


### Special Olympics Swimming – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April – Dudley Pool Rangiora

A large group of Papanui High School students attended the Special Olympic Swimming Champs in Rangiora on Thursday. Overall great results from all involved, and the positive and encouraging atmosphere was contagious.













#### **Senior and Junior Korfball Teams**

This term we had a large number of students keen to play Korfball. The games are organised through Canterbury Korfball, and held at the Bishopdale YMCA on Friday evenings. We entered a Junior and Senior team this season, where teams had a slow start trying to find their feet, to competing in final games this week. Both teams have developed their skills, and come together nicely with having the support of Mr Gill and Ms Hanlon at games, and external coaches coming in for morning trainings at school. Kala Burgess of Yr 10 was invited to attend the Junior Development Team.

Watch this space, as the school develops within this sport.





#### **UC Education Secondary School Mud Run – Motukarara Raceway**

Please note the date has now been changed to **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June** 

For those of you that don't know much about the Mud Run, it's a 5km muddy obstacle course open to anyone, and all fitness abilities! Even teachers can take part... You can walk or run (or even crawl if you like), it's all about dressing up, having a go, and having a messy good time!

Sport Canterbury will be coming into school to promote the event at level assemblies in Week 3 of Term 2, and will be holding team registrations in the Gym at lunchtime on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May.





Have you competed in a Sports Competition lately? Send your story and results (with pictures if possible) to Kirsten in the Sports Office - hlk@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

#### 2018 PHS SPORT CLOTHING now available

Visit: https://www.papanui.school.nz/co-curricular/sport/sport-clothing-available-order Orders due Friday 4th May.

- 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** 

On Monday at lunchtime, the Sports and Health Committee gave away fruit to our students, as a way of celebrating World Health Day



## **Keep Fit over Winter**

Do you want to keep your fitness levels up over the winter?

Would you like to try something new? Papanui High School is offering a Booty barre night class in Term 2 starting on Monday 7 May, 7.30-8.30 pm for 7 weeks, at a cost of \$98. Booty Barre is a fun, energetic workout, that fuses techniques from Dance, Pilates, and Yoga, that will tone and define the whole body. Booty barre is the perfect combination of strength and flexibility with an added cardiovascular element ulitising the barre. The course, which is limited to ten students, is being taught by Catherine Flemmer who is a qualified and experienced instructor. For further information and enrolment please visit our website



www.papanui.school.nz/.../category/exercise-and-health or email Barbara Roper rpb@papanui.school.nz or telephone our office on 3520701.



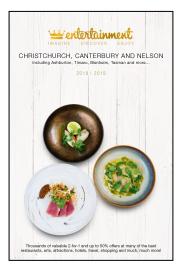
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