

# Papanews Community Edition

## **Principal's Perspective**

NCEA exams have now started for our senior students. It is nice for Year 9 and 10 to have the school to themselves for a little while. It is important to maintain a strong focus on engagement to support their learning for the remaining five weeks of the year. During this time conversations will take place through various forums to help set the scene for the transition of Year 9 to Year 10, and Year 10 in to an NCEA focussed Year 11.

Over the remainder of the term we can look forward to the opportunity for some students to go on the Year 10 Outdoor Education Camps, our junior school Activities Day towards the end of the term, and finishing with the Year 9 and 10 Prize Giving ceremonies on Friday 14th December.

On Monday we held a special Armistice assembly to acknowledge the 100 year anniversary. We were joined by Mrs Sherril Jennings, granddaughter of the school's first Principal Joseph McBride, who, with her son Ryan, presented the school with a book of photographs Mr McBride took during his service during World War 1. More details follow in an article.

I hope everybody has an opportunity to enjoy the long weekend, and the weather plays its part.

Jeff Smith Principal



Mrs Jennings, and son Ryan, present Mr McBride's book.

# The Week Ahead

- Monday 19 International Students South Island tour PTA
- Tuesday 20 International Students South Island tour
- Wednesday 21 Jnr 2 weekly engagement reports Summer Sport finishes International Students South Island tour
- Thursday 22 International Students South Island tour
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# **PTA Uniform Sales**

The next PTA second-hand uniform sales will be held:

#### Saturday 8 December from 9.00am -11.00am

Saturday 26 January from 9.00am -11.00am

If you wish to sell or donate uniform items, they can be donated to the PTA or we can sell them on your behalf for a 25% commission. Forms for your contact information, and with the terms of sale, are available from the school office, or you can provide your name, phone number, and bank account details for payment on a piece of paper and put it in the bag with your clothes. You can attach a list of suggested prices, or we can price items for you. Uniform items can be dropped off at the school office.

## **Armistice Celebration**

On Monday 12 November, a special assembly was held for the junior school to celebrate Armistice, 100 years since the end of World War 1. Students volunteered to research aspects of this vast topic, and created speeches they read to the students, including Maori involvement in World War 1, the woman's role, and first hand accounts from New Zealand soldiers. Students were privileged to hear from Mrs Jennings, the granddaughter of Papanui High School's founding Principal, Mr Joe McBride, who gifted the school with a book of photographs Mr McBride took during his years serving in World War 1. Mr Eddie Bassett, a veteran from Korea, Malaya, and Vietnam also addressed the

students about the importance of the freedoms gained by our soldiers' efforts during the Wars New involving Zealand personnel, which we all tend to take for granted. Our current Head Boy Brayden Cottom played the Last Post to conclude our celebration. As well as having our students present, this was the first chance for our junior school to meet our Head Students for



2019, who took time from their studying to come and run the assembly. Tai-iba Hassanian and Nikhil Prakash led the guests, students, and staff to lay a wreath in front of our Anzac tree.

### Wellbeing@school Survey

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During weeks 6 and 7 Year 9 and 10 students will be completing a wellbeing@school survey in their Health and PE classes. Students may have completed a similar survey at their primary or intermediate school. This survey will provide valuable data to the school and the Tōtaranui Kāhui Ako (community of learning) of which Papanui High School is a member.

The Tōtaranui Kāhui Ako is fortunate to be involved in the pilot of the Mana Ake mental health initiative and the longitudinal data that we gather will provide a valuable insight into the wellbeing of the young people in our community.

Mana Ake - Stronger for Tomorrow was established in March 2018 to promote wellbeing and positive mental health for children in school years 1-8 across Canterbury. Data collected from Papanui High School and our Kāhui Ako schools will provide a valuable and comprehensive overview of the wellbeing of our students.

The initiative aims to provide early intervention and support for teachers, families and whānau when children are experiencing ongoing issues that impact their wellbeing. Kaimahi can support individual children and groups of children and provide advice, guidance and support for teachers and parents/whānau. Kaimahi (support workers) are currently working with students in our contributing schools.

Information regarding wellbeing@schools can be found at: <u>https://www.wellbeingatschool.org.nz/</u>

Information regarding Mana Ake can be found at: <a href="http://ccn.health.nz/FocusAreas/ManaAke-StrongerforTomorrow.aspx">http://ccn.health.nz/FocusAreas/ManaAke-StrongerforTomorrow.aspx</a>

# Work Day

### Papanui High School Workday Thursday 29 November 1.00PM to 2.30PM

This Work Day is for all Year 9 and 10 students to raise funds to support **Ronald McDonald House.** This is an incredibly important organization that supports unwell children and their families. Our school sponsors the Teenager Room in their Cashel Street building. This is our marquee sponsorship for the community. We aim to raise at least \$5,000 for this cause from Work Day this year. A letter and permission form regarding this event was sent to parents/ caregivers of Year 9 and 10 students, last week. Teachers not involved in the Work Day will be involved in department meetings that afternoon.

The target is for each student to raise a minimum donation of **\$10 total** for the equivalent of one and half hours work. The senior school also contributed a significant donation in Term 3.

If members of our school community know of employment possibilities for students for Work Day they can phone the school office on 03 3526119. We would greatly appreciate this support.

Work Day gives students the opportunity to work in their community for the benefit of others, to learn new skills, to meet new people, and for some this may lead to ongoing employment.

Tim Kirby Deputy Principal Teacher in Charge (contact person) for Work Day krt@papanui.school.nz



### **Sports News**

#### School sports news

#### U15 Rugby 7's Tournament

Congratulations to Holly Wratt-Groeneweg and Georgia Hogwood playing in the Canterbury U15 7's Rugby team at the Rugby 7's Tournament held in Timaru last weekend – placing 3<sup>rd</sup>.



#### **Canterbury Wildcats Scholarships**

The Canterbury Wildcats have a Basketball scholarship programme for under 15 and 17 Girls. The program rewards junior players that are committed to improving their basketball skills, and have potential to move into the next level of Basketball. The scholarship consists of \$500 for Basketball costs, and a mentor relationship with one of the Wildcats throughout the season. Olivia Issit (Year 9) and Izzy Orr (Year 11) were selected to be recipients of a scholarship sponsored by Fulton Hogan, and mentored by Fran Edmondson. Both students have represented Waitaha Canterbury this year, and are committed members of the PHS Basketball Program.

#### Te Waipounamu Maori U19 Netball Squad

Congratulations to Kyla Bartlett, and Nikaya Mouat, on being selected into the Te Waipounamu Maori U19 Netball Squad. They will attend a camp in January.

#### Canterbury Junior Volleyball Tournament

Over the weekend the Junior Girls' Volleyball Team competed at the Canterbury Junior Volleyball Tournament held at Pioneer Stadium.

Being a new team, and the first time in Division 1, they had some hard competition in the first round but stuck to it and came away with a great 9th place overall.

#### Weekly Sports Results:

#### Futsal

Year 10 Boys – beat Shirley 12 - 5 Year 9 Boys – beat Rudolf Steiner 10-4

#### Indoor Football

Junior Boys – beat St Bede's 5-2

#### Indoor Netball

Year 10 Girls – beat Hagley 23 - 7 Year 9 Girls – were just defeated by Villa

#### Korfball

Senior – were defeated by Burnside Junior – were defeated by Burnside

Touch Junior Boys – were just defeated by St Andrew's College

### Volleyball

Junior Girls - beat Christchurch Adventist 2-0

#### Waterpolo

Junior Girls - were defeated by St Margaret's

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.

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#### Important Dates/ Notices

- Junior Sport Finishes on the 21<sup>st</sup> November.
- Sports Uniforms to be handed in by the end of the month before Senior Sign Out Day on 3<sup>rd</sup> December.
- 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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