



Principal's Perspective

As a school we are continually looking at ways in which we can improve learning outcomes for our students.

Following on from the orientation Year 9 meet the teacher evening two weeks ago, we held our Year 10 – 13 “**Meet and Greet**” evening last Wednesday night. It is important that families / whānau and caregivers have the opportunity to meet subject teachers, and get an overview of the year's learning. I would like to thank the community for supporting this event, and for the positive feedback.

The Year 13 Peer Support leaders continue to support the Year 9's integration in to their new school, and are doing a wonderful job. It is important that school culture and values are clearly articulated to our new students so that we can build upon our growing reputation as a school that supports individual achievement through high expectations, positive work ethic, and a strong sense of social responsibility.

We have hopefully finalised any major class changes, and it's been good to settle in to a full week of teaching and learning. From here on in, the full spectrum of school life swings in to action.

The first PTA meeting of 2019 will be held on Monday 18 February, and I invite all new parents to attend.

Jeff Smith
Principal

PTA Invitation

Every year it is important that representatives of the new Year 9 group join the PTA, and we extend a very warm welcome to all Year 9 parents and caregivers who would be interested in coming along and being part of the PTA. The first meeting of the year will take place on Monday 18th February at 7.30pm. The meeting will take place in the staff room which is on the first floor of the main Administration Block. A PTA representative will be outside the Admin Block to welcome you.

The Week Ahead

Monday 18	PTA
Tuesday 19	OED32F Casey trip
Wednesday 20	Snr- 2 weekly engagement reports OED32F Casey trip
Thursday 21	OED32F Casey trip
Friday 22	

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Year 9

The start of Year 9 2019.

Kia ora, Talofa Lava, Malo e lelei, Salaam, Namaste, Bula, Konnichwa.

Ko Ms Jane Herman ahau. I am the Dean for Year 9.

The hot weather has been a feature for the start of 2019. With the temperatures soaring towards 30 degrees some days, the students have started their schooling career hot!

The year started with the amazing and moving experience of the Haka Powhiri performed by the Papanui Kapa Haka group. This official welcome was followed by sorting into form classes, possibly the most nerve wracking time for our new students.

After that, the students began a fun filled Year 9 orientation programme. Highlights included a fashion show with costumes made from newspaper, as well as many fun games and activities, all designed to help the form classes bond. We are very thankful to Ms Leah World and all the amazing Year 13 Peer Support leaders who gave up their own time to help make the new students feel at home. As I mentioned to the students, in one of our regular assembly spots on a Thursday, I hope that in five years time they will replay the favour and use their leadership skills to become Peer Support leaders.



Speaking of leadership, at the moment Class Captains are being chosen to do the important job of carrying the Logbooks to each class. This is a system to support classroom teachers keep students learning and behaving in the “Papanui way”, focussing at all times on the schools **PRIDE** values of **P** (be positive), **R** (be respectful), **I** (show integrity), **D** (dare to excel) and **E** (engage in learning).

It was lovely to see many of you at the Year 9 sausage sizzle. This was a great opportunity for students and parents to get to know their teachers. It was a great turn out on a hot night, and I personally really enjoyed getting to know some of you a little more in a informal setting.

Moving forward, students will be settling into their timetables and getting into their class work. Summer sport, music lessons /groups and Polyfest / Kapa Haka groups have started, and many students are making the most of extra-curricular activities.

It has been a hot and positive start to the year, with a lively and talented group of Year 9's. I hope that they are all starting to feel a little more at home now here at Papanui.

Please let us know if you have concerns, as together with your help, we endeavour to support the students, in what is a pretty major time of transition and change.

“Waiho i te toipoto,
Kaua i te toiroa”

Let us keep close together, not wide apart

Nga mihi nui,

Jane Herman
Year 9 Dean

Tomorrow's Schools Review

Tomorrow's Schools Review: Consultation update



The report by the Tomorrow's School Independent Taskforce [Our Schooling Futures: Stronger Together | Whiria Ngā Kura Tūātinī](#) was released in December 2018. The Independent Taskforce is now very keen to receive feedback from as many people as possible to help them complete their final recommendations.

Public consultation on the report is now open and we really encourage school staff, board members, PTA members, parents, whānau and wider school community to have their say on the future of our schooling system:

- The Taskforce will be holding public consultation meetings around the country, starting on Thursday, 14 February and finishing on Wednesday, 27 March. We really encourage everyone to come along to these events and discuss the future of our schooling system. The full schedule is now available on our website (venues will be added for events as they are confirmed): <https://conversation.education.govt.nz/conversations/tomorrows-schools-review/have-your-say-today/> .
- An online survey: this canvasses opinions on each of the 32 recommendations, is now available <https://consultation.education.govt.nz/tsr/survey2019/> and will remain open until 31 March 2019.
- A free 0800 number for oral submissions: call 0800 FOR TSR (0800 367 877) to leave your thoughts on the future of our schooling system.
- Postcards: for students, families and anyone who just wants to briefly 'have their say' on a recommendation or the full report. Freepost postcards will be available at the public meetings.
- Formal written submissions: these can be sent to: tomorrows.schools@education.govt.nz .

Consultation closes 7 April 2019. We want everyone to have their say and we want to do our very best to listen carefully to what is said.

From the Independent Taskforce
Bali Haque (Chair), Barbara Ala'alatoa, Mere Berryman, John O'Neill, and Cathy Wylie

Sport News

Papanui High School Social Tennis

If any Papanui High School students are interested in having a social hit, come and join in with our social tennis students on a Wednesday from 2:45pm – 3:45pm on the school courts. Free to attend, and if you have a racket bring it along too.

Rock Climbing

Rock Climbing sessions, run in conjunction with the Papanui Youth Development Trust, begin Monday 18th February. Sessions are held at the Papanui Youth Development Trust on Harewood Road from 2:45pm – 4.00pm, and students who have signed up will be met by staff by the staff car park walkway to walk down together. Students will then be asked to make their own arrangements home. Please remember to return your permission slips to attend. Sessions are \$9.50 with the first one being free.

Weekly Sports Results:

Futsal

Year 9 Boys beat Rudolf Steiner 9-3

Senior Boys beat Middleton 10-1

Girls beat Christchurch Girls' High School 5-1

Indoor Football

Year 9 Boys Green beat Hillmorton 7-4
Year 10 Boys were defeated by Hillmorton

Indoor Netball

Year 9 Girls Blue were defeated by Avonside Girls' High School
Year 9 Girls Gold beat Cathedral College 6-3
Year 10 Girls Green were defeated by Cashmere High School
Year 10 Girls Blue beat Marian College 24 -1

Teeball

Started this week with games played at South Hagley Park, and home.

Touch

Super Touch Boys' beat Cashmere Mixed
Super Touch Girls 'were defeated by Rangī Ruru in a close game
Intermediate Boys were defeated by Rolleston
Junior Boys drew 6-6 with St Andrew's College

Ultimate Frisbee

Mixed Team were defeated by Darfield

Volleyball

Premier Girls were defeated by St Andrew's College in a close 5 set game
Senior Girls were defeated by Villa Maria in a close 5 set game
Junior Girls beat Avonside Girls' High School 2-1

Waterpolo

A Team were defeated by Rangī Ruru
B Team were defeated by St Andrew's College

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

- Summer Term 1 sport continues – please remember to return any outstanding permission slips, and read the draw to make sure students know when their game is.
- Sports draw is located on the school sports notice board, sport facebook page, student notices, and on the school app via the links page.

Payment of summer sports fees are now overdue. Please make sure these are paid in full prior to next week's game unless you have made arrangements with the office.



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Tōku Kura, Tōku Tiketike, Tōku Haepapa*