



### **Principal's Perspective**

Monday evening saw the first PTA meeting for the year. Mr Vannoort attended in my absence and noted it was great to see a large number of new parents joining the committee, particularly from Year 9. We would also like to acknowledge the parents who have come back to support the school for another year. The PTA is a very valuable component within our school structure, and I am appreciative of their contribution and their comments, as a sounding board in relation to current and future initiatives that the school seeks feedback about.

Week 4 is now complete, and staff and students will be well and truly settling in to the routine of teaching and learning. Year 9 and 10 students have received their Engagement Reports, and Year 11 to 13's were completed last Wednesday. We know when students are engaged in their learning, they give themselves the greatest opportunity to succeed.

Learning beyond the four walls of a classroom is an important component of what we do here. The opportunity to include authentic and enhanced learning opportunities is critical to support student engagement, and to potentially see the 'bigger picture' of what the learning means and/or where it might fit with their future aspirations. Alongside class curriculum is the school's co-curricular programme, which is also gathering momentum as the various councils and committees are under way, and students become involved in an extensive range of activities.

As we near the end of February, we are reminded that we are vulnerable to a range of weather conditions in Christchurch. We've certainly had some hot weather over the last month, and this weekend reminds us how quickly a southerly change can occur. When weather conditions are adverse, we will do our best to inform the school community as quickly as possible. If this is going to affect the school day; in the first instance information will be posted on the school's website, followed by the school app. In extreme situations we would potentially also email and text message.

On a positive note, when the weather has been fine, it has been nice to see students relaxed at break times, playing games, and or sitting in groups enjoying the sunshine.

Jeff Smith  
Principal

### **Academic Celebration Day**

#### **Monday 4th March**

On Monday 4<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 2018.

The following assemblies will take place:

Year 11 Academic Assembly period 2  
NCEA focus

Year 12 Academic Assembly period 4  
Acknowledge endorsement receipts, followed by an afternoon tea

Year 13 Academic Assembly period 5  
Acknowledge endorsement receipts, followed by an afternoon tea

Parents/caregivers of students who received Merit or Excellence endorsement for their Level 1 or 2 NCEA certificate will be invited to attend and share an afternoon tea with staff. Please check your email for your invitation and RSVP to the main office before Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March.

## Year 10

Year 10 is an important year in terms of ensuring your child has the base knowledge required in preparation for NCEA in 2020. The students have made a very positive start to 2019, not only in terms of having the right equipment and wearing the correct uniform, but also in the positive way they have continued to learn within the classroom. Last week saw the first Engagement Reports for the year. These reports provide a good platform to see how your son/daughter is engaging throughout all curriculum areas, and can result in some positive conversations around how to improve in those areas where their grades may be less than ideal.

It was wonderful to see so many of you attend the 'Meet and Greet' evening, and making connections with the people that are important for your child's education and wellbeing at school. This night gave you the opportunity to not only put the face to the name of your child's teachers, but also learn a bit more about the units and topics covered this year, along with information on homework expectations.

I would also like to take this time to congratulate the twelve students who put themselves forward to be on the School Council. Due to the fact only three spaces are available for Year 10 students it required them to speak in assembly, and will come down to a cohort vote. All of the students spoke with clarity, passion, and were very persuasive in trying to get their year level vote. I look forward to seeing who the successful candidates are, and how they represent the views of their peers to bring about positive change.

Ma tini ma mano ka rap ate whai  
Many hands make light work. Unity is strength

Lynette Starr  
Year 10 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 Tūātinītini\*](#) 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. These have already begun and will finish 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](mailto: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

### Winter Netball 2019

If you are interested in playing Winter Netball this season for Papanui High School, please make sure you have registered your interest with the Sports Coordinator by Monday (as expression of interest to play has already been asked for, we are just making sure we haven't missed anyone).

At this stage there will be the option of Junior and Senior Wednesday, and Saturday Netball, so please let the Sports Coordinator ( [hik@papanui.school.nz](mailto:hik@papanui.school.nz) ) know your preference.

If there are any parents or caregivers who would like to offer their support in either a Coach, Manager or Umpire role, please also let the Sports Coordinator know as we would love to have you on board.

### Canoe Racing Nationals and Oceania Champs

Claudia Rogers (Year 12) and Jess Nisbet (Year 13) competed at Canoe Racing New Zealand National Championships and Oceania Champs over the weekend at Lake Karapiro.

They combined with their team mates from Arawa Canoe Club to compete in the U18 K4 200 event where they did remarkably well to take out Gold. Winning this event means they are now the National and Oceania champs. A super result with half the crew from Papanui High School.



### Full Results:

U18 K4 500

Jess Nisbet – Gold – National and Oceania champ

Claudia Rogers – 4<sup>th</sup>

U18 K2 200

Jess Nisbet – Silver

Claudia Rogers - Bronze

U18 K1 200 A Final

Jess Nisbet – 5<sup>th</sup>

Claudia Rogers – 6<sup>th</sup>

U18 K2 500 Final

Jess Nisbet – Silver

Claudia Rogers – 4<sup>th</sup>

U18 K1 500 A Final

Claudia Rogers 6<sup>th</sup>

Jess Nisbet 8<sup>th</sup>



### Canterbury Secondary School Show Jumping Championships – McLeans Island

On Wednesday we had two riders representing Papanui High School at the Canterbury Secondary Schools' Show Jumping Championships. Our riders represented Papanui well – with them being a part of a composite team with a Rolleston rider and, despite only having three riders instead of four in their team, finishing seventh out of 25 teams overall. Caitlin Shrimpton (pictured above) rode two good rounds at 105 cm, and Alyssa Harnett (pictured right) was also individually placed 1st and 3rd for her two rounds at 95 cm.

## **Weekly Sports Results:**

### **Futsal**

Yr 9 Boys were defeated by STAC  
Girls beat Rolleston 11-3

### **Indoor Football**

Yr 9 Boys Blue beat Hillmorton 3-1  
Yr 10 Boys beat Hornby 7-2

### **Indoor Netball**

Yr 9 Girls Blue beat Cathedral 30 -11  
Yr 9 Girls Gold beat Avonside 8-7  
Yr 10 Girls Green beat Hillmorton 18-5  
Yr 10 Girls Blue beat Avonside 22-18

### **Korfball**

Junior Team beat Marian 6-5  
Senior Team beat Hagley 9-8

### **Teeball**

2 x Papanui teams played against each other this week.

### **Touch**

Intermediate Boys were defeated by Mairehau  
Junior Boys beat Rolleston 3-1  
Yr 9 Boys Green beat Yr 9 Boys Blue 7-2  
Yr 9 Girls were defeated by Rangī Ruru

### **Ultimate Frisbee**

Mixed Team were defeated by Darfield

### **Volleyball**

Senior Girls beat Villa last week 3-2 (miss print last week). But were defeated by Cashmere this week.  
Junior Girls were defeated by Linwood

### **Waterpolo**

A Team were defeated by CGHS  
B Team were defeated by Villa Maria

## **Student Achievements**

**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 signed up for Canterbury Secondary Schools' Athletics please see Kirsten to confirm your entries by Thursday.**
- 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.**



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## The Week Ahead

Monday 25	OED22F trip Aiga Fono meeting - 6.00pm
Tuesday 26	PE11F surf assessment OED22F trip
Wednesday 27	Jnr- 2 weekly engagement reports PE11F surf assessment OED22F trip
Thursday 28	OED22F trip PE11F surf assessment Board of Trustees meeting
<b>March</b>	
Friday 1	Y13 Bus. Kickstart day – ARA



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now has a School App!**

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Tōku Kura, Tōku Tiketike, Tōku Haepapa*