



### Principal's Perspective

We have just completed Week 6, which is just over half way through the first term, and staff and students will be well and truly settled in to the routine of teaching and learning.

Following on from our successful 2018 NCEA results, we had the opportunity on Monday, to celebrate those students who received Merit, and Excellence Endorsements. We are very proud of our students' achievements, and I would like to acknowledge all students who worked to the best of their ability, regardless of the level of achievement they received. I would also like to thank former pupil Andre Knops who was our guest speaker, and parents/caregivers/whānau members who were able to attend, and share in our acknowledgement of the academic success.

On Tuesday evening, six of our students attended the sPACIFICally PACIFIC Supreme Academic Awards. These awards bring together the education community and Pasifika community to inspire and celebrate Pasifika identity, language, culture, and achievement. This celebration aims to strengthen the partnership that students, families, communities have with teachers, principals, and local and central government. Congratulations to our two Supreme Award winners Doreen Prasad (joint winner), and Nikhil Prakash who were named top male and female students in Canterbury out of the twenty two schools that attended. Our understanding is that this is the first time in the eighteen years that these awards have been held, that one school had the highest achiever in both categories.



Next week is International Week with activities including lunchtime International Group performances, the popular Food Fair, and finishing on Friday with a fundraising mufti day.

Jeff Smith  
Principal



Left to right:

Estelle Tagiilima, AJ Paulo, Doreen Prasad, Principal Jeff Smith, Nikhil Prakash, Erikah Taukeiaho, and Elaina Asi - at the sPACIFICally PACIFIC Supreme Awards.

## A Notice from the Canterbury District Health Board



March 6 2019

Since 26 February 2019, the number of cases in the latest Canterbury measles outbreak has been steadily climbing, and as at 5 March we have had ten confirmed cases, with more likely to be confirmed over the next days and weeks. Some are children who have yet to complete their MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) vaccinations, but four are adults aged between 27 and 50 who have had only one measles vaccination, which was standard practice between 1969 and 1990. Cases have now spread throughout Christchurch.

Measles is a serious and highly contagious, viral disease where up to 30 percent of those who catch it will develop complications – usually children under 5 and adults over the age of 20. Measles during pregnancy increases the risk of miscarriage, premature labour, and low birth-weight in babies. Measles is spread through droplets in the air and through contact, so that anyone unprotected who has been in the same room as someone with measles will likely get it.

The surest protection is for people to have had both of their MMR (measles, mumps and rubella) vaccinations, scheduled to be given to children at 15 months and at four years. As long as children of school age are up-to-date with their vaccinations they should be protected against measles. People vaccinated between 1969 and 1990 should contact their GP team who will provide a booster vaccination. People born before 1969 will have been exposed to measles and will be immune.

Family members who aren't sure if they have been immunised with two doses of MMR vaccine should talk to their GP team who will be able to provide a vaccination if they need it. An extra vaccination will not cause any harm.

Measles symptoms include:

- o A respiratory type of illness with dry cough, runny nose, headache
- o Temperature over 38.5 C and feeling very unwell
- o A red blotchy rash starts on day 4-5 of the illness usually on the face and moves to the chest and arms.

If you think your child has measles, keep them away from other children. If they are already sick they should stay home for at least five days after symptoms such as a rash appeared.

More information about measles is available at <http://www.immune.org.nz>

- on behalf of Ramon Pink Medical Officer of Health CPH (division of CDHB)

## The Week Ahead

Monday 11	Year 13 Conference Day OED22F Hawdon trip Auto22	Thursday 14	L3 Health Seminar Fiafia night – Hall OED22F Hawdon trip
Tuesday 12	OED22F Hawdon trip L1 Geography trip AUTO22	Friday 15	OED22F Hawdon trip MUFTI DAY
Wednesday 13	Jnr - 2 weekly engagement reports L3 Health Seminar UC liaison visit 12.00pm – 1.00pm Period 5 – Brain Bee – A11 World Vision conference OED22F Hawdon trip Auto22		

## Year 11

Kia ora from Year 11, and to this first newsletter from me for 2019. This first term to date has been full and challenging for our year level, as we have now arrived in the senior school, with the reality of NCEA. Classes are now settled, and your students are now underway with their first taste of internal assessment for some subjects. Please engage with your child to help them understand requirements of assessments, and for any questions they have please approach their class teacher.

This first term has seen students step up to positions on the School Council, and various Co-Curricular Committees. In assemblies we have had presentations from Crash Bash, focussing on driver safety and other road safety messages. There is the opportunity for your students to take part in the BP Business Challenge from the 27<sup>th</sup> to the 29<sup>th</sup> March, and a great group of Year 11 students are well underway with their rehearsals for Polyfest. Next week we are as a school looking forward to our annual International Week.

Lastly, I want to take the opportunity to ask for your full support to speak with your student here at school about this coming year, the first of NCEA Level 1. I have been asking for all Year 11 students to increase their focus and engagement in class, as we are now in the 'business end' of high school with an even greater focus on academic success. I have called on all students to support and help each other with assessments as it comes with a greater level of work required, and stress that needs to be managed.

That is all from me this time, take care and I look forward to updating you all again soon.

Nga mihi nui,

Mr. Joe Holland  
Year 11 Dean  
Kaitiaki Tau 11

## School - Home Communication

Communicating with you!!

Kia ora,

We try really hard to get information to you in a timely manner and email has become one of the major ways of communicating with you. Many email providers are now blocking emails that look like a bulk mail out and we are aware that some of you may not be receiving our emails.

To avoid this can you please either-  
allow the [papanui.school.nz](http://papanui.school.nz) domain in their email filters to not go to spam or add the following to their contact lists  
[newsletter@papanui.school.nz](mailto:newsletter@papanui.school.nz)  
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[kamar@papanui.school.nz](mailto:kamar@papanui.school.nz)

If you do need to update your email address or other contact details you can do this via the parent portal or by contacting the office. 3526119.

Thank you  
Louisa Clissold  
Deputy Principal.

## School Strike 4 Climate Change

The following letter was emailed home to all parents/caregivers on Monday 4th March

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

You may be aware that on March 15th, a School Strike 4 Climate Change rally is planned to be held in Cathedral Square, Christchurch at 1pm and students are being encouraged to attend via social media and other means.

How the school responds has been discussed by the Board and staff and the majority of secondary schools in the region if not all, are taking a common approach to the event. Here are a number of points we believe you need to know if you are considering your son/daughters attendance:

- While the school feels the impact of climate change is a significant global issue, we believe there are other ways for students to express their support for the cause that do not disrupt learning at school. For instance, a weekend rally could have been held, letters could be written to those with influence in this cause, social media could be used to gather support and there will be more. Therefore the school does not support the timing of the event.
- Our understanding is that the event has no named organiser and no plans for management on the day; if they do exist, they have not been brought to our attention. The Police are aware though that this event is happening.
- Schools would find it very difficult to prevent students from attending and we will not be doing so. Given our duty of care though for students, if your son/daughter is going to attend, we need your approval indicating you know they are there. Such approval means that the school has no responsibility for the student once they leave the school gates.
- Any student who has provided parent approval to attend the event, will be marked on the schools attendance register as an Explained absence (E) but an Unjustified absence (U).
- We have no position on the wearing of uniform to the event if students attend as any enforcement would be almost impossible – this will be a decision you and your son/daughter make.
- While we are not encouraging students to attend, at our school, there will be an opportunity provided for students to be 'released' from class or school at 11.35am (end of Period 3) to minimise disruption to those staying in class.

If you give your permission for your child to attend the rally, please email the school stating your child's name and form class to: [admin@papanui.school.nz](mailto:admin@papanui.school.nz)

## Can Do Cards

Cando cards have been received and distributed to students. If there are any issues with the card or your child did not receive one that was ordered please contact Miss McConnel on [mcr@papanui.school.nz](mailto:mcr@papanui.school.nz).

A catch up day for those still interested will be advertised later in the term.





## Sport News

### 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 – [hik@papanui.school.nz](mailto:hik@papanui.school.nz)

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

### Canterbury Classic Karate Tournament

Congratulations to two of Papanui High School's best Karateka who participated in the Canterbury Classic Karate Tournament on March 2 at the Ara Recreation Centre.

Dan Fojas of Year 10, brought home the Gold Medal in Kata and Silver in Kumite, while Cam Williams of Year 11 received a Silver in Kata, and Bronze in Kumite.

As a sport, Karate helps develop the physical, mental, and emotional aspects of a Karateka's life. It promotes balance, coordination, focus, respect, and discipline. Both Dan and Cam excelled during the tournament.



### Open Touch Nationals

Thomas Pilkington (Year 13) (right) attended the Open Touch National's tournament last weekend in Rotorua as a referee. Thomas was selected to referee the 40 woman's final and ended up ranked 37th in NZ for the tournament. From this tournament Thomas has been selected to go to Australia in the National Elite Youth development squad of 8, later in the year.

### School sports news

#### Mainland Senior Volleyball Championships

Last weekend our Premier Girls' Volleyball team competed at the Mainland Senior Volleyball Championships at Pioneer Stadium. The team played in the Girls' Div 2 Competition placing 6<sup>th</sup> overall. This is the first of two competitions they will play in prior to attending the NZ Secondary Schools' Volleyball Champs in Palmerston North at the end of the month. Thank you to Mr Joel Martin, Ms Fran Edmondson, and Peng Tay for supporting the team.



### Game Results:

Vs Waimea 0-3  
Vs Burnside B 3-2  
Vs Columba College 3-2  
Vs Middleton 1-3  
Vs Tairei 2-1  
Vs Rangi Ruru 0-3

### How to raise a CHAMPION – balance is better presentation.

A presentation hosted by Waimairi School PTA, and presented by Sport Canterbury with personal experiences from guest speakers, to debunk the myths of what some parents and coaches believe is the way to future sporting success for their child/children.

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March**

**Waimairi School**

**6:30-9.00pm**

**\$20 + booking fee**

Open to all to attend. Limited tickets so get in quick if you would like to attend. Tickets can be purchased from: <https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/how-to-raise-a-champion-balance-is-better-tickets-56868307639?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>.



### Weekly Sports Results:

#### Futsal

Year 9 Boys beat Rudolf Steiner 14-1

Senior Boys beat Middleton 7-4, and were defeated by Linwood in game two.

Girls were defeated in a great game against Marian College

#### Indoor Football

Year 9 Boys Green were defeated by St Bede's

Year 10 Boys beat Cathedral 13-1

Senior Boys beat Hornby 5-1

#### Indoor Netball

Year 9 Girls Gold were defeated by Christchurch Girls' High School

Year 10 Girls Green beat Christchurch Girls' High School 27-13

#### Korfball

Senior Team were defeated by Cashmere

#### Teeball

Papanui Pride were defeated by Riccarton

Papanui Roar drew with Ferndale

#### Touch

Super Touch Boys' beat Christchurch Boys' High School 8-0

Super Touch Girls' were just defeated by Burnside

Intermediate Boys' were defeated by Rolleston

Junior Boys' beat St Andrew's College 6-5

Year 9 Boys Green were defeated by St Bede's



### Ultimate Frisbee

Mixed Team were defeated by Riccarton

### Volleyball

Premier Girls beat CGHS 3-0

Senior Girls beat Rangī Ruru 3-0

Junior Girls beat Marian 2-0

### Waterpolo

A Team drew with Burnside 5-5

B Team were defeated by St Margaret's

### Important Dates/ Notices

- Summer Term 1 sport continues– Please remind all students involved in sport to check the Wednesday draw to make sure they are aware of who, where, and when, they are playing. Please let the Sports Coordinator if you are away so team numbers can be confirmed.
- Sports draw is located on the school sports notice board, sport face book page, student notices and on the school app via the links page.
- Payment of Summer Sports Fees are now overdue.
- Winter Sport registrations and information will be made available via the school app “links page” by week 9.



Kirsten Hill

Sports Coordinator

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## 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 Tūātitini\*](#) 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

## Tōtaranui Community of Learning Newsletter

Kia ora koutou

Our local Schools and Early Childhood Services have joined together to form Tōtaranui Community of Learning, otherwise known as the Tōtaranui Kāhui Ako. The purpose of this community is to develop a strong learning pathway for all our students. It will require the schools to work together to strengthen teacher practice and share resources, all of which will result in better teaching and learning for our young people.

### Our schools are:

Redwood Primary  
Papanui Primary  
Northcote Primary  
Bishopdale Primary  
Cotswold Primary  
Casebrook Intermediate  
Papanui High School

### Our Early Childhood Services are:

Cotswold Preschool and Nursery  
Kidstart Kindergartens Cotswold Avenue  
Kidsfirst Kindergartens Northcote  
Kidsfirst Kindergartens Redwood  
Organic Kids  
Gumdrops Early Childhood Centre  
Redwood Early Education Centre  
Kindercare Learning Centres – Sawyers Arms

The Tōtaranui Community of Learning will be run by an Executive Team comprising of:

- Sharon Keen, Principal of Casebrook Intermediate
- Jeff Smith, Principal of Papanui High School
- Stephen Harrison, Principal of Cotswold Primary School

The team is assisted by an Executive Assistant, Chris McShane.

Monthly the Tōtaranui Community of Learning Executive Team will post updated information on what is happening across the Community of Learning in all our school newsletters. Many activities will be learning related, but we will also be seeking community engagement and at times be celebrating student successes.

You can learn more about us at our website: [totaranui.org.nz](http://totaranui.org.nz)

If you wish to contact Tōtaranui Community of Learning please email Chris McShane at: [tccl@casebrook.school.nz](mailto:tccl@casebrook.school.nz) or phone 027 6622 712

Hei Konā mai

Tōtaranui Community of Learning



Tōtaranui Community of Learning Executive Team Sharon Keen, Jeff Smith & Stephen Harrison  
Photo by Chris McShane

*My School, My Success, My Responsibility  
Tōku Kura, Tōku Tiketike, Tōku Haepapa*