



Principal's Perspective

Kia Ora,

I would like to start by acknowledging and congratulating the students who attended the senior formal last Friday week. The ball took place at The Foundry (University of Canterbury). We were the first, and last, school to have a ball there, as The Foundry is now to be dismantled. On both occasions the staff there were most complimentary that Papanui High School students show the utmost respect for the occasion, and are outstanding ambassadors for our school. Our students are wonderfully mature, and socially responsible, and these attributes were clearly demonstrated on the night. It was also very pleasing to see so many staff attend (over 50), reflecting the genuine interest they have in the students, and in sharing in the occasion.

On Tuesday, staff held a farewell afternoon tea for Mike Vannoort, who has been appointed as Principal at Middleton Grange. Mike was presented with a Taonga, a Wahaika, which was traditionally used as male weaponry and symbolises strength, integrity, and leadership. It was dressed with a korowai for protection, in the school colours, The Wahaika was engraved with two whakatauki: He tangata ki tahi 'a man of principle' and, He waka eke noa 'we are all in this together'. The presentation was followed by a



rousing haka from the staff. Mike takes up his position at the beginning of Term 3, and we wish him every success.

On Thursday evening we held our Junior Report Evening for our Year 9 and 10 students, and their parents and caregivers. We thank those who were able to attend and hope you found this evening supportive. Evenings like this form part of our on-going commitment to providing information and opportunities to gain a greater understanding of the progress your child is making by talking with their subject teachers. I would also like to acknowledge and thank the PTA for providing light refreshments on the night.

We have come to the end of another busy term, and I would like to thank all of our staff for their efforts during this past term, and wish both them and our student community an enjoyable and restful holiday time.

As we go into the holiday break there is an opportunity for students to balance out some school work, with a bit of rest and recreation. I look forward to Term 3 when students return recharged, and set to take another step along their learning pathway.

Jeff Smith
Principal

Year 13 - The Formal

Friday night marked a special occasion for Papanui High, with our annual Year 12 and 13 Formal. It had special significance in the fact that we were the first secondary school to hold a formal at the Foundry on the UC Campus, and we ended up being the last event there also.

I am so proud of the way the students conducted themselves. They looked stunning and handsome, and danced the night away. The photos from the evening are now up on Facebook.

I would like to personally thank my Formal Committee that consisted of nineteen Year 13 students, and two Year 12 students. Without their creative ideas, and hard work, it would not have been the success it was.

Tanya Sapwell
Year 13 Dean



Emerging Leaders

On Tuesday nineteen Year 12 students attended the Emerging Leaders Conference at Christ's College. They joined over 600 other students from across Canterbury to hear from various speakers, and take part in workshops on leadership. The keynote speaker was Paralympian Liam Malone and he shared his stories of overcoming adversity and making the most of opportunities. The day provided plenty of insight and was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.



First Place Brain Bee Team

Nine students from Year 11 travelled to Dunedin this week to compete in the annual Brain Bee Challenge. This is a competition for students interested in neuroscience, brain anatomy, neurological and behavioural disorders, and mental illness. Three students made it into the semi final, and one into the final. Our four-person competitive team demonstrated their expertise taking out first place in the teams competition. Throughout their stay, students experienced life as a university student, working on electron and fluorescence microscopes, using electrostimulation equipment, and hearing from researchers about their studies of the brain. A highlight of the trip was spending the night at Otago Museum, being able to walk through galleries in the dark and explore the range of exhibits after hours.



Staying Well During the School Holidays



Tips for staying well during the school holidays

With flu circulating widely in the community, Canterbury DHB has some simple tips for how you can stop the spread, and look after yourselves and your whānau if you do get sick.

Stop the spread

If you or your whānau are feeling unwell with flu-like symptoms such as a fever, headache, muscle aches, shivering, and a dry cough:

- Stay at home
- Cough or sneeze into a tissue or your inner elbow
- Wash and dry hands often, or use hand sanitiser

Treat the symptoms at home

Most of the time, the symptoms of flu can be managed at home.

Canterbury DHB has produced the '[Coping with the flu at home](#)' brochure, containing practical advice for caring for someone with the flu, such as:

- how to treat the symptoms at home
- danger signs to look out for, especially in young children/babies
- when to seek medical advice and where to go.

The brochure is [available online](#) in the following languages: English, Māori, Hindi, Korean, Samoan, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese and Tagalog.

Where to seek help

If you are concerned about you or your whānau's symptoms, call your general practice team 24/7 for advice rather than visiting in person. After hours, follow the instructions to be put through to a nurse for free health advice.

Avoid the hospital unless it is an emergency.

Update on the flu vaccine

Thanks to a great response from Cantabrians, flu vaccine supplies are now limited but they are still available from GPs and some pharmacists for the following priority groups:

- people over 65
- pregnant women (any stage of pregnancy)
- those with long-term health conditions such as heart disease, stroke, diabetes respiratory disease (including asthma that requires regular preventive therapy), kidney disease and most cancers
- children aged four years and under who have been hospitalised for respiratory illness or have a history of significant respiratory illness.



Papanui 30km/h Speed Zone - Consultation

In response to community requests, the Christchurch City Council proposes to set safer speed limits around Papanui High School and the retail area to improve the safety of all road users. It is planned to change the speed limit to 30 km/h on Sisson Drive, Restell Street, Winston Avenue and outside Papanui High School on Langdons Road.

The decision-making process

The Waipapa/Papanui-Innes Community Board will consider all feedback and listen to those who ask to speak at the meeting. They will then make a recommendation to Council, who will decide whether to approve the changes. They will keep submitters up to date.

For more information click the following link: ['Papanui 30 km/h speed zone'](#) or contact Aliesha Esker at the Christchurch City Council 03 941 8355 Email: aliesha.esker@ccc.govt.nz

The project is open for comment until **Monday 22 July**.

Year 12 Physics Trip to the University of Canterbury



Year 12 Physics students modelling the Ernest Rutherford's famous gold foil experiment at a Radioactivity workshop at UC this week.



Liam Maguire riding a hovercraft made by UC students.

Papanui Bush Planting

On Wednesday, students and staff from Papanui High School and community members from Rotary, the Student Volunteer Army, and the Papanui Community Board worked together to plant 300 flax bushes at Papanui Bush. Outdoor Education and Horticulture students, along with Service Council members, were given a quick lesson by Matt our local Park Ranger around the ecology of the bush, and the best way to plant the flax. Each bush is surrounded by a biodegradable cardboard protective sheath as well as a piece of carpet at the bottom to deter rabbits or possums. Students really enjoyed their time and learnt a lot. It was a great experience had by all.



School Policies

Our school policies can be found at <https://papanui.schooldocs.co.nz>
Username papanui password pride



Sports News

Student Achievements

School Sport Canterbury Champions Badge

Congratulations to Brooke Tear on receiving a School sport Canterbury Champions Badge for placing 1st at the Canterbury Secondary Schools' Trampoline Championships.

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

UC Education Mud Run

On Sunday 30th June 16 students along with Mrs Hill attended the UC Education Secondary Schools' Mud Run. This year it was held at a new venue – the 'Christchurch Adventure Park' which gave an outlook across the city while completing a 5km course of obstacles.

Obstacles included tunnels, mud pits, rope climbs, mud slides, walking planks, crawling through tyres, and the big hill climb.

This was a great event supported by Sport Canterbury and University of Canterbury to give students the opportunity to get their mates together, dress up, and get covered in mud.



Sport Results:

Basketball

Saturday Teams:

U17 Boys – were defeated by St Bede's

U15 Boys – were defeated by Shirley Boys' High School

U20 Boys – beat Pioneer 84-77

Sunday Teams:

U18 Girls – beat Halswell 101-20

U15 Girls – beat North Canterbury 65-57

Tuesday Teams:

Thomson Trophy Boys – beat Hagley 72-37

Whelan Trophy Girls – beat Cashmere 73-35

Friday Teams:

Intermediate Girls – were defeated by Rolleston

Junior Girls – beat Cashmere 78-55

Football

Boys' 1st XI – were defeated by St Andrew's College

Girls' 1st XI – beat Riccarton 13-0

Hockey

Girls – beat Riccarton 8-0

Boys – drew with Rangiora 2-2

Netball

Saturday Team – beat St Margaret's 33-16

Senior Wednesday Team – were defeated by Unlimited

Yr 10 Wednesday Team – were defeated by Ellesmere

Important Dates/ Notices:

Winter sport starts up again Week 1 of Term 3.



Kirsten Hill
Head of Sport

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The Week Ahead

JULY

Monday 22 July	Tem 3 begins PTA
Tuesday 23 July	Bio31F trip
Wednesday 24 July	Winter sport resumes Snr - 2 weekly engagement reports
Thursday 25 July	Board of Trustees meeting
Friday 26 July	Whanau noho
Saturday 27 June	Whanau noho

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