



Principal's Perspective

Kia Ora,

This week the Papanui High School Jazz Band and the Papanui High School Jazz Combo are once again competing at the Southern Jam in Blenheim with over 20 other bands from around New Zealand. This trip sees the best Jazz and Contemporary musicians perform at a very high level. Both groups are out to defend their medal placings from last year. Last week the students warmed up for this event by competing in the annual Jazz Quest competition which showcases some of the country's top secondary school jazz bands and musicians. At the competition, the Papanui High School Big Band won Gold, and Genevieve and the Jazz Cats won Silver. We wish them all the very best this weekend.

Next Thursday the 15th August, is our Senior Course selection evening. We would encourage all parents, caregivers, and whānau to attend this evening with their child. This evening is critically important as it provides an opportunity for students and families to cross reference conversation with the subject teachers and the many external providers that come in. From this, informed decisions can be made about subject choices for the following year, and how they link to career pathways. Current Year 11 students meet in the Hall at 6.00pm, whilst current Year 12 students meet in the Study Centre (G1) at 6.45pm. This will be followed by an opportunity to meet with subject teachers, tertiary, and other providers in J Block.

Following the Course Selection evening, there will be an opportunity on Friday, to discuss options for next year as part of the Senior Academic Counselling day.

Congratulations to our Hip Hop mega crew 'Envy' who competed on Saturday 3rd August and won their category for the second year running. The two years prior to this they were in a smaller crew category, also winning on both occasions. This makes them winners four years in a row, and qualifies the team for the Nationals in Queenstown in September. You can see their winning performance here: [IMG 7256.MOV](#) Congratulations to all the students for their hard work and in particular the two leaders/choreographers Hannah Hastings and Endiah Kesha.

The school's Kapa Haka team joined together with Mairehau High students, alongside more than 20 Canterbury schools to take part in the regional competition last weekend. Our students performed incredibly well in their 25-minute routine, and we would like to congratulate them on their hard work and commitment.

On Wednesday a small group of students and staff arrived from Fujiidera Precinct in Osaka, Japan. This marks the 28th year that the students have been coming, and it is part of the Youth Overseas Dispatch Project, which cultivates globally minded young people through immersion in new cultures. We were really excited to learn that one of the teachers accompanying the students, came here twelve years ago as a visiting Fujiidera student. We wish them all a rewarding and enjoyable stay.

Jeff Smith
Principal

Senior Academic Counselling Day

Senior Academic Counselling Interview Day - Friday 16th August

On Friday 16th August we are holding our second AC interview day for senior students. All students in Years 11-13 will spend the day in their form rooms, studying independently, whilst Academic Counsellors complete AC interviews and assist with senior course selection for 2020.

The day is an excellent opportunity for students to complete work set by subject teachers to reinforce the current learning occurring in all NCEA subjects.

To make the most of the day, it is crucial students spend the week leading up to the day ensuring they understand the work set and ensuring they have the necessary resources to complete the work. For many students, the use of a fully charged electronic device on Friday, would be most helpful.

Our junior students will be given a revised timetable for the day and will continue with their usual subjects and teachers wherever possible.

Year 10

It is hard to believe that the first half of the year has been and gone, and Term 3 is shaping up to be one of the busiest terms in the school year at Papanui High School. At the end of last term you received your child's midyear report, which gave an in-depth indication of how your child is progressing throughout all curriculum areas, and whether there were any issues for concern. It was wonderful to see so many of you attend the Parent Teacher interviews to discuss face to face your child's achievements, and look at potential areas for improvement. It is at this part of the year, that it is time to imbed those changes necessary to create good habits with NCEA looming in the not too distant future.

Term 3 also sees the beginning of new subject options for many of our students, and with this comes new teachers, new expectations, and challenges. Getting as much exposure to our different subject options is particularly important, as over the upcoming weeks we will be focusing on option choices for 2020. There will be a very important night for all Year 10 students on the 27th of August. This is Course Selection evening and it is an excellent opportunity for you all to get more information about NCEA requirements along with detailed subject choice information. Please remember if you have any further questions as a result of attending this evening, do not hesitate to contact the teacher in charge of the subject area concerned as we realise how important it is for our students to make informed decisions.

Recently we have tried to rid some students of the belief that barely doing enough to scrape through is okay, as we want to encourage them to try and strive to reach their full potential. Although it is hard work, we should be aiming for excellence, not only in our academic and sporting pursuits, but also in terms of our behaviour, and the way we present ourselves in terms of uniform. A good way to check to see if your child is making the most of the learning opportunities given to them, is to continue to have conversations around the fortnightly progress report, where three's indicate engagement in learning in class, and completion of set tasks.

Lynette Starr
Year 10 Dean

Junior Speech Competition

Papanui High School Junior Speech Competition

The English Department would like to extend a warm welcome to parents, students, friends, and whānau to join us on Tuesday 20th August for the annual Junior Speech Competition.

Six talented Year 9 and 10 students will present speeches on a range of challenging, thought provoking and humorous topics. The students will compete for the Year 9 and 10 speaking trophies.

Our special guest adjudicators will be Katie Mills and Sophie Deam both past pupils of Papanui High. Katie has completed a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and Art History and is currently studying towards a Masters of International Relations and Diplomacy. Sophie completed Year 13 in 2018 and is now studying Physics and Japanese at Canterbury University.

Where: B3 (ground floor of the English Department)

When: Tuesday 20 August. Light refreshments will be served from 6.00pm. Speeches begin at 6.30pm

Put it in your diary now!!!!

Kerren Langdon
English Department

Mid Term Break

As indicated on the school's website, on the school App, and previously mentioned in this weekly emailed newsletter, please note that: **Friday 23rd August - will be a mid term break for staff and students, and the school will be closed.**

Senior Course Selection Evening



We would like to invite you to accompany your son/daughter to attend the Senior Course Selection Evening on Thursday 15th August 2019. This is a key event for all senior students to provide guidance on the course selection process, as students progress from Year 11 into 12, and from Year 12 into 13. Mapping out the pathway each student will take in their remaining years allows for a successful transition from high school into the tertiary sector, further training, or the workforce. Students benefit greatly from your input as well as the expert advice from those present on the evening.

The evening will begin with an information session:

Year 11 students and whānau: 6:00pm in the school hall

Year 12 students and whānau: 6:45pm in the study centre

We are lucky to have a large number of tertiary providers and training organisations present on the evening. They will offer advice and information regarding areas of training and pathways into different careers. We advise all students to attend and take advantage of this opportunity. These providers will be available within the J block foyer throughout the evening.

Teaching staff will also be available in the J block classrooms for selection advice on subject choices. We encourage you and your son/daughter to make the most of the evening and look forward to seeing you there.

James Stewart, HOD Careers/Pathways

GATAP (Gifted and Talented at Papanui) Update

GATAP students take part in a spectacular array of exciting activities. Our students have recently been involved in the many interesting and challenging events, including:

The World Scholars' Cup on May 28th and 29th was attended by Year 10 students: Charlotte Carell, Jude Duven, and Jaxon Faithfull. Congratulations to the team who successfully came home with a huge haul of medals; including Gold Writing - for Jaxon Faithful and Jude Duven, and a Silver for Debating - for Jude Duven, and a Silver for their team writing.

The Inaugural Ethics Olympiad was held at the Town Hall on June 6. Sophie Hamilton, Charlotte Carrell, Megan Townshend, Luke Reynolds, Izzy Fairly, Rose Kennedy, Jaxon faithful and Jude Duven performed admirably and placed fourth in the event. We look forward to being even more competitive next year.

Congratulations to all 2019 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Awards winners: Erika Arlidge, Thomas Clarke, Owen Dabrowski, Jack Haldane, Josh Hansen, Ella Herber, Finley Keating, Mia Ormsby, Georgia Perriam, and Isabella Wallwork.

The 2019 New Zealand Brain Bee Challenge (NZBBC) a competition for high school students in Year 11 to learn about the brain and its functions, was held in Otago. Our Year 11 team of Anish Kadariya, Day Park, Mariene Octaviano, Finley Keating, Georgia Perriam, Paula Rodriguez Lopez, Maddie Gay, and Bailey Rodell Gowans won.

The Senior Philosophy Conference was attended by 30 students, and 31 Year 9 students are attending a Junior Stretch and Challenge day on Monday August 12th.



Our PHS philosophy club PHILSOC continues to thrive.

Year 13 head students Nikhil Prakash and Tai-iba Hassanian, Holly Osgood, and Year 12 students: Kyra Elliot, and Cameron Joe showcased their sophisticated speaking talent to a rapt audience on August 6th.

Our junior GATAP students are busy working on Reading and Knowledge challenges and academic goals. I am currently finishing individual interviews with Year 9 students, and will begin Year 12 and 13 interviews soon.

Jo Dwan. GATE Co-coordinator

The Week Ahead

Monday 12	DST12 ACF GATAP Y9/10 Day 1-4pm Papanui Plunket working bee Lincoln Uni course planning
Tuesday 13	DRA21F workshop DST12 ACF Y11 History trip – am
Wednesday 14	Jnr - 2 weekly engagement reports Cantamath: P3 Year 9, P4 Year 10 Ag/Hort farm trip NZ School of Tourism
Thursday 15	SPF EOTC P4-6 Snr Course evening
Friday 16	Senior AC interview day Course planning: Otago U, Ara & Victoria U



Sports 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 – hk@papanui.school.nz

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

School sports news

Sport Results:

Basketball

Saturday Teams:

U20 Boys – beat Burnside 78-54

U17 Boys – were defeated by Cashmere

U15 Boys – were defeated by Selwyn

Sunday Teams:

U18 Girls – beat Halswell 83-28

U15 Girls – beat Selwyn 69-36

Tuesday Teams:

Thomson Trophy Boys - beat Te Pa O Rakaihautu 105 – 68

Friday Teams:

Intermediate Girls – were defeated by Riccarton

Junior Girls – beat Avonside Girls' High 63-60

In House Comp points table as of 30/07/2019:

Team	Played	W	L	Bonus	Points
Teachers	7	6	1	6	36
KimiOra	7	3	4	1	18
U17 A	7	2	4	10	20
U17 B	7	2	3	6	19
Senior A	7	4	2	6	26
Girls	7	4	3	3	23
Senior B	7	5	2	3	28
Senior C	7	2	5	3	13
Senior D	7	1	3	5	13
U15 A	7	2	4	4	14
Old Boys	7	5	1	2	27
Papa Social Ballers	7	2	5	1	11

Football

Boys' 1st XI – were defeated by Cashmere

Girls' 1st XI – were defeated by Lincoln

Hockey

Girls – beat Kaiapoi 5-0

Netball

Saturday Team – beat Revelations 26-15

Wednesday Senior – beat Linwood 17-12

Wednesday Yr 10 – beat Christchurch Girls' High School 25-16

Wednesday Yr 9 – beat Darfield 21-16

Rugby

Girls – beat Darfield 98-17

Squash

PPNU Ninja's – beat Christ's College 10-0

Important Dates/ Notices:

Permission forms and deposits for students involved with Winter Tournament are now due.

Term 4 Summer sport registrations will open Week 6.



Kirsten Hill

Head of Sport

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Parenting Seminar on Anxiety

What: Renowned parenting expert and author Michael Grose and researcher and well-being expert Dr Jodi Richardson who co-authored *Anxious Kids* are presenting a seminar designed to better recognise, manage and minimise anxiety.

When: Monday September 9th, 7-9pm

Where: Addington Raceway

Details and tickets: parentingideas.com.au/anxious-kids-seminar-tour

The Parenting Ideas website also has useful information on other parenting ideas such as technology use, sensitive children and anger: parentingideas.com.au

School Policies

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

Username: papanui password: pride

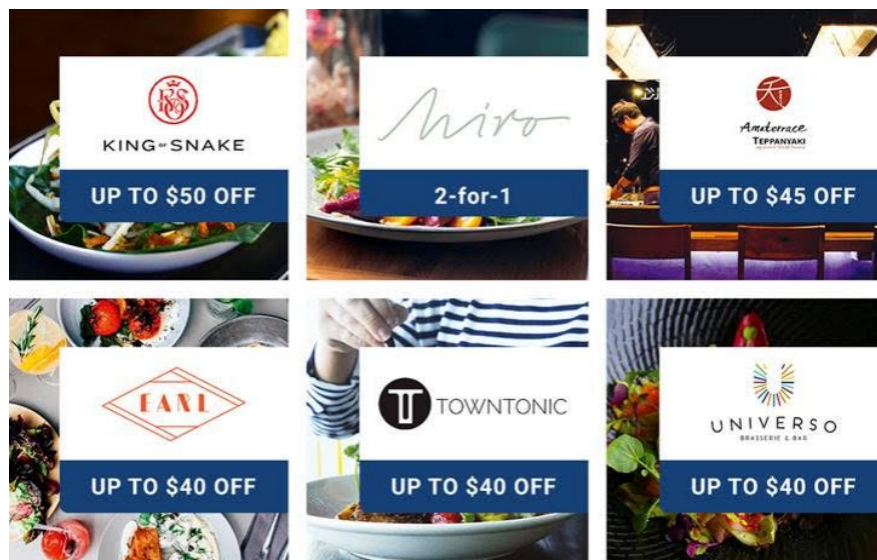


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entertainment



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With the extra money you will have in your pocket don't forget to save room for dessert!
Bon Appetit!



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