

# **Papanews Community Edition**

Friday 30th August 2019

## **Principal's Perspective**

Kia Ora,

On Tuesday we held our Year 10 to Year 11 Course Selection evening, I would like to thank all the parents and caregivers who attended.

As you will read in this edition, there have been a wide variety of interesting student activities happening on our school campus, and in the community this week. This typifies the kinds of opportunities available for our students for learning outside of the classroom.

Friday is the last night of the Infinite Dance Showcase in the hall. It is a hugely popular, and successful event. We will have a full report in next week's edition.

Next week many of our students will be playing in their respective Winter Sports tournaments. We thave teams competing as follows: Boys' Football in Blenheim, Girls' Football in Timaru, Boys' Hockey in Ashburton, Girls' Hockey in Cromwell, Girls' Netball in Nelson, Senior Boys' and Girls' Basketball in Nelson, and Junior Girls' Basketball in Dunedin. We wish them safe travel and a wonderful time as they compete against other schools from around New Zealand.

On Thursday 5th September the school will be holding a full school fire drill exercise at 12.00 noon. Our student body will be informed prior to this event. The exercise should finish by the start of lunchtime. The drill will measure how robust our Health and Safety procedures are.

Tim Kirby Acting Principal

## **Year 11 - 13 Formative Assessment Week**

Senior Examinations are taking place over the week of Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September to Friday 20<sup>st</sup> September 2019. These assessments are to assist in their preparation for their external exams later in November.

Exams, tutorials and other assessment opportunities are timetabled for Year 11, 12 and 13 courses during that week. Otherwise all Year 11, 12 and 13 students will be on study leave for the duration of this week; there are no normal timetabled classes.

The students are expected to use the leave to prepare for their exams and assessments that week or continue with set class work at home. Additionally, the Careers room, A12 is available during this time as a quiet study place.

Students are receiving a letter for parents and caregivers explaining the exam details and a timetable. Please check when students are expected at school and encourage them to prepare well and perform to the best of their ability. These practice exams are important! 'Managing self' will be critical for senior students over the next few weeks in the lead up to assessment week. The results from these practice exams may be used as evidence in the derived grades process for NZQA.

Tim Kirby Acting Principal

# Year 13

It is hard to believe that by the time you read this, the Year 13's will only have thirty school days left until NCEA examinations. To say this term has gone fast is an understatement. Over these next thirty days, it is important that they continue to attend classes, complete work to the best of their ability, and engage in their learning.

While change is coming for them, and it is inevitable that it will be challenging, it is important that they trust in the staff and their Academic Counsellors, that we will do our very best to give the best advice to help them make decisions for next year.

This year group has such a diverse group of students that continue to amaze me with their attitude and commitment. I was extremely proud to watch the Senior Boys' and Girls' Basketball teams in their finals, as well as the Infinite Dance showcase. The way the students conducted themselves was truly representative of our PRIDE values. They showed Integrity, and Dared to Excel, in pressure situations.

The Leavers Gear has now been ordered, and I look forward to seeing the students who ordered it, wear it with pride over the next term.

Thank you for your continued support in helping me, and trusting me, with looking out for your children, sometimes it is not easy, but it is so rewarding to see the good young people they have become.

Tanya Sapwell Year 13 Dean

## **Epro8 Grand Final**

'The Lads', a group of Year 10's, made the Grand Final of the Epro8 Engineer, Program, and Innovate competition on Thursday at the University of Canterbury. They qualified first in their heat earlier this term, and were ready for the challenge yesterday. The competition involves completing as many engineering challenges as possible in two and half hours. They had a slow start building a conveyor belt, but picked up speed and pulled off over 170 points in the last 20 minutes, to jump into 2nd place, just 10 points behind the winners. It was a great effort.

'The Lads' working on the most complicated juice mixer ever at the EPro9 Engineering competition

The team from Papanui pulled out a massive effort in the last half an hour to end up in 2nd place. Team member were Tim Hollis, Jude Duven, Jaxon Faithful, and Campbell MacPherson.



# **Speedmeet**

Speedmeet brings together students and employers, speed dating style! Students had the chance to meet with employers for six minutes to find out about each other; each then notes whether they'd like to know more. Matches are then put in touch after the event, and potentially job offers may be made. Employers range of Industries were - Automotive, Construction, Engineering, Retail, Manufacturing, and many more.



# Women in Leadership Breakfast

Five Year 12 students attended the Women in Leadership Breakfast at the University of Canterbury on Wednesday, where a number of interesting and inspirational speakers addressed the students.

The students with host Letitia Fickel Acting Pro-Vice-Chancellor Education, Health and Human Development.



# **Congratulations**

Congratulations to former Papanui High student Katie Mills who has just been elected as Vice-President of the University of Canterbury Student Association (UCSA) executive for 2020. The UCSA has the highest voter turnout of any student association election in New Zealand.



## 'Smashed'

'Smashed', a free Year 9 Alcohol Education Programme

SMASHED, which was established in the UK in 2005, and will this year be delivered in 21 countries worldwide, has been brought to New Zealand as part of responsible drinking initiative the Tomorrow Project and will be delivered by the Life Education Trust.

It is a play about alcohol, peer pressure, and the effects it has on young people.

This play will be put on for the Year 9s in 2 sessions on the morning of September the 9th. The students will be taken to the hall in their core classes for 1 hour, and will be supervised there while they watch the play, and then take part in a workshop about what they saw in the play. Extra support after the performance will be offered to any students that may need it.

You can find more information about the programme at www.smashed.org.nz and www.smashedproject.org

If for any reason you would like your student to be withdrawn from this event, please email the Year 9 Dean, Jane Herman: <a href="mailto:hmj@papanui.school.nz">hmj@papanui.school.nz</a>

## **Year 10 Students in the Student Volunteer Army**

Year 10 students took part in the Student Volunteer Army programme recently. This consisted of two sessions at the University of Canterbury, and one session volunteering. Kohana, Aaliyah, Tara, and Charlotte took part in helping out at Cultivate Christchurch in the city.





## The Week Ahead

#### **TOURNAMENT WEEK**

Monday 2 September Auto22ACF

Tuesday 3 September Auto22ACF

Year 12 Careers Coach

Wednesday 4 September Snr - 2 weekly engagement reports Auto22ACF

Thursday 5 September

Friday 6 September

## **School Policies**

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



### **Sports News**

#### **Student Achievements**

#### ICF Canoe Sprint Junior Champs - Romania

Jess Nisbet (Year 13) competed at the ICF Canoe Sprint Junior Champs in Romania at the beginning of the month as a member of the New Zealand K4 Under 18 team. The international training and competition atmosphere was a wonderful experience for Jess, and the team came away with 9<sup>th</sup> position in the Semi-Final.

Jess pictured 3<sup>rd</sup> from left

#### **Swimming Championships – Australia**

Well done to Luka Willems who currently represented New Zealand at the Down Syndrome Swimming Competition in Australia.





#### **U16 Canterbury Metro Rugby Squad**

Congratulations to Conor Pilkington (Year 11) who was named in the Canterbury Metro U16 Rugby red squad.

Have you competed in a Sports Competition lately? Send your story and results (with pictures if possible) to Kirsten in the Sports Office – <code>hlk@papanui.school.nz</code>

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

#### School sports news

Junior Girls Basketball – Back to back titles!!! Congratulations to our Junior Girls' Basketball Team on winning the School Sport Canterbury Intermediate Div 1 Friday Competition. They had a great win over Cashmere High School winning 56-53.

A huge achievement on winning back to back titles with having only Year 9 and 10 students in the team playing in the Intermediate Grade.

A big thank you to Ms Fran Edmondson, Mr Te Haere Stirling, and Mr Isitt on coaching/managing the team to this success and to all other staff, parents and caregivers for their support.



#### **Thomson and Whelan Trophy Senior Basketball Teams**

On Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August both our Thomson Trophy Senior Boys 'and Whelan Trophy Senior Girls' Basketball teams competed in their Division 2 finals at Cowles Stadium.

The Senior Girls played Villa Maria in a thrilling game, going goal for goal to a draw at full time 42-42. The game went into 5 minutes over time, with Papanui taking the win 52-46. Congratulations to the team on this great achievement and student Izzy Orr on being named MVP of the match.

The Senior Boys played an intense game vs Catholic Cathedral College, but unfortunately did not get the result they were after, to take the silver. Still a great game played by all, and great support in the stands by parents, caregivers, staff, and past/ present students.

Both teams are off to compete in the Basketball NZ AA Zone 4 Premiership next week in Nelson, and we wish them all the best, and finish their season on a high.







#### **Term 4 Summer Sport Registrations**

Term 4 Summer Sport student registrations are now open via the link below: https://forms.gle/ktcNYPZV27e175rw6

Please take note that we are offering some additional social options e.g. Fast5 Netball, Indoor Football, and Touch for all PHS students, and will be free to participate.

Registrations close Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September – if you have any questions please get the student to visit the sports office or email hlk@papanui.school.nz

#### **Sport Results:**

#### **Friday Teams:**

Senior Boys – placed 8<sup>th</sup> in their Friday competition Intermediate Girls – placed 4<sup>th</sup> in their Friday competition

#### Netball

Saturday Senior – beat Rangi Ruru 41-13 to play St Andrew's College in the Semi Final on Saturday at 1:15pm court 8 (Hagley Courts)

#### **Club Notices:**



#### **Important Dates/ Notices:**

No In House Basketball on 6<sup>th</sup> September. Will finish up on the 20<sup>th</sup> September. Winter Sports teams that have now finished can start to return uniforms. Term 4 sport registrations open and close Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September.



Kirsten Hill Head of Sport hlk@papanui.school.nz

# We're fundraising with with entertainment.



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