Papanews Community Edition

Friday 29th November 2019

Principal's Perspective

Kia Ora,

This week has been very much a 'business as usual', in class learning, without too many disruptions. The main activity beyond this has been the final Year 10 Outdoor Education camps, where students have had an opportunity test their skills in an authentic environment. Unfortunately, the weather has not been favourable, and both camps programmes needed to be revised.

Wednesday was Senior sign-out for Years 11 - 13. I'd like to congratulate the students on the manner in which they worked through this process. Following the sign-out was the Year 13 BBQ lunch, and Leavers' Dinner that evening. Special mention and thank you to Ms Sapwell, the Year 13 Dean, and her form teachers for their contribution and commitment to ensure the best possible support and guidance was put in place, and as a result our Year 13's leave us as mature, responsible young adults ready to take their place in the world. Their Leavers' Dinner was a thoroughly enjoyable evening, and I'd like to thank the Year 13 students and parent community for sharing in it with us.

Tuesday and Wednesday saw a large number of our Year 12 students training to be Peer Support leaders for 2020. Their first task is to lead the orientation programme for our incoming Year 9's next year. Once again we have a superb group of young people who have been prepared to give up their time to support others. In late January they will attend a final training camp in Hanmer, and we look forward to working with them up there.

On Friday we had the Junior Activity Day. Our students thoroughly enjoyed the range of activities, and were engaged and full of energy, right through to the end of the day. I'd like to congratulate the students for the manner in which they involved themselves, and the staff for the extra effort required to offer these types of events. Following on from the Peer Support training, a significant number of the Year 12 students offered to help support the activities and I'd like to acknowledge their involvement, and thank them for their contribution to making this such a successful day.

We look forward to next week, where we finish the school year by celebrating with our Junior Prize Givings on Tuesday, and this will be summed up with our final edition of the Papanews Community newsletter next week.

Jeff Smith Principal

Work Day

Papanui High School Work Day, 1.pm-2.30pm Thursday November 28.

Thank you to all of our Papanui High School community who got behind this wonderful event that supports Ronald McDonald House. At the time of writing this report, the school has raised over \$3,500 from the Work Day alone. That coupled with the money raised throughout the year means the school is well on target to provide a substantial donation to Ronald McDonald House at the end of Term 1 next year.

A reminder that monies can be deposited through the school bank account with a reference "(Students Name), Workday" 123147 0225793 00. Or the money can be paid through the school office where possible.

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Thank you.

Activities Day

Friday's activities day has highlighted that Papanui PRIDE and our competitive spirit is alive and well. Students participated in 5 of 6 activities; Tabloids, multisport, a quiz, the balloon drop challenge, swissball/volleyball, a Papanui Youth Centre visit (Year 10) and Tikānga Māori (Year 9).

Year 10's were able to participate in a number of activities at the Youth Centre, and are now familiar with the Papanui Youth Development trust resources, and we hope that this will encourage students to visit after school and in the holidays. This years Year 9 students will have an opportunity to take part in this activity next year.

Several of the activities during the day were run by the Year 10 Leadership class that has been working throughout the

semester to plan the activities that they believe their peers would enjoy. Their hard work ensured the day went smoothly. We are also very grateful to the large number of peer support students that made themselves available to help supervise and run the activities, despite already spending two full days at school training. Without these students, and the large number of staff that got involved we







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



School and PE Uniform

A school uniform promotes school identity and pride and minimises the social pressures of over dressing in a school environment. Wearing our uniform correctly is important for our school tone because it shifts the emphasis from competition back to academic performance, personal achievement and mutual respect. These values are reflected in the school's PRIDE values.

Information regarding our school uniform is available on the school website https://www.papanui.school.nz/our-school/student-information/uniform

If there is any doubt about uniform items, caregivers are advised to discuss concerns with the Senior Leader responsible for uniform prior to the purchase of any item.

Regulation items can be purchased from <u>Mainland Uniforms</u>, online via <u>Withers and Co</u> and from the uniform section of <u>The Warehouse Northlands</u> (items also available online). Items such as shorts and trousers need to be purchased from the suppliers above or the second hand uniform store.

In August we indicated a small number of changes to our current uniform items, in order to more closely align our Junior and Senior uniforms.

- Year's 9 and 10 V neck Jersey or Cardigan with PHS logo Bottle green
- Year's 11 and 12 V neck Jersey or cardigan with PHS logo Dark Navy

We are now able to confirm that from 2020 students will be able to purchase/wear

- Navy Blue le Faitaga with PHS logo (only available from Mainland Uniforms)
- Year 9 and 10 V neck vest with PHS logo Bottle green
- Year 11 and 12 V neck vest with PHS logo Dark Navy

A new Year 9 - 11 PE uniform is now available from <u>The Warehouse Northlands</u>. The current uniform is being phased out and the new one will be compulsory for Year 9 students from 2021.

Please note: the new and altered items will be available for purchase shortly but will not be compulsory until 2021.

If you would like to discuss school uniform, or the above changes further please feel free to contact;

Assistant Principal Rachel McConnel mcr@papanui.school.nz

OR

Deputy Principal Louisa Clissold cll@papanui.school.nz

The Week Ahead

- Period 1 - Year 9 - Period 2 - Year 10

Jnr reports emailed or posted

Tuesday 10 Junior Prizegiving

- Year 10: 9.30am - 10.30am - Year 9: 11.00am - 12.00noon

Last Day – Term/Year

Wednesday 11

Thursday 12

Friday 13

PTA Uniform Sale Dates

Saturday 7 December - 9-11am

Saturday 25 January 2020 - 9-11am

If you wish to sell or donate uniform items, they can be donated to the PTA or we can sell them on your behalf for a 25% commission. Forms for your contact information, and with the terms of sale, are available from the school office, or you can provide your name, phone number, and bank account details for payment on a piece of paper and put it in a bag with your clothes. You can attach a list of suggested prices, or we can price items for you. Uniform items can be dropped off at the school office.

Peer Support Training

During the week the annual Peer Support training began, with around 90 Year 12 students experiencing some taster activities. They were put through their paces, getting to know each other, and working out what will be most effective with Year 9 students at the beginning of next year. Several staff presented activities and all were highly impressed with the level of enthusiasm the group brought. Many of the group will also help at the junior Activities Day on Friday, and we are grateful for their support. The training will continue in Hanmer Springs at a camp for Peer Support leaders on January 21st, following which the leaders will run the orientation programme for the incoming Year 9 cohort, as well as our new Kimi Ora students, and new International/IES students. We look forward to seeing them hone their leadership skills over the coming months.

Start of School Year 2020

NB: SENIOR STUDENTS (Year 11 – 13). Students will be notified if course changes are required. The Senior Course Tutor will be available from 20 January for consultation.

Monday 20 January - School Office opens

Tuesday 21 January - Thursday 23 January

Peer Support training camp

Monday 27 January

Teacher Only Day

Tuesday 28 January

New International students report at 8.45am
Year 9 students report in full uniform to Hall, 9.00am – 2.30pm
Transferring students (Years 10-13) in full uniform to Hall, 9.00am – 12noon
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Wednesday 29 January

All Year 9 students report to form classes at 8.30am – 2.30pm All Year 12 students report to hall in uniform at 9.00am – 10.30am All Year 13 students report to hall at 10.00am – 11.30am

Thursday 30 January

All Year 9 students report to form classes at 8.30am – 2.30pm All Year 10 students report to hall in uniform at 9.00am – 10.30am All Year 11 students report to hall in uniform at 10.00am – 11.30am

Friday 31 January

Timetable starts

Monday 3 February

Normal school day

Thursday 6 February

Waitangi Day - School closed

Digital Citizenship

Helping young people exposed to upsetting content online

The online world brings out both the best and the worst in humanity. Young people can find things they never intended to look at online - violent or scary images, hateful content, sexual or illegal material - so it is important that we talk with them about what they might come across and develop strategies for how to deal with this content.

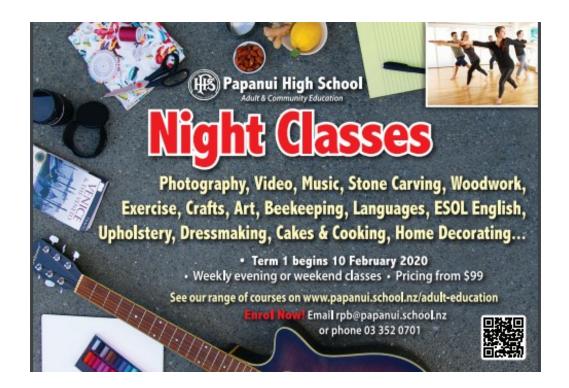
Talking as a family regularly about online risks as well as encouraging young people to discuss things that disturb them is one of the best strategies to prevent exposure to upsetting online content. Filtering tools do have a place also, but teens can get around these quite easily. This is why education remains the most important thing we adults can do.

If your child does come across something that upsets them online, talk about what was viewed, whether it was real or not, and how it may have been accessed. This will help them understand how the material fits in with your family values and give them a chance to ask questions.

When talking to them, here are three things to keep in mind:

- 1. **Try not to assign blame** about how they came across the material (young people are often curious, so may have initially sought out some of this content themselves)
- 2. **Provide comfort and normalise their response** e.g. 'It's normal to be scared/angry/confused/upset etc.'
- 3. **Don't overreact by taking away their technology** this may make them less likely to come and talk to you in the future. Instead, make sure they know you are glad they came to talk to you.

If intense feelings or behaviours persist, seek professional help for your child. For more on helping young people with upsetting online content, see Netsafe.



Sports News

Have you competed in a Sports Competition lately? Send your story and results (with pictures if possible) to Kirsten in the Sports Office – hlk@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

South Island Secondary School Junior Volleyball Championships

Last week our Junior Girls Volleyball Team competed in the South Island Secondary School Junior Volleyball Championships.

The tournament was held at both Cowles and Pioneer Stadiums in Christchurch with over 20 teams competing in division two.

The team came up first against an international team from Maribyrnong Sports Academy in Australia, Cashmere High School C, and Rangiora High School A in pool play. Day 2/3 came with the following 3 wins:

Burnside High School C - 2-1 Burnside High School D - 2-0 Columba College B - 2-1

Great development shown by the team throughout the competition with the support and coaching from Miss Fran Edmondson, Mr Joel Martin, and Mr Peng Tay by their side.



Congratulations to students Abby Skipper, and Caitlin Andrews, on both passing their practical refereeing assessment, with Caitlin Andrews receiving the supreme award for up and coming referee of the tournament.

2020 Term 1 Sport Registrations

If you want to get ahead of the game for 2020 feel free to sign up for Term 1 Summer Sport now via the link below: https://forms.gle/nHCShv7RZPAAPCYx9

Important Dates/ Notices:

Students that have finished sport for the year need to return their uniforms to the sports office.



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

PTA Fundraiser







'Tis the season for supporting and we have a great gifting opportunity which helps our fundraising efforts.

The Gift of Entertainment is a new Digital Membership valid for 12 months from the day of activation. You can buy that special someone a Single City or Multi City Membership so they can save year-round on everything they love to do. Simply buy it, print it, gift it!





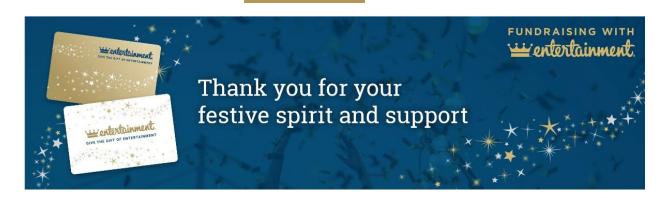


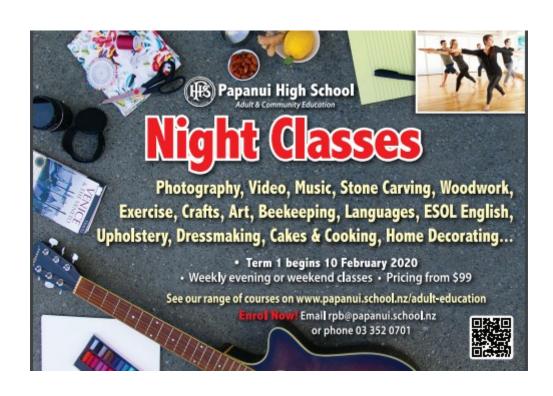
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