



Principal's Perspective

Kia ora,

This week brought the anticipated announcement from the Prime Minister that the country will be moving from Alert Level 2 to Alert Level 1. I know this will come as a welcome relief to many and will allow us to essentially operate under our normal procedures. It will remain important for us at school to maintain good hygiene practices, and make sure we do not come to school if we are unwell. Contact tracing is not required - however, we will keep accurate student records via our rolls and visitors, as per normal, will be required to sign in.

During Alert Level 2 the school needed to make sure adjustments to students coming to school, and leaving at the end of the day including, access the mall. I'd like to thank, and congratulate, our students for the manner in which they supported these processes. This has been reinforced by the Northlands Mall management who were very grateful to our students, and would also like to thank them. Our slightly staggered end of the day now returns to normal, with the end of the day bell going at 2.30pm.

He waka eke noa – We are all in this together.

Jeff Smith
Principal

Senior Academic Counselling Conference Day - Save the Date

We will be holding our annual Academic Counselling Conference Day for Senior Students (students in Years 11-13) on Thursday 30th July. Appointments for students and their whānau will be available throughout the day from 8am until 8pm.

Information regarding booking an appointment will be emailed to you before the end of the term.

Enrolments for 2021

Year 9 enrolments for 2021 are now open. You can visit the school's website and download the 2021 enrolment form.

Enrolments close on Friday July 31st

A ballot for out of zone enrolments (if necessary) will be held on August 4th, and parents advised accordingly.

Papanui High School 2020 Term Dates

TERM ONE: Tuesday 28 January - Friday 27 March*

Monday 27 January	Staff only day
Tuesday 28 January	Pōwhiri for new students Orientation programme begins
Thursday 6 February	Waitangi day - school closed

86 half days

TERM TWO: Wednesday 15 April - Friday 3 July*

Monday 27 April	ANZAC Day observed - school closed
Friday 29 May	Staff only day - school closed for instruction
Monday 1 June	Queen's Birthday - school closed

108 half days

TERM THREE: Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September

Thursday 30 July	Snr AC Conference Day
Friday 21 August	Mid-term Break - school closed
<i>Monday 31 August</i>	<i>Winter Tournament week - TBC</i>
Monday 14 September	Senior Assessment week

98 half days

TERM FOUR: Monday 12 October - Thursday 10 December

Monday 26 October	Labour Day - school closed
Monday 9 November	Senior Prizegiving
Friday 13 November	Show Day - school closed
Monday 16 November	NCEA exams start (end 9 December)
Thursday 19 November	PPTA Accord Day 2 - school closed for instruction
Thursday 10 December	Junior Prizegiving

84 half days

*Original Term 1 and 2 dates changed due to COVID-19 Alert Level lockdown.

NCEA UPDATE YEAR 11 - 13

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The New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) have reviewed the requirements for NCEA due to the disruption caused by COVID-19.

To help address this and support students, the following changes are being made to NCEA and University Entrance (UE) requirements for this year:

- Students working towards an NCEA can gain additional credits, based on the number of credits they achieve during the 2020 school year. These additional credits will be known as Learning Recognition credits. For every 5 credits a student achieves towards their NCEA either through internal or external assessment, they are entitled to an additional 1 credit. Students at NCEA Level 1 are eligible for up to a maximum of 10 additional credits while those at Levels 2 and 3 are eligible for up to a maximum of 8 additional credits.
- Students will be awarded a certificate endorsement if they achieve 46 credits at Merit or Excellence level, rather than the usual 50. Students achieving 12 credits at Merit or Excellence level in a course – rather than 14 – will be awarded a course endorsement.
- Current UE requirements have been reduced from 14 to 12 credits in three UE-approved subjects. Students still need to attain NCEA Level 3 and meet literacy and numeracy requirements to be awarded University Entrance.
- External NCEA examinations and NZ Scholarship examinations will now take place from **16 November 2020 to 9 December 2020**. This will provide extra time for teaching, learning and assessment in Term 4.
- The submission date for subjects which require students to submit a portfolio (for example, Design and Visual Communications) has been extended to 12 November 2020, to give students more time to complete their portfolios.

These changes have been designed to encourage students to continue working towards their NCEA and to ensure that the NCEA attained by our students this school year is just as valid as those earned in previous years.

Year 13

The Year 13's have been amazing through this time that should be their most enjoyable year of high school. Whilst regular opportunities have been taken away from them, they have found new ways to make new memories, and some that are probably one of a kind. Their work on social media, assembly presentations, and engaging with the school community was particularly impressive, and they have created something that will hopefully continue for years to come.

They are back into the swing of things, and are busy with their usual academic demands, as well as the co-curricular programmes starting back up. With the move to Level ,1 the Formal Committee have been on top of organising an event that didn't look likely to be happening a month or so ago - The 2020 Senior Formal, at the Wigram Airforce Museum on the 24th July.

Personally, it is great to be back with the students I have spent over 4 years with and was very happy to see them on their return.

Paul Anderson
Year 13 Dean

Arbor Day

On Friday, 5th June, Year 10 Outdoor Education students from Papanui High School went to the Papanui Bush Reserve to take part in the Christchurch City Council Arbor Day event. Students are learning about plant ecology and sustainability as well as the importance of contributing positively to society. The students spent the morning planting natives and performing weeding duties to help enhance the environment and maintain the development of this important community space.



Sport

Student Achievements

Have you competed in a sports competition lately? Send your story and results (with pictures if possible) to **Kirsten** hk@papanui.school.nz or **Paige** hrp@papanui.school.nz in the Sports Office.

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

Community News

Girls only Squash Programme (with squash coach Adam Odering)

A squash programme for junior girls (12-18yo) to have fun playing and learning squash, and develop friendships.

- Beginners welcome.
- Fridays from 4.30-5.30 pm, 4 sessions from June 12th – July 3rd
- Christchurch Football Squash Club
- \$25 per player
- Contact Adam to register: 022 313 7717 adam.odering@gmail.com

Important News

Any students keen on purchasing Papanui High School sports gear can be done via the link below. Payments are done through the website, and then are sent directly to you.

Please Note: students are not permitted to wear the sports gear instead of school uniform.

<https://withers-merch-shop.myshopify.com/.../papanui-high-sch...>



Download the School Sport Canterbury app to stay up to date with weekly team draws, results and sporting events around Canterbury.

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Ronald McDonald House

The Papanui High School Ronald McDonald House team is excited to announce the new 'Papanui High School Ronald McDonald House Donation Button' on the Ronald McDonald House website. This is very exciting as it is another way for students, parents, whānau, and the Papanui High community to support this amazing charity.

Papanui High School is continuing to sponsor the 'Teenage Room' at Ronald McDonald House, through our \$10,000 annual donation. The Teenage Room is a homely and fun room for teenagers to use when they are staying at Ronald McDonald House, Papanui High School is proud to be supporting this room, and making the experience easier for the families at Ronald McDonald House.

This year is very exciting for the Ronald McDonald House Team as we have some amazing events planned for the students to take part in, including bake sales, and live music with all proceeds going towards Ronald McDonald House.

We would like to thank Ronald McDonald House for making this donation button possible and we urge people to support this amazing charity and the teenage room.

<https://rmhsi.org.nz/product/papanui-high-school/>

- Jack Haldane - Ronald McDonald House Team Leader

New Night-classes for Term 3 - 3D Printing

Have you ever wanted to design and create your own Mobile Phone stand? Create a customised Coffee Stencil, or fashion your own Chess pieces? This course will teach you how to with the use of free online 3D computer design and printing software. Have only basic computer skills? No problem! This is an ideal introduction to 3D modelling and will enable you to create your own personalised work that can be 3D printed locally. The course is designed to build on basic computer skills, with no software or hardware purchases required.

For further information and enrolment please visit our website <https://www.papanui.school.nz/com-ed/category/general-interest> or email Barbara Roper rpb@papanui.school.nz or telephone our office on 033520701.

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