

Friday 26 June 2020

Principal's Perspective

Kia ora,

This has been a very sad week, which saw a number of staff and students attend the funeral for one of our Year 11 students who sadly passed away the previous week. We share our deepest sympathy with whānau, family, friends, and our school community.

With only one week to go before the end of term, our students continue to be very busy both in and out of the classroom. This week a large group of Year 12 students have been involved in a mountain bike camping experience at Hanmer Springs.

During the week we had our last combined assemblies for the term. These assemblies give us an opportunity to celebrate some of the successes our students have achieved, and to pass on important school wide information. We also reflected on the importance of routines, focussing on learning, and prioritising all the opportunities that school brings.

On Friday students held a non-uniform day to raise funds for Qtopia and World Vision.

This will be my last newsletter for a little while. It looks like my age and past sporting endeavours have caught up with me, and I would like to share with you that next Tuesday I will be away for a full hip replacement. I am hopeful of returning sometime around Week 4 next term. In my absence our Associate Principal Jo Hunnikin will be Acting Principal.

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.

End of Term Reminders

Please label all uniform items so we can get lost items back to students. If you are having problems purchasing winter uniforms items because of financial issues please contact me, we have a number of options of assistance available. If, for some reason your child does not have correct uniform, please write them a brief note and a uniform pass will be issued.

We have had a few cases of head lice reported to us at school. The chemist and supermarket have lots of different products to treat this problem, and it is important that we work together to make sure it doesn't become a wider problem.

Louisa Clissold Deputy Principal

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

Monday 31 August Winter Tournament week - TBC

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

84 half days

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

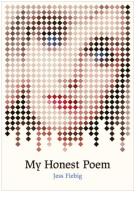
Ex Student Success

Congratulations to:

Jess Fiebig (at PHS 2004 – 2008) -who has just published her first collection of poetry - "My Honest Poem". Jess's work has featured in *Best New Zealand Poems 2018*, *Poetry New Zealand Yearbook 2018* and *2019*, *Landfall*, *Turbine* | *Kapohau* and *takahē*. She was runner-up in the 2019 Sarah Broom Poetry Prize.

and, to **Lucy Wyma** (at PHS 2010 –2014) who has landed a role on Shortland Street. Lucy Wyma is a model and an actress, known for <u>13 Suspects</u> (2018) and <u>Hope and Wire</u> (2014).





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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.

School Policies

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



Sport

Winter Sport Results

Basketball

Junior Girls - won 50-24 against Rolleston U15A - defeated by Cashmere A U15B - defeated by North Canterbury Under 20 boys - won against Checkers Black U18 Girls - defeated by St Andrew's College Under 21 Girls - defeated by Halswell

Football

Boys' 1st XI - won 8-0 against Rangiora (Goals: Sam Richards (3), Angus McIntyre (2), Caleb Cottom, Haruto Mine, Enzo Tiger-Bessa)

Junior Boys - Defeated by Rangiora High School

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Senior - won 21-16 against Rangiora New Life School Year 9/10 - won 13-12 against Christchurch Girls' High School Year 9 - defeated by Christchurch Girls' High School

Student Achievements

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

2020 SECONDARY SCHOOLS DUATHLON

Given the current climate and that students have been forced out of school for so long we have decided not to hold the Secondary Schools' Duathlon as a stand-alone event on a school day. Instead, the championships will be held within the first race of the JD Duathlon Series at Rupauna Speedway on Sunday 26th July. The race will still have a completely separate start time, be draft legal on the bike and cover the same distances with hopefully a bigger crowd from the athletes that raced earlier.

We will only have the individual race this year; there will be no teams sorry. Males and females will all start together which should make for some better packs forming on the bike leg.

DATE: Sunday 26th July 2020

TIME: Refer to http://www.jdevents.co.nz/ruapuna-straight

VENUE: Ruapuna Speedway

DISTANCES: 1.9km Run / 10km Bike (draft legal) / 1.9km Run - same distances for all ages. Maps can be found HERE

There will be one mass start.

Race Age Categories: The age category for an individual is determined by their age on 1st January 2020.

Age groups are: Under 14, Under 16 & Under 19 (note 13 year old year 8 students will also be included in this event)

CONTACTS: John Newsom 03 669 2216 / 021 399 774

ENTRY FEES: Individuals \$30

Please come to the Sports Office in relation to how to enter.

Important News

- Most teams started this week for winter sport. There will be one more game next week for winter teams before resuming in Term 3.
- A reminder that permission slips MUST be handed in before you can play.
- Dates to note down for Term 3:
 - Canterbury Secondary Schools' Road Race 20th August
 - School Cross Country 25th August
 - Canterbury Secondary Schools Cross Country 8th September

More information regarding these events will be given out at the start of Term 3.

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

Kirsten Hill Head of Sport hlk@papanui.school.nz Paige Hubber Sports Assistant hrp@papanui.school.nz

Adult and Community Education

Would you like to add some variety to your cooking? Do you want to try some new recipes, or experiment with different ingredients and spices? Come along to Papanui High School and join one of our popular cooking night classes for Term 3. We offer Mediterranean Cooking, Thai Cooking, Flavours of Asia, and a Cooking from Around the World Course all beginning week of 27th July running for 7 weeks at a cost of \$138.

For further information on each course please visit our website :

https://www.papanui.school.nz/com-ed/category/food-cooking. If you would like to enrol then please either download the enrolment form from our website https://www.papanui.school.nz/adult-education/enrol or email rpb@papanui.school.nz or telephone our office on 033520701



PTA Fundraiser - Entertainment Book

We are fundraising with Entertainment and your membership has expired! Purchase now and receive a \$10 Countdown gift voucher for a single city or a \$20 Countdown voucher for a multi city app. Your membership will last for 12 months from the day you purchase it, and as an added bonus you will receive an extra 2 months' validity to celebrate being out of lockdown. We receive 20% of each purchase to put towards our fundraising. Purchase here today: https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/1371p69



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