Papanews Community Edition

### **Principal's Perspective**

Kia ora,

Last Monday night we had the opportunity to celebrate the senior prize giving, and what a thoroughly enjoyable evening it was. I'd like to thank family, whānau, and friends who came along to share and acknowledge the success of our students. Clearly evident from the evening was the huge range of subject choices that our students can study, and how incredibly talented they are.

We were able to celebrate our students' achievement in a venue fitting the occasion, the Christchurch Town Hall, due to the generous sponsorship of BDL/HP/Toshiba. For this we are very grateful. I would like to acknowledge the substantial financial support we receive from BDL/HP/Toshiba, the JB Johns Trust, the PTA, and the many other sponsors and supporters, who contribute to our celebrations.

In my speech I paid tribute to our students. I thanked them for what they had contributed to the year, and talked about how they have continued to grow from challenge to challenge, developing resilience, and a sense of greater self-confidence and selfmanagement. That they have risen above adversity in so many ways, and they have

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Supreme Winners

Dux: Kyra Elliott

having an inclusive environment, their kindness, their empathy to difference, and their compassion to themselves and others.

It was also important to acknowledge the challenges that Covid-19 Pandemic brought. I also included a thank you and acknowledgement to our entire school community, letting them know how much I greatly appreciated their support and understanding to the various actions we had to make in response to the Government's decision making.

Prize giving gave us the opportunity to reflect on what we have all been able to achieve this year, how our nation has pulled together, and that we as a school were able to hold our prize giving with no restrictions, and celebrate the success of our students.

Equally important, I acknowledged and thanked our entire staff. Without the absolute commitment of them all, the school cannot succeed to the level it is.

Ehara taku toa, I te toa takitahi, Egnari, he toa takatini - success is not the work of one but, the work of many.

Another significant outcome of COVID-19 has been the impact on International Students numbers which slowly declined over the year. Due to border closures, students could not go home and return, nor could new students enter the country. International Students form an integral part of our school community. Last Tuesday we held their international farewell, which provided an opportunity to acknowledge how grateful we are to our staff and home stay families who support them. It will be very sad that for 2021 we will be starting the year with approximately 10 International Students who will remain here over the holiday period.

It was the last day for seniors on Wednesday, and they are now on study leave. The NCEA externals and Scholarship exams begin on Monday 16th. Over the examination period it is important that students continue to study hard, which will give them the greatest opportunity to succeed. I wish them all the very best.

Ngā mihi nui Jeff Smith Principal

# Junior Work Day - 19th November

#### Papanui High School Work Day: Thursday 19th November

This Work Day is for all Year 9 and 10 students to raise funds to support Ronald McDonald House. This is an incredibly important organization that supports unwell children and their families. Our school sponsors the Teenager Room in their Cashel Street building. This is our marquee sponsorship for the community. We aim to raise at least \$5,000 for this cause from Junior Work Day this year.

The target is for each student to raise a minimum donation of \$10 total for the equivalent of one and half hours work. The senior school also contributed a significant donation in Term 2.

If members of our school community know of employment possibilities for students for Work Day they can contact Paul Anderson, Teacher in Charge of Student Leadership. We would greatly appreciate this support.

The Work Day gives students the opportunity to work in their community for the benefit of others, to learn new skills, to meet new people and for some, this may lead to ongoing employment.

Paul Anderson Year 13 Dean Teacher in Charge of Student Leadership anp@papanui.school.nz

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## **PPTA Accord Day - 19th November**

#### PPTA ACCORD DAY – 19<sup>th</sup> November: School closed

The June 2019 Accord between NZEI, PPTA and the Ministry allows for 8 teacher only days in the course of the collective agreements to be taken over the course of the next three years to ease workload around the NCEA changes. The first Accord Day was scheduled earlier this year, but was postponed because of the lock down until 19<sup>th</sup> November, with seven further days over the next two years. There are three Accord Days scheduled for 2021.

# **Thank You!**

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Members of the Service Council helped pack the City Mission van with the 2500 items collected in this year's Can Collection.

A huge thank you to our school community for your generosity.

# Te Kura Summer School

Students looking to top up credits for NCEA and University Entrance over the holidays may be able to access the Te Kura Summer school programme.

Course are online and offer a range of internal standards at NCEA Levels 1, 2 and 3, with qualified teachers to provide support. Applications open in 3 weeks (see the flyer).

For further information about Summer School, please visit the <u>Te Kura</u> website. Or contact them 0800 65 99 88 or email : <u>summerschool@tekura.school.nz</u>

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# **School Policies**

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



### **Dates to Note**

#### November

Friday 13 – Show Day – school closed

Monday 16 - NCEA exams begin

#### Thursday 19 – PPTA Accord Day – school closed

- Junior Work Day to raise money for Ronald McDonald House

- NCEA exams will continue

- Tōtaranui Kahu Ako Cultural Festival at Casebrook Intermediate between 4.00pm and 7.00pm - Free entry

Monday 23 - Friday 4 December - Y10 Camps

#### December

Wednesday 9 - NCEA exams end / Leavers dinner

Thursday 10 - Junior prizegiving Y10 - 9.30am, Y9 - 11.00am / last day of Term 4

#### Summer Sport Results

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The sports draw can be found on the school app, sports noticeboard and the school sport facebook page. Any questions regarding sport this term, please come to the sports office or ask the teacher in charge of your team.

#### Volleyball

Boys A - won 2-1 against Riccarton High School. Boys B- defeated by CASH Maroon Girls A- BYE Girls B- No game

#### Futsal

Senior Girls- no game Junior Girls - won 12-2 against St Margaret's Junior Boys- won 19-3 against Lincoln

#### Indoor Netball

Year 10's - won 20-8 against Villa Maria Green Year 9's - BYE

#### Touch

Super Touch girls- defeated by Riccarton Intermediate Boys - no game Junior Boys- defaulted

Waterpolo Girls- won 16-6 against Cashmere

**Korfball** Senior- no game Junior- no game

Summer Hockey Girls- no game

#### **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* 

#### Volleyball

Well done to our Junior Girls' Volleyball team who came 9th out of 16 teams in Division 1 at the Canterbury Junior Volleyball Championships last weekend. A big thank you to Mr Joel Martin, and Ms Fran Edmondson for taking the team.

#### **Important News**

Any students who still have a uniform from their winter sports team in Term 3, please hand this back into the sports office ASAP!

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 sports gear instead of school uniform. <u>https://withers-merch-shop.myshopify.com/.../papanui-high-sch...</u>

#### **Sport Socks**

In addition to the sport uniform, players can purchase PHS sport socks. Payments are to be made to the Student Office (\$13) and then the receipt is to be handed into the Sports Office where players can collect their socks.

Note: These are not permitted to be worn as part of the school uniform

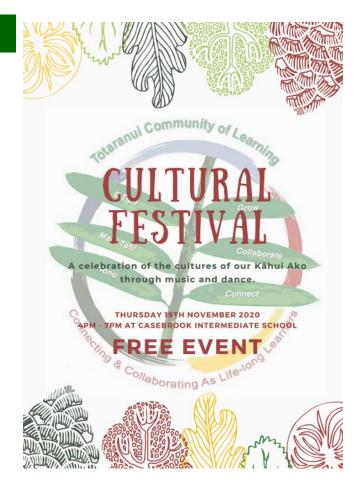


Download the School Sport Canterbury app to stay up to date with weekly team draws, results and sporting events around Canterbury.

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

### The Week Ahead, Week 6

- Monday 16 Level 1 Art Marking NCEA exams begin Non NCEA activity week PTA
- Tuesday 17 Level 2 Art Marking PC4G – Y10
- Wednesday 18 Summer sport finishes Jnr 2-weekly engagement reports Canterbury Special Olympics
- Thursday 19 **PPTA Accord Day 1 school closed** Junior Workday Tōtaranui Cultural festival
- Friday 20 Ethics Olympiad (Y9 GATAP)



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