Papanews Community Edition

### **Principal's Perspective**

Kia ora,

On Monday night I attended the final PTA meeting for the year. I would like to thank the parents who are involved for their continued support of the school. Whether it be helping out at the various events we hold, running uniform sales, raising funds to support students, or being a sounding board for ideas and initiatives this school undertakes, your input is greatly appreciated. In particular I would like to acknowledge those parents who are leaving the PTA this year after many years of service to the school. I thank them for their ongoing support, and wish them well. It is important that we are able to get regular feedback from our local community, and this group provides a forum for this to happen.

NCEA exams have now started for our senior students. It is nice for Year 9 and 10 students to have the school to themselves for a little while. It is important to maintain a strong focus on engagement to support their learning for the remaining three weeks of the school year. During this time conversations will take place through various forums to help set the scene for the transition of Year 9 to Year 10, and Year 10 into an NCEA focused Year 11.

Over the remainder of the term we can look forward to the opportunity for some students to go on the Year 10 Outdoor Education Camps, Activity Day, and finishing with the Year 9 and 10 Prize giving on Thursday 10th December.

I would like to thank and acknowledge our junior school for their contribution to Work Day on Thursday. This was held to raise funds to support Ronald McDonald House through the sponsorship of the Teenager Room, which the school aims to raise \$10,000 annually for. Earlier in the year senior students held a similar fundraising event.

Last Thursday afternoon the Tōtaranui Kāhui Ako held its annual Cultural Festival at Casebrook Intermediate. The afternoon consisted of cultural and musical performances from our cluster schools. There was a very good community response to this through their attendance, all the students involved can be congratulated for their contribution.

Also last Thursday, the school participated in the PPTA Accord Day. I would like to thank our community for their understanding, as the school needed to be closed for tuition. This allowed our staff to engage in the very important first stage of Professional Development, which is linked to the future changes for NCEA.

Ngā mihi nui Jeff Smith Principal

# **Second Hand Uniform Sale**

The Parents and Teachers Association are holding the following sale:

Saturday 12 December 2020 9am to 11am, last entry: 10:50am Location: G1 Study Hall

Have uniform to sell?

Please fill out the seller information form (provided on drop-off) and ensure clothes are clean.

Only four pieces of information are required on the form: your name, phone number, personal email address, and bank account details (must be in same name as name on form). Any additional information you wish to give must be provided separately. Incorrectly filled out forms will incur a delay in processing, and no guarantee for inclusion in the next sale is given.

Donations of clothing are always gratefully received.

For inclusion in the December sale, please bring uniform to G1 during Senior Sign-out (Wednesday 9 December, cut -off time 3:30pm) or bring to school office any day before sign-out.

Cardigans, jackets, shorts, and junior jerseys will almost certainly be hot sellers! Drop them off ASAP for your best chance at freeing up some extra cash for the holidays.

Further details and fine print: https://www.papanui.school.nz/our-school/second-hand-uniform-sale

Further questions: contact Claire, <a href="mailto:phs.pta.shu@gmail.com">phs.pta.shu@gmail.com</a>

# Year 13

The Year 13's journey through high school has almost ended, with a lot busy studying for external examinations, applying for tertiary study, and some handing in those last minute assessments.

It's been a wonderful few weeks recognising success both inside and outside the classroom, with the various celebration events that culminated with last week's Senior Prize-giving. There were so many students that had done themselves proud in what has been a tumultuous year, and still got acknowledged for all the hard work they had put in. At one stage it seemed like a number of the highlights of Year 13 would be taken away, but they've still managed to have most of them, and are looking forward to the leavers dinner in December.

On a personal note, it is a bittersweet moment, as I'll be sad not seeing their faces around school each day, and miss the relationships we've built over the last 5 years, but it is also exciting to hear about their next steps, and going out and tackling the big wide world. I hope they continue to learn, grow, and make the most of what gets put in front of them.

Paul Anderson Year 13 Dean

# The Week Ahead

#### NOVEMBER

- Monday 23 International South Island tour Papanui Unplugged – 6.30pm R3 Year 10 Camps
- Tuesday 24 International South Island Tour Year 10 Camps
- Wednesday 25 International South Island Tour Year 10 Camps
- Thursday 26 International South Island Tour Year 10 Camps
- Friday 27 Year 10 Camps

## **School Policies**

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



# **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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### Sport

#### **Summer Sport Results**

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' B- defeated by HLCS Junior B

#### Futsal

Junior Girls - defeated by STAC Junior Boys- won 8-5 against Middleton

#### **Indoor Netball**

Year 10's - defeated by AVSH Blue Year 9's - won their grade final 30-12 against Villa Red

#### Touch

Junior Boys- won 7-5 against Linwood

#### Waterpolo

Girls- won their Division 2 final 16-6 against St Margaret's Junior B.

Congratulations to the following teams who won their respective grade finals: Year 9 Indoor Netball team Girls' Water-polo team

#### **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

#### Softball

Congratulations to Jacob Neale who has made the New Zealand Junior Black Sox team.

#### Ice Hockey

Congratulations to Indie Lewis and Ben Leighs who were selected in the U15 Canterbury Ice Hockey team who competed in Dunedin in September. The team came 4th out of 4 teams, but had a significant improvement in previous years games in that they won one and the other loses were of a minimal margin.

#### Cheerleading

Congratulations to Alexia Grand who accomplished the following results this year in Cheerleading:

In August, the team had to compete virtually in an online competition Olympia with many entries from Australia where her team Level 5 Glamkatz placed 2nd.

In September they performed in Nelson at the South Island show off's where they placed 1st, and in the Spring Carnival in Auckland and placed 3rd.

At the Nationals in Auckland they came out on top, with a winning bid to the Worlds in Orlando USA, which will be held as an online virtual competition mid April next year, this is the biggest cheerleading competition with some of the world's top teams. Glamkatz are also the first South Island team to win a bid to Worlds in New Zealand.

Last year her team won a bid to compete at the Global cheer and dance Games in Hawaii 2021, due to Covid this had been cancelled, and is now being held in Rarotonga (pending Covid restrictions).



#### Cycling

Congratulations to Kirsty Watts who had another successful race at the weekend, coming 3<sup>rd</sup> in the U17 girls in the 2021 Vantage Criterium National Championships in Christchurch. Being a 2021 championship race she was racing in next year's age group, her first major race in the U17 age group. There was a small but very strong field from all over the country with all but Kirsty and one other being second year U17s.

#### **Community News**

Canterbury Ultimate is hosting the annual NZ Mixed Ultimate Div 2 Championships at Nga Puna Wai this weekend. We invite all students and/or families to come down and support teams coming to compete from all over the country.

#### **Important News**

Students who were in a summer sports team and are finished for the year, please hand your sports uniform back into the sports office (and any other sports uniform you have from earlier in the year).

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.

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

#### **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





### Ngā Puna Wai Sports Hub 21-22 November

Day 1 - 9:00am - 6:15pm | Showcase game 6:30 - 8:00pm Day 2 - 8:45am - 4:10pm | Finals 2:40 - 4:10pm

Come check out athletes from all over New Zealand at NZ Division 2 Mixed Ultimate Championships! Enjay some food or drinks from the café as you watch, or take a break from the action by testing yourself at disc golf. laying out on an inflatable, or doing a bungee runt



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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