

# Papanews Community Edition

Friday 30 July 2021

### **Principal's Perspective**

Kia Orana koutou katoatoa,

This week we celebrated Cook Island Māori Language Week (Te Reo Māori Kuki Airani).

I would like congratulate our students who attended the SPACPAC Supreme Academic Awards last Thursday evening, acknowledging our Pasifika Academic High Achieving Students. Valupe Siufanga and Chela McClausland were presented with Pasifika Academic High Achiever awards, and Blessing Bure, Sela Fehui Moe Tali, and Mercy Paulo were presented with the Pasifika Student Leaders Awards. Well done to all.

The next two weeks are very busy for our Music students. Last weekend Jazz students performed at the Jazz Quest Big Band competition against schools from around the country, and won a silver medal. This week, students travelled to the annual



L-R: Blessing, Valupe, Sela, and Mercy

Southern Jam Festival in Marlborough and we wish them every success this year.

On Thursday 12th August the school will be holding our annual Academic Counselling Conference Day. This day is designed to actively assist in raising student achievement. When students are actively aware of their own achievement and academic aspirations and goals, they have greater ownership and responsibility for their success. Please prioritise this as a "must attend" meeting, and we look forward to sharing the day with you. Appointments for students and their whānau will be available throughout the day from 8.00am until 8.00pm.

Ngā mihi nui

Jo Hunnikin Associate Principal

### ACADEMIC COUNSELLING

### CONFERENCE DAY – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2021

#### **BOOKINGS ARE OPEN**

Please visit the below website to book your interview for Conference Day

#### https://papanui.schoolpoint.co.nz/

Conference Day is an extremely important part of our Academic Counselling Programme. On this day, the school will not run its usual timetabled classes. Instead, individual 15-minute meeting slots will be available for you to discuss your child's academic progress. Students are required to be at school for their 15-minute appointment and can wear smart casual clothing, rather than school uniform. For the remainder of the day, students are to undertake independent study from home.

Further information explaining the booking process has been emailed/posted to you. However, if you require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

We look forward to discussing your child's academic progress with you.

Lynette Archer Assistant Principal

## **Ministry of Education Initiative - Free Period Products**

Periods are a fact of life for half the population. Despite this, young people don't always have access to the products they need to feel comfortable at school, engage in their learning, and manage what should be a normal and healthy part of life.

Poor access to period products can affect students' attendance and engagement at school. Students also miss out on sporting and cultural activities and can feel embarrassed and ashamed about not being supported to manage their periods. This affects their achievement and wellbeing.

Access to period products is a necessity, not a luxury. The need to access period products exists for every young person who experiences menstruation including young women, girls, transgender, and gender diverse youth, in ways that meet diverse needs and cultural perspectives. Therefore a selection of period products will now be available to our female and gender diverse students for free.

Providing access to free period products to those who need it in all kura will:

- reduce barriers to access and improve school attendance, sports involvement and tertiary participation
- improve child and youth wellbeing
- reduce financial strain on families and whanau experiencing poverty/material hardship, and
- promote positive gender norms and reduce stigmatisation of menstruation.

From Week 2 a monthly supply of period products will be available for students to collect. The products will be distributed from the Hall Foyer (Seniors on a Tuesday and Juniors on a Thursday) during form time. Students will be allocated approx 2 x packets (of tampons, sanitary pads or a combination of) per month, with two sizes of each variety being available. Students only need to collect their allocation once a month, the products are available for collection every second week (the easy way to remember is it is the week that isn't your assembly).

#### Emergency supplies are available at the following places:

- **Female toilets;** J, F, R and P blocks, and the Gym.
- Most unisex toilets including; Wharekai, Student Support, and Sick bay
- Staff offices; Deans, HPE, Languages/ESOL, and Food Technology

Other venues; Aiga form-room, Student Support, Withdrawal Room, and Student Office

### **PLEASE NOTE: Key Events - School Closed**

ACCORD DAY: The 3rd Accord Day for 2021 on **Tuesday 10th August** (the school will be closed for instruction) MID TERM BREAK: Friday 27th August (the school will be closed for instruction)

Other key events happening in the first five weeks of this term. These include:

- Academic Counselling Conference Day Thursday 12th August
- Senior Course Selection Evening Thursday 19th August

## Support Services for you and your whānau



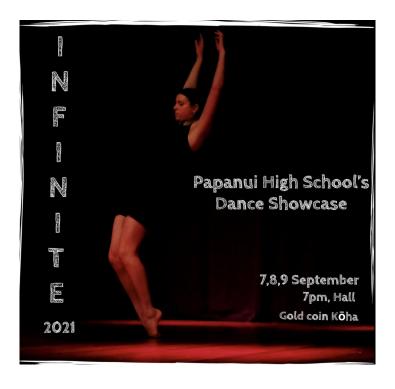
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#### Support Services for you and your whānau - Support Services in our Community.

Tōtaranui Kāhui Ako has worked with Papanui Youth Development to develop a Website of Support Services available for whānau in our local area. The link to this website is: <u>www.pydt.org/northwest-whanausupport</u>

All the organisations featured are committed to connecting with whanau and offering comprehensive support

The provision of services is bound by the discretion of each group and the availability of resources. The purpose of this website is to advertise available services.



### **Become Digital Savvy for FREE with Ara Connect**

Becoming 'digital savvy' is easy and **FREE** thanks to the school's partnership with Ara Connect. Now, you can learn how to use devices like smart phones and tablets, and gain skills in tools such as email, Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Google Docs for personal or professional use – right here at school. Ara Connect lets you study at your own pace and fit your learning around work, family and other commitments. To find out more or to enrol for your first class, phone Ara on 0800 24 24 76 or email araconnect@ara.ac.nz or visit https:// www.ara.ac.nz/study/community-study/.



### Sport

#### **Term 3 Winter Sport Results**

The sports draw can be found on the sports notice-board or school sport facebook page every Monday.

#### Basketball

U20 boys: won 88-74 against Gators Development U17 boys Green: defeated by Rangiora High School U17 boys Blue: defeated by Cashmere Gold U15 boys Green: won 86-51 against Burnside Black Thomson Boys: won 98-71 to Hagley College Whelan Girls: won 60-41 against Rangi Ruru Girls' School Junior Girls Green: won 63-18 against Rangi Ruru Girls' School Int B Intermediate Girls Blue: won 56-9 against Avonside Girls' High White

#### Football

1st XI Boys: won 2-1 against Christchurch Boys' High School 1st XI Girls: Cancelled Junior boys: Cancelled

#### Hockey

Boys: won 4-0 against St Andrew's College Colts Girls: No game

#### Netball

Saturday Team: defeated by Kereru K Wednesday Girls: won 39-20 against Marian College B Wednesday Mixed: Bye Year 10/11's: won 31-27 against Rangiora New Life School Senior Year 10's: Bye Year 9's Green: won 19-16 against Cashmere B Year 9's Blue: won 15-11 against Christchurch Girls' High School U

#### Rugby

Girls (Forward Foundation): defeated by Lincoln/Rolleston Combined

#### **Student Achievements**

Have you competed in a Sports Competition lately? Send your story and results (with pictures if possible) to Paige <u>hrp@papanui.school.nz</u> in the Sports Office.

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

#### Canterbury Secondary Schools' Ski and Snowboard Championships

The Canterbury Secondary Schools' Ski and Snowboard Championships were held on Wednesday where the following students represented Papanui High School; Cass Lyell (Snowboard), Anna Dabkowski (Ski), and Tui Whale (Ski). All competitors had a great day with Cass Lyell coming away with second place in the female snowboard category!

#### **Connor Pilkington**

Congratulations to Connor Pilkington who was named Colts Player of the Year, and received a club award for most promising player at the Belfast Senior Rugby Club Prize Night recently.

#### **Important Information**

- 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 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...



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## **School Policies**

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

Username: papanui password: pride



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