Friday 13 August 2021

Principal's Perspective

Kia ora,

On Tuesday the school participated in the second PPTA Accord Day for this year. I would like to thank our community for their understanding, as the school needed to be closed for tuition to allow our staff to engage in the very important Professional Development linked to the future changes for NCEA. There is one further Accord Day scheduled for this year in November.

I would like to sincerely thank our parents, whānau, and caregivers for supporting the Academic Conference Day on Thursday. As a school we are hugely appreciative of your commitment to the shared responsibility of supporting our students to achieve to the best of their ability. For our returning students, this day also plays an integral part in linking with the upcoming Course Selection process. As part of the planning process for 2022, Course Selection evenings begin from next week. I would also like to acknowledge the students and staff for the parts they play in this conferencing process. With upwards of approximately 90% attendance, the day was an outstanding success. Having an opportunity to discuss students' academic progress, and identifying the steps that can be taken to support and improve their achievement is critical to their ongoing success.

Next Thursday 19th August our current Year 11 and 12 students will have their Senior Course Selection evening. We would encourage parents, caregivers, and whānau to attend this evening with their child. The evening is critically important as it provides an opportunity for students and families to cross reference conversations with subject teachers and the many external providers that come in. From this, informed decisions can be made about subject choices for the following year, and how they link to career pathways.

Congratulations to the students who attended this year's week long Southern Jam Secondary Jazz Festival in Blenheim. And, a big thank you to the staff who went with them. It is with great pride that we can announce that our Bands achieved a Gold Award, and Theo Henderson (Bass) and Niko Tudor-Oakley (Drums), were selected to play in the All Stars Band at the Gala Concert event on the final evening. Theo also received the award for Best Bass Player overall - a tremendous achievement. A write-up and pictures feature later in this edition.

Ngā mihi nui Jeff Smith Principal

Senior Course Selection Evening - Thursday 19th August

We would like to invite you to accompany your son/daughter to attend the Senior Course Selection Evening on Thursday 19th August. This is a key event for all senior students to provide guidance on the course selection process, as students progress from Year 11 into 12, and from Year 12 into 13. Mapping out the pathway each student will take in their remaining years allows for a successful transition from high school into the tertiary sector, further training, or the workforce. Students benefit greatly from your input as well as the expert advice from those present during the evening.

The evening will begin with an information session:

Current Year 11 students and whānau: 6:00pm in the school hall Current Year 12 students and whānau: 6:45pm in the school hall

We are fortunate to have a large number of tertiary providers and training organisations present during the evening. They will offer advice and information regarding areas of training and pathways into different careers. We advise all students to attend and take advantage of this opportunity. These providers will be available within the J block foyer throughout the evening.

Teaching staff will also be available in the J block classrooms for selection advice on subject choices.

We encourage you and your son/daughter to make the most of the evening and look forward to seeing you there.

Southern Jam 2021

This year the wonderful Southern Jam Secondary Jazz Festival was actually able to run after being cancelled in 2020 due to Covid. The Papanui High School Jazz Band and Combo joined 15 other schools from throughout the South Island to compete in the competition, jam together, and play gigs in local schools and venues in the Blenheim area.

Southern Jam celebrates jazz as a genre and gives an opportunity for students to experience playing to a wide range of audiences in diverse

venues. It also tests their expertise via the adjudicated competition section of the event, pitting them against the best bands in the South Island. It is with great pride that we can announce that our Bands achieved a Gold Award and two of our players (Theo Henderson on bass and Niko Tudor-Oakley on drums) were selected from Papanui to play in the All Stars Band at the Gala Concert event. Theo also received the award for Best Bass Player overall - a tremendous achievement.

The All Stars comprises students singled out as being the 'top' players from across all the contributing schools. They come together on the final day of the festival and perform at the finale concert in the Marlborough Theatre.

Southern Jam is not just about competition though, it also provides many opportunities to enjoy both playing and listening to music. Much fun was had on this trip with one of the non-musical highlights being the inaugural MasterChef event! Each motel unit, consisting of teams of 4-5 students were given a budget of \$30 and challenged to create and present a full meal. Beautiful food ensured and cups were duly awarded. Great fun and great eating was enjoyed, all rooms did an amazing job - with apple cake,

self saucing chocolate pudding, stir fry, steak and chips and more on offer.

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Thank-you to all our wonderful staff, Dave Pitt, Ian Thorpe, Georgina Rees-Stevenson, Sue McLachlan, and Sarah Anderson for making this trip such a success. And of course a big thank-you to all our wonderful young musicians for playing their collective hearts out.

PTA News

All parents, caregivers and whānau are warmly invited to the next PTA meeting on Monday 16 August, 7.00pm in the staffroom. The staffroom is located upstairs in the main Administration block.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Please contact Amanda on Pta.chair@papanui.school.nz if you have any questions.

Reader/Writers and Special Assessment Condition Assistants wanted

The Library is looking for more adult volunteers willing to act as reader/writers and special assessment condition assistants for individual students from Year 9 to Year 13 during internal assessments for the remainder of the year, school exams, and for NCEA end-of-year exams.

No previous experience is necessary and on-the-job training will be given. It can be very rewarding to support these students who might otherwise not achieve success.

If you have a spare hour or two occasionally on weekdays and would like to help, please contact Phyllis Bennett or Barbara Mathias on 352-6119 ext.834.

'Art Stars' Exhibition - 2021

The Creators' Room have confirmed a new venue to hold their annual 'Art Stars' exhibition in Ōtautahi's CBD:

VENUE: The Hereford to High Street Atrium

Entrances at 248-250 High Street (between Recycle Boutique & Head Over Heels) and 150 Hereford Street (beside City Fitness)

OPENING NIGHT: 03 September, 6.00pm – 9.00pm. Tickets \$35 via thecreatorsroom.co.nz EXHIBITION: 4 – 18 September, Open daily 9.00am – 6.00pm

Visitation numbers are expected to reach 15,000 over the 2 week exhibition.

The Creators' Room offers a youth development programme available to young creatives aged 15-18 years to showcase their work and connect with our community of collectors. The programme currently receives over 2,000 submissions per year from young creatives. The Creators' Room provides upfront financial support, through the purchase and professional framing of the original artworks and funding the reproduction of limited edition prints.

"Secondary School art students face a number of roadblocks when taking the first daunting leap to publicly showcase their artwork. They lack resources and funding to create and present their work on a professional level and have limited ways of marketing themselves and connecting with the wider arts community."

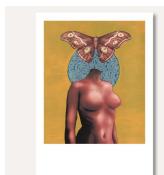
Since its inception in 2018, The Creators' Room has provided upwards of \$210,000 in financial support to young Creator's in Canterbury alone. "As part of our mission to encourage continued participation in the arts, we award an annual scholarship to one deserving Creator, consisting of a \$3,000 cash contribution to help support the growth and development of their artistic career."

The scholarship is judged by an independent judging panel consisting of practising artists and art experts.

While the programme is currently only available in Canterbury, the opportunity will be made available to all Secondary Schools throughout Aotearoa in the coming years.

Original work will be up for sale during the 14-day exhibition with prices ranging from \$200 - \$800. Twenty guest artists from around Canterbury will also be exhibiting alongside the students.

We have six students that feature in the upcoming 'Art Stars' Exhibition.





















Artwork imagery of the participating students:
Jorja Shadbolt, Madilin Macpherson,
Emma Lilly, Emma Bainbridge, Theanine

Duven, and Boston Beanland.

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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 <a href="mailto:https://www.ara.ac.nz/study/community-study/.



Support Services for you and your whānau



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: www.pydt.org/northwest-whanausupport

All the organisations featured are committed to connecting with whānau 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.

School Policies

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

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PHS Term 3 night-classes - Millinery Course

Papanui High School is offering a beginners Millinery course in Term 3. Starting on Thursday 19 August 7.00pm - 9.00pm followed by Saturday 21 August and Saturday 28 August 10.30 am - 4.00 pm both days at a total cost \$180 which includes a basic millinery kit. This course, taught by Roz Wilmott-Dalton, will teach you about the different shapes of faces and which hat suits each one. Using this knowledge you will block and wire a foundation fabric to create a vintage inspired head piece. For further information and enrolment please visit our website https://www.papanui.school.nz/com-edu/category/fabric-crafts or email Barbara Roper rpb@papanui.school.nz or telephone our office on 03 3520701



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 whānau 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: Mid Term Break - School Closed

MID TERM BREAK: Friday 27th August - A reminder that Friday 27th August will be a mid term break for staff and students and the school will be closed.

Sport

Term 3 Winter Sport Results

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

Basketball

U20 boys: won 73-63 against St Andrew's College Blue U17 boys Green: won 72-49 against Celebration Lions

U17 boys Blue: defeated by Selwyn Hawks

U15 boys Green: defeated by Christchurch Boys' High School A

Thomson Boys: defeated by Hillmorton

Whelan Girls: defeated by Avonside Girls' High School

Junior Girls Green: defeated by Christchurch Girls' High School Orange Intermediate Girls Blue: won 46-37 against Avonside Girls' High School Blue

Football

1st XI Boys: Bye

1st XI Girls: defeated by Avonside Girls' High School 1st XI Junior boys: defeated by Hillview Christian School Year 9/10 Boys

Hockey

Boys: defeated by Christ's College Colts XI

Girls: No game

Netball

Saturday Team: defeated by Hornby H

Wednesday Girls: won 36-14 against Cashmere Senior B

Wednesday Mixed: No game Year 10/11's: No game

Year 10's: defeated by Avonside Girls' High School D

Year 9's Green: score TBC

Year 9's Blue: defeated by St Andrew's College Year 9 C

Rugby

Girls (Forward Foundation): No game

Student Achievements

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

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

Katelynn Donaldson - Swimming

Well done to Katelynn who competed in the South Island Short Course Championships on the 23rd -25th July. Katelynn received 8 medals overall; 3x 1sts, 3x 2nds and 2x 3rds. An outstanding effort by Katelynn where she also swam plenty of personal bests.

Shaylah Sayers - Mountain biking

Shaylah competed in the Krank It Mountain Bike race at Bottle Lake Forest on the 8th of August. Shaylah came 1st in the Under 14 category and 2nd overall. A great sporting achievement by Shaylah, well done!

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.

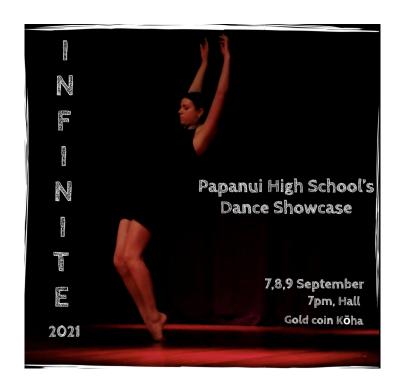
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