Friday 1 October 2021

## **Principal's Perspective**

Kia ora,

Term 3 has now come to and end. I would like to acknowledge and thank our school community for their ongoing support and understanding during another difficult period of time for us as a country.

The term began with our normal 'busyness' and expectations. The overnight return to Alert Level 4 in August, reminded us of how vulnerable we are to Covid-19, and the challenges it brings. Following four weeks of essentially lock down conditions we were very grateful to be able to return to learning on-site under Alert Level 2. In saying that, we still faced a number of challenges which meant that many events were either cancelled, postponed, or were only able to run under very strict conditions. I am very proud of the way the students, staff, and wider whānau have faced these challenges, and I am sure everyone will be waiting in anticipation for next Monday's official announcement, and what that may mean for us as a school next term. Alongside this, our thoughts are with staff and students in Auckland schools as they continue to support their teaching and learning beyond the school gate.

To close out the term, the School Council held a modified Extravaganza Week with interval and lunchtime activities culminating with a non uniform day and Carnival lunchtime on Friday. Activities throughout the week included 'Open Mic', staff vs students Futsal game, lip-synch, Papanui's Hottest Home Baker, Mega Print Art, and student bands. Many of these activities were used to raise money for a variety of charities such as, Starship Children's Hospital, Aviva (the Christchurch women's refuge), and Blind Low Vision Foundation (for Guide dogs).

This week we held our final school wide assemblies via Zoom, which gave us the opportunity to wrap up the term. A number of curriculum day trips took place. A highlight for many students, is the Year 12 Physical Education and Kimi Ora Students' combined camp at Waipara, which ran from Wednesday to Friday. On Thursday I was able to visit the camp and see a wonderful example of supportive and inclusive education taking place.

As we move into Term 4, I would like to take the opportunity to remind you that our senior students will be in school for ten school days longer than originally planned, due to the 'pushing out' of the start date for the NCEA exams. This also means that the examination period finishes ten days later as well, with the last exam timetabled for Wednesday 14th December. With this in mind, students may need to review any other external commitment they may have made, and be thinking about reducing their part time work hours where appropriate, engaging their study plan, and talking to their teachers to support their ongoing learning.

I am looking forward to Term 4, where we will hopefully move down to Alert Level 1, and also be able to enjoy the many occasions that allow us to celebrate students' success as a community.

Ngā mihi nui

Jeff Smith Principal



We are very hopeful that this concert will be happening on Friday evening, October 29 pending the alert level announcement on Monday.

It should be fantastic, featuring lots of our students - to support Ronald McDonald House. There are only 500 tickets. Tickets will go on sale soon. Adults \$20, students \$10. Visit the school's website for more information during the school holidays.

## 'Art Stars' Exhibition - 2021 CHANGE OF DATE

#### **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) (Ministry of Health regulations will be followed for the Alert Level at the time).

# EXHIBITION NEW DATES: Saturday 25 September - Saturday 09 October Daily 9.00am - 6.00pm

The Creators: Room

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.

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 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.



















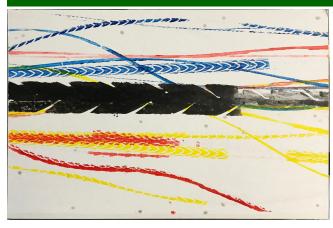


Artwork imagery of the participating students:

Ioria Shadholt Madilin Macpherson

Jorja Shadbolt, Madilin Macpherson, Emma Lilly, Emma Bainbridge, Theanine Duven, and Boston Beanland.

## Extravaganza Week 2021



The Visual Arts Council held a print performance event as part of Extravaganza Week. The tyres from Scooters, Bikes, and Mr Phillips' Harley were printed to the amusement and enjoyment of onlookers.



lip-synch



'Red Weekend' (Sam, Cam, Jaxon, Daniel, and Caleb) perform at lunchtime on Friday



Emily, Ms World, Maia, Leah, Megan
– at the photo wall



Winner of Papanui hottest home baker - Kaitlyn Her winning 'berries and cream on shortbread'

## **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 <a href="mailto:araconnect@ara.ac.nz">araconnect@ara.ac.nz</a> or visit <a href="mailto:https://www.ara.ac.nz/study/community-study/.



## 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.

## **Night Classes - Term 4 Vacancies**

Papanui High School still has vacancies in the following night classes for Term 4 which begin the week of 18 October, and run for 7 weeks. For further information and enrolment in any of these courses please visit our website www.papanui.school.nz... or email Barbara Roper rpb@papanui.school.nz or telephone our office on 03 3520701

#### **MONDAY NIGHT**

Cake Decorating
General English for Speakers of Other Languages at both a Pre Intermediate and Upper Intermediate Level IELTS Preparation
Photography for Beginners for Digital SLR Cameras Spanish for Beginners
Watercolour Painting for Beginners
Ukulele for Beginners

#### **TUESDAY NIGHT**

Beekeeping Mediterranean Cooking Indian Cooking Sign Language for Beginners Level 1a

#### **WEDNESDAY NIGHT**

Barista Intro Course Cooking From Around the World Special Effects Makeup Thai Cooking

#### **THURSDAY NIGHT**

Astronomy for Beginners Barista Intro Course Cooking Indian Street Foods Sign Language Level 1B

#### **WEEKEND COURSES**

Patchwork & Quilting 30 October and 6 November Upholstery 30 October Cheese making 20 November

### **Sports News**

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

A big thank you must go to all coaches/managers/drivers/helpers during the winter season. We couldn't do it without you all!

All Winter sports uniforms are to now be handed back into the Sports Office by the end of the term.

#### **Summer Sport - Term 4**

Term 4 Summer Sport Registrations have closed. Students can find team lists on the sports notice-board. Permission slips need to be signed and handed back in before the students first game. Permission forms will still be available to collect at the start of Term 4 from the sports office.

Majority of Term 4 sports start in the first week. Please keep an eye out on our school sport facebook and the sports notice-board for the weekly draw.

#### **Student Achievements**

Have you competed in a sports competition lately? Send your story and results (with pictures if possible) to Paige <a href="http://papanui.school.nz">http://papanui.school.nz</a> in the Sports Office.

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

Good luck to our U15 Boys' Basketball team and Senior Boys' Basketball team who are playing in Basketball tournaments over the school holidays. We look forward to hearing how you get on.

#### **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...



Paige Hubber Sports Co-ordinator hrp@papanui.school.nz

## **School Policies**

Our school policies can be found at <a href="https://papanui.schooldocs.co.nz">https://papanui.schooldocs.co.nz</a>

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