Friday 29 October 2021

Principal's Perspective

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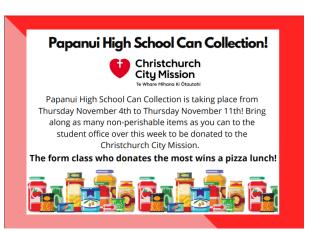
I hope that you had an opportunity to enjoy the long weekend.

On Tuesday we held our Sports Awards evening via live stream. I was extremely proud of the students for the respect in which they treated the occasion, and grateful that we could share this with our community given our current circumstances. Congratulations to all our winners, inclusive of students, staff, and community members. I would like to thank to the Student Tech Team whose highly capable skills in this area enabled the live streaming to take place. I would also like to acknowledge and thank all those people, through numerous and various ways, for supporting sport in our school.

On Wednesday and Thursday late afternoon, as part of the 'early works' of the rebuild, the trees in the school's memorial garden were moved into the area between B Block and the Library. As part of the process, when the temporary prefab is removed, a paved walkway and garden features will be added. This space will become a peaceful and special area in our school.

On Wednesday next week, the school will celebrate the Service Awards for students who have given a significant amount of their time in the service of others. In fitting with this acknowledgement, from Thursday through to the following Thursday, the Service Council will be running its annual City Mission 'Can Collection'. Once again the events of this year has contributed to a greater need across our community, and we are very grateful for your contributions. All goods are donated to the City Mission.

Two other events in the coming week include the Concert Band Festival this weekend, where the Papanui High School Concert Band will be playing at Cashmere High School on Sunday. And, Thursday will see the Māori and Pasifika Awards evening, again live streamed.



Covid-19 Update

It was with sudden realisation that would the Delta Covid variant reach Christchurch, and when, has now happened. I can appreciate the concern that this raises particularly with cases in our local community area. As I am sure you are, we are keeping a very close watching-brief on this, and should things change we would look to communicate any impact this has from our school's perspective as quickly as possible. Given the current situation, including that we are currently operating under Alert Level 2, it is important that if students are feeling unwell, I would encourage you to seek advice from Healthline.

As of 11.59pm on Monday 25th October, the Covid-19 Public Health Response Order for mandatory vaccinations for Education came into effect which the school must comply with. Please click the link below for more information:

Find the COVID-19 Public Health Response (Vaccinations) Amendment Order (No 3) 2021 here.

As mentioned last week, I was hoping to share with you a 3D fly-through link, that gives a fairly reasonable representation of the new buildings, and potential landscaping. Unfortunately we've been waiting on the updated version that hasn't arrived - I am expecting this to be available to share next week.

Ngā mihi nui

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Sports News

School sports news Term 4 Summer Sport Results

Futsal

Junior Boys: won 15-2 against Burnside High A Junior Girls: won 11-1 against Rangi Ruru

Indoor Netball

Senior Mixed: won 26-12 to Christchurch Girls' High Green

Junior Mixed: No game

Junior Blue: defeated by Avonside Girls' High Blue

Korfball

Senior: Defeated by Catholic Cathedral Junior 1: won 7-2 against Papanui Junior 2 Junior 2: Defeated by Papanui Junior 1 Junior 3: Defeated by Avonside Girls' High

Touch

Super Touch girls: defeated by Burnside Senior Mixed: defeated by TAHI Pa Whutuporo Senior Boys: won 5-3 against Hornby Boys

Volleyball

Senior Girls: won 3-0 against Burnside High School

Senior Boys: won 3-0 against Cashmere B

Junior Girls: defeated by Linwood

Junior Boys: Defeated by St Andrew's College Gold

Waterpolo

PHS/Burnside Combined girls: Result TBC

PHS/Christchurch Boys' High Combined boys: Result TBC

Student Achievements

Have you competed in a Sports Competition lately? Send your story and results (with pictures if possible) to 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 within our community.

Patrick Heywood

Well done to Patrick who has had a great year playing for the Sydenham RFC where he received Sportsman of the Year for the junior club and Forward of the year for the second year in a row. Patrick is also currently in the Junior Black Sox Squad, where he is aiming for a spot in the 16 man squad to represent New Zealand in 2023.

Community News

Forward Foundation

The Forward Foundation is currently on the search for passionate and self-motivated high school girls to be part of their next intake of amazing Ambassadors!

The Ambassador Programme aims to increase participation in girls' sport through identifying aspirational young female leaders, and enabling them to inspire those around them to participate in sport. They're not looking for the best player in the team, they're looking for girls willing and passionate about kicking goals and helping grow girls' sport in New Zealand. Ambassadors must be enrolled in a secondary school (Year 9-13) in NZ for 2022, have initiative, be able to communicate with all age groups, and be passionate about creating inclusive physical activity opportunities for girls.

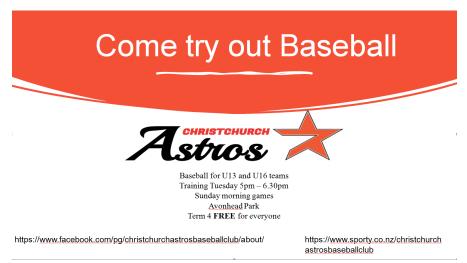
Ambassadors will receive:

- 1. Leadership and personal development opportunities
- 2. Access to a mentor (after the first year)
- 3. Forward Foundation Ambassador Leadership award
- 4. An environment to grow as a person
- 5. An opportunity to create meaningful change
- 6. Celebrity status on our website and social media

Click on the following link to apply:

AMBASSADOR APPLICATION

For more information, head to their website www.forwardfoundation.co.nz



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

