Friday 19 November 2021

# **Principal's Perspective**

Kia ora,

Following on from the extended Term 4 for seniors, last Wednesday we wished them farewell and the best of luck as they were released for study and exam leave. It is nice for Year 9 and 10 students to have the school to themselves for a little while. The Junior Curriculum Initiative programme will be a feature for the remaining four weeks of the school year, maintaining a strong focus on engagement for learning. Also 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 focussed Year 11.

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 the 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.

During the week we also celebrated the success of our students through two further award events, the Senior Art Exhibition, and the Pappies (Media Studies). Congratulations to all the recipients and the staff who have supported all students in these areas throughout the year.

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, Work Day, Activities Day towards the end of the term, and finishing with the Year 9 and 10 Prize giving on Friday 17th December (details of how the Prize giving will run to be confirmed).

**Property Update**: Thursday saw a significant step in the process for our building upgrade with the early-works of decanting the F Block classrooms taking place. This is in preparation so that they can be moved out onto the fields next week. The classrooms will be ready for teaching and learning at the start of 2022, and will remain there for approximately 18 months while the new building is constructed.

### REMINDER: PPTA Accord Day - Thursday 25th November

The final PPTA Accord Day for 2021 will be held on Thursday 25th November. The school will be closed for instruction but NCEA exams will continue as usual.

As one of the last co-curricular events of the year, we wish the two Papanui High School Hip Hop crews who are competing at the (New Zealand Competitive Aerobics Federation) NZCAF Hip Hop Nationals at Cashmere High School on Saturday, all the very best.

Ngā mihi nui Jeff Smith Principal

# PHS Workday: Tuesday 30th November

Papanui High School Workday: Tuesday 30th of November 12.30pm - 2.30pm

This work day is for all Year 9 and 10 students to raise funds to support **Ronald McDonald House.** This is an incredibly important organization that supports unwell children and their families. Our school sponsors the Teenager Room in their Cashel Street building. This is our marquee sponsorship for the community. We aim to raise at least \$10,000 for this cause this year. Students are released from school at 11.45am on this day.

The target is for each student to raise a minimum donation of \$10 total for the equivalent of two hours work.

If members of our school community know of employment possibilities for students for Work Day they can contact Tim Kirby, Teacher in Charge of Student Leadership. We would greatly appreciate this support.

The Work Day gives students the opportunity to work in their community for the benefit of others, to learn new skills, to meet new people and for some this may lead to ongoing employment.

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## **Term 4 Junior Curriculum Initiative**

From the beginning of Week 6, 22nd November 2021, until the end of the school year, we will operate the junior school on a revised timetable. As the seniors leave to sit external examinations, there is scope to pilot a new and exciting way to teach and learn with the junior school. Essentially, Year 9 and 10 students will have just two subjects per day over the course of each week. That means that they will have each of their 8 subjects at one time slot each week for 2 hours and twenty minutes. Every day will start with a form time to support the administrative process. The students are being briefed regarding these changes. We look forward to planning, undertaking and reviewing this initiative. On Week 6, 7, 8 and 9 there is one day in each of these weeks when a different plan is in operation:

Thursday November 25 PPTA Accord Day - no school

Tuesday November 30 - Academic Counselling, Well-being and Celebration Focus and a Junior Workday in the community

Wednesday December 8 - Activities Day

Friday December 17 - Last Day and Junior Prizegiving

Tim Kirby, Deputy Principal

## **School Policies**

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

**Username**: papanui password: pride



## **The 2021 Art Auction**

## The Art Auction is Live!

The annual Art Auction is now live and features some fantastic artworks by our students.

You can register to bid and you can use your credit or debit card with confidence because we use the same payment method as Uber or Uber Eats.

This year the auction features a fixed price of \$35 for all works and there are multiple copies of each one.

However, the auction will close on Monday 22nd and we cannot process any sales after that point.

All works are printed on high quality A3 photographic paper to fit either a simple Warehouse frame or a more custom one.

We hope you enjoy browsing!

# **Sports News**

## **Term 4 Summer Sport Results**

#### **Futsal**

Junior Boys: Defeated by St Bede's Junior Red Junior Girls: Defeated by St Andrew's College

### **Indoor Netball**

Junior Mixed: won 33-6 against Aidanfield Christian School Kiwis Junior Blue: won 28-8 against Cashmere High Maroon

#### Korfball

Senior: No game - show weekend Junior 1: No game - show weekend Junior 2: No game - show weekend Junior 3: No game - show weekend

### Volleyball

Junior Girls: Defeated by Rolleston College Junior Junior Boys: Defeated by Burnside Junior C

## Waterpolo

PHS/Burnside Combined girls: Drew 5-5 to Villa Maria PHS/Christchurch Boys' High Combined boys: Bye

#### **Student Achievements**

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

#### **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

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

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