Friday 26 November 2021

Principal's Perspective

Kia ora,

This week saw the delayed start of the NCEA external examination programme. I am sure our senior students will have been pleased to be getting this process underway, and over the next four weeks will complete, what once again, has been a challenging year.

Year 9 and 10 have this week settled into the Junior Curriculum Initiative programme. So far, this appears to be going well, and we will look forward to feedback from staff and students at its conclusion.

On Thursday the school participated in the fourth and final PPTA Accord Day for 2021. 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 Professional Development linked to the future changes for NCEA. There are four Accord Days scheduled for 2022.

Property Update: This week contractors successfully moved four of the F Block classrooms to their new temporary location on the fields. Over the holiday period the classrooms will be re - connected with services, and access decking installed ready for use, day 1 next year.

Congratulations to the two Hip Hop crews who competed at the NZCAF Hip Hop Nationals last Saturday, the small crew placed 3rd in their division, and 'Envy' placed 4th in the Megacrew division.



Next week, will see the second group of Year 10 Outdoor Education Camps take place, Work Day on Tuesday afternoon, and the start of the process of welcoming in our Year 9's for 2022, with transition interviews held throughout the week.

Ngā mihi nui Jeff Smith Principal

City Mission Can Collection

The Service Council ran its annual Can Collection earlier this month. They collected 1225 items of non perishable food. The items were donated to the Christchurch City Mission for their food bank.



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.

Tim Kirby
Deputy Principal
Papanui High School
krt@papanui.school.nz



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 7, 8 and 9 there is one day in each of these weeks when a different plan is in operation:

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 https://papanui.schooldocs.co.nz

Username: papanui password: pride



Sports News

Term 4 Summer Sport Results

Korfball

Senior: Defeated by Christchurch Girls' High School/Christchurch Boys' High School

Junior 1: won 6-5 against Hillmorton 4 Junior 2: Defeated by PHS Junior 3 Junior 3: won against PHS Junior 2

Waterpolo

PHS/Burnside Combined girls: won 12-7 against Rangi Ruru

PHS/Christchurch Boys' High Combined boys: won 16-2 against Christchurch Boys' High School Blue

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.

Tillie Hawkins - Synchronised Swimming

Congratulations to Tillie Hawkins who has made the NZ Development team for Synchronised Swimming. An outstanding achievement by Tillie, well done!

Luka Willems - Waitaha-Canterbury Youth Awards

Congratulations to Luka Willems who has won the Advocate for Inclusion and Diversity award at the Waitaha-Canterbury Youth Awards. Luka also came runner up in the Youth Game Changer award. This is a fantastic achievement by Luka!

Important Information

- Sports uniforms from this year need to be returned to the Sports Office ASAP
- 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

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/.



My School, My Success, My Responsibility Tōku Kura, Tōku Tiketike, Tōku Haepapa