



## Principal's Perspective

Kia ora,

### **Covid Protection Framework**

The government has now implemented the Covid Protection Framework, commonly referred to as the traffic light system. This has a specific set of implications for our school which are essentially mandated. There are two parts to the system for the remainder of the 2021 school year:

Firstly, for the hours of the school day, and on-site curriculum delivery only, the school operates under Alert Level 2 (as currently designated for our region by the Ministry of Health).

Secondly, where applicable for off-site curriculum delivery, and for co-curricular activities both on-site and off-site the school operates under the traffic light system (orange, as currently designated for our region by the Ministry of Health). When being considered, two key factors influence the traffic light component: 1) outside providers wanting vaccination status declared, and, 2) the number of students involved.

We appreciate this is a very challenging space at the moment, and we are regularly seeking advice from Ministry of Education to support our decision making. I thank you for your ongoing understanding and support. I am sure you are aware, we as a school, are required to follow these public health requirements.

Further information can be found on both the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Education's websites.

### **This week:**

Has been a continuation of the Junior Curriculum programme, with the added addition of the final Year 10 Outdoor Education camps, where students have had an opportunity to test their skills in an authentic environment.

On Monday night I had the opportunity, and the privilege, to acknowledge and farewell Rosemary Weaver who has been a Yoga teacher in the Adult and Community Education Department for the past 36 years. Please see the article later in this edition. We are very grateful for Rosemary's contribution to our wider community, and thank her for her commitment and dedication throughout this time.

I would like to thank and acknowledge our junior school for their contribution to Work Day on Tuesday afternoon. The early indications are extremely positive in respect to the money fundraised. Each year the school aims to raise \$10,000 to actively support the Teenager Room at Ronald McDonald House.

Two weeks of the NCEA external examination programme have now been completed. This is the half way mark of the examination process time. I hope the exams have been going well, and no doubt the students will be looking to their completion of these, with the final day for exams being the 15th December.

Congratulations to our junior Theatresports team who won this year's Christchurch Junior Theatresports competition at the Court Theatre last weekend, and to our Boys' Hockey team who were awarded the Community Team of the Year award at the Canterbury Hockey Awards.



Ngā mihi nui

Jeff Smith  
Principal

## PHS Workday: Tuesday 30th November

Thank you to our community for supporting Ronald McDonald House, by having a Junior School Workday on Tuesday afternoon. We hope that our students contributed positively to this opportunity. Just a reminder that monies can be deposited through the school's bank account with a reference "**(Students Name), Workday**" 123147 0225793 00, or the money can be paid by your student through the school office. We would appreciate payment being made by **Monday, December 6, if possible.**

It is a donation. While there is no compulsion for each student to have raised a minimum of \$10 for this worthy cause, the school feels this amount is appropriate and supportive.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Tim Kirby  
Deputy Principal  
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## Activities Day - Wednesday 8th December

On Wednesday Year 9 and 10 students will be participating in our annual activities day. The day will start with form time at 8.30 am, then for the remainder of the day, students will rotate in form classes around 4 or 5 activities which include Swissball/volleyball, a general knowledge quiz, dart throw, and Sport Canterbury Tabloids. Year 10 students will spend a short amount of time off-site at the Papanui Youth Centre 'loop' which is run by [Papanui Youth Development Trust](#) and Year 9 students will visit the Whare to learn Tikanga Māori and the school Haka.

Students are asked to wear active-wear for the day and are reminded that it is important for health and safety that they wear appropriate sports shoes for practical activities, and sun hats and sunblock when outside. Students will be released at 2.30pm as per the normal school timetable.

There is no cost for the day, but a number of food items will be available for sale at lunchtime including churros, potato sticks, and candyfloss.

Please note, if the weather is poor, the event will be cancelled and a normal timetabled day will take place. The exception to this will be that our Year 10 students will still journey off-site to the 'Loop' youth centre. Should this be the case students will be asked to bring jackets and umbrellas for the short walk there and back. Information on the cancellation will be shared on Facebook and via the school app.



## PTA Fundraiser

Your FUNdraising help is needed!

Do you love Christmas and enjoy gift wrapping?

If so, the PTA would love to have you help out wrapping gifts at Northlands Mall.

This is our major fundraiser for the year and helps the PTA to continue to provide free tea, coffee and biscuits at community events, to support the school with sports travel/uniforms and production costume hire, and to provide prizes for the end of year awards.

The dates we have been allocated are Thursday 9, Friday 10, Monday 13, Tuesday 14, Friday 17, Saturday 18 and Tuesday 21 December.

If you, or someone in your family (over the age of 16) are willing to donate as little as 1 hour of your time to help with this fun event, please contact Amanda on [pta.chair@papanui.school.nz](mailto:pta.chair@papanui.school.nz)



## TV Opportunity - One Way Out!

**DO YOU WANT TO BE ON TV?** *Whitebait Media* are on the hunt for charismatic people to be on screen in their **BRAND NEW competitive reality TV show!** Please help us spread the word, or get involved yourself! We are looking for multiple teams of three to take on this exciting opportunity.

**One Way Out** is a race against the clock to solve challenges and make it out of our **one-of-a-kind escape room** in the quickest time. Your team can be made up of whoever! Maybe three friends from high school? You, your sister and your grandad? Your hilarious aunty and your brother? It's totally up to you!

If you want to apply then here's the details!

- Submit a video and entry form to <http://www.onewayout.co.nz> (the video can be up to one minute! Showcase your whole team and tell us why you would make a great team.)
- Please submit entries **by Sunday the 5th of December** and we will be in touch if you are shortlisted.
- Must be available for filming dates – 1X day between 24th Jan and 2nd February 2022. (If out of Christchurch, then an overnight stay (fully paid for) will also be necessary.)
- Ideally at least one team member needs to be between 15-17 years old, but we are open to all talent!

## Thank You

This week we reluctantly farewelled Rosemary Weaver from her position as Yoga teacher in the Adult and Community Education Department after 36 years of dedicated service.

Rosemary has taught three classes per week for us during this time, and has a group of very dedicated and loyal students, some of whom have been coming to classes here since she began teaching for us in 1985. Rosemary trained through the International Yoga Teachers Association NZ in 1980 and has taught classes at a variety of venues around Christchurch. As well as teaching Yoga Rosemary is also a qualified Healing Touch practitioner.

We will miss her caring gentle nature and her professional expertise, and wish her well for a long and happy retirement.

Barbara Roper  
Co-ordinator - Adult & Community Education



# Sports News

## School sports news

### Term 4 Summer Sport Results

#### Korfball

Senior: won 9-8

Junior 1: won 12-3

Junior 2: won 7-3

Junior 3: drew 5 all

#### Waterpolo

PHS/BURN Combined girls: won 14-5 against combined team

PHS/CBHS Combined boys: won 6-2 against Christ's College B

#### 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](mailto: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.*

#### Canterbury Hockey Awards

Papanui High School 2021 boys Hockey team won the Community Team of the Year award at the Canterbury Hockey Awards last week. This is a great achievement from the team and shows what an outstanding team they have been, both on and off the turf this year.

#### Junior Korfball

Congratulations to our Korfball Junior 1 team (pictured right) who won the Junior B grade in the Canterbury Korfball Friday night competition. Thank you to Sarah Hanlon and Lee Chapman who have been influential and committed to Papanui High School's Korfball this year.



#### 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...>

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Ara graduate

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Ara Te Kōwhiri

## School Policies

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

**Username:** papanui      **password:** pride



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