



## Principal's Perspective

Kia ora,

This school is continuing to focus on its onsite delivery of the curriculum, as to this point, almost all staff continue to be present, and the number of directly Covid related absences remain relatively small. As mentioned last week, we will continue to keep a 'watching brief' on the situation, and be responsive to any need for change.

This week saw the annual Ministry of Education's 'March 1st Return' take place. Essentially, this is the official count of the number of students attending each school nationwide. Students' attendance is noted over a three day period, to formulate the count. Student numbers form the basis for funding, and, in particular, for staffing. Our total roll is expected to be over 1600.

On Monday 21st March the PTA will hold their Annual General Meeting, including the election of the Executive Committee. The meeting will be held at 7.00pm in the Papanui High School staff room. All interested whānau, parents, and caregivers are most welcome to attend to find out more about the role of the PTA at school.

### COVID Phase 3 update: Clarification of positive household case, and household contact isolation requirements

Please refer to the table for information relating to a **positive Covid case**, and a **household contact** of a positive Covid case.

**Positive cases of Covid-19** — a confirmed case must currently isolate for a minimum of 10 days, and until they are symptom free. If you are still sick, you should stay home until you are well. Day zero for isolation is from the date you either develop symptoms or were tested (positive) if you had no symptoms.

**Household contacts of someone with Covid-19** — must isolate for 10 days, and take tests on day 3 and day 10 of their isolation period. If a household contact tests negative on day 3 and day 10, and is symptom free they can return to school on day 11. If you test positive during this time, restart your 10 day count.

A reminder that if someone else in the house becomes positive you do not need to restart your 10 day isolation count unless you test positive.

**Household contacts in shared-care arrangements (with a positive case in the household)** -This may be either a permanent or part-time basis, and where the student has spent at least one night or day (greater than 8 hours) in a residence while the case was infected. They become a household contact and follow guidelines as above. If they move to the other home during that required period of isolation, they must continue to isolate when in that other home. As per above, they can return to school of day 11 if symptom free and had negative test results on day 3 and day 10. If you test positive you must restart your 10 day count.

Find out what you need to do if:	you are positive for COVID-19	you are a Household Contact (living with a positive case)*
Day 0	The day you test positive or start experiencing symptoms, whichever is earliest.	Your Day 0 is the same Day 0 as the first positive case in your household.
Day 3	-	Get a Day 3 test today, or sooner if symptoms develop. If it's positive, start a new 10 days of self-isolation.
Day 10	-	Get a Day 10 test today, or sooner if symptoms develop. If it's positive, start a new 10 days of self-isolation.
Day 11	After 10 days, as long as you are free of COVID-19 symptoms, you will be free to leave self-isolation.	After 10 days, as long as you have a negative Day 10 test result and no COVID-19 symptoms, you will be free to leave self-isolation.

Please see the following Ministry of Health link if you would like further details or information.

[COVID-19: Information for household and close contacts.](#)

Ngā mihi nui

Jeff Smith  
Principal

## PTA Annual General Meeting

### Notice of the PTA Annual General Meeting.

The PTA will be holding its AGM on Monday 21st March, 7.00pm in the staff room (upstairs in the Admin block).

This will be a brief meeting to elect office holders and review PTA work over the past 12 months. Our regular meeting will be held after the AGM.

All interested whānau, parents, and caregivers are most welcome to attend to find out more about the role of the PTA at school.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION for the next meeting:** The PTA operates outside of the school hours and as such must adhere to the COVID-19 Protection Framework (traffic lights system) currently in force. This means the PTA meeting is classified as a gathering event, and as it will be held indoors, and the expected numbers would be above 25, all people attending must have a Covid vaccination pass and wear a mask.

## PTA Uniform Sale

Thank you to our fantastic supporters, those who sell through us, those who buy through us, and the generous people who donate quality items; you're all helping us to help our school community.

The next sale will be held **on the evening of Thursday 24 March** in the school hall. Details in future newsletters.

## Cando Cards

Cando cards are produced by Ecardz on behalf of Metro Buses. The card acts as a student identification (providing proof of age/identity) and metro card, but also allows students to access a number of exclusive discounts at retailers and services in the Canterbury area. In 2022 the card can also be registered for contact tracing.

Cando cards will be available to purchase by ALL students for a cost of \$10. Students can collect a Cando card envelope from the student, complete the appropriate information, insert the payment, and return it to the slot in the student office.

The office is not able to provide electronic payment for the cards, nor can they transfer funds from student accounts. Please ensure that correct payment is placed in the envelope



**PLEASE NOTE:  
The last day for Cando Card  
orders is Friday 25th March.**

Photos will be provided by Photolife. Year 9 photos will be from 2022, Year 10 -13 photos will be from 2021. If a student is unsure if they have a photo, they can check at the student office, and see Miss McConnel ([mcr@papanui.school.nz](mailto:mcr@papanui.school.nz)) if they don't.

Visit [www.candocard.co.nz](http://www.candocard.co.nz) for more info.

## School Policies

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

Username: papanui password: pride

## Wanted - Business Studies Mentors for 2022

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Do you have your own business or specialist skills in business eg marketing, sales etc?

We would love some volunteers to use their business experience to give advice to Papanui High Year 12 and 13 student business groups, especially with the development of their idea, business plan and to support them in bringing their product or service to the market.

Ideally you will be able to check in with groups during class time in Term 1, 2 and 3, preferably two or three times each term and be available to support and answer questions at times during the year. Currently this would have to be done online however in future this could include coming into school if our COVID status allows.

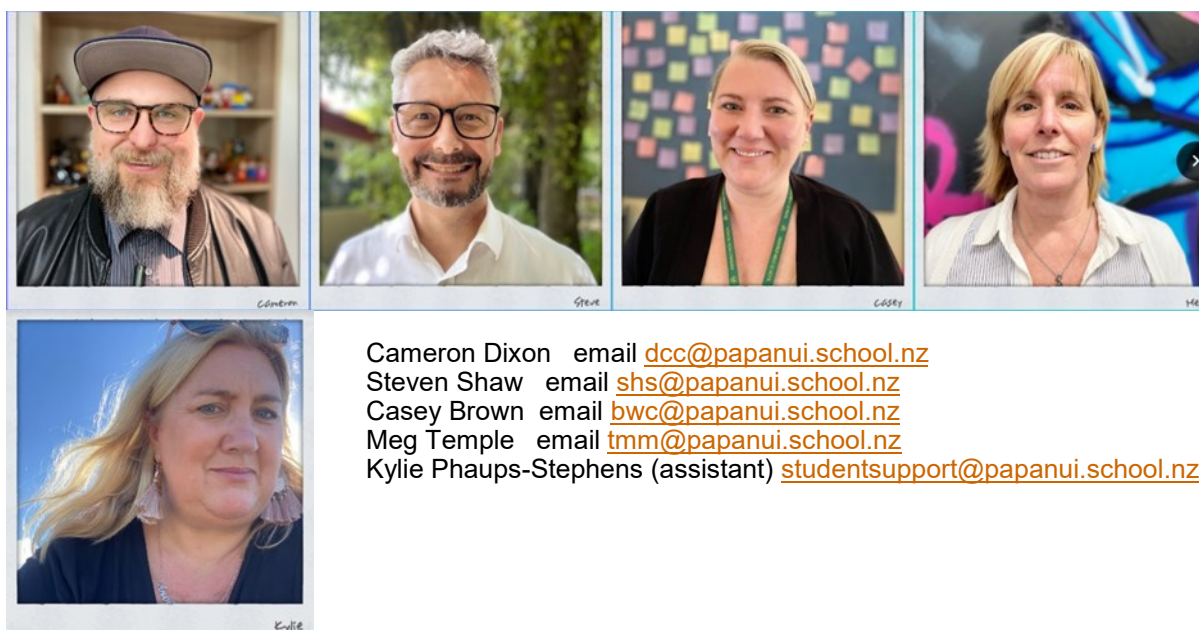
If you are able to help our students have an authentic business experience, please contact Andrea Gallop [gla@papanui.school.nz](mailto:gla@papanui.school.nz)

## Student Support

Good wellbeing / hauora is a super important part of each of us realizing our potential. For most of us, most of the time, we do the things we need to, to look after our hauora. Sometimes when life gets difficult, we can need additional support. It is ok to reach out for help.

The role of Student Support at Papanui High School is to help support the hauora of our young people / rangatahi, in particular their mental and emotional wellbeing / hinengaro.

Meet the team.



Cameron Dixon email [dcc@papanui.school.nz](mailto:dcc@papanui.school.nz)  
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Kylie Phaups-Stephens (assistant) [studentsupport@papanui.school.nz](mailto:studentsupport@papanui.school.nz)

Some of the common things students want support with include;

- School related stress
- Relationships / friendships
- Mood; anger, low mood, anxiety, grief
- Identity

The Student Support team is happy an able to connect with students in different ways. This can be helpful given the hybrid learning environment we find ourselves in. If your young person is at home learning, we can connect with them by zoom conference, text messaging, email, or a phone call.

There is a Student Support web page link on the Papanui High School web site. You can find out more about the team and Student Support there. The web page also has a referral doc so students can make an appointment online. If you have any concerns about the wellbeing of your young person, please make contact with their Dean, or let the Student Support team know via email.

## From the Careers Department

### Careers Corner

#### Are you considering leaving school and looking for full time work?

The Careers team have been approached by employers who have full time jobs available in the following areas:

Painting and Decorating

Fencing

Concrete Flooring

If you are interested in finding out more please see a member of the Careers team or

email [grb@papanui.school.nz](mailto:grb@papanui.school.nz) for further details

NB students need to have their Restricted driver's licence

#### Are you interested in a free one-day Makeup Discovery Course?

We are looking for students interested in a hands on one day session to experience Yoobee's creative campus and get a feel for what it's like to study makeup artistry.

This event depends on numbers and confirmation with Yoobee. Please come see the Careers team or email [stj@papanui.school.nz](mailto:stj@papanui.school.nz) if you are interested

#### Thinking about UC for 2023?

Take a look at the new webpage for future students <https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/future-students/>

## Sports News

### Term 1 Sport Summer Sport

This term, the competitions in which we have entered our teams into are not recording the scores of each game, and as such there is no leader board for each sport/grade due to the disruptions caused by Omicron. Therefore, results will not be posted in the community newsletter this term.

### 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 with our community.

### Cycling - Kirsty Watts

Kirsty Watts competed at the Canterbury Track Cycling Championships and came home with one gold medal and 5 silver medals in the U17 girls' races, and along with Shaylah Sayers (who was featured last week) has been selected to represent Canterbury at the Track National Championships to be held in Cambridge in March. Congratulations to both Kirsty and Shaylah!



### Community Sport News

#### Merivale Papanui Rugby Football Club Incorporated

Online registrations are now open for

Teenage Rugby Grades U14-U18. The club caters for all school age children, and welcome new and returning players for the 2022 season. Online registrations can be done via the website: [www.merivalepap.co.nz](http://www.merivalepap.co.nz). Any enquiries please email [info@merivalepap.co.nz](mailto:info@merivalepap.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...>



Paige Hubber  
Sports Co-ordinator  
[hrp@papanui.school.nz](mailto: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](mailto:araconnect@ara.ac.nz) or visit <https://www.ara.ac.nz/study/community-study/>.



## PHS Adult and Community Education Weekend Classes Term 1, 2022

We still have vacancies in the following weekend courses coming up in March. For further information or to enrol please go to our website <https://www.papanui.school.nz/com-edu/categories> or phone our office on 03 3520701, or email Barbara Roper [rpb@papanui.school.nz](mailto:rpb@papanui.school.nz)

Cheese Making: Saturday 26 March, 10.00am – 1.00pm. Cost \$95, fee includes all materials and equipment



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