Friday 25 March 2022

Principal's Perspective

Kia ora,

Monday night was the PTA's Annual General Meeting, which included the election of the Executive Committee. Congratulations to Amanda Wallwork who has been re-elected President. We are very grateful for the ongoing commitment and support of our PTA, and thank them in advance for what we know will be a busy contribution to the year ahead.

On Wednesday, the Prime Minister updated the nation on the next stage of the Covid response plan which the school will work within accordingly. The Canterbury region is currently experiencing an increase in daily Covid cases, and we are seeing the impact of that here to some extent with our students, and more widely with our staff. To help manage and support this in our school setting, we are increasing the number of days each year level is being rostered home. This will help to provide cover as well as give teachers time to work online with students who have been required to isolate. Each year level will now be rostered home for two days starting Monday 28th March. Communication has been sent separately to parents/caregivers, to the specific year levels, and the Facebook and school website have been updated. Please see the following table below for the specific days students are rostered home from Week 9 onwards.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 12	Year 9	Year 9	Year 10	Year 12
Year 13	Year 11	Year 10	Year 11	Year 13

Google Meets Timetable for all year levels can be found here: here:

Please note, we are aware that the extra rostered day may be difficult to be managed in some circumstances, if you are unable to supervise your student at home on their rostered days off and you need them to come to school, please telephone the school office on 352 6119.

Covid reminders

If a student or someone in their household tests positive for Covid please email covidresponse@papanuihigh.school.nz

Students who have had Covid can return to school on Day 8 of their isolation. They do not need to have another test to return to school

Students who are household contacts should stay home for 7 days from the day the **first** person in the house tests positive for Covid. All family members should test on Day 3 and Day 7. Provided a student tests negative, they can return to school on Day 8.

PLEASE NOTE: Students and staff who test positive for Covid are not required to self-isolate past seven days under public health regulations, but they should **not return to school if they are still feeling unwell.**

In line with Ministry of Education advice we are committed to keeping school open for on-site learning as much as we can. We are keeping a constant eye on the situation, and will continue to provide you with updates as appropriate. We would appreciate if you could please keep notifying us of any positive Covid cases or household contacts by emailing covidresponse@papanui.school.nz

Thank you for your continued support and understanding as we continue to negotiate the challenges of Covid.

Ngā mihi nui Jeff Smith Principal

Congratulations Vivien

We are thrilled to announce that for the third consecutive year a student from Papanui High School has been awarded the top prize in the Young Generation section of the Zonta Ashburton Female Art Awards (ages 16-20) otherwise known as the ZAFAA Awards. This year the prize went to Year 13 student Vivien Silver-Hessey for her work 'My Feet are Killing Me". Vivien's work has a strong conceptual base, something that was emphasised by the judges in their presentation speech. The work is a commentary on women in society and the expectations and assumptions that are often made about their perceived roles.

Vivien follows in the footsteps of Katherine Anderson (winner 2020) and Mia Heywood (winner 2021). Papanui has yet to have an entry declined and have been consistently well

represented in these Youth Generation L-R Jorja Shadbolt, Ella Stewart, Vivien Silver-Hessey (absent Kala Burgess) Awards since their inception. This year

saw four students enter with strong work so exhibiting alongside Vivien, are Jorja Shadbolt, Ella Stewart, and Kala Burgess. Canterbury is privileged to have this opportunity as this is a unique competition only available to women and only those who reside in Canterbury. The Ashburton Art Gallery is a beautiful space and the show is well worth a visit. Congratulations once again to Vivien on her fantastic achievement.

The prize was \$500 cash, plus a Scorpio Books voucher.

Winners: Audrey Baldwin (Premier Award) and Vivien Silver-Hessey (Young Generation Award





Vivien with her mother Maree



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

Fundraising for Ukraine

The Student Council are holding a non-uniform day to raise money for the people of Ukraine. The money will be distributed through the UNICEF and World Vision Ukraine appeals. Due to our rostering home, we will be holding two different Yellow and Blue themed days. Year 12 and 13 student's non uniform day will be on Thursday 31 March, while Years 9 -11 will be on Friday 1 April. All money donated will be going directly to the cause.



From the Careers Department

Upcoming events at Papanui

Ara Polytech drop-in session: Kirsty Rolls our liaison officer will be in the library reading room on Wednesday 30 March from 11.30am-1.00pm to answer any questions students might have about study at Ara.

Victoria University liaison staff will be at school on Monday 4 April to talk to students considering studying at Vic next year. Meet at 10am in A12

Upcoming events beyond Papanui:

Interested in studying Arts or Science at the University of Canterbury? There are 2 online information sessions coming up where you can learn about the degrees offered at UC and ask questions of the liaison staff. See the Careers website for details

Ara whanau information evening is a virtual event designed to help students and their whanau explore what Ara has to offer. It will take place on Thursday 31st March from 5.30pm. See the Careers website for details.

Situations Vacant:

Casual Job Vacancies available at Orana Wildlife Park Cafe. Possible weekend and holiday work. For further information see a member of the Careers team.

Casual paid work at The Warehouse

Secondary students 15-years and older can register for casual paid work at a local The Warehouse store. Work is available every day and evening of the week (Monday to Sunday). See the Careers staff for details.

Careers website: https://papanui.careerwise.school/

Sports News

Term 1 Summer Sport

This term, the competitions in which we have entered our Term 1 sports 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 (<u>hrp@papanui.school.nz</u>) 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

Shaylah Sayers recently represented Canterbury in the New Zealand Track Cycling Championships in Cambridge where in last week's Community Newsletter we celebrated Shaylah winning gold in the 500m time trial, and the elimination ride. Since then, Shaylah has come home with another 4 gold medals in the Points Race, Derby Race,

Scratch Race, and Team Sprint. A fantastic achievement by Shaylah!

Kirsty Watts (who we also celebrated last week) also competed in a composite team in the Team Pursuit and they came away with a silver medal, even beating an Auckland team despite their team having never ridden together before. Well done Kirsty!

Important Information

- Term 2 and 3 Winter sport registrations are open. The registration link can be found on the student notices and sport facebook page (Papanui High School - Sport).
- 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

