Friday 5th August 2022

Principal's Perspective

Kia ora,

This term has got off to a challenging start with the combined effects of COVID, influenza, and other winter illnesses. This has meant that we have started the term with a high number of teachers absent from their classes. Unfortunately we are seeing this replicated in schools all around the country, and in the wider society of the workforce. Currently there is a national shortage of teachers and consequently relief teachers. With this in mind, we made the difficult decision that from **Thursday August 4 until Friday August 12 the school will be starting at 9:15** (**Period 2**) for all students. This will then be reviewed ongoingly.

The purpose of reducing the timetable is to allow staff and students to focus on their well-being, for Heads of Department to support lesson planning, ensure that we have enough staff to cover for absent teachers, and to cater for the varied activities that we will continue to offer every day.

Next Thursday 11th August, the school will be holding our annual Academic Counseling Conference Day. This day is designed to actively assist in raising student achievement. When students are actively aware of their own achievement and academic aspirations/goals, they have greater ownership and responsibility for their success. Please prioritise this as a 'must attend' meeting, and we look forward to sharing the day with you. Appointments for students and their whanau are available throughout the day from 8.00am until 8.00pm. Caregivers have received information about how to book these. They are a fantastic opportunity to make connections and be a part of your child's learning journey. Further to this, senior students will be making course choices for 2023 over the coming weeks leading to Senior Course Selection Evening on Thursday 18th August.

Despite the challenges mentioned we are still very pleased to see a large number of our students actively engaged in a wide range of activities. We are currently preparing for the 'Senior Work Day' to support Ronald McDonald House, and the Junior Work Day will take place in Term 4. Winter sport is in full flight, music groups have been performing in a range of competitions, the Hip Hop team and our Junior Debating team are competing this weekend, and our two head students joined other school leaders from across Christchurch to meet with the Prime Minister on Friday (5th August).

Once again, we thank you for your ongoing support and understanding. If your student or someone in your household has COVID please let us know by emailing covidresponse@papanui.school.nz

Ngā mihi nui

Jeff Smith Principal

Dates to Note

Term 3 Calendar

The dates for the first four weeks of term have been confirmed as per the calendar. These include:

- Academic Counselling Conference Day Thursday 11th August (the school will be closed for instruction)
- Senior Course Selection Evening Thursday 18th August
- Accord Day Monday 22nd August (Staff Only Day the school will be closed for instruction)

Academic Counselling Conference Day

ACADEMIC COUNSELLING CONFERENCE DAY – Thursday 11th August 2022, 8.00am until 8.00pm BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN

Please visit the below website to book your interview for Conference Day https://papanui.schoolpoint.co.nz/

Conference Day is an extremely important part of our Academic Counselling Programme. On this day, the school will not run its usual timetabled classes for students. Instead, individual 15-minute meeting slots will be available for you to discuss your child's academic progress. Students are only required to be at school for their 15-minute appointment. For the remainder of the day, students are to undertake independent study from home. Senior students are to also carry out 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours of paid off-site work to contribute to the 'Work Day' fundraiser for Ronald McDonald House (see information below).

Students are expected to attend their conference with their parents/caregivers/whānau and it would be greatly appreciated if you could prioritise this meeting as an absolute 'must attend'. Students can wear smart casual clothing, rather than school uniform on the day.

Further information explaining the booking process was emailed/posted to you on Thursday (don't forget to check your spam folder). However, if you require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

We look forward to discussing your child's academic progress with you.

Masks are strongly encouraged for all people taking part in Conference Day. If you require a mask, please collect one from the main office prior to your conference.

Lynette Archer Deputy Principal

Senior Work Day: Thursday 11th August

Senior Papanui High School Workday: Thursday 11th August 2022

This Work Day is for all Year 11 - 13 students to raise funds to support Ronald McDonald House. This is an incredibly important organisation that supports unwell children and their families. Ronald McDonald House relies on donations. Our school sponsors the Teenager Room in their Cashel Street building. In 2022 we aim to raise \$5000 from this Work Day towards our ongoing support of the Teenager Room.

Work need not be completed on the 11th of August as students may choose to do this on another day (e.g. a weekend). However, this is the Academic Conference Day whereby our senior students are only required to be at school for the 15-minute interview with parents/caregivers. Therefore, this is an ideal day to conduct the work, given that students are not missing class instruction.

All Year 11 – 13 students have been briefed in their year level assemblies. Our school anticipates that a large number of students will find work at home, with friends, with relatives, or neighbours. Thank you in anticipation of your support.

The target for each student to raise a minimum of \$10 total for the equivalent of one and a half hours work.

Tim Kirby
Deputy Principal
krt@papanui.school.nz

NZ Blood Donor Service visit — Donors Wanted

The New Zealand Blood Donor Service will be at our school on Thursday August 25 and they are wishing our students to sign up for this. This will be held in the school hall from 9.00am until 2.00pm

There are criteria that must be met for a student or staff member to give blood -

https://www.nzblood.co.nz/assets/Give-Blood/PDFs/107I187.pdf

It is an incredibly valuable cause and we hope to fill our bookings on this day.



Senior Course Selection Evening - Thursday 18th August

We would like to invite you to accompany your Year 11/12 son/daughter to attend the Senior Course Selection Evening on Thursday 18th August. This is a key event for all senior students to provide guidance on the course selection process as students progress from Year 11 into 12, and from Year 12 into 13.

Mapping out the pathway each student will take in their remaining years allows for a successful transition from high school into the tertiary sector, further training, or the workforce. Students benefit greatly from your input as well as the expert advice from those present during the evening.

We are fortunate to have a large number of tertiary providers and training organisations present during the evening. They will offer advice and information regarding areas of training and pathways into different careers. We advise all senior students to attend and take advantage of this opportunity. These providers will be available within the J block foyer throughout the evening.

To reduce the number of people in the Johns Wing at any given time on the evening, we are going to break the evening into three separate groupings. If you could attend at the following times, that would be greatly appreciated.

Surnames beginning with:

A-H attend at 6.00pm I-O attend at 6.45pm P-Z attend at 7.30pm

We encourage you and your son/daughter to make the most of the evening and ask that you wear a mask. These will be available as you enter the Johns Wing on the evening.

NFFD Youth Competition 2022 Winner - Chloe Morrison-Clarke

Congratulations to Year 11 student Chloe Morrison Clarke who came first place in the Youth Division of the National Flash Fiction Competition for 2022!

The National Flash Fiction Competition is a short fiction (300 words) competition run every year to celebrate the art form, and the shortest day of the year, June 21! I have entered for 3 years, being longlisted, shortlisted, and this year, I came first place in the Youth Division.

There are two divisions within the comp, the Youth (18 and under) of course the one I enter into. The competition has recently become international, with anyone around the world able to enter. This year entrants were mainly from New Zealand, Australia, France, and the United States. Entries are steadily growing each year, with the 2022 youth division receiving over 400 this year. I love writing and especially flash fiction, and would recommend this competition, run by friendly, passionate people from all over the world.

Nga mihi Chloe :)

Sir Edmund Hillary's Hut Virtual Reality Experience

This week 52 students in Year 10 took part in the Sir Edmund Hillary's Hut Virtual Reality Experience.

This is an education programme provided by the New Zealand Antarctic Heritage Trust and was free to our students. The feedback on this learning experience has been very positive, so our school hopes to enable more students to view this in the future, alongside their learning about Antarctica.



From the Careers Department

Upcoming events outside of school

- Queenstown Resort College information evening 10th August, 2022 6:30pm Rydges Latimer Square
- Hagley Theatre school for a Day event 26th August, 8:30 am Hagley College
- Rā Tōmene | UC Open Day 9th September, 9.00am, UC Campus Ilam Road
- UC Arts Careers Evening Wednesday 24th August, 5.30pm Undercroft 101 James Hight Building, University of Canterbury, Ilam Road

Please see our Careers website for more detail and information on how to register for these events. https://papanui.careerwise.school

Upcoming events at school

Please make a note in your diary about our upcoming Course Selection Evening for students currently in Year
 11 and 12. This will take place on Thursday 18th August. University and polytechnic staff will be there to answer questions about the courses they offer, and Careers staff will be on hand to talk about Dual Enrolment, Gateway, and subject selection. Details to follow.

Part time and full time jobs

- Pak n Save have a variety of part time and full time jobs available
- Building/Welding full time job with a possible apprenticeship

Please contact the Careers staff for more information.

Adult and Community Education - Term 3 Vacancies

PAPANUI HIGH SCHOOL TERM 3 NIGHT CLASSES

We still have vacancies in the following classes for this term. Please check the website https://www.papanui.school.nz/com-edu/categories for start dates and costs, or email ace@papanui.school.nz or telephone our office on 03 3520701.

MONDAY

Cake Decorating Pilates Sign Language Level 1b

TUESDAY

Candle Making Meditation/Mindfulness Stone Carving Te Reo for Beginners

WEDNESDAY

Indian Cooking
Spanish Cooking
Crochet for Beginners
Learn to Draw
Paverpol Sculpture
Sign Language for Beginners
Yoga - all levels

THURSDAY

Barista - Intro Course Millinery Tai Chi for Beginners

WEEKEND WORKSHOPS

Aromatherapy for Everyday use Patchwork for Beginners Printmaking Soap Making Learn to Spin





Sports News

Term 3 Winter Sport Results

Badminton

Boys team - won 6-3 against Middleton Grange 7

Basketball

Boys Thomson team - won 98-67 against Hillmorton Saturday U20 Boys - won 112-68 against Gators Red Saturday U17 Boys - won 106-79 against St Andrew's Blue Saturday U15 Boys - won 81-68 against St Andrew's White Girls Whelan team - won 73-28 against Riccarton Friday U15 boys - defeated by Middleton Grange Intermediate Intermediate Girls - defeated by Villa Maria Year 11 Black Year 9 Girls - defeated by Rangiora High Year 9 A

Football

1st XI Boys - defeated by St Thomas of Canterbury 1st XI Girls - won 7-0 against St Margaret's 2nd XI Boys - defeated by Cashmere 2nd XI Jnr Boys - won by default

Hockey

Boys team - won 9-0 against Christ's College Girls team - won 7-0 against Rolleston College

Netball

Senior A - won 32-30 against Middleton Grange A
Senior B - defeated by Haeata
Intermediate - no game
Junior A - won 18-4 against Rangi Ruru G
Junior B - won 19-16 against Darfield
Year 10 - defeated by Ellesmere Junior
Year 9 1 - defeated by Rolleston College Year 9 Purple
Year 9 2 - no game

Student Achievements

Have you competed in a Sports Competition lately? Send your story and results (with pictures if possible) to Paige (https://propaganui.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.

Community News

Air Pistol Shooting

Ever thought of taking up an Olympic Sport?

We have a group of secondary school air pistol shooters who need more members.

We meet at the Christchurch Pistol Club range at McLeans Island on a Wednesday during term time from 5.30pm until 7pm.

The cost is \$50 per year. We enter local competitions and compete for the McMillan Cup which is competed for by secondary schools throughout New Zealand. You also have the opportunity to compete at the South Island and National Championships.

You will be taught by Cheryl who was a member of the NZ pistol team for 12+ years and has coached for at least 10 years.

For more information, please email airpistol@chchpistolclub.org.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.

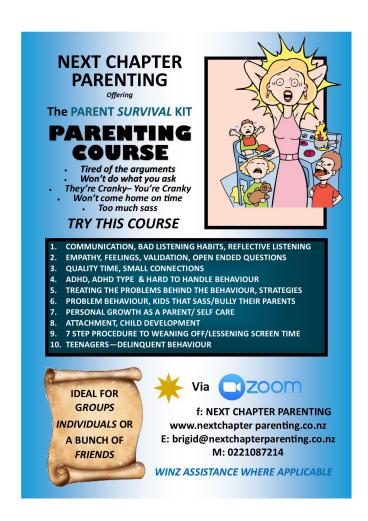
Please Note: students are not permitted to wear sports gear instead of school uniform.

https://withers-merch-shop.myshopify.com/.../papanui-high-sch...



Download the School Sport Canterbury app





School Policies

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

Username: papanui password: pride

