



Principal's Perspective

Kia ora,

It was my pleasure this week to drive South to watch our netball and girls' hockey team play in the South Island Secondary Schools' tournaments. After three years absence, it is fantastic that these tournaments have been back on the table for many sports codes and that the weather in the most part has been spring-like and great for spectating.

A very important time of the school year is the selection of courses for next year and there have been many events and discussions with students to help ensure that they are making informed decisions when it comes to their future. Thank you to all of the staff who have been involved with this. A reminder to those Year 10-12 students who haven't returned their selection to do so please.

For the first time since February, we have had a week with no Covid cases reported in our staff or student body. This gives us optimism that we have escaped the predicted wave that was to hit us at the beginning of the term. We are still working hard to prevent the spread happening here at school with the promotion of good hygiene practices and the availability of masks to everyone.

You will be aware that we have used late starts/rostering home this week to combat the shortage of relief teachers which has been highlighted in national media. We thank our community for the support of this and it was nice to see senior students really making the most of their extra time to work on portfolios, assessments and study. Being able to manage yourself and work independently is a valuable life skill to take out into tertiary study and the work place.

We do not anticipate having to roster home again this term at this stage. Our emphasis will be on maximizing the learning time for the remaining 4 weeks of the term. Senior students will be very busy preparing for Assessment Week in Week 9, as well as working to complete their achievement and learning goals as set earlier in the term. Junior students will be set for some continuous learning and practical and collaborative work in the coming weeks.

The second half of Term 3 and beyond is an exciting time for schools as we celebrate success and benefit in seeing the culmination of hard work in things such as Infinite Dance, Soiree, the Production Class show, Fiafia night etc. I look forward to meeting caregivers and whānau at these special events and in the celebrations that we will have at the beginning of Term 4.

Ngā mihi nui

Stacey Fry
Acting Principal

Senior Assessment Week - Week 9

Senior Assessment week will take place in week 9 over 5 days - 19-23 September. During this week year 11,12 and 13 students will work on various assessments; practice examinations, complete internal assessments, attend tutorials or have an opportunity to work on their portfolios. Students will be issued with a timetable for these assessments shortly.

When students are not involved with an assessment at school, they are expected to use the study leave to prepare for their exams and assessments or continue with set class work either at home or school. The Careers room, A12, is available during this time as a quiet study place.

Some assessments count towards a final grade for qualifications while others are practices for the end-of-year national examinations. The results from these practice examinations may be used as evidence in the emergency grades process for NZQA.

If you have any further questions please contact Louisa Clissold cll@papanui.school.nz

Course Selection Year 10

Course Selection is now open for students currently in Year 10

It is now time for students, who are currently in **Year 10**, to select their courses for 2023. Students have received, via their school email account, details on how to use our online course selection tool and also several video links to support them in making these decisions.

You can view the video's shared with students below by clicking on the links.

[NZQA NCEA Video](#)

[NCEA Summary Presentation](#)

[Year 10 into 11: How to choose your subjects](#)

We encourage all parents/caregivers to engage in conversations about which courses would be most suitable for their son/daughter. As always, the team of careers staff are here to help in anyway. If you require further assistance, please contact James Stewart, HOD Careers, stj@papanui.school.nz

Course Selection information for students currently in Year 9 will be available shortly.

Adult and Community Education - Vacancies

We still have places available in the following Term 3 course.

UPHOLSTERY WORKSHOP Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th September 10.00am – 4.00pm both days at a cost of \$168

For further information and enrolment in these courses please visit our website <https://www.papanui.school.nz/com-edu/categories> or email ace@papanui.school.nz or telephone our office on 03 352 0701

Papanui Community Library closed for Refurbishment

Papanui Library and Service Centre Refurbishment

The Papanui Library (corner of Langdons Road and Restell Street) is being refurbished and the building will be therefore be closed from 19 September 2022 through to November 2022.

The Post Shop area will be sectioned off and remain open throughout while contractors carry out work on the remainder of the building.

PTA Fundraiser



The PTA will be selling refreshments at the Infinite Dance showcase on Monday 12th September at 7.00pm

Sports News

Winter Tournament

Papanui High School has 7 teams competing in Winter Tournaments over the South Island this week. It has been great to see teams head away to their tournaments after Covid-19 led to the cancellation of these tournaments for the past two years. Results of each team will be posted in next week's newsletter.

Boys Hockey - Nelson
Girls Hockey - Ashburton
Netball - Timaru
Boys Football - Invercargill
Girls Football - Blenheim
Boys Basketball - Dunedin
Rockclimbing – Christchurch

A big thank you must go to the coaches/managers involved with each team as well as those who have been involved in the pre-tournament organisation.

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) in the Sports Office.

This is a great way to showcase what our students are doing outside of school in sport within our community.

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...>



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School Policies

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

Username: papanui password: pride



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