

Papanews Community Edition

Friday 3rd February 2023

Principal's Perspective

Kia ora,

Welcome to the first edition of the PapaCommunity News for 2023. I hope the holiday period has provided an opportunity for students to have a restful and enjoyable break. The newsletter is emailed home to parents/caregivers, and students each week. Its aim is to give up up-to-date information on a weekly basis about the general happenings within the school. We will also use this forum to highlight recent student achievement, and significant upcoming events.

We are now well underway as we close-out Week 1. I would particularly like to welcome our new Year 9's, transferring Year 10 -13 students, adult ESOL students, staff, and (for the first time in two years), international students, to the school. We are excited that you are all here, as part of our school, and wish you every success during your time here. Equally a bit welcome back to all our returning students and staff.

Last Tuesday we held our traditional pōwhiri. This is our way of formally welcoming all new students and staff to the school. I would like to thank the large number of family and whānau who were present to support their child into high school. Following this we moved into our Year 9 orientation programme, which is particularly important for transitioning our Year 9 students. I am very grateful to the Year 13 Peer Support leaders for their involvement in supporting the Year 9's. The initial three day programme is



Peer Support leaders at the Hanmer Springs Camp

about integrating the students into the school's systems, culture, and expectations. The Peer Support programme continues on throughout the first term.

Part of the orientation programme was the Year 9 Wednesday 'meet and greet' bbq evening. This gave an opportunity for an informal gathering where family and whānau met the Form Teacher, and subject teachers of their child's class. This was very well attended, and I thank those who were able to be there. We are hopeful that this year we will be able to engage in our full range of face-to-face events which forms a critical part of our community connectiveness.

Wednesday and Thursday saw the remaining year levels return to school, briefly, to allow us the opportunity to welcome them back, and start the process of analysing our student numbers. Student numbers are particularly important because we need to assess class sizes and viability as we move to finalise student timetables. Our returning numbers have been very good, with more students deciding to stay at school and build on their success. Next week we will see a settling in process, and firming up of timetables and changes.

I look forward to the year ahead.

Ngā mihi

Jeff Smith Principal

School Photos and Cando Cards

School Photos

Photos will be taking place during the school day, on Monday the 13th of February. All students will have a class and individual photo taken. (Please note: Year 9 class photos have already taken place.) Photos will be taken by Photolife and will be available for purchase later in the term. These photos will be printed in the school review at the end of the year and it is important that students wear the correct uniform on the day. Specific information regarding the day and time of the photos will be available to students via the student notices. It is a very busy day and some students may appear in more than one photo. Please encourage your child to take note of where and when they need to be present, it would be a great shame if they were to miss their photo.

Previously Photolife has provided paper order instructions which include the individual student order ID code. Photolife is committed to limiting its environmental impact and would therefore like to share the photo codes with caregivers electronically. If you do not wish for your email address to be shared with Photolife, please email the school at admin@papanui.school.nz with School Photos in the subject line so that your email can be removed from the file we share with photolife. Photo codes for those that do not have email, or chose for their email not to be shared will be provided directly from the school.

Cando cards

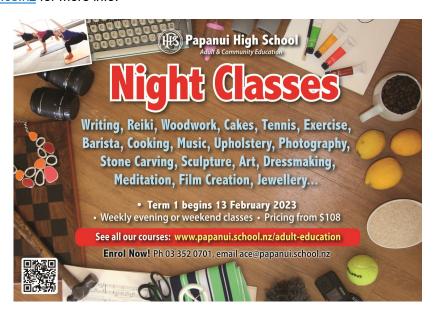
<u>Cando cards</u> are produced by Ecardz on behalf of Metro Buses. The card acts as a student identification (providing proof of age/identity) and a metro card but also allows students to access a number of exclusive discounts at retailers and services in the Canterbury area.

Cando cards will be available to order for ALL students for a cost of \$10. On Monday the 13th of February, in the school hall foyer. Students in Years 10 -13 can order their cards during photos. Year 9 students can order their cards during interval or lunch.



On the day students must pay the \$10 (correct change needed) at the time of their class and individual photo using the photo ID card they will be given on the day. Year 9 students can order cards on Monday without their ID card.

Visit www.candocard.co.nz for more info.



Subject Teacher Meet and Greet

Subject Teacher - Meet & Greet - Year 10-13

On Thursday 16th February, we are holding a "Meet & Greet" evening for parents/whānau, students and subject teachers of our Year 10-13 cohorts. The purpose of this evening is to strengthen connections between home and school by ensuring parents/caregivers know how to and feel confident in making contact with subject teachers. It also gives us an opportunity to explain the teaching and learning programme planned for the year, and the assessment opportunities available.

There is no need to book a time through our usual parental booking system, as the sessions will be held in class groupings in the classrooms students are taught in. Please encourage your son/daughter to attend with you.

The Year 10 meetings will begin at 6.00pm with the senior rotations beginning at 6.30pm, (see table below). Further information will be emailed to you, however if you would like further clarity, please contact the school office.

Lynette Archer Deputy Principal

TIME	ROTATIONS	VENUE
6.00pm	Year 10 10CSJ 10DNS 10EDF 10MDJ 10MND 10MSB 10RGS 10SPR 10SRS 10SWT 10SYD 10TDG 10WDJ 10WLD	Year 10 Form Rooms A4 M2 F14 A13 P2 M1 B5 H3 M6 J1 J8 J3 B7 M4
6.30pm	Year 11-13 Monday period 1 class	TT classroom for Monday period 1
6.50pm	Year 11-13 Monday period 2 class	TT classroom for Monday period 2
7.10pm	Year 11-13 Monday period 3 class	TT classroom for Monday period 3
7.30pm	Year 11-13 Monday period 4 class	TT classroom for Monday period 4
7.50pm	Year 11-13 Monday period 5 class	TT classroom for Monday period 5
8.10pm	Year 11-13 Monday period 6 class	TT classroom for Monday period 6

School Policies

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

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Peer Support Camp and Orientation

Papanui's strong tradition of Peer Support leaders getting back to work early continued this year with around 80 students heading to Hanmer Forest Camp for a three-day camp at the end of January. The leaders, accompanied by an enthusiastic group of staff, planned the orientation programme for the new Year 9 classes, then painted the form class banners. The group showed real team spirit through the camp and into orientation week. The Peer Support orientation programme aims to help transition Year 9 students smoothly into high school. The leaders ran activities to help students get to know each other, and develop cooperation and community skills relevant to high school (and beyond). It included our annual newspaper fashion parade.

The Peer Support sessions will continue every few weeks through Term 1 and leaders will continue to visit Year 9 form time throughout the year.



PTA Uniform Sales - Please note

Dear PHS Whānau,

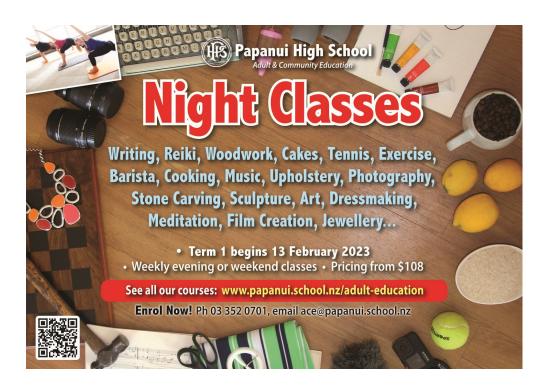
The PTA would like to thank those who supported the recent second-hand uniform sale by providing, donating, and purchasing uniform items. As usual, this was very well attended, and it is great to see students being set up for the year ahead.

In the past, we have accepted second-hand uniforms for sale throughout the year and processed them for the next sale. It is with sadness that unfortunately we are not currently in a position to do this, so there will be an immediate and indefinite pause on accepting uniforms for sale. This is a result of ongoing issues outside of our control.

We hope to bring you more sales later in the year, as we want to honour the sellers who have entrusted us with their items, and we recognise the vital service the second-hand uniform shop provides.

Currently, we can only accept shoes and socks. There is always a need for quality, second-hand shoes. Shoes and socks are never sold, only given away.

On behalf of the PTA, Claire (uniform sales manager) and Amanda (PTA chair). PHS.PTA.SHU@gmail.com



Papanui High School 2003 Term Dates

TERM ONE: Tuesday 31 January - Thursday 6 April

Monday 30 January Staff only day

Tuesday 31 January Pōwhiri for new students

Orientation programme begins

Monday 6 February Waitangi Day - school closed

Monday 27 March Summer Tournament Week

Fri 7 April Good Friday - school closed

94 half days

TERM TWO: Monday 24 April - Friday 30 June

Monday 24 April Additional MOE staff only day

Tuesday 25 April ANZAC DAY - school closed

Monday 5 June King's Birthday - school closed

96 half days (The additional Staff Only Day is to support implementation activities across The NZ

Curriculum Refresh, the redesign of Te Marautanga o Aotearoa and the NCEA

Change programme)

TERM THREE: Monday 17 July - Friday 22 September

Monday 21 August Staff Only Day

Monday 28 August Winter Tournament Week

Monday 11 September Senior Assessment Week

98 half days

TERM FOUR: Monday 9 October - Tuesday 12 December

Monday 23 October Labour Day - school closed

Wednesday 25 October Senior Prizegiving

Monday 6 November NCEA exams start

Friday 17 November Show Day - school closed

Tuesday 12 December Junior Prizegiving

92 half days

Total 380 half days

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