

Papanews Community Edition

Friday 8 September 2023

Principal's Perspective

This week was Uike Lea Faka-Tonga!! (Tongan Language Week)

There were some great lunchtime activities happening including such things as a photo challenge, a phrase challenge, and 'Capture the flag'.

This week has seen our senior students sitting 'Formative Assessments' to assist in their preparation for the NCEA external exams later in the year. These assessments are an important step in ensuring students are preparing for their external exams in November, while also providing a potential derived grade should that be needed. Seniors will be given valuable feedback on how they are progressing which they should use as part of their exam preparation.

I would like to thank the junior school who have busily gone about their daily routines and respected the need for quietness in areas in the school while the assessments were happening.

Soirée

On Wednesday evening we started our 'Celebration Season' with the annual Soirée. The large and enthusiastic audience were treated to a series of highly talented performances from the school's Concert Band, Flute, Percussion, and String Ensembles, Rock Bands, the Jazz Band, groups, solo acts, and combos. At the end of the evening Blues awards and trophies were awarded to the top musicians for 2023. Congratulations to all performers and the support people behind the scenes.



Lock Down Practice

On Wednesday we conducted a Lock Down exercise under the guidance and support of Harrison Tew (a professional organisation who support schools in the health and safety management of the lock down process). The drill went extremely well and the students can be congratulated for the manner in which they followed the requirements of the process. I would like to thank whānau, parents and caregivers for your support. Regular practices for lockdowns and evacuations need to occur so that we can all be well prepared and familiar with our procedures should an emergency occur.

Congratulations to:

All our teams who have competed in the Winter Tournament process, and other recent co-curricular events. I would just like to acknowledge and thank our staff and community members who have supported our student groups/teams over this period of time. Without their support we wouldn't be able to give our students these opportunities. All our teams have performed to a standard in which they should all be proud of.

Three examples of outstanding achievements included the following:
Our Hip Hop team who were placed 2nd at the Hip Hop Nationals in Dunedin last weekend.
The Senior Theatresports team who won the Canterbury Theatresports Championships for 2023
Our Boys Basketball team who won the Southern cup tournament held in Timaru over tournament week

You can read more about their success on the following page.

Next week our Formartive Assessments will continue, and we will share in the nationwide celebration of Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori.

Ngā mihi Jeff Smith Principal

Senior Theatresports Winners 2023

The Senior Theatresports team, comprising of Leo Ormsby, Ben Camm and Abel Henderson, took out the championship title for the 2023 Canterbury Theatresports competition last weekend. This win was a reprise for the same team who took out the competition but as juniors in 2019!

What a way to come full circle! Theatresports has a long standing reputation at Papanui High school.

The team's coach, Mrs Jay Grubb, is so very proud of their success.



Hip Hop Success

Desire', made up of nine of our Hip hop students came in 2nd place in New Zealand at the NZCAF Hip Hop competition on the weekend after placing first in regionals.

We are immensely proud, and being the only group fully self taught and choreographed, this was an extraordinary national achievement.

The choreographers: Alexis Elliot, Ayami Mukai, Allazade Cryer-Andrews and Izzy Ferkatovich, created original and innovative movement representing our kura.

A huge thank you to Hayley Smith for her support with this crew and Anna Sullivan for attending this trip down to Ōtepoti I Dunedin. The Papanui Dance Department is thriving and our students are world class, we couldn't be more grateful for their talent.



Performers were: Alexis Elliot, Ayami Mukai, Allazade Cryer-Andrews and Izzy Ferkatovich, Reka Harvey, Gem Baillie, Monique Ellis, Jai Albit, and Alyssa Hinman.

Southern Cup Basketball Winners 2023

The Senior A Boys Basketball team played in the recent Southern Cup tournament in Timaru over Tournament Week. The team played teams from Mountainview High School winning 71 - 52, South Otago High School winning 94 - 38, and Cromwell College winning 84 - 71. The semifinal was a tough battle with Christ's College with Papanui coming out eventual winners 76 - 74. The final was the 4th time Papanui had played Hagley Community College, with the head-to-head being 1-3 in favour of Hagley.

Papanui won the final 74 - 71

Pictured: Liam Mytton, Kaia Cameron, Zak Doyle, Leigh Edwards, Jakob Grant, Mark Maihi, Toby Shaw, JD Tuitamai, Isaiah Wineti, Leo Morrison. Coaches; Caleb Kilpatrick, Luke Germon, and Glenn Hooper.



Course Selection

Course Selection is now open for students currently in Year 9.

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

2024 Course Selection for current Year 9 students is due Friday 15th September.

Soirée 2023

The 2023 Soirée on Wednesday 6th September saw the best musical groups and soloists perform to a very enthusiastic audience. The Soirée has been a major performance opportunity for the music students at Papanui High and this year was no different. With over 12 groups hitting the stage, this also gave the audio students the opportunity to gain NCEA credits mixing and sound checking the groups. This was also the moment students found who took out the Merits, Blues, cups and trophies. A big congratulations to all the performers and students involved.



Special Assessment Conditions - Can You Help?

Special Assessment Conditions - A massive thank you to the members of our community who have made contact and offered their time to support our senior students in their exams for 2023.

As mentioned previously, at the end of Term 3, in weeks 8 (4th - 8th September) and 9 (9th - 15th September) we run exams to enable students to experience what will happen later in the year as well as results that can be used if for some reason the students are unable to sit the exams in November/December.

We are looking for, Supervisors for Separate Accommodation and Computer Use, people who can work as a Writer, and in some cases a person as a Reader. There is certain training that will need to be done prior to someone assisting us in this scenario.

We are looking to add some keen people to volunteer their time, as these exams will be run during the school day over a double period, approximately 100 minutes.

If you think this could be you, or you may like more information, please contact either Glenn Hooper on hpg@papanui.school.nz or Sue McLachlan on mls@papanui.school.nz

School Policies

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

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From the Careers Department

Upcoming Events and Information Evenings

Lincoln University Liaison visit Tuesday 19th September. If you are intending to study at Lincoln next year you MUST attend this important event. See the Year 13 Google Classroom for details of the time and venue for this event.

Lincoln University Open Day 29th Sept from 10am (during the school holidays) Register via this link

https://lincolnuniversity.microsoftcrmportals.com/event/sessions?id=Hui_Whakatuwhera_Open_Day_20231766446187

Te Ara Pūtahi for Maori at Ara is a holiday programme for secondary aged rangatahi across Ōtautahi. September 27th – 29th, 10am – 3.30pm at Te Puna Wānaka, Ara City Campus. Register via this link https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=819H79F800-

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Other important information

Ara Te Pükenga updates

- Application closing dates (please refer to our Ara Te Pūkenga update)
- Information Sessions (please refer to our Ara Te Pūkenga update)
- Scholarships please encourage students to complete the registration of interest form to be kept updated on Ara Advantage scholarships.

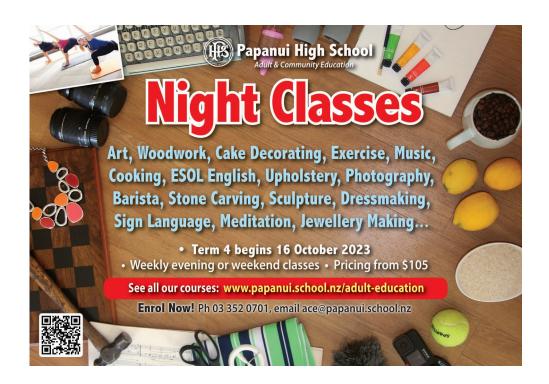
Thinking about university for 2025? Want to check what subjects you should be taking? The link below can help you.

https://papanui.careerwise.school/post/534

Planning to leave school at the end of the year?

- If you are considering studying at a polytechnic you can begin to apply now. Go to the providers website for information on specific courses. Many courses have specific closing dates so make sure you are prepared.
- Thinking of joining the workforce? Make sure you have an up to date CV and check out this site: https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/student-jobs.html

For more details about all these events check out our website https://papanui.careerwise.school/ or contact a member of the Careers team: James Stewart stj@papanui.school.nz, Kerren Langdon lnk@papanui.school.nz Nicole Herbert https://papanui.careerwise.school/ or contact a member of the Careers team: James Stewart stj@papanui.school.nz, Kerren Langdon lnk@papanui.school.nz Nicole Herbert https://papanui.school.nz or Bev Gordon graphanui.school.nz or Bev Gordon graphanui.school.nz</a



Sports News

Share your successes with us.

Here at Papanui, we love to showcase what our students are doing outside of school in sport within our community.

Have you competed in a Sports Competition lately? Send your story and results (with pictures if possible) to Sarah (lms@papanui.school.nz) in the Sports Office.

WINTER TOURNAMENT WEEK - (28TH AUGUST-1ST SEPTEMBER)

Our seven teams had a fabulous week away at Winter Tournament, the weather was amazing, the teams played incredibly well, and they made some fabulous memories!

Here are the final placings:-

Netball - 7th Place (Invercargill)

Girls Hockey - 4th Place (Greymouth)

Boys Hockey - 5th Place (Greymouth)

Girls Football - 3rd Place (Blenheim)

Boys Football - 5th Place (Nelson)

Rugby (Combined Team) - 3rd Place (Alexandra)

Boys Basketball - 1st Place (Timaru) (pictured left)

Well done to all our teams! A very big thank you to all our staff, coaches and managers who took the teams away. Your time, effort and dedication to your teams is truly appreciated.



Term 4 Sport Registrations

Term 4 Summer Sport Registrations are now open. You will find the google sign-up form on the School Website, School App, and on the Papanui High School Sport Facebook page. You must have completed the registration form by 1pm Wednesday 20th September.

Voice of Rangatahi Survey

Recently, School Sport Canterbury invited Papanui High School to participate in the Voice of Rangatahi Survey. Our young people are very important to us, experiences during their secondary school years can inspire or discourage a life-long involvement in physical activity. We would like to ensure that our rangatahi have great sport, physical activity and active recreation experiences here at Papanui. The more we know about our school community the better we are placed to be able to provide opportunities and experiences that meet our rangatahi's needs.

The survey will remain open until Wednesday 13th September so please encourage your young person to complete the survey via the link below or QR code

Papanui High School https://tinyurl.com/PHSS316

STUDENT SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to Laura Townshend who last weekend competed in the final round of the National Indoor Bouldering Series which was held here in Christchurch. Laura placed 3rd in the U18 Female category and then finished in the top 10 in the Open Female category.

If you play Winter Sport you may be interested in purchasing some of the Papanui High School Co-Curricular gear/uniform.

The Co-Curricular gear/uniform can be ordered from Withers & Co directly via the link below:

https://withers-merch-shop.myshopify.com/collections/papanui-high-school-co-curricular





CHRISTCHURCH AVON ATHLETICS CLUB – Junior Section

- We are a well organised, friendly Junior Athletics Club Catering for all ages including high school ages 12-14yrs. (age as of 31st Dec 2023)
- Joining an athletics club would give you a head start for your school sports, Canterbury and South Island Schools competitions.
- Athletes of your ages who opt to do Saturday Inter Club Competition would be invited to special coaching nights where you would get top quality coaching in small groups in all events.
- Inter club meetings are Saturday mornings on the all-weather track at Ngā Puna Wai, Augustine Drive, Halswell.
- Skills and coaching are also included in our club night programme.

Club nights are Wednesdays 5pm -6.45pm – at **Burnside High School**. First Club night for the 2023/2024 season is **Wednesday 11 October**.

REGISTRATION DAY – FOR ALL NEW MEMBERS:

DATE: Monday 9 October TIME: 5.00pm-6.30pm

PLACE: Christchurch Avon Club Rooms – Burnside High School

(access from Greers Rd beside tennis courts)

FEES: \$110 per child (\$90 for the 2nd and subsequent children in the same family)

Fees are payable following registration by internet banking

Note - Until payment has been received, the child's registration is incomplete.

Our very popular Junior club fills up quickly – so it is recommended that all new members attend registration night on **Monday 9 October** to secure a place.

For any other information contact Marilyn Morrison (Junior Club Captain) by email at marilynmorrison52@gmail.com



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