



### Principal's Perspective

Kia ora

Term 3 has now come to an end. It has been a busy term, and the first for a number of years where we have had significantly reduced disruption through such things as Covid. Our students have been widely and successfully engaged in a number of things throughout the term and should feel proud of their achievement. There have also been occasions where staff and parent/caregivers have taken the opportunity to attend report and course selection evenings. I would like to thank you for supporting these events, and sharing in the responsibility of guiding our students through their schooling.

During the week we held our annual combined assemblies where our Head Student team nominees presented their speeches as part of the application process for the team next year. I would like to congratulate them for the quality for what they said and their willingness to want to contribute in the leadership here. Following the assemblies, Year 9—12 students nominated up to ten students who they best felt would represent the values of our school. The successful team will be announced at Senior Prizegiving.

Elections have also taken place for the 2024 Student Representative on the Board of Trustees. Congratulations to Ashton Fairly who was elected to this position. Our current student representative, Elisabeth Cox, remains on the board until the end of the year, and will support Ashton's transition into the role.

We 'hit the ground running' next term with our celebration getting into full swing. This will include the Sports Awards, Service Awards, Māori/Pasifika Awards, Media Awards (Pappies), Senior Prize Giving, and Senior Art exhibition all happening in the first three weeks of Term 4. These wide ranging events provide an opportunity to acknowledge success and showcase our very talented students.

As we move into the holiday period, it is a timely reminder to senior students, in particular, that this time should be used for revision and ensuring internal assessments are up to date. Maintaining a sense of balance is also important, so this time should also include some rest and recreation.

Unfortunately, due to the inclement weather a decision was made to cancel Friday's Carnival Day. It was still a non uniform day with the gold coin donation to support Ronald McDonald House, and Extravaganza Week concluded with the finals of the Lip Sync competition.

At the end of term we said a sad farewell to Lee Chapman, who after 18 years here, is moving to Te Aratai College. We thanked and acknowledged her for the outstanding all-round contribution she has given to our school community. We also thanked and acknowledged Seta Timu (going overseas) who has been with us for the past two terms teaching in our Music department. We wish them both the very best with their futures. We also wish Mairead Neville all the best as she commences her maternity leave.

I am looking forward to Term 4, as we continue to focus on all students achieving to the best of their ability, and enjoying the many opportunities to celebrate student success through to the end of the year.

Ngā mihi

Jeff Smith  
Principal

### School Policies

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

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## Langdons to Sawyers Arms Path upgrades - Update

UPDATE: ! DELAYED ! until further notice.

The path upgrade works planned for a short section of the Northern Line Cycleway will not go ahead on Monday 25 September, as stated in our previous edition.

Due to unforeseen utility works blocking access and work areas, the Christchurch City Council have had to postpone the commencement of the path upgrade works between Langdons Road and Sawyers Arms Road rail crossings. They will keep you updated about when these works are scheduled to start. Nearby residents will also be informed with a start works notice before works commence.

The Christchurch City Council apologises for this delay and thank you for your understanding.

## 'Hire a Helper' Auction

Last Friday, 18 groups of keen Year 13 students put themselves up to be auctioned at the 2023 'Hire a Helper' Auction for the Canterbury Charity Hospital. The initiative was organised and run by the Service Council members. The brave students were all purchased and we raised a total of \$610 for the Canterbury Charity Hospital which will go towards supporting free elective surgery and medical outpatient clinics for those in the community who can't access the services for a number of reasons.

Monday was the official Hire a Helper day, all our helpers were set doing different tasks or other fun activities for their purchasers. Some students were made to dress up, others had to sing songs and dance. Overall it was an awesome experience for both our helpers and student and/or teacher purchasers. We are really proud of the money that we have made for the Canterbury Charity Hospital and we know that they will be able to continue to make a difference with our support and donation.

Maia Jeffs and Emily Haldane  
Service Council



Images as Left to Right : Lauren Sharland and Josh Sherwin, Sam Hicks, Anna Scullion and Josh Williams, Francis Varga and Billie Nuku



## Environment and Service Council

As part of Keep New Zealand Beautiful week, 16th to the 22nd of September, the Environment and Service Council joined forces to clean up the area around our kura. We had teams cover the railway sidewalk, rubbish hot spots within school grounds, and the paths out by the mall. By the end of the hour, we had filled four bags of rubbish, discovered a computer monitor, picked up an old phone, and received numerous friendly 'thanks' from the public. Clean ups are always a great opportunity to positively impact our environment, but also to spend time with one another in a meaningful way. Let's keep Aotearoa New Zealand beautiful!

Chloe Morrison-Clarke



## Speech Competitions

On the 21st of September the English Department hosted the Speech Competition. There were 14 finalists ranging from Year 9 to Year 12 and all responded to the prompt, "We should be doing more about..."

We were lucky to have guest judges help with the scoring: Dan Rosewarne, Thais Theis, Emma Norrish and Duncan Webb.

All students did themselves incredibly proud with their efforts but the final results were:

Top Senior: Elisabeth Cox

Top Junior: Cialla Loto

Highly Commended: Arch Lyell, Leon Greig and Anuki Muhandiram Gedora

We look forward to next year's entries!

Anna Sullivan

Head of the English and Media Studies Department

## Mental Health Awareness Week

The aim of Mental Health Awareness week is to raise awareness about Mental Health and encourage people to take the time to reflect on their wellbeing and be intentional about looking after their wellbeing.

Each day this week was assigned one of the ways of WELLBEING.

Monday was Give / Tukua. Give your time, your words, your presence.

Tuesday the theme was CONNECT / Me Whakawhanaunga. Talk and listen, be there, feel connected.

Wednesday - TAKE NOTICE / Me Aro Tonu. Tune in to the simple things that bring you joy.

Thursday - KEEP LEARNING / Me Ako Tonu. Embrace new experiences, see opportunities, surprise yourself.

Friday - BE ACTIVE / Me Kori Tonu. Do what you can, enjoy what you do, move your mood.





The amazing Gratitude Wall the students created in return for a free hot chocolate at interval on Tuesday demonstrating the Wellbeing Values of Connect and Take Notice.



As part of our photo competition here is a photo of 'me' in the dance studio.

Dance brings me peace of mind and grounds me when I am feeling stressed.  
Dance is my second home and it brings me so much joy!



## PTA News



# Papanui High School PTA



## Second hand uniform sale

Not one but two uniform sales!

**Saturday 28th October 2023**  
**Saturday 20th January 2024**

- 9am to 10:30am, last entry 10:20am
- Location: Main hall (Beside the school car park)
- Payment by cash or EFTPOS (debit card only)
- Be there early as uniforms sell very fast

### Year 12 Uniform Donation

**No uniform in 2024!**  
Consider donating your uniform to the PTA.

We donate items to families in need and sell uniforms as fundraising funds for the school.

There will be a box in the office to drop off uniforms in the last week of school.

### Christmas Wrapping Northlands Mall

Do you love wrapping Christmas Presents? Have a spare couple of hours to donate to the PTA.

We need help during December to wrap presents at Northlands Mall. If you are interest, please email: [pta.chair@papanui.school.nz](mailto:pta.chair@papanui.school.nz)

### Swap a Jersey - Saturday 20th January

Is your student moving from a junior to a senior in the school in 2024? If yes, we are offering a swap-a-jersey event.

Saturday 20th January, in the school hall, we swap your good quality green jersey or cardigan for a blue one! There is limited stock and sizes, so be in quick.

The PTA support the school by donating uniforms to students in need. Our uniform sales money goes to school awards, sports teams, music activities, arts, drama and cultural groups. It is the main income for our PTA, which is used to support the school to provide extras for our students.

**Next PTA meeting - 16th November, in the staffroom**

## PTA Fundraiser



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Papanui High School PTA  
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