



Principal's Perspective

Kia ora,

This week the first two of four Year 10 Outdoor Education Camps took place up at Cragieburn. I was very fortunate to be able to attend the first camp. We were treated to near perfect weather. I am very appreciative of the staff who run these camps, and it was wonderful to see the students so actively engaged in the authentic outdoor environment.

The final PTA meeting for the year was held on Monday. I would like to thank the parents who are involved for their continued support of the school. Whether it be helping out at the various events we hold, running uniform sales, raising funds to support students, or being a sounding board for ideas and initiatives, your input is greatly appreciated. In particular I would like to acknowledge those parents who are leaving the PTA this year after many years of service to the school. I thank them for their ongoing support and wish them well. It is important that we are able to get regular feedback from our local community, and this group provides a forum for this to happen.

Throughout the week interviews were held for our incoming 2024 Year 9 cohort. These were an opportunity to gather family and student voice, and to share and discuss the transition process. These interviews were incredibly well supported by the community, and as a school we are appreciative of the opportunity to build these connections, and will be looking forward to seeing the students next year.

The annual Tōtaranui Kāhui Ako Cultural Festival was held at Casebrook Intermediate on Thursday afternoon. It was wonderful to see the performances from all of the Kāhui Ako schools; Te Kura Mareko Casebrook Intermediate, Te Kura Papakōhatu Bishopdale School, Te Kura o Matarangi Northcote School, Cotswold Mātāhae School, Papanui School, Te Kura o te Rakau Whero Redwood School and our school, Papanui High School.

The festival was attended by hundreds of families/whānau, enjoying the performances and the food stalls. Our students from Kapa Haka and Aiga performed once again with passion and pride. It was a joy to be part of this relaxed, happy event. Thank you to our students and the staff who were there performing and helping, and a huge thank you to Casebrook intermediate for hosting and running this event.

On Friday the junior school participated in co-curricular assemblies which celebrated student service to our school community, and distinguished personal achievements. It was a great opportunity to hear the PC3 band for the very last time. Mr John Strong, and students Samuel Hicks, and Samuel Pethig have finished up after 7 years of fantastic performances.

Three weeks of the external examination programme has now been completed, and with one week to go, students will be coming to the end of this process. I hope these have been going well, and for those yet to finish, good luck for the remaining week.

JUNIOR PRIZEGIVING - TUESDAY 12th DECEMBER

The prizegivings will take place in the school hall as per the times below. We welcome you and look forward to seeing you there if you are able to attend.

Year 10, 9.30am—10.45am

Year 9, 11.00am—12.15pm

BUILDING UPDATE

West Learning Hub (WLH)

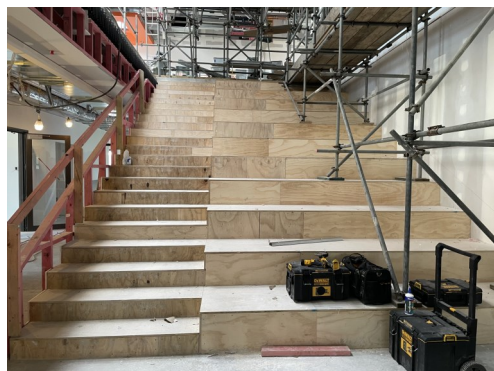
Externally, the Hawkins team have been focussing on the completion of exterior tasks and removing the scaffolding.

Internally, the Hawkins team have been working to complete the services trades and the second fix services.

East Learning Hub(ELH)

The Hawkins team continue to progress the framing on Level 1, and the first fix for services. Hawkins have advised the ELH roof is scheduled for delivery from 25 November.

The first look inside the West Hub



Ngā mihi

Jeff Smith
Principal

Junior Work Day

Papanui High School Workday: Thursday 16th of November

Thank you to all of our Papanui High School community who got behind this wonderful event that supports Ronald McDonald House.

Ronald McDonald House will be incredibly grateful for your contribution. It is not too late for students to do some work to support this cause.

A reminder that monies can be deposited through the School bank account with a reference "**(Students Name), Workday**" 123147 0225793 00. Or, the money can be paid through the school office.

Money raised from Work Day coupled with money raised throughout the year will be donated to Ronald McDonald House in Term 1 next year.

Thank you

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Programming Challenge 4 Girls

On our Accord Day last week we had 2 teams at UC taking part in the Programming Challenge 4 Girls (for Y9-10 girls). They had to earn points by using Python to write programs that solved a range of problems, increasing in difficulty. Congratulations to Victoria Painter and Mica Temple who have only been doing Python for a couple of weeks and placed 22nd out of 42 teams from around NZ. Juno Rainey and Jemma Cummings won gold medals and placed first! Juno and Jemma have been invited to attend the NZ Olympiad in Informatics summer camp to be held in Christchurch in January.

Service Council - WANTED Arts and Crafts

The Service Council have approached a few local rest homes to help make Christmas Cards with their residents - we are looking for any arty crafty supplies anyone has that we could use. Any donations appreciated. There is a box for donations in the Main Office.



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.

JUNIOR CANTERBURY SECONDARY SCHOOL TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to our three Year 10 students who participated in the 2023 Canterbury Year 9 & 10 Secondary Schools' Tennis Championships.

Amelia Bayliss played a very strong three games in the Girls' Singles Competition and found herself in the Consolation Semi Final. Kia Burgess, and Jay Xuan Tan competed in three singles matches each and as a team in the doubles draw.

Well done to all three of you. What an exciting two days!

SUMMER SPORT - TERM 1 2024

As we look ahead to 2024 and Summer Sport in Term 1, I will be posting the link to the Term 1 Summer Sport sign-up form on the school website from the 11th of December.

It would be greatly appreciated if you could encourage your children to fill this out over the summer break. The first few weeks of Term 1 can be quite chaotic as we settle into the new school year. The last thing we want is for our young people to miss out on any sporting opportunities that are of interest to them. Summer sport will begin for most sports the week of the 19th of February so there is a lot to organise in a short period of time.

If you have any questions about Summer Sport in Term 1 2024 then please do not hesitate to contact me lms@papanui.school.nz





THE BULLDOGS ARE COMING!

Youth Skills Development Clinics

Saturday, Nov 25	Sunday, Nov 26
13s/14s Clinic	15+ Clinic
2-4pm @NPW	2-4pm @NPW
Skill Development	Position Skills Focus
Drills and games	Boys 15 - 18 yrs
Boys & Girls	Girls 15 - 22 yrs

Free Entry
See links to sign up now!

PTA News



Papanui High School PTA

Sign out Day - 1st December

Good news, Year 12s, non-uniform for all of 2024 for you! Please consider donating your **clean** school uniform on sign-out day.

Donations from all years will kindly be accepted.
The uniform donation bin will be in the student office for all of December.

Second hand uniform sale



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

Swap a Jersey Day



Are you moving from a junior to a senior student in 2024?

Swap your jersey for free
Saturday 20th January 2024

- 9am to 10:30am, last entry 10:20am
- Location: Main hall (Beside the school car park)
- Jersey must be of good quality, swap like for like

PTA meet the 3rd Monday of the month in the school staff room at 7pm, we welcome new members

Free Dental Care

Reminder to all rangatahi and their whānau that Year 9 to 18th Birthday "Free Dental" is available, book in with your dentist for your yearly check-up.

Yearly dental check-ups are one of the best ways to prevent poor oral health and protect youthful smiles

If you can't remember what dentist you are enrolled with or have any questions, please contact the Adolescent Regional Coordinator **0800 825 583** / freedentalcare@cdhb.health.nz

Our Website has all the contracted dentists listed. www.cdhb.health.nz/teendental

Te Whatu Ora
Health New Zealand



Whether you are at high school, a training course, working or are unemployed - you can receive free dental care every year (from Year 9 to your 18th Birthday)

That should give you something to smile about!

freedentalcare@cdhb.health.nz
0800 TALK TEETH (0800 825 583)

Te Whatu Ora
Health New Zealand
Wairarapa Canterbury

COMMUNITY
dental service

School Policies

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

Username: papanui **password:** pride



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