



### Principal's Perspective

Kia ora,

This week brought in the second wave of thank you's, acknowledgements, farewells, culminating in our Junior Prize givings on 12th December. We started this off with the international homestay BBQ on Thursday. This was an opportunity to thank and acknowledge the support of the families who look after our international students, and the international department for their work this year. Also on that evening the pot luck whānau dinner was held. I would like to thank the parents and whānau who were able to attend. Students from the whānau class were recognized for their contributions over the year and four awards were presented. I would like to thank Matua Te Haere Stirling, and whaea Nicole Herbert, and whaea Jay Grubb for their support of our rangatahi and whānau.

Thursday also saw the completion of the NCEA exams. I'd like to congratulate the students on the manner in which they conducted themselves during the exams, and thank the staff for overseeing the process. Senior sign-out for Year 11—13 students was held on Friday.

Next week the final two Year 10 Outdoor Education camps will take place, a large number of Year 12's will return to take part in Peer Support training, the Aiga BBQ, Leavers Dinner, Kimi Ora Celebration will all take place, the final Board meeting for 2023, finishing the week with Activities Day on Friday. Junior Prize giving will take place on Tuesday of the following week.

On a personal note, I would really like to thank our school community for the celebratory events that were held on Friday as part of my farewell. This included a 'celebrity' staff vs student Touch match featuring some of our famous sporting alumni, a special junior school assembly in the afternoon featuring performances by students and guest speakers, and an early evening celebration with ex staff, current staff and invited guests. Being the Principal has an absolute privilege, and I am incredibly grateful for the acknowledgements I have received. I look forward to seeing out the remainder of the year, and preparing for the hand-over to the new Principal, Mr Robert Gilbert, who starts late January next year.

#### 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

Ngā mihi

Jeff Smith  
Principal

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## 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

Tim Kirby  
Deputy Principal  
Papanui High School  
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## Music News - Congratulations

### Outstanding Students – National Achievements NZSSSO

Papanui High School would like to congratulate Leon Harman (trombone), Minori Naoi (piano) and Guy Herrick (Double Bass) who successfully auditioned for inclusion in the 2024 New Zealand Secondary Schools' Symphony Orchestra. The course offers a week long immersive symphonic experience, culminating in a full concert performed here in Christchurch and is a highly sought after event amongst young musicians. Papanui High School is both proud of, and delighted to acknowledge, the achievements of these three outstanding students.





## Adult ESOL Luncheon

The Adult ESOL students had a shared lunch earlier in the week. One of the adult students, James Ko gave a fantastic speech, which really shows what adult ESOL is all about.

Janine Taylor  
ESOL teacher

Here is James' speech.....

*Kia-ora! Good morning, everyone, on behalf of all the ESOL class students, I would like to thank everyone, teachers, students, and administration staff who support us and make our stay comfortable at Papanui high school.*



*Although I've studied here only for 1 year, it was a great experience for me. I've learned a lot not only English but also about New Zealand culture and the local community. One of my favourite days of the week is when we go on an outing every Tuesday. We have been many different places from the beach to the theatre. When we went to Waimairi Life Saving club, I heard that one of our students had never seen the sea. That must have been an emotional moment for her. We also went to the cinema to watch a New Zealand film which was my first time watching a movie about New Zealand. I've learned about NZ history of the Springbok tour through this. And I can see all the efforts made for the equality and freedom of this country. I also enjoyed the sense of kiwi humour.*

*Another positive part of my experience here was meeting people. It was wonderful to meet a variety of people from all over the countries that gave me a chance to get a glimpse of diverse cultures by interacting with them. Now I see the World as an open mind. All the experiences here have helped me to widen my perspectives around different countries. So, I really appreciate all people that shared their thoughts and experiences with me.*

*To show you how much this ESOL class means for our students, I would like to talk about one of my classmates. He has been living in New Zealand for over 30 years. But he never had a chance to learn English before until this year. He has worked so hard this year, as he was the first one to arrive in the mornings to revise what he has learnt the day before, for example, working on his vocabulary. He showed his passion of learning by never missing one class during the whole year.*

*Before he started to learn English, he always needed his daughter's assistance when he needed to communicate in English. But now he has built the confidence to try communicating by himself. I remembered what he said, "I was stuck working in the kitchen for 30 years and now I've got a chance to study English. I really appreciate the chance to be here, and I am glad to study hard."*

*I also noticed another student who started in this program 4 years ago. At first, she was in the beginner class. And now she is in the highest class. She has made huge progress with her diligence and passion.*

*This ESOL class helps us to settle in NZ and to feel as part of the community, but also it is a starting point for a better future in life. So, we really thank you all for supporting us. I will never forget this valuable experiences. Thank you so much again.*

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# From the Careers Department



## MĀORI EDUCATION TRUST 2024 SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships and Criteria
<b><u>Edward Carlton Holmes Memorial Scholarship</u></b> Open to those who whakapapa to a hapū or marae of the Wairarapa Tāmaki Nui a Rua Rohe and are registered to the Ngāti Kahungunu Ki Wairarapa Tāmaki Nui-A-Rua Settlement Trust.
<b><u>Māori Education Trust Secondary Boarding Scholarship</u></b> Available to Māori boarding students with demonstrated financial need, academic ability, and aptitude, enrolled at Māori secondary boarding schools.
<b><u>Māori Education Trust Years 10 to 13 Scholarship</u></b> Available to Years 10 to 13 Māori students with demonstrated financial need.
<b><u>Ōtaki and Porirua Trusts Board Scholarship</u></b> Open to beneficiaries registered with Ngāti Raukawa, Ngāti Toa or Te Atiawa.
<b><u>RJ Graham Scholarship</u></b> Available to Years 12 and Year 13 Māori students with academic merit studying Te Reo Māori. Priority will be given to students also studying mathematics, information technology or science. (Science is defined as physics, chemistry or biology.)
<b><u>Rose Hellaby Scholarship</u></b> Available to Year 9 Māori students with demonstrated financial need, academic ability and aptitude.
<b><u>Sister Annie Henry Scholarship</u></b> Available to Māori students who are a direct descendant of Reverend John George Laughton or of Tūhoe descent.
<b><u>Tangiharuru Apa Trust Secondary Scholarship</u></b> Available to secondary taura who are descendants of Tangiharuru or Apa.
<b><u>Ti Maru Māori Trust Secondary Boarding Scholarship</u></b> Available to Year 9 Māori students with demonstrated financial need, academic ability and aptitude, who attend a secondary boarding school.
<b><u>VW &amp; LM Rosier Scholarship</u></b> Available to Year 13 Māori students with demonstrated financial need and NCEA Level 2 with Merit or Excellence Endorsement.

The link to the online application is available at the Māori Education Trust (MET) website. Alternatively, email the office and an application form will be sent to you.

Applications close:

**4.00 pm, Sunday, 31 Poutū-te-rangi (March) 2024.**

Feel free to contact the office for further information.

**Postal Address:** PO Box 413, Wellington Box Lobby, Wellington 6140

**Phone:** (04) 586 7971

**Email:** [info@maorieducation.org.nz](mailto:info@maorieducation.org.nz) / **Website:** [www.maorieducation.org.nz](http://www.maorieducation.org.nz)

## 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](mailto:lms@papanui.school.nz)) in the Sports Office.

### RUGBY SEVENS FESTIVAL TOURNAMENT

On Monday 20 November a Year 9 and 10 Sevens Tournament was run by School Sport NZ in conjunction with Canterbury Rugby. We fielded a full team of boys and 3 girls to make up a team with Kaiapoi. They were coached by the former South African national Sevens player, Mpho Mbiyozo from Belfast Rugby Club, although we did only get one practice session in before the day.

The boys team played very well, although they didn't place. Most had little or no experience other than the 15s Rugby game. One player who was experienced with Touch did well, but the speed and tactics required with Sevens often caught them off guard.



The combined girls team got into the finals. They fought a hard game finishing 2nd in the girl's competition to Christchurch Girls. Our 3 girls played a major part in that success.

Given more prep time next year should see much better results. The behaviour was excellent as always. Nicole Herbert and Tony Phillips were the teachers in charge. We were supported by Mpho from Belfast RFC, and Greg Ashby from Merivale Papanui RFC.

Tony Phillips

### 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 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](mailto:lms@papanui.school.nz)

### STUDENT SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to **Jay Xuan Tan** who has recently been named as a member of the New Zealand U19 Badminton Squad for 2024. This is an amazing achievement as Jay is only 15 years of age.

Congratulations to the following students who have been named in the recent Canterbury Touch Rugby teams: -

- **Matai Lange** - U16 Canterbury Black Team to play in the Te Waipounamu (South Island) Tournament in December.
- **Millie Brown** - U16 Canterbury Red Team to play in the Te Waipounamu (South Island) Tournament in December. Millie will also attend the Nationals which will be held in Auckland in February 2024.
- **Addison Langton** - U18 Canterbury Girls Team to play in the National Tournament held in Auckland in February 2024.
- **Ashleigh Peters** - U18 Canterbury Girls Team to play in the National Tournament held in Auckland in February 2024.



## 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:freedentalcare@cdhb.health.nz)

Our Website has all the contracted dentists listed. [www.cdhb.health.nz/teendental](http://www.cdhb.health.nz/teendental)

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Health New Zealand



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## School Policies

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