Papakura High School



Papakura Panui Term 4 – Week 7 2016

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Greetings, Kia ora, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Kia orana, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Namaste,

We are now in the external examination season for our senior students. This is the most important time of the year for our Year 11 - 13 students as they prepare for NCEA. I have impressed upon our students at our weekly assemblies that success in gaining NCEA is the first step in the pathway to a worthwhile career and a successful life. The challenge of this short term focus on success at school is a most important one and this is the reason why we have kept our senior students in class for an extra three weeks rather than releasing them on study leave, where they are left to their own devices. During these weeks of extra tuition and study time many students have made great progress in achieving final credits towards the 80 required. We wish them well in their examinations during this time.

John Rohs PRINCIPAL



Above: Congratulations to our 2017 Prefects -Kaitiaki

Wayne Faafua Leapai, Ewa Uatuku Kirikau, Hepetema Kirikau, Bailee Maihi, Shamal Mani, Shar Matafeo, Rapi Matamua, Hererahi Mata-Tei, Saffron Pitman, Billie-Gene Rawiri, Tereapii Rikiau, Sheldon Tupe. *Absent: Hererahi Mata-Tei*





Junior Award Winners

Congratulations to all of our Junior Award winners who received certificates at the special assembly on Tuesday 11 October 2016. These students were recognised as being the top academic students in their tutor class. Thank you to all our whanau who came to support our students.

Hall-Stevens, Ricci	10HBT
Harland, Brittney	10HBT
Robinson, Jamee	10HBT
Tobey, Carolynn	10HBT
Togiatama-Potaha, Remana	10HBT
Christopher, Cooper	10MNN
Crichton, Susiana	10MNN
Harris, Dhay-Sharne	10MNN
Misikopa, Brettau'llin	10MNN
Peeti, Dylan	10MNN
Maro-Hemopo, Junior	10MTM
Poa, Te Arepa	10MTM
Punga Ruawhare-Waiti, Kallarni	10MTM
Tahapehi, Laurice	10MTM
Te Aonui, Alexandra	10MTM
De Thierry, Walter	10SMU
Paul, Donnavyn-Lee	10SMU
Pickering, Zita	10SMU
Tawhai, Janzae	10SMU
Te Retimana, Theresa	10SMU
Finau, Teisi	10ULS
Matamua, Martin	10ULS
Nuku, Aaron	10ULS
Siumu, Anthony	10ULS
Taiaroa, Miami	10ULS
Geurts, Savarna	10WDE
Lui, Seraphina	10WDE
Nasilai, Pongi	10WDE
Sharma, Bhavesh	10WDE
Vainerere, Michelle	10WDE
Aiolupo, Levin	9HKS
Fakapulia, Setaita	9HKS
Holamotu, Zoel	9HKS
Hose-Shortcliffe, Kauri	9HKS
Uerata, Krisma	9HKS
Halamamao, Breanna	9HYT
Lee, Reihana	9HYT
Long, Khloe	9HYT
Richards, Quentin	9HYT
Saufoi, Cazna	9HYT
Armstrong, Catherine	9LBB
Cook-McLaughlin, Shayne	9LBB
Penny, Shaunna	9LBB
Savieti, Samantha	9LBB
Zachan, Nakisha	9LBB
Bates, Noah	9MNT
Kumar, Shanil	9MNT
Samson, Titan	9MNT
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9MNT

Sateki, Alita

Togiatama-Potaha, Liutama	9MNT
Clark, Winter	9TGE
Hafoka, Antonio	9TGE
Harris, Dhay-Shiarnah	9TGE
Mounga, Dartanian	9TGE
Sauileoge, Salamasina	9TGE



Above left to right: Alita Sateki, Shanil Kumar, Noah Bates, Titan Samson, Liutama Togiatama-Potaha.



Above left to right: Janzae Tawhai, Zita Pickering, Walter De Thierry, Donnavyn-Lee Paul, Theresa Te Retimana.

Junior Award Winners



Pictured left—left to right: Martin Matamua, Miami Taiaroa, Teisi Finau, Anthony Siumu, Dylan Peeti

Kapa Haka Award

Congratulations to our Kahurangi Ki Uta Kapa Haka group who competed at Te Ahurea Tino Rangatiratanga festival at Nga Tapuwae in October. We are all very proud of their level of commitment and achievement!



Below: Hepetema Kirikau and MoanaNoa Rountree proudly show off the taonga awarded to our Kapa Haka group for Best Uniform.

2016 Sports Awards

On Wednesday 26 October 2016 our Sports Awards were held at school to acknowledge the many talented sportsmen and women at our school. Congratulations to all our sports participants and in particular to those who received awards.

Senior Boys Touch

Most Valuable Player Chase Panapa Kisione Havili

Most Improved Player

Senior Girls Netball Autumn-Breeze Cruller

Telesia Langi

Teuila Aumua

Natui Sua

Simon Tusi

Wendy Savieti

Teuila Aumua

So'o Lea'ana

Teuila Aumua Shailem Oneroa

Tutaki Brown

George Bell

Drakel Ahuriri-Kingi

Cooper Christopher

Rachael Harris

Ray Fiso

Luseana Fangalua

Frederique Lemanu

Catherine Armstrong

Most Valuable Player Most Improved Player

Girls 1st XI Football Team

Most Valuable Plaver

Most Improved Player

Most Valuable Player Most Improved Player

Boys 1st XV Rugby

Girls 10 -A-Side Rugby

Most Valuable Player Most Improved Player

Boys Senior Volleyball

Most Valuable Plaver Most Improved Player

Girls Senior Volleyball Most Valuable Player

Most Improved Player

1st XIII Rugby League Team Most Valuable Player

Most Improved Player

Boys Under 17 Basketball Most Valuable Player Most Improved Player

Girls Under 19 Basketball

Most Valuable Player

Most Improved Player

Boys Under 19 Basketball

Most Valuable Player

Most Improved Player

Gavin Maniapoto

SERVICE AWARDS These merit awards recognise Juniors and Seniors who have represented their school, province, or coun-

try and have been selected for representative honors and special performances Natui Kapeli Sua Counties Manukau U16 Teuila Aumua Counties Manukau U18 Girls

Richard Neilsen Counties Manukau City U18 Development Robert Downes Counties Manukau City U18 Development Rachael Harris New Zealand Storm Basketball Shylene Singh New Zealand Taekwondo

Coach of the Year Mr Luke Martin

Team of the Year

Girls 1st XI Football Team

Volunteer of the Year

So'o Lea'ana

Sports Person of the Year

Shylene Singh

PHS Best All Round Sports Person

Teuila Aumua

Our teams extend a very big thank you to the staff and volunteers who give so much of their time during

the year.

2016 Sports Awards



Papakura High School - Hospitality

On Friday 11 November 2016 our Level 3 Hospitality Academy, comprising students from Papakura High and Tuakau College, provided a tasty lunch for 30 guests who were representatives of our local business community and local board. This is the second business luncheon the school has hosted this year.







Year 10 Leadership Camp

On Sunday 30 October, 16 students ventured off to the Hillary Outdoors Centre for a week of adventure and learning. Although only going for a week, one might have thought we were going for a month judging by the amount of gear they packed - luckily the bus had enough room. With hugs and goodbye to mums and dads from the students the excitement set in and we were off.

Five hours later we were close to arrival. Maddison, fortunately, knew how to work google maps and was able to correct my wrong turn and get us back on track. I still blame my phone and not me.

The week saw our students take on duties and activities that not only challenged them individually but also as a team. Very quickly they learnt time management and being organised was key to having a

successful week. Breakfast duty, cleaning the chalets and dinner duty, although not exciting jobs, were integral in learning to work together. By day three they were a well oiled machine; the scary Head Chef was impressed, which apparently is no easy task impressing her.

Each day the activities were weather dependant and we got lucky with some awesome weather through the week. From hiking part of the Tongariro crossing, rock climbing cliff faces, kayaking, jumping off bridges, high ropes course and an overnight camp. They got to experience it all. There were tears, fears and a few scares, but each student rose to the challenges and pushed themselves both mentally and physically. It was great to see the improvement of our students over the week and their willingness to help each other.



This was a trip that you just don't forget about, the challenges conquered and the bonds made between students will last for a long time.

A big thank you to our sponsors and the Hillary Outdoors Centre for having us for the week. It was an enjoyable week, with our students gaining important skills that they can use back at school and at home.

Luke Martin
PE Teacher / Year 11 Dean



Connections Club Graduation

Congratulations to our Year 9 students in the Connections Club who graduated on 14 October 2016. Well done to Reihana Lee who finished 1st, Quentin Clarke 2nd and Antonio Hafoka 3rd. It was fantastic to have our original group there to tautoko all of these students.



Pictured above left to right: Keven Mealamu, Antonio Hafoka, Reihana Lee and Luke Mealamu.

Auckland Secondary Art Awards

Rapi Matamua (*pictured below*) was one of the finalists in the Auckland Secondary School Art Awards 2016. He attended the awards evening / AUT Original Art Sale Annual Charity Gala Night, held at the Vodafone Events Centre in Manukau. Rapi's artwork was exhibited alongside 1,200 artworks by over 300 New Zealand artists. Although not placed, Rapi proudly represented his school and was also fortunate to sell his artwork following this exhibition.



Congratulations Robert Downes

For your debut in Counties City U18 Development Team winning game 33-12 at Eco Light Stadium.



Technology News

Senior Engineering - Wind Vane Project

The Senior Y11 Engineering class has enjoyed their learning associated with Wind and Energy. Since Term 3 they have been building a 'Wind Vane'', a project to harness the power of wind and show wind direction. It is envisaged that each completed project would be taken home and mounted high up on the side of their homes where they can monitor the direction of the wind.





Pictured above left to right above and bottom left:

Senior Carpentry - Cabinet Furniture bottom right





The Rising Foundation Day Trip

Over a weekend in Term 3, TRF held day trips to introduce its new members to the programme, giving them a chance to challenge themselves and find their grounding within the group. Setting the tone for each day, the Year 13 Advisors presented workshops in the morning based on our core values - Integrity (Accurate Representation), Synergy, Creativity and Insight; with students applying these principles into challenges throughout the rest of the weekend.

Students set off on their Amazing Race in Papakura township, finding clues which led teams on a journey to the heart of Auckland City. Students competed in two groups, moving to different locations and completing challenges such as a flash mob haka in Aotea Square, finding specific paintings at the Art Gallery, playing members of the public at basketball in Silo

Park, a fear factor eating challenge at the Seafood Market, finally finishing at the Auckland War Museum with a BBQ dinner.

After a good night's rest students gathered the next day to take part in a few games of paintball at Lock

and Load- Airport before finishing up the weekend with a trip to the movies in their Onesie Pyjamas.

"I learnt to be more confident and not to worry about being wrong"- Year 10 Boy "Exciting, fun and overall a good experience but in the end everything comes down to a purpose"-Year 9 Girl.

Hillary Outdoors—Term 3 Holiday Camp

Following on from this experience, during the Term 3 holidays, The Rising Foundation took 100 students outside of Auckland to Hillary Outdoors Education Centre –Tongariro, on two separate camps across the two weeks. Going back to basics, students went without technology (Phones, iPods etc) for the duration of their time at camp, instead encouraging an environment that allowed students to talk, share experiences and get to know their peers a little more. To bring out the most of each activity, students were split into groups of eight and assigned a qualified and experienced outdoor instructor who would, over the period of five days, challenge the group to go outside of their comfort zones; to build confidence, self awareness, communication as a team and leadership in different capacities.

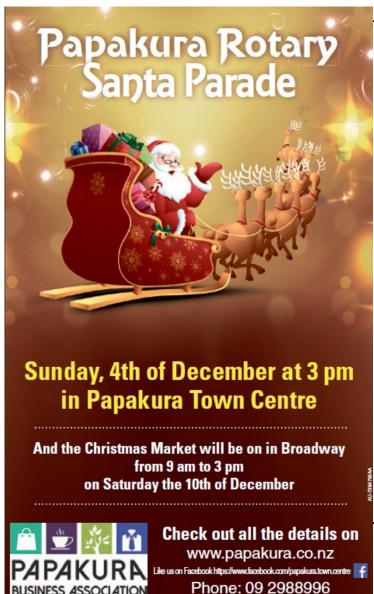
Although teams went off on their separate journeys, they all had the opportunity to try something new, whether it be kayaking or canoeing up rivers and across lakes, caving, tramping up mountains (or the Jenny Craig stairs), abseiling down waterfalls, taking part in a snow fight at the base of the National Park or an overnight expedition spent in the bush. Many students over this course were brought to a better understanding of what The Rising Foundation is about, learnt a fair bit of what the outdoors has to offer, made meaningful relationships and discovered the benefits of pushing oneself out of their comfort zone.

"At Camp I accomplished more than I originally thought I could ever do. I never thought I could walk 16km in the wilderness and I thought I would give up but I didn't because I kept a growth mindset" - Year 10 Girl











Administration Block Redevelopment

Visitors to the school have noticed some big changes in the administration and office area here at school. Phase one of this redevelopment has already been completed, with a new Principal's office, and adjoining Principal's PA office with a separate visitor reception area. Mr Rohs is now situated right beside what will become the new front entrance to the school. The existing Deputy Principal's offices have been demolished to make way for a new reception area and office for our Accounts Officer, Desiree Arnott, seen here below looking at her future workspace. Next to her office will be the new location for our Enrolment Officer Shona Muir. The existing front reception area will be redeveloped into three Deputy Principal offices. This property development will help to make our school a friendly one which welcomes visitors, with easy access to many of the staff who have roles working with students and their whanau.

We look forward to this remodelling of our administration being ready for the beginning of school in 2017.



Right: Desire Arnott, Account Officer

Below: Deputy Principals

Paul van Etten and Kelly Peterson









NCEA Fees

The final date for payment is 25 November 2016. Late fees will apply from this date.

Financial assistance forms are available from school accounts office or the NCEA website www.nzqa.govt.nz

School Blazers

2016 Order for Blazers - Cost \$100.00

The *last* day to place an order and make payment for Papakura High School blazers is *Friday 1 December 2016.* Please pay at the Accounts Department. A fitting will take place once full payment has been made.

Blazers will be delivered early in Term 1 2017.

Enrolments 2016

Please contact Mrs Muir, Enrolments Officer for an enrolment pack.

Ph: (09) 296 4400 ext 733

Uniforms

Second Hand Uniforms are always in great demand. If you have outgrown yours or no longer require it please drop it into the office – someone else will make use of it.

Term Dates 2017

Term 1 - 31 January - 13 April

Term 2 - 1 May - 7 July

Term 3 - 24 July - 29 September

Term 4 - 16 October - 8 December

Public Holidays

Waitangi Day Monday 6 February Queens Birthday Monday 5 June Labour Day Monday 23 October

Visit our new website www.papakurahigh.school.nz



2017—Year 9 Digital Scholarships

Winners of these Chromebooks will be announced next week

BOT Student Representative 2017



Papakura High School Board of Trustees is delighted to welcome student elected Trustee Hina Manase. (*Pictured above*)