



Papakura High School Panui Week 6 Term 1 2019

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

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

The year has got off to a very busy start with an exceptional number of new enrolments. Our school roll is in a very healthy state with a very comfortable increase over and above the Ministry of Education's prediction for 2019. This is a very encouraging sign of our school moving forward. In addition we have a great team of new staff whom we have required to assist us with the replacement of a number of staff who have left and to fill the needs of our growing student numbers.

The first major school event, our whānau sports day, was an outstanding success and we congratulate staff and students in Te Aparangi whānau for their win in this first school wide event.

John Rohs
Principal



At our first Senior assembly on 13 February, we recognised the Year 11s who had achieved 20 or more NCEA Level 1 credits last year in Year 10. They were: Mackenzie Templeton, Karhmyn Falemaka, Mareko Hebrew, Tamii Kahika, Chad Panapa and Lusila Silao - (20 credits); Elijah Olano and Billy Tomu - (21 credits); Micah Savea - (22 credits); Jun Angeles, Marion Koiatu, Regan Cooke-Shorthouse, Ngaire Edwards, Tazmyn Fuapau-Haletama and Kainganoho Marino - (24 credits) and Mykkaisis Manukau-Kingi - (28 credits)

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New staff 2019

This term we have welcomed several new staff to our school. Some are new to teaching and some have had experience teaching at other schools. We have one experienced overseas trained teacher who has joined us from South Africa.



Caston Muganda - Science

It has been my privilege to teach adolescents the art of asking questions, testing Ideas, and finding answers for slightly more than 10 years to date. I am inspired by their curiosity, energy, and passion.

Catherine Walker - Music

Kia ora - my name is Catherine Walker, and I'm delighted to have joined the Papakura High School Music Department. I'm particularly excited to explore singing and songwriting with our tamariki as these are the areas of music I could never tire of. Career highlights have been teaching the Velvet Vocals Choir for five wonderful years and singing with the APO in the town hall with the Auckland Chamber Choir.



Declan Mulcahy - English

I was born in Tauranga but was raised up North in Te Kopuru, before finally descending to the Auckland Supercity. I studied Criminology and History at the University of Auckland, and spent a few years working in Logistics before finding a calling in Teaching. I spend most of my weekends alternating between the local library and the Auckland War Memorial Museum, where I take people on guided tours. I'm looking forward to starting my time teaching English at Papakura High School.



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Michelle Lloyd - Physical Education and Health

Kia Ora Koutou, Ko Miss Lloyd toku ingoa, he uri ahau no Te Rarawa. I am a mum of 2 smart, energetic boys, grew up in Manurewa and have a huge passion for sports, health and Te Reo Maori. My favourite quote, which I hope reflects in my teaching is 'No one cares how much you know, until they know how much you care' by Theodore Roosevelt.

I am grateful to be a new member in the amazing Papakura High School staff, and I look forward to meeting new people and am excited to be a part of the journey of Papakura High School.



Phillip Ma'aelopa - Social Studies

I am a social sciences, history and classics-trained teacher. I have an archaeology background, but decided to give teaching a try. I've worked with church youth groups, and as such have worked with various ages from 12 to 18.



Sanober Alwar - Food Technology and Hospitality

I have been a career chef for 23 years before moving onto teaching. I have travelled around the world while working on cruise ships before settling in New Zealand in 1999.

New staff 2019



Theresa Cannell - Maths

I grew up in Malaysia, lived in New Zealand for almost three decades. I have worked as an accountant and auditor before I became a teacher. Auckland is now my home for the past four years after having lived in Wellington for twenty five years. In my spare time I like reading and going to visit places around the country to enjoy the beautiful sights and scenes.

Vaha Tu'itahi - Tongan Language / Social Studies

Vaha Tu'itahi is a TeachFirst participant who has recently been working in the Pacific Studies Department at Auckland University. Vaha is running our Tongan language programme this year, along with Social Studies.



Vaha Tu'itahi



Zech Soakai - English

Talofa my name is Zech Soakai and I'm a new English Teacher at this awesome school. I'm of Samoan, Tongan descent but like most Māori and Pasifika peoples I'm a real fruit salad and have Irish, Scottish and German ancestry in there too. Looking forward to meeting all of you students, parents and whānau and making a positive contribution to our community.



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Teariki Peyroux - Teacher Aide

We welcome Teariki Peyroux to our staff. Teariki will be working as a teacher aide supporting a Year 9 student this year.

I am Cook Island Māori / NZ Māori
My hobbies are getting involved with Cook Island culture. I enjoy watching Rugby Union.
I love eating our traditional dish: cornbeef, taro and coconut sauce.

Arihiana Marino-Tauhinu - Enrolment Officer.

I am a young Māori coming from humble beginnings in the Bay of Islands who has now made Counties Manukau and Papakura home. I have earned a contract with the National Women's Rugby team after a couple of successful seasons at provincial level and establishing my credentials as a leader and sportswoman. I am the current enrolment officer and rugby coach of the girls XV at Papakura High. I am passionate about children/young adults succeeding no matter what background they come from and believe that rugby is a awesome pathway alongside education. Give rugby a go, you never know where it may take you. Papakura High School is changing and challenging stereotypes.



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Staff news



We congratulate our Deputy Principal Kelly Peterson who has won a study award, to complete a high level Te Reo Māori immersion course. Kelly has just left to start on this exciting new pathway for her. During the ten months that she is away our kaiahi of Otuuwairoa Troy England will be stepping up into her role as acting Deputy Principal.

Congratulations to Caroline Crabb, a stalwart of our Learning Support Department, who has just completed 25 years of continuous service as a staff member at Papakura High School. Thank you Caroline, for all your work over a quarter century.



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Important Information



Term Dates 2019

Term 1 2019 - Tuesday 29 Jan to Friday 12 April

Term 2 2019 – Monday 29 April to Friday 5 July

Term 3 2019 – Monday 22 July to Friday 27 September

Term 4 2019 – Monday 14 October to Friday 6 December

Lesson Times 2019

Period		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1		8:50 9:50	8:50 9:45	8:50 9:45	8:50 9:45	8:50 9:50
2		9:50 10:50	9:45 10:40	9:45 10:40	9:45 10:40	9:50 10:50
Break 1		10:50 11:15	10:40 11:10	10:40 11:10	10:40 11:10	10:50 11:15
		Kaitohutohu 11:20 11:35	Kia Rangatira 11:15 11:45		Whānau 11:15 11:45	Kaitohutohu 11:20 11:35
3		11:35 12:35	11:45 12:40	11:15 12:10	11:45 12:40	11:35 12:35
				Weds. Assemblies 12:10 - 12:40 - Juniors 1:05 - 1:35 - Seniors		
4		12:35 1:35	12:40 1:35	12:10 1:35	12:40 1:35	12:35 1:35
Break 2		1:35 2:10	1:35 2:15	1:35 2:15	1:35 2:15	1:35 2:15
5		2:15 3:10	2:20 3:10	2:20 3:10	2:20 3:10	2:20 3:10

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Kaitiaki Whānau 2019



Teisi Finau, Allen Tea Taanoa and Pongi Nasilai

Our three whānau are led by an all male line up this year, with Pongi Nasilai as the kaitiaki whānau (Head Prefect) for Otuuwairoa, Teisi Finau the leader of Kirikiri and Allan Tea Taanoa the leader of Te Aparangi. These three kaitiaki whānau have had an excellent start to the year, with their initial challenge to lead their whānau group in our annual whānau sports day. All three of our young men gave it 100%. We look forward to seeing them in action throughout the year. There have been a lot of questions about the fact that it's an all male leadership team this year. Each whānau had its strongest candidate chosen for the leadership role. However, in two years time we will have a big increase in our Year 13 roll, which will enable us to have a top male AND female lead role.

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Papakura High School — Kaitiaki 2019



Back row left to right: Teisi Finau; Christina Leiataua; David Fa'atoese; Martin Matamua; Pongi Nasilai; Morehu Te Moananui; Allan Tea Taanoa

Front row left to right: Onolina Partsch; Sharea Wilson; Donnavyn-Lee Paul; Michelle Vainerere; Susiana Crichton; Carolyn Tobey; Kallarni Punga Rauwhare-Waiti; Bhavesh Sharma

Papakura High School Charitable Trust



Early in 2017, the New Zealand Herald produced a short documentary film and ran a printed series entitled 'Under the Bridge', following the school life of three students and the new Principal at Papakura High School through the year, 2016. This engendered much interest from the local community, from past students, and from people all around New Zealand and the world.

Two past students approached Principal John Rohs with the desire to form a charitable trust to support the education of today's students at 'their' school. After a year or more of meeting and planning, The Papakura High School Charitable Trust is now launched and ready to start fundraising.

The trustees are Jo Clegg (nee Babbington), Clare Fogarty (nee Gasson), Michael Talbot and Rosalie Freeman. Jo, Clare and Michael are all ex-students of Papakura High School, while Rosalie is a member of the Board of Trustees. These people are all passionate about this school and its students and would like to give back to the community by raising funds for the school.

The purpose of the Trust is to further the education and welfare of students and the wider school community of Papakura High School, through financial assistance, clothing, books, equipment, use of facilities, counselling, scholarships, outdoor education and other appropriate assistance.

You can help us in this mission by spreading the word about the Trust to past students and people who may be interested in assisting us.

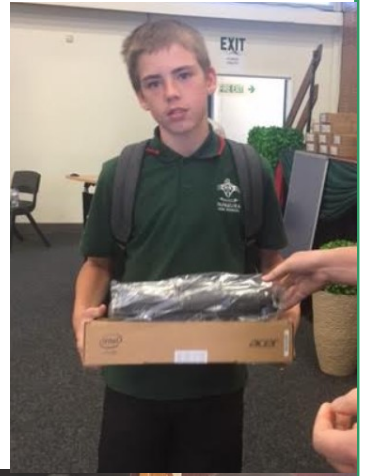
If you would like to know more about the Trust, or feel that you can assist us in any way please check out our page on the school website, www.papakurahigh.school.nz/charitable-trust, or email us at trustboard@phsalumni.school.nz. Please pass on these contact details to others. If you would like a copy of our Trust brochure it is available from the school office, or a digital copy is available by emailing us at the above email address.



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Kootuitui ki Papakura - Chromebook Roll Out

On Thursday 28 February, over 80 Year 9 students were issued with their chromebooks at a special assembly.



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Chromebook Rollout



Whānau Sports Day



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Fale Pasifika

Our new school fale Pasifika is taking shape on the front field. With a generous grant from the Trillian Trust last year, the school has been able to proceed with this exciting project. The fale will help to beautify the front of our school as well as creating a wonderful space for gatherings of every kind. We are looking forward to the blessing and opening celebrations for the fale in the near future.



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Papakura High School Wharenui



Our school where Te Kahurangi is having a make-over! After forty years some of the carvings were showing serious wear and tear and are being repaired by our resident carver Raniera Lee. The rest of the carvings have been stripped down and are being repainted. Our school kaumatua Matua Allen Kukutai is completing much of this very detailed paint work.



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