



News from the Papakura High School Charitable Trust December 2019

This Trust (PHSCT) has been in existence for two years now and has been building its financial resources to support the students of Papakura High School. Trust members are ex-students Jo Clegg, Claire Fogarty and Michael Talbot, and BOT member Rosalie Freeman, and we are all passionate about helping these students.

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

Our first success story this year has been that of securing sponsorship from two companies in order to supply tracksuits to be used by the school sports teams at tournaments. These were first used by the netball girls who went to the Upper North Island Secondary School Netball Tournament (UNISS) in September. The girls appreciated their new professional look, amongst the 136+ schools who took part in this competition. Thank you to 'Talbot Law' and 'Shift' for their donations which allowed the Trust to provide these tracksuits.



Pictured, Jo Clegg and Michael Talbot present the PHSCT tracksuits to principal John Rohs.

We would like to be able to provide further sets to build a pool of tracksuits for the school. Do you own a business or work for a business who you think might be interested in sponsoring tracksuits? The business logo would go on the back of the tracksuits, providing ongoing advertising for your/their generosity. Please contact us on trustboard@phsalumni.school.nz if you are interested in supporting us in this endeavour.

In September we held our second AGM and it was very pleasing to have the support of members of the Papakura Rotary Club and the Papakura Local Board who attended this event. There is much goodwill towards what the Trust is trying to achieve for Papakura High School, and we are very appreciative of this.

Towards the end of the year, we have been able to provide support to a student by contributing, along with Papakura Rotary, to their attendance at the National Science and Technology Forum to be held in January 2020. We have also happily been the agent for scholarships provided by the Hugo Charitable Trust to two students for their university studies next year. Congratulations to the students involved.

We encourage you to keep up with the school via its Facebook page and website and celebrate the progress it is showing in better outcomes for students academically and in transition to further study and to the workplace.

You can help us out by spreading the word about the Trust. Maybe one of your family members, friends, 'old school buddies', work colleagues or neighbours would be interested in helping us out. All donations, no matter the size, would be gratefully received. Further information about the Trust, including our bank account details, can be found on the school website www.papakurahigh.school.nz/charitable-trust.