

Papakura High School Panui Issue 2 - Term 1 2021

Ngā mihi mahana ki ngā whānau o te kura Dear parents, caregivers and friends of Papakura High School

It is now the end of a first term that has been impacted by Covid-19 lockdowns. This has, unfortunately, caused disruption to our learning programme. Our staff and students have shown resilience and are working hard to continue with their learning.



As I write this our Kapa Haka group, 'Te Kapa o Kahurangi ki Uta' are preparing to perform at Polyfest. The group has dedicated many hours to preparing for this performance and we are proud of their commitment to representing our school with pride and mana.

In other successes, one of our students, Te Manu Lee, has represented the school with great success in athletics, winning the junior girls 100m at the Auckland Champs and placing third overall at the Inter-Provincial Championships. This is a great achievement. If your child has achieved at a high level in sports, the Arts or in any area that we may not be aware of, please let us know so we can celebrate their achievement through our school social media.

The issue of violence is one which is prevalent in our society and community. As a school we are not immune to it. Social media makes the problem worse with rumours and gossip spreading quickly. However, we are determined that we can create a school culture where violence is unacceptable and that the students are the guardians of this kaupapa. This will take time but all staff and the vast majority of students are committed to making this happen. We need your support to help us to build this culture by reinforcing messages around how to deal with issues in a non-violent way.

I wish you all a safe and enjoyable holiday period and we are looking forward to welcoming your children back next term for a productive term of learning and achievement.

Malo, Simon Craggs Tumuaki/Principal

Hard Materials Technology

Below are some examples of the recently completed work from students in 2CVIP, 3CVIP (park benches), Year 11 (furniture made from recycled pallets) and Year 10 (light boxes).



Whānau Day 2021



After having been postponed due to the Covid lockdown, Whanau Day finally went ahead on 26 March.

Students were able to purchase food and drinks, supplied by the hospitality team, on the day. Congratulations to Kirikiri, winners of the Whānau chant and to Te Aparangi, overall winners of Whānau Day.







Ka Ora Ka Ako - Food in Schools

On Monday 15 March the Ka Ora Ka Ako - Food in Schools - started. In order to accommodate the distribution of food to students, the timetable was altered so that interval was slightly longer. There is a varied menu with meals that cater for all dietary requirements. These meals are proving very popular amongst students. No doubt demand will continue to grow as the weather starts getting worse. Below: a copy of the menu from week 9 of Term 1.

Photos showing students collecting their meals and enjoying them.



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Hon Judith Collins MP

On Tuesday 30 March we were excited and honoured to receive a visit from our local representative in Parliament, Hon Judith Collins MP.

During her meeting with Simon, she reiterated her support for a complete rebuild of the school, as previously stated on national TV during her election campaign.



Photo above: Hon Judith Collins MP, 2nd from right, with Simon Craggs, 4th from left, and students.

White Shirt Day

During the last week of the term we held an anti-violence campaign. Thursday 15 April was White Shirt Day and there were fun activities organised for the students at interval and lunch time, including Sumo wrestling, Zorbing and Bouncy Boxing.





Year 12 RYDA programme









On Thursday 8 April, after having being postponed due to the Covid lockdown, the Year 12s took part in the Rotary Youth Driver Awareness (RYDA) one day workshop which front-loads students' understanding of road safety. These sessions are held in small classroom sized groups of approximately 25 students and are led by a team of facilitators including Police and driving instructors. The workshop is made up of both classroom and practical sessions.

For more information about this programme visit https://www.rse.org.nz/about-ryda/.

A 'thank you' from our school nurses

Our school nurses would like to say a big 'thank you' to everyone who helped make the MMR vaccination day held at school such a success. Over 90 students were vaccinated, which was an excellent response.

On Monday 19 April and Tuesday 20 April there will be one school nurse available at school. Emergency phone numbers: Police, Fire and Ambulance Services—111 Papakura Marae Doctor—(09) 297 2160

Dentist—(09) 298 5164

Papakura Marae Doctor—(09) 297 2160 Counties Medical—Doctor, X ray (09) 299 9380

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Te Kaunihera-ā-Ākonga

Congratulations to the Year 9 students who were recently elected to be a part of our Te-Kaunihera-ā-Ākonga (Student Council).

Te Kaunihera meetings are held once every three weeks and these students will play an important part in ensuring the voice of our youngest students is heard. The students are elected for the duration of their time at our school and there is one representative from each kaitohutohu.



Kiera Barron-Morton (9ORHN)



Soane Fuimaono (9KELV)



Cheevanah Kingi (9OSHW)



Indica Maihi (9ATTI)



Peter Reyes (9ABCE)



Hunter Pairama (9KSMU)



Esitoni Tomu (9ACHD)



Xziana-Caprice Raston (9KPRS)



Temoeava William Uea (9OULS)



Hon Jan Tinetti MP - Assoc. Minister of Education visits PHS

On Thursday 1 April we hosted a visit from the Associate Minister of Education, the Hon Jan Tinetti MP. Jan met with Leigh Auton, Angela Gattung and Nane Lockington from Kootuitui to hear about the fantastic work they do in our community, members of our board of trustees, members of the local Board, local Principals as well as students and staff from our school.

During her visit Jan was able to hear about the planned Reo Rumaki unit as well as see the Ka Ora Ka Ako Food in schools programme in action.







Photo above left, left to right: Angela Gattung, CEO Kootuitui ki Papakura; Sue Blakely, Principal Rosehill College; Edah Sullivan, Principal of Clevedon School; Logan Lepua, Kaitiaki Whānau; Simon Craggs, Tumuaki; Elijah Olano, Kaitiaki Whānau; Tatiana O'Keeffe-Pauu, Kaitiaki Whānau; Hon Jan Tinetti MP, Associate Minister of Education; Murray Tume, PHS Board Chair; Anahila Kanongata'a-Suisuiki, MP, Brigid Petersen, Principal of Ardmore School; Kataraina Nock, Principal of Edmund Hillary School, Papakura.

Photo above right: Hon Jan Tinetti MP, Assoc. Minister of Education with Tatiana O'Keeffe-Pauu, Kaitiaki Whānau.

Photo left, left to right: Murray Tume, PHS Board Chair; Angela Gattung, CEO Kootuitui ki Papakura; Hon Jan Tinetti MP, Assoc. Minister of Education; Nane Lockington, Kootuitui ki Papakura and member of the PHS Board; Leigh Auton, Chair of the Kootuitui ki Papakura Trust; Tara Lockington-Marsters; Anahila Kanongata'a-Suisuiki, MP and Simon Craggs, Tumuaki.



RYPEN CAMP

Rotary Youth Programme of Enrichment (RYPEN) is a youth leadership camp held over a weekend for students in Years 11 to Year 13. It is designed to develop young people's potential through a mixture of lecture style sessions and adventure-based learning.

It is designed for students who are seen as the upcoming leaders in schools.

It is held at Kokako Lodge, Hunua and for the past three years, with the generous support of the Rotary Club in Papakura, we have been able to secure four places for our students.

This year the students attending were Tara Lockington-Marsters, Carlos McGee, Jessy Matthews and Samarah Peeni. This is what one of the students had to say of her experience at the camp:

My experience at camp was in fact how everyone from last year and the year before had explained it, very inspirational and just outright such an amazing event that I wouldn't want to have missed the opportunity. During and after this camp it really did make a change in my perspective of things such as meeting new people with different backgrounds and personalities while on the inside I started to grow as a better and open person that I usually am not, but this camp positively changed that for me personally. I will certainly never forget the experience and the amazing people I've met.

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Services Academy Camp

The Services Academy was due to go on camp for one week on Monday 1 March. However, due to the level 3 lockdown in Auckland that was put in place the day before, the camp had to be postponed. Luckily a date four weeks later was found so the students, along with Staff Eparaima, Staff Alby, Staff Shauna and



Adult Community Classes

We are excited to announce that we embarking on re-introducing these back at our kura.

We are starting small at present and hope to build up to a much wider offering. To kick off:

Family Bootcamp - Fitness for all levels

Starts Tuesday 18 May at Papakura High School (school hall) for 8 weeks

Two sessions on offer: 5.45 pm - 6.45 pm or 6.50 pm - 8.50 pm. \$10 or enrol online for \$5 (for family up to max 4). This course welcomes families. We will be working through low level exercises incorporating movements, stretching, slow dance movements to music and a multitude of other movements to get your whole family fit. Come along and enjoy the first step to your family health and wellbeing.

Families can enrol for the whole 8 week course for \$10 (max of 4 in a family), or enrol online and pay just \$5. Payment on first night or at the Papakura High School office. Enrolment form must be completed by each family member. This can be collected from the school office or email <u>comed@ohs.school.nz</u> to ask for this or online at <u>www.rosehilladultlearn.co.nz</u>

Upcoming Dates

Monday 19 April - Friday 30 April		School Holidays
Monday 26 April	Anzac Day (observed) (during the school holidays)	
Monday 3 May	Term 2 commences	Term 2 finishes on Friday 9 July
Thursday 13 May	Staff only day	
Thursday 27 May	Board of Trustees Meeting 5:30pm - 8:00pm	
Tuesday 1 June	Year 8 Enrolment Evening 5:30pm - 7:00pm in the School Hall	
Monday 7 June	Queen's Birthday	
Thursday 24 June	Board of Trustees Meeting 5:30pm - 8:00pm	
Tuesday 28 June	Subject Report Conferences (all year levels) 10:00am - 7:00pm	

