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September 2015

SPORTS TALK

NZSS Winter Tournament Week

For the first year, Papamoa College was represented at the New Zealand Secondary Schools Winter Tournament Week 2015. The Senior A Girls Netball Team headed to Hamilton and the 1st XI Hockey Girls went to Ngatea from 30 August to 4 September 2015.

Netball

Papamoa College Senior A Netball Team attended the Upper North Island Secondary Schools Netball Tournament in Hamilton. It was a very exciting week for the team who enjoyed many great games. The highlight being enjoying a narrow loss of one goal to grade winners. The MVP of the tournament team was Georgina Gesthuizen and the



Most Improved Player was Aimee Rolfe. Thank you to coaches Rachel Martin and Paula West who have given up time from their busy lives and families to take on the team this year. Also a very special thanks to Kay McNamara who looked after all the teams meal requirements. Thank you also to Bay Underwater Supplies, Mitre 10 Papamoa, Rachel Martin Eves Real Estate, Andy and Kirsten Miller for their sponsorship.

Hockey

What started as an idea, grew into the highlight of the year for the Girls 1st XI team. The first two days were very wet, but it didn't dampen our team spirit. The girls played every game at their best and never gave up until the final whistle. They were exceptional role models demonstrating great team spirit on and off the field. Our goal scorers over the week were, Zoe McCaul (2), Minette Van Biljon (1), McKenzie Hartley (1) and Ally Brown (1). Over the week, they played seven games, drawing one and also winning one, finishing 10th of 12 teams. A great result for our first tournament. Annelise Bond was the goalie and received Most Valuable Player of the Papamoa Tournament Team. Thank you to the coach and managers, Simon McCaul, Debbie Fowler, Ross Fowler, and the great team cook Tracey McCaul.



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Upcoming Events

Lower Middle School Athletics Day

This event will be held on the Papamoa College field on Thursday 15 October for all Year 7 and 8 students. The field and track events start at 9.00am, and finals will commence at 2.00pm. Please ensure students have appropriate sun protection and a big lunch. Parents/Whanau are more than welcome to attend.

Sports Awards 2015

Our Annual Sports Awards will be held on Wednesday 28 October at 6.30pm in the Papamoa College Theatre. Please mark this exciting date in your diaries.



Sports Achievements

We would like to celebrate all our students who have been selected in Representative Sports Teams at our Sports Awards Ceremony. Unfortunately, we are not always aware of students who have been selected for these teams, so if your child has been selected in any of these teams this year, please email ctarr@papamoacollege.school.nz

2016 Sports Coaches and Managers

Are you passionate about helping kids develop their sporting abilities and build great relationships through coaching or managing a Sports Team? If this sounds like you, you can register your interest with Mrs Caitlin Tarr by emailing ctarr@papamoacollege.school.nz.

Underwater Hockey

Underwater Hockey is a unique fun game played at the bottom of a swimming pool with up to 10 players per team. Tauranga Underwater Hockey Club have a new Intermediate League starting 1 November 2015. This is open to anyone to have a go. For further information about Underwater Hockey, please contact Mrs Caitlin Tarr.



AIMS GAMES 2015

The 2015 NZCT AIMS GAMES were held in Tauranga from Sunday 6 – Friday 11 September. They were embraced by 8,007 students from 261 New Zealand schools competing in 19 different sports. The Papamoa College team of 110 students went out strongly during the week and represented the school with pride, all having a fantastic week in the great weather the Bay had to show.

Aerobics

2015 marked Papamoa College's first entry into the Aerobics at the Performance Groups Competition. The team was made up of ten positive and dedicated girls, who were coached by Brydie Craven. The girls ended up finishing 10th, a fabulous achievement as none of them had ever participated in an Aerobics prior to AIMS.



Hockey

An exhilarating yet tiring week was had by the Papamoa College 6 aside Hockey boys and girls. The week saw lots of tough competition and heaps of fun and smiles. A week loved by all and an experience well worth repeating. Congratulations to Ella Plumstead for earning Papamoa College AIMS MVP Hockey player.

Table Tennis

The Table Tennis students had a good week at AIMS, finishing 10th in the Teams Competition. The boys unfortunately did not place in the doubles or singles competitions, however, they played some great games over the week against tough opposition. The boys are all very excited to return to the AIMS Table Tennis next year with further experience.



Yachting

Serena Sanchez is the first student to represent in the new code of Yachting at the AIMS Games. Serena was in her element demonstrating her incredible skills on the water and also her compassion for other athletes off the water. She has an outstanding ability to judge the weather conditions and to make the split second decisions needed in Yachting. Serena fought hard over the remaining two days of competition to make up time after atrocious weather conditions forced competitors off the water. After 3 days out on the water, Serena achieved the 4th placina for Year 7 Girls, an outstanding result!



Swimming

Pearl McNeilly was the only swimmer at Papamoa College to achieve the qualifying times needed to compete at the AIMS Games. Pearl did extremely well in her three events over two days. She showed determination and courage by representing the school in Waterpolo during the day, and then swimming in the afternoon.

Football

The football team met the challenge of AIMS with great enthusiasm and dedication. Stefan, the sole AIMS veteran from last year stood alongside a team of plucky and excited AIMS newcomers. The team played some quality opposition and gave it 100% every game, often against bigger and stronger opposition. The boys were professional in victory and showed tremendous character in defeat. One of the highlights of the tournament was Jake Bayly scoring two goals. Montell Ellis was our player of the tournament.

Basketball

The AIMS Games 2015 was another awesome experience for our Papamoa College Basketball teams. We experienced the best year 7 and 8 basketballer's New Zealand had on offer and played our hearts out to put our best skills on display against them. Our boys' team coached by Darius Walker, had a nail biting final against Bethlehem College and won in the last seconds by a free throw. The boys finished up 35th in the competition. The girls' team coached by Justine Wilton, played well in some very challenging games and came out in 16th place. We are really looking forward to next year and ready to start training already!



Indoor Bowls

The bowlers were unlucky to be knocked out in the first round of both the singles and the pairs competitions. All students bowled well, but were up against some fierce competition from other schools. They have all grown in their game and have enjoyed the competition.



GymSport

Papamoa College had five gymnasts this year at AIMS. All students participated in the events strongly against very experienced schools. Final placings were: Rebecca McCulloch 28th, Emily Van Wijk 32nd, India Smith 38th, Jaimee McGahey 49th and Connor Kennedy 34th.

AIMS GAMES 2015

Rugby Sevens

It was a huge week for the sevens boys playing up to four games per day most of the week. The stellar weather at Waipuna Park worked for the team as the grounds were great to play on. After struggling against strong schools in the initial pools, the team was graded and faced some more equal competition. Over the week the boys scored some great tries and worked well as a team to secure several wins. Big thank you to coach, Andrew Nimmo for giving up his expert time over the week and supporting the boys.



Netball

What a week it was for our Netball Team at the Harbourside Netball Centre. The girls made fast work developing a fun warm up dance to perform with other teams prior to matches starting. The wins were slow to start at the beginning of the week, being placed in a difficult pool (four of which made it into the top 32 teams!). However, the girls managed to come together in some fantastic displays of teamwork and take out their fair share of wins towards the end of the week. Not to mention, they all looked fantastic in their orange, blue and white hair ribbons! Thanks to Mrs Haylee Foster and Ann Cameron for acting as coaches, counsellors, first-aiders and cheerleaders for the week.

Hip Hop

AIMS Hip Hop was a great experience for all involved this year. We had a group of seven students who were fairly new to the Hip Hop genre. The students trained hard under the guidance of year 12 choreographer Creedance Kirikiri-Brown. Although the students didn't place at the competition they performed with energy, strength and attitude and gained many new performance skills.

Water Polo

Papamoa College had a mixed team competing in the AIMS GAMES this year. Being in the mixed competition, they were faced with teams of full boys who were much bigger than most of our team. All our kids put up great competition against even the fiercest teams scoring many goals, defending opposition goals and working well together. The growth of the students ability over the week was fantastic to see. Water Polo was supported by many parents over the week. Thank you to everyone who made it down and a special thanks to Jed Bullock, Ollie Ford and Joseph Faulkner who were awesome student coaches.



Cross Country

It was a beautiful day at Waipuna Park for our 7 Cross Country runners who competed on Sunday 6 September. The sun was shining and conditions were great for our students. They raced in the Cross Country, all giving their very best in each respective race. Special congratulations to Zak Mason finishing 29th in the Year 7 Male division and Bethan Adkins placing 41st in the Year 7 Female division.



Well done to all the students who competed in the 2015 AIMS GAMES. You represented Papamoa College with pride and displayed great sportsmanship across all codes.

Special thank you to Georgia Fowler (Hockey) and Kieran Brown (Football) who were involved in Umpiring and Darius Walker (Basketball), Creedance Kirikiri-Brown (Hip-Hop), Brydie Craven (Aerobics), Jed Bullock (Water Polo), Ollie Ford (Water Polo), Joseph Faulkner (Water Polo) who were involved in Coaching over the week of AIMS. You were all fantastic role models to the younger students of Papamoa College.

Papamoa College would like to thank all of the parents and staff who were involved with the 2015 AIMS GAMES. Many people have spent hours of time volunteering their help and we could not offer an event like this without you. We are already looking forward to competing in the 2016 AIMS GAMES.



Winter Sports Wrap Up

Rugby

This year saw a change in the coaching and management staff of the First XV to Nick Leask, Craig Budd and Sarah Cowie who are staff at Papamoa College. The team focused on work ethic, culture and improve rugby knowledge during the grading round where they spent most of their time on the road. As the competition games begun, the team started to see the results from their hard work, winning their first four games. This saw the team do enough to secure a semi final spot, a first for the Papamoa College First XV. The team played in the semi final against Reporoa College and suffered a loss. It has been a great season for the boys, all of whom have grown in their Rugby.

It has also been a big season for the Papamoa College U15 full squad of 24. The team had an exceptionally quick backline and over the season the forward pack evolved into a very tight and strong unit. The team racked up very positive wins throughout the season.

Football

This year we had our very first official First XI Football boys team. Last year the team finished top of the social division, so this year was always going to be a tough one, with the likes of Rotorua fielding a club team. The First XI boys finished 3rd in their division this year after a great season. Thank you to Ian Summers for being a great coach for our First XI.



Basketball

With a record eight teams entered into competitions this year, it was a big basketball season, with fantastic and committed coaches across all teams. Many of the students in the Junior Blue boys' team were new to Basketball however showed great team spirit and developed some great skills over the season. Special well done to Junior Girls coming 2nd and Junior Boys A placing 3rd. It was a tough year also for year 7/8 Boys A team struggling with injuries, however the Papamoa College Girls Storm surged through for a season win and the Papamoa College Boys Dominators finished placing 2nd.

Netball

It has been a successful year for Papamoa College Netball with five Lower Middle School teams, three Upper Middle School teams and two Senior teams. This year the Y7A, Y7B, Junior A, Junior B, Senior A and Senior B teams made it through to the Semi Finals, with the Y7A and Senior A Teams going on to take out season wins, and Junior B and year 7B both placing 2nd in their respective divisions. Many teams participated in out of town tournaments and developed their netball skills. A big thank you to all of the parents and staff whom coached and managed Papamoa College teams this year. We are looking forward to the 2016 season with you all.



Hockey

After three years of developing Hockey at Papamoa College, 2015 was the first year we had three full senior teams and two intermediate teams. All teams went from strength to strength over the season. It was a great season for all our teams with the First XI Girls heading to NZSS Tournament and finishing 3rd in their grade. The First XI Boys placing 2nd, after a sensational season of 81 goals scored for and only 7 against. Thank you to all of the fantastic coaches and managers!

Year 7 & 8 PCT Challenge

On Thursday 17 September Papamoa College sent two teams to defend our title at the WBOP Bluelight PCT Challenge. Stefan Heuburger, Bethan Adkins, Zak Mason and Elmae Steenkamp were in Team One. Jemima Pol, Saffron Hose, Ben Bass and Santiago Reeves were in Team Two. On the day the teams competed in five different challenges, from crime scenes, fear factor challenges and the police physical competency test. They students competed extremely well against the fierce competition of 16 other teams. At the final countdown with all scores added together our Papamoa College Team Two won the bronze medal.

We can be very proud of them for their achievement and both teams commitment and conduct on the day. Thanks to Emily Pol for mentoring the teams and special thanks to Jossie's Photography for the photos.

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