

# SPORTS TALK

# **NZSS Winter Tournament Week 2016**

For the second year Papamoa College was represented at the New Zealand Secondary Schools Winter Tournament Week. The Senior A Girls Netball Team headed to Auckland and the 1st XI Hockey Girls went to Palmerston North from 29 August to 2 September 2016.

#### Netball- By Paula West

Twelve players, coaches and myself headed up to Auckland for the Upper North Island Secondary Schools Netball Competition. This year it was held at Papakura Netball Courts. After playing 5 games the girls were coming 4th, placing the Papamoa team in the middle of the pool of 6. The girls ended their tournament 9th out of 16 teams – winning 5 games



from 10. The girls showed spirt, determination and resilience after a week of challenging incidences including stumbling across an armed offenders callout, given an armed robbery taking place down 'Great South Road'. Traffic was diverted causing the girls to be late for their game by 20 minutes. Due to these unforeseen circumstance the officials held up the game for us. The opposition were not happy and this was made worse by us winning.

I would personally like to thank the Coaching/Managing Team, Rachelle Frame, Rachel Martin and Tracy Rolfe, for their outstanding commitment to the team.

The joint players of the tournament were Maddy Young and Jade Gush-Taipari. Our most improved player of the tournament was Emma Campbell.

#### Hockey- By Simon McCaul, Coach

The Rosemary O'Brien Cup Tournament week in Palmerston North was very exciting for the Papamoa College 1st XI Hockey Girls. They played some fantastic hockey and represented Papamoa College very well. The girls came out with a brilliant win on the second day playing against Te Kauwhata. The first half was tough and the girls came out firing, scoring 10 goals, winning 10-0. The final day saw our last game against Rutherford A-team. The girls were feeling tired and some carrying injuries, it was a tough game but again our girls did their job keeping out the opposition. Our strikers got stuck in and scored 3 goals, winning the match 3-0. Our team finished 13th out of 16 teams, improving their tournament record by scoring 17 goals and conceding only three, putting us fourth equal on the team goal scoring list. The most outstanding achievement was winning the Supreme Team Award for overall team behavior on and off the field, sportsmanship and their friendliness towards everybody at the tournament.

# **AIMS GAMES 2016**

The 2016 NZCT AIMS GAMES were held in Tauranga from Sunday 4 – Friday 9 September. They were embraced by 9,000 students from 281 schools competing in 21 different sports. The Papamoa College team of 180 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.

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### **Upcoming Events**

#### Lower Middle School Athletics Day

Please note there has been a change of date. This event will now be held on the Papamoa College field on Thursday 13 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 have appropriate students protection and big а Parents/Whanau are more than welcome to attend. If you are interested in helping out on the day, please email

ctarr@papamoacollege.school.nz

#### Sports Awards 2016

Our Annual Sports Awards will be held on Wednesday 26 October 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

#### 2017 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 Caitlin Tarr by emailing ctarr@papamoacollege.school.nz.



## **AIMS GAMES 2016**

#### Basketball

The Boys Basketball team showed great team spirit with some really impressive skills on the court. The boys came third in their pool and placed 24th overall. A great group of boys to work with who made their coaches proud. The Girls team were a hard working team, playing every game with great passion and determination. The girls held their heads high through every game and made their coaches very proud. They are looking forward to attending next year and improve on their result.



#### **Swimming**

Three students competed in AIMS Swimming this year. Kel Igguden, Luke King and Pearl McNeilly all achieved Personal Bests in their events, which was an incredible result as the times at AIMS Swimming are nearing National times. All three students juggled water polo and swimming events. Kel Iggulden qualified in four finals. His best results at the end of the AIMS was placing 4th in two events, 50m and 200m freestyle. Well done to the entire team.

#### **Badminton**

It was a tough week with fierce competition but our players kept their composure and played with true Papamoa Spirit. Once Singles pool play was completed and our teams were graded and we battled it out with the best to push through to the quarterfinals but only TP Rogers-Hall made it through to the semis during the Knockout round. In Doubles we all played brilliant games but were pipped at the post to make it through to the next stage.

#### Table Tennis

The Table Tennis students had a good week at AIMS, finishing 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> in the Teams Competition. The boys did not place in the doubles or singles competitions, however they played some great games over the week against tough opposition.

#### Yachting

73 sailors came from all over New Zealand to compete in this years Yachting Aims Event. Weather was a determining factor at Sulphur Point, with conditions being up and down over the first 2 days, before clearing over night for a perfect day on the water on Tuesday. Serena Sanchez demonstrated an amazing amount of growth on the water since she competed last year. She adapted to the conditions and competed fiercely, finishing 8<sup>th</sup> overall in Year 8 Girls. She is a talented sailor who represented this code and Papamoa College with pride.



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#### Hockey

6 aside hockey was not the game the players had played during the season, so changing from the 11 to 6 aside took a couple of games to adjust. In our pool of 5 teams we ended up at 3<sup>rd</sup>. The team started scoring goals and had several great wins in a row. The team ended a brilliant 20<sup>th</sup> of 38 teams. Good team spirit, willing to work hard and listen to instructions all made it a successful AIMS Tournament.

#### **Water Polo**

Papamoa College had two teams in the competition this year a Boys team and a Girls Team. The teams were coached by Don McNeilly and managed by Naomi Malcolm with lots of support from parents, senior students and Mrs Liz Oliver. The boys team played 9 games over the week with two wins and two draws. Their two convincing wins were over Tauranga Intermediate and Bethlehem College. The Boys placed 13th in the final standings. There was outstanding pool play by Ethan Millington, Kel Iggulden, Luke King and captain Logan Edwards. The Girls had a grueling draw but maintained a fantastic attitude over the week, remaining positive and all improving as players. Captain, Pearl McNeilly, put in great performances offensively and defensively for her team. Eleanor Gordon improved dramatically in the goalie position and Romy Heayns picked up most improved player award.

#### **Indoor Bowls**

We had two pairs represent Papamoa College in the Indoor Bowls Knockout finals. Lily Sowerby and Eryn Chicken faced a really talented pair of boys who won the game in 2 sets. Taranjot Singh Sunner and Ben Jones played a pair of bovs from Northcross Intermediate. This was a very close match that was even the whole way through. It came down to the last set and the final end. Unfortunately the Northcross boys just edged ahead in the final moments of the match.



#### **GymSport**

Papamoa College had 6 gymnasts this year at AIMS. All students participated in the events strongly against very experienced schools. Final placings in Artistic Gymnastics: Irza Smeenk 13th, India Smith 17th, Ariella Midwood 26th, Ashley Page 37th, Alyssa Jackson 38th, Sam Eastergaard 5th and 17th in Tramp.



## **AIMS GAMES 2016 Continued**

#### **Rugby Sevens**

It was a huge week for the Sevens Boys and Girls playing up to 4 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 some strong schools in the initial pools, the Team was graded and faced some more equal competition. Over the week the Boys scored some great trys and worked well as a team to secure several wins. The Girls suffered several injuries at the start of the week, however with some great team spirit banded together and enjoyed the rest of the week of competition and even managed to have a really close draw against Kaikohe Intermediate. It was a great first year for our Girls team.







#### Multisport

We had one student compete in the Multisport event today at McLarens Fall Park. Morgan Edwards competed in the Year 7 division. In the tough kayak, mountain bike and run race, Morgan was up against some of the best Multisport athletes New Zealand has to offer. Morgan pushed through each of the legs with determination and finished the race smiling. Well done Morgan, its a great accomplishment to finish such a tough race.

#### Performance Groups

Papamoa College returned to enter Aerobics, Cheerleading and Hip Hop Teams into the Performance Group Competition at the AIMS Games. This year proved just as challenging as the last, with many formidable opponents. The Aerobics team this year was made up of 7 determined young ladies who happily dedicated many hours to training in the lead up to the competition. They learned a lot through the process and should be proud of their accomplishments. Special mention must go to Brydie Craven (Year 11) who choreographed the routine this year and also devoted many hours to coaching the team. The Cheerleading team was coached by Skye Bates and Emily Pol (Year 10) who put many hours into teaching the girls the many skills required. The Hip Hop team coached with the help of Mrs Nadine Shine also had a great experience at the AIMS GAMES. Although the students didn't place at the competition they performed with energy, strength and attitude and gained many new performance skills.

#### Football

The Boys Football team practiced hard before the tournament, for the first time playing multiple games against other local Intermediates. The competition was challenging and the boys enjoyed themselves proving that they can be competitive at a national level. There has been much learned this year for the boys to take away and build on. The Girls team also had a great week playing together and celebrated the first win ever for a Papamoa Girls Football team at AIMS. The team gelled really well together and had some great saves over the tournament. As the week continued and the team was placed into a new pool they enjoyed evenly matched games and saw the Papamoa Girls playing with passion! Thank you to Mr Mike Wright, Mr Matej Benes and Miss Erin Farrell for coaching these teams.

#### **Cross Country**

We had 7 students participate in the Cross Country this year. In a tough course with many hills and in slippery conditions, all students raced really well against the best around New Zealand. A special congratulations to Hayley Dawson who placed 31st in the Year 8 Girls race. Thank you Mrs Haylee Foster for supporting these students in training and on race day.

#### Tennis

Carrigan Hartley represented Papamoa College in Tennis this year at AIMS. It was bound to be fierce competition as the draw was limited to the amount of players it could accept. He had a tough start to the week with facing some of New Zealands best intermediate tennis players, however celebrated some great wins towards the end of the week.

Well done Carrigan!

#### Netball

What a week it was for our Netball Team of 12 at the Harbourside Netball Centre. The girls worked together so well as a team and taking advantage of the mistakes that opposing teams were making. The team were making the most of knowing the local weather conditions and the girls played exceptionally with the windy conditions. They had 2 come from behind victories today giving us a final placing of 46th out of 112 teams and nearly 50 places higher than last year! Special congratulations to Taiana Day who was named in the Netball Tournament Team for AIMS.





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# **AIMS GAMES 2016 Continued**

Well done to all the students who competed in the 2016 AIMS GAMES. You represented Papamoa College with pride and displayed great sportsmanship across all codes.

Special thank you to Zoe McCaul (Hockey), McKenzie Hartley, Jaedyn Service and Kieran Brown (Football) who were involved in umpiring over the week, and Cassie Taylor (Basketball), Ally Brown, Abby Grant and McKenzie Hartley (Football) who was involved in Coaching over the week of AIMS. You were all fantastic role models to the younger studens of Papamoa College.

Papamoa College would like to thank all of the parents and staff who were involved with the 2016 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 2017 AIMS GAMES











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