

## From the Principal

Welcome to 2017

I hope that your summer holiday was a restful and relaxing time for you and your family.

I wish to welcome those of you who are new to the Papamoa College community. We very much look forward to working with you and your child for their education this year.

Congratulations to all those students who were rewarded with successful 2016 National Standards and NCEA results. The school has shown consistent improvements in student achievement over the last few years. The results for 2016 were no different.

### 2016 Summary Student Achievement:

#### National Standards

Year 7: Reading 74%, Writing 67%, Mathematics 67%

Year 8: Reading 88%, Writing 77%, Mathematics 80%

Achievement for both year 7&8 students have shown increased achievement in comparison to their achievement in the previous year.

#### NCEA

Level 1 Certificate 70% (L1 Excellence Endorsements 31%)

Level 2 Certificate 91% (L2 Excellence Endorsements 11%)

Level 3 Certificate 73% (L3 Excellence Endorsements 18%)

The overall levels of achievement for NCEA certificates are pleasing, and have also shown improvements in comparison to previous years. The proportion of Merit and Excellence Endorsements have also increased in comparison to previous years.

The reporting of the above summary student achievement results is very general, and provides limited information on how individual and groups of students are achieving. Teaching staff use a wide range and very specific achievement tools to analyse student learning. If you have questions about the achievement and progress of your own child at anytime throughout the year, I encourage you to contact their teacher/s.

We are responding to a fast growing Papamoa, with the creation of a new learning community Puna wai. It is situated in what was the Library space by the bridge. The Library has been relocated to Patiki and will provide a more mobile library service to the school.

We welcome 14 new teachers and 2 new support staff to the school. Welcome back to Mr Dave Ballard - Deputy Principal Senior School, who was on leave during 2016.

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child.

Kind Regards

Steve Lindsey  
Principal



Welcome  
Glad you're here!

### Introducing the 2017 New Staff

*Back Row:* **Barry Corlett** – Curriculum Leader Music **Daniel Robertson** – Y7/8 Teacher, **Sian Northfield** – Te Reo Maori/Future Directions Teacher, **Joanne Samson** – Visual Arts/Technology Teacher, **Andrea Crawford** – Science/AWA Teacher **James Allen** – Y7/8 Teacher, **Tania Yorke** – Y7/8 Teacher, **Elanie Reber** – Specialist ESOL Teacher, **Kelly Heron** – Specialist Teacher, **Linzi Littlewood** – Y7/8 Teacher  
*Front Row* **Laura Rees** – French Teacher, **Jacki McGrath** – Y7/8 Teacher, **Megan Fritsch** – Mathematics Teacher  
*Absent* **Dylan Frewin** – Performing Arts Teacher



## Helpful Information

### Information Documents

Over the last few days, students have received various handbooks and information sheets. We encourage you to also read them, to be informed about processes and other relevant information. Ask your child about the:

Student Handbook

Student Timetable

EOTC Medical Form

requires completion, signing and returning to school

Digital Citizenship Form

requires signing and returning to school

Enrolment Confirmation Form

requires amendments if necessary and returning to school

NCEA Handbook (Senior students)

### Who to go to for assistance

My child has a problem	Class Teacher
I need to tell someone about my child's learning	Class Teacher
School uniform purchases	Reception
Stationery List	Student Services/Website
Sports Programme	Sports Director
Payment of fees	Reception/Student Services
I am willing to offer my help at school	Reception
My child will be absent from school	Reception

## Attendance & Absences

Students are expected to attend school every weekday throughout the term, from 8.40am to 3.10pm. Student attendance will be recorded throughout the school day. Any absence or lateness to class will be recorded.

If your child is going to be absent or late to school, parent/caregivers need to phone Reception as soon as possible on 542 0676 and press 1 to explain the reason. If the absence is not phoned through then the parent/caregiver will receive a text or phone call from Reception to check the absence. The student must bring a note from home when they next return to school.

Known future absences from school for any medical or family reason must be advised by parents/caregivers in advance whenever possible.

### Appointments during the school day

If students have an appointment during the day, which means having to leave school, a written note must be authorised by Reception and then shown to a learning commons teacher/admin teacher.

## Y7 & Y8 Orientation Afternoon

Thursday 9 February

3.30 – 5.00pm

You are invited to attend the Lower Middle School Orientation. This is an opportunity for your child to show parents/ whanau and friends, their place of learning.

All learning commons will be open and teachers will be available for you to talk to about how your child has settled into school life for 2017. Find out where your child learns and how it works every day in the learning commons.

Your child will be able to take you on a tour of the school should you wish to explore beyond the learning commons. Senior staff will also be present during this time.

This is a great time to speak directly to your child's teacher and for us to establish a good relationship with you and your whanau. We very much look forward to seeing you there.

### Emails

An easy way to work out an email address is to take the first letter of the teacher's first name, followed by their surname, then add to the end @[papamoacollege.school.nz](mailto:papamoacollege.school.nz) For example; Teacher - John Key's email address would be [jkey@papamoacollege.school.nz](mailto:jkey@papamoacollege.school.nz)

For general enquiries email:

[enquiries@papamoacollege.school.nz](mailto:enquiries@papamoacollege.school.nz)

To contact the Board of Trustees:

[board@papamoacollege.school.nz](mailto:board@papamoacollege.school.nz)

For enquiries regarding fees:

[accounts@papamoacollege.school.nz](mailto:accounts@papamoacollege.school.nz)

### Why can't I walk on to campus at anytime and visit my child?

If you need to contact your child throughout the day, send them a message or drop something off, then we ask you to contact or visit Reception.

All schools are governed by Health and Safety regulations and the expectation that all students, employees and visitors are safe while on campus. We take our responsibility to keep your child safe seriously, and therefore all visitors to campus need to report and sign in at Reception.

In the event of an emergency we also need to ensure we know who is on campus and where. We thank you for your understanding in this matter. The safety of your child, matters.

## NCEA Endorsed with Excellence

You did it!  
  
**Congratulations**

We wish to congratulate those students that received Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 NCEA Certificates Endorsed with Excellence last year. This is an impressive achievement and these students can be very proud of their efforts.

### Level 1

Gurnek Brar, Brooke Broomhead, Brianna Burt, Morgan Burt, Emma Campbell, Rhiannon Cotton, Brydie Craven, Calista Cristobal, Rebekah Davis, Jazz Drent, Joseph Faulkner, Georgia Fowler, Lila Fox, Ellie Grant, Yunbai Huang, Maegan Jones, Monique Kim, Caleb LeRoy, Joshua Lowth, Danica Manubay, Daphne Manubay, Samantha McLachlan, Zach McLachlan, Jessica Osbourn, Alice Patterson, Brooke Rapira-Grindley, Summah Rolfe, Cameron Slade, Katherine Speidell, Dewaldt Venter, Isobel Whyte

### Level 2

Monique Alexander-Stevens, Mysha Amin, Emma Archer, Aliyah Cole, Manjinder Dhaliwal, Brittany Foreman, Sophie Hayden, Sophia Malu, Stefanie McGregor, Eve Razey, Megan Williamson

### Level 3

Georgia Brechelt, Jeorgia Gesthuizen, Rakshya Karmacharya, Preet Kaur, Joseph McCormick, Taylor Moffat, Jack Skellet, Ella Trafford

On Wednesday 15 February from 5.30pm - 6.00pm in the Theatre Lobby we will be celebrating these students' achievements at the NCEA Endorsed with Excellence evening.

**HELP**  
**WANTED**

We require a part time (10hrs pw) Hard Materials Technician. Tasks include preparation of workshop materials for classes and basic machinery maintenance. Must be able to safely work with a wide range of workshop tools and materials, and also enjoy working with people.

Send all enquiries to [enquiries@papamoacollege.school.nz](mailto:enquiries@papamoacollege.school.nz)

## What's Happening

### Term Dates

**Term 1:** January 31 - April 13

**Term 2:** May 1 - July 7

**Term 3:** July 24 - September 29

**Term 4:** October 16 - December 11

### Y9-Y13 Competitive Athletics Day

On Tuesday 21 February the Y9-Y13 students will participate in Athletics Day. Parents and Whanau are most welcome to attend. Please make sure you are sunsmart!

### Y7-Y13 Competitive Swimming Sports

Swimming Sports are on Tuesday 21 March held at Baywave Aquatic Centre. Parents and Whanau are most welcome.

### ID Photos

Students will have their ID photos taken on Tuesday 14 February and receive their ID cards towards the end of February. The ID cards are used as a Student ID, bus passes (for eligible students), issue of library books, laptops and other technology. Every student will be issued with an ID card. If students lose their card, a replacement can be purchased at Reception for \$5.

### Lost Property

If your child has misplaced something at school they can check Lost Property, which is located at Student Services.

### SunSmart

We promote the protection of staff and students from the harmful effects of the sun. We have a school cap and a wide brim hat, which can be purchased from Reception. While we actively support the use of hats and sunscreen at school, students are ultimately responsible for being sensible when outside in the sun. Learning Commons, as well as Student Services, have sunscreen available for students throughout the day.



## CONNECT: February 2017

### Lower Middle School – LMS Y7&8

Kia ora! We have had a wonderful start to 2017 in the Lower Middle School! With over 240 new year 7 students joining our growing LMS whanau, we are preparing for another exciting year. Our year 8 students have done an incredible job acting as mentors for our new students. An upcoming event on our school calendar is the LMS camp which begin in early March with each learning commons heading over to Lakes Ranch in Rotorua for a three day adventure experience.

My role as Deputy Principal of the Lower Middle School is to look after the staff, students and programmes of our year 7 and 8 learning communities. Working alongside me are two of our LMS Deans, Mrs Kim Remus (Dean of Puke and Puna wai Learning Commons) and Mrs Nadine Shine (Dean of Maunga and Tātahi Learning Commons). The Deans are the contact people for any concerns regarding student well-being.

The entire LMS team look forward to meeting parents, caregivers and whanau on our Y7 & Y8 Orientation Afternoon on Thursday 9 February from 3.30pm - 5.00pm. This is an opportunity for you to visit your child's learning commons, see the spaces that they are learning in and meet the staff responsible for the programmes. We look forward to seeing you then.

Thank you for such a supportive start to our new year.

Ms Catherine Neidhardt

Lower Middle School - Deputy Principal

### Upper Middle School – UMS Y9&10

Welcome to the Upper Middle School for 2017. We have made a positive start to the year as we welcome our new year 9 students, as well as students new to the school in both years 9 and 10.

Awa, Moana and Motu Learning Commons are busy setting up their Learning Commons culture and high expectations for learning and behaviour in these first days of school. You will have received more detailed information about our expectations and our upcoming camps by email earlier this week. Your key staff in the UMS are Year 10 Dean and Awa Leader of Learning Commons (LLC), Mrs Jenna Mackay; Year 9 Dean Mr Jeroen van Wijk; Moana LLC Ms Marcie Hintz; and Motu LLC Mr Chris Parson.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you ever have questions or concerns.

Mrs Belinda Develter

Upper Middle School - Deputy Principal

### Senior School Y11 – Y13

A warm welcome back to all the senior students. We have over 360 students in years 11-13. The senior common space is available for students to study up until 4:30pm each evening. Every student has an academic mentor who sees them every morning during Admin time and should be the first port of call for any questions or queries.

Overseeing the year 11 students is the Senior Staff Leader Mrs Jaki Lee, for year 12 students Mr Ken Kilkenny and the year 13 students is Mrs Katy Thorne. Mrs Cath McCready is the Director of the Senior School and Mr Dave Ballard is the Deputy Principal for the Senior School.

With many new enrolments and returning students we have worked hard to ensure that as many as possible have their choices of subjects that enable them to move forward onto the next step of their career pathway. The tone in the senior school in the last few days has been extremely positive and we are looking forward to continuing the learning journey through 2017.

Mrs Cath McCready  
Senior School Director

## Bus Route Information



### **Papamoa East – Run 1 (Year 7 & 8)**

First pick up starts at 7.40am:

Bus stop corner of Motiti Road/No. 1127 opposite Calypso Drive/Corner of Karewa Parade/No. 1225 at 50km sign/No. 1247 just past Short Place/Stops just past No 11 Emerald Shores Drive/Turn right into Wairakei Avenue/Stops just before Millie Court at No.190/No. 156/No. 106/Turn right into Calypso, stops just before Palazzo Drive/Stops at Papamoa Primary School, then onto Papamoa College

### **Papamoa East – Run 2 (Year 9 - 13)**

First pick up starts at 8.05am:

Bus stops corner of Motiti Road/Corner of Karewa Parade/No. 1225 at 50km sign/No. 1247 just past Short Place/Stops just past No.11 Emerald Shores/ Turn right into Wairakei Avenue/ Stops just before Millie Court at No.190/ No. 156/ No. 106/Stop at Papamoa Primary School, then onto Papamoa College.

### **Welcome Bay**

First pick up starts at 7.15am

7.15am Depart 314 Bell Road/7.20am Turn left into Kairua Road/7.23am Turn right Welcome Bay Road/7.25am Turn left into Waitao Road/7.32am Turn left into Kaiate Falls Road/7.37am Turn left into Rocky Cutting Road/7.45am Turn right into Welcome Bay Road/7.47am Turn right into Reid Road/7.53am Turn at top of Reid Road/7.59am Turn right into Welcome Bay Road/8.00am Taranaki Lane/ 8.10am Arrive Papamoa College. The afternoon bus services leaves the school at 3.20pm and will operate in reverse.

