

New Zealand Secondary School Winter Tournament Week

Winter Tournament Week was an exciting week for some of our top teams at Papamoa College. For the first year, we had a team attend the NZSS Basketball Tournament which was held at the ASB Arena, Baypark. Our Senior A Netball Team headed up to Auckland to the UNISS Competition and the 1st XI Hockey Girls traveled down to Gisborne to compete in the Mary Clinton Cup

Netball- Upper North Island Secondary School Tournament

A great week started off with a stop at the Wero Water Park where the players participated in some white-water rafting and the occasional dunking. The girls all participated and laughter was heard from both inside the rafts and from the parents and coaches watching. Next it was off to the accommodation and then to the courts where we sustained our first and last injury of the tournament – prior to the tournament starting! One badly sprained ankle and a set of crutches later and we were ready to go.

The team travelling to UNISS this year was made up of players from years 11-13 and all of the players managed to work well together as a team. With plenty of laughs along the way, they remained committed to the cause and played great netball. A couple of days of rain throughout the week couldn't dampen the spirits of these fantastic netballers, as they ran, leapt, jumped and shot their way through the week. 10 games in all, with 6 wins and only 4 loses led to a great finish to a week long tournament.

As manager of the team it has been both an honour and a privilege to spend time with these lovely young ladies from Papamoa College who have shown not only a great attitude on the court but also a fantastic one off the court. Thank you to the many parents who helped support the players both in Auckland and before we even left.

Patricia Campbell, Team Manager.



Basketball- New Zealand Secondary School Tournament Zone 2

The NZSS Basketball Competition was held at the ASB Arena in Tauranga, from Tuesday 5 September to Friday 8 September. This was the first year Papamoa College entered a team into this National Competition. Being placed into Pool C, with two other teams who made the top 5 in 2016, it was always going to be a challenging start to the week. Papamoa College came 5th in the pool going into cross over pool rounds for placing of 17th – 24th. Winning the next two games against Katikati College and Fairfield College lead the team into the cross over for 17th - 20th placing. In the final game, the team came up against Rotorua Boys High School (13th in 2016) who gave us a great battle, showcasing some amazing talent on the court. The score was Rotorua Boys High 99 - 59 Papamoa College.

Papamoa College Senior Boys officially placed 18th of 24 teams.

Papamoa College made a huge impact upon the competition overall, to enter a well-established tournament with highly skilled players, it is unheard of to reach such placings, especially with players from the B Grade. The boys should be extremely proud of themselves. A big thank you must go to Tony Webster (Coach) and Sharon Eyres (Manager) for getting the boys to the competition. We can't wait to see what you are capable of in 2018.



Hockey- New Zealand Secondary School Tournament

This year the Papamoa College Girls 1st XI travelled to Gisborne for the Mary Clinton Cup. The girls worked hard through the season to prepare for the week and did a lot of fundraising to get there. 17 girls attended the tournament this year, to give some year 9 students experience at a tournament. These year 9 students performed very well and gave their all every game. Our senior players lead by example on and off the field and never gave up in their games. We played some tough games in our pool matches and then through the quarter, semi and final games.

There was three pool games to start and we won the first and had a loss in the next two. Finishing 3rd in our pool, we had a bye in the Quarters and then played Heretaunga College and won 2-0. Our Final game on the Friday was against Sancta Maria College and we lost a tough game 3-2. Our girls gave their all over the week even with injuries and fast hard games, they never once dropped their heads and played until the final whistle every game. They listened and worked as a team, were responsible around the turf and on outings inbetween their matches. The team finished 10th of 15 teams, which is an improvement from last year's tournament.



Every year the girls get better and more experienced at tournaments gaining valuable knowledge on and off the field. Thank you to the team for being so well behaved and giving everything they possibly could.

Simon McCaul, Coach.

Upcoming Events

Winter Sports Photos

Due to the number of Sports Teams this year, Winter Sports Photos will be held over two days. The first day will be *Tuesday 26 September* and the second is *Tuesday 17 October*, in the Papamoa College Lobby. Please ensure your child has checked the timetable at school or on the Papamoa College website.

Lower Middle School Athletics Day

This event will be held on the Papamoa College field on Wednesday 8 November for all Year 7 and 8 students. Please ensure students have appropriate sun protection and a big lunch. Parents/Whanau are more than welcome to attend. A programme will be sent out to parents next term.

Sports Awards 2017

The Annual Sports Awards will be held on Wednesday 25 October from 7.00pm in the Papamoa College Theatre. Please mark this exciting date in your diaries. Formal invitations will follow.

Anchor AIMS GAMES 2017

Cross Country

At cross country our competitors experienced all four seasons in one day. The changing weather made for challenging conditions. As the day went on, the course underwent a hammering. Part of it even had to be changed as it was so damp and muddy there was no traction for athletes and injuries were coming thick and fast. For the first year, the AIMS GAMES had a para division. Cruz Turner (From Taungra Special School on the Papamoa Campus) joined us for this event. He raced his heart out and received a Gold Medal for his efforts. Despite the tough conditions, it was obvious that all competitors had a great time and made a tremendous effort.



Swimming

It was a cracker evening at the swimming. All three swimmers from Papamoa College, Luke King, Kel Iggulden and Talitha McEwan, putting in all their energy to race in 26 heats and secure places in 22 finals the following evening. An awesome achievement as the swimming is often one of the most competitive events in the AIMS Games. Luke received a Gold and two Bronze, Kel celebrated a Silver and three Bronze and Talitha had an exceptional evening gaining two Gold and two Silvers. Absolutely stunning work.

Gymnastics

Well done to all five Papamoa College students who competed in the Artistic Gymnastics against many talented gymnasts from all over the country. Special congratulations to Sam Eastergaard and Zaya Bennison who competed in the Open Junior division.

MultiSport

The MultiSport course was already a little worse for wear before racing began at McLaren Falls with the unfavorable weather over the previous few days. Papamoa College's 4 athletes arrived ready and keen to go for the day of competition. All four students raced their hearts out, leaving little left in the tank. The mountain bike stage was challenging with many athletes from other schools taking spills down what is fondly known as "Death Valley". The kayak leg was also particularly challenging with the strong head wind. Special mention to Olivia Tilby-Adams whose experience in mountain biking saw her move up through the field gaining many places over the leg and transitioning 6th to the kayaking. Olivia finished 8th in the field of 28 Year 7 Girls.



Water Polo

Water Polo had a challenging start to the week, facing off against some talented teams. After being placed in their cross over pool, the team really started to come together and took some awesome wins through the week, starting with 7 – 1 win against Pasadena Intermediate. Water Polo had an exceptionally exciting final to finish the week against Kristen School. At the end of the final quarter it was all tied up, so went to a penalty shoot out for best of 5 shots. After four goals each, they went to the golden goal to determine the winner. The next team to score won and that was Kristen School. A really great finish to the week for Papamoa College. A game that could have gone either way.



Badminton

Students playing Badminton had an enjoyable week with many challenging games played. Most students took out at least one win in their singles draw, the doubles competition did prove to be more difficult, however; big congratulations to Caden Boyd-Zame and Liam Thomas who made it into the division two finals. This is the greatest achievement for Papamoa College at an AIMS Badminton event to date. Overall there has been a massive step-up in skills and confidence and their training throughout the year really prepared them for the AIMS GAMES.



Table Tennis

In Table Tennis this year, Papamoa College had the second largest cohort in the competition, including our first ever girls team. Sulav Karmacharya and Harrison Griffin made the quarter-finals of the boy's doubles. Along with Sam Proctor, these three boys finished 7th overall in teams. An awesome achievement, as many schools have some fierce competitors. The girls team finished 6th Overall. Gaurav Buttar made the plate doubles final along with Oliver Drewe.

Sevens Boys

The sevens boys had an enjoyable week out in the elements at Waipuna Park. Suffering a couple of losses throughout the week, the team was only ever within seven points of the opposition. The team played off in the bowl division finals after having four wins in a row. There was a lot of support on the sideline for the Papamoa Boys who faced Devon Intermediate for the second time this week, after losing in their first encounter. At half time the score was 12 - 0 to Papamoa, however Devon really fought and scored some great points to take the win, placing Papamoa in 2nd place in the Bowl.



Hockey

Papamoa's 6 a side hockey team faced awful weather at the start of the week, making conditions on the turf difficult. As the week progressed the team showed a great display of sportsmanship and teamwork to take some massive wins of 14-0 and 12-1. Hockey had an early start on their last day, getting down to the turf about 6.00am. A great fight was put up by the players to keep Bucklands Beach at bay. Unfortunately, the brilliant team work, strategy and attitudes were not quite enough to take the win, however; the coaches were both so proud of how the students had played all week. The team taking the highest ranking for Papamoa College team in 6 a side hockey, 18th of 40.

Football

Our girls and boys football teams faced tough oppositions in many challenging matches over the week. Although the teams had put in a lot of work leading up to the AIMS GAMES, it was always going to be a week of sticking together and putting their best foot forward. The boys had a more difficult pool through the week coming up against some local schools who had several representative players. The girls however, had an exciting week taking draws and wins from several other teams placing them 29th of 39 teams. The best finish in Papamoa College girls football history. It was awesome to see such excitement and enjoyment in the competition.

Basketball

The ASB Arena hosted the basketball competition over AIMS. The basketball boys really gave their heart and soul on the court against all their opponents. Bodies were put on the line as they committed to intercepts and to shooting goals. It was great to see the way the boys all played together as a team. It is clear that this was one of the strongest boys basketball teams Papamoa College has ever had at the AIMS GAMES. The girls also pulled together well. Missing a few of the key members from the season to other sports was always going to mean the team was in for a battle against the best over the week. Winning two games resulted in the girls finishing 25th on the table.



Tennis

A successful week was also had on the Tennis Court by Papamoa's solo representative, Carrigan Hartley. On the first day he won his first two games and faced a tough final match against the 4th seed of the tournament, where Carrigan suffered a loss. His success on the first day of competition set Carrigan up for a great week where he had 4 wins and 3 losses. A brilliant achievement considering the high level of competition in AIMS Tennis.

Netball

It was a chilly start to the week at Blake Park for our Netball Team. The team had a challenging start to the week, however; from Tuesday, the momentum really started to pick up and the girls seemed almost unstoppable, playing together really well. Over the week, the team had seven wins and just four losses. The final day of competition had two games, both were tight matches with evenly skilled teams. A two-point loss in the first game and one point loss in the second, was indicative of the level of competition. The girls had an impressive 52nd placing of all 120 teams that entered.



Indoor Bowls

It was an awesome week of Indoor Bowls for our 12 strong squad this year. The new year 7 students found the field a little daunting, as the best of the best dueled it out for qualifying spots in both singles and doubles. Roma Janke and Eryn Chicken played their hearts out and were both beaten by the Indoor Bowls equivalent of cricket's underarm bowl the last bowl of the match. Illminster Intermediate taking them both down just before qualifying. All students showed skillful bowling and great sportsmanship throughout the competition and learnt a lot, over the week, like reading draws and results, and scoring for others games.

Papamoa College Medal Winners 2017		
Cruz Turner	Cross Country- Para 800m	GOLD
Talitha McEwan	Swimming- 100m Individual Medley	SILVER
	Swimming- 200m Individual Medley	GOLD
	Swimming- 100m Freestyle	SILVER
	Swimming- 200m Freestyle	GOLD
	Swimming- Overall Division 3 Girls	GOLD
Luke King	Swimming- 200m Breaststroke	GOLD
	Swimming- 50m Breaststroke	BRONZE
	Swimming- 100m Breaststroke	BRONZE
Kel Iggulden	Swimming- 100m Freestyle	BRONZE
	Swimming- 200m Freestyle	BRONZE
	Swimming- 50m Freestyle	BRONZE

Papamoa College Overall Team Results	
Basketball Girls	25th of 28
Basketball Boys	47th of 67
Football Girls	29th of 39
Football Boys	54th of 59
Hockey	18th of 40
Netball	52nd of 120
Rugby Sevens	26th of 49
Water Polo	12th of 22

Congratulations to all 165 students who competed in the AIMS GAMES this year. Your sportsmanship and behavior was exemplary.

Special thank you to our senior students who were involved with AIMS Umpiring or Coaching; Bijaya Bhusal, Jaedyn Service, Saffron Hose, Connor McCarthy, Cassie Taylor, Ruby Reardon, Charis Trusty, Gemma Van Huenen and Lydia Wilson-Taylor.

Papamoa College would also like to thank all of the staff and parents who have been involved with the AIMS GAMES. Many people have spent hours of time volunteering their help and we could not offer an event like this without you.

Sports Achievements

We would like to celebrate all of 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 into a representative team this year, please email ctarr@papamoacollege.school.nz so that we are aware of this achievement.

2017 Sports Coaches and Managers

Are you passionate about helping kids develop their sporting abilities and building great relationships through coaching or managing a sports team? If this sounds like you, you can please register your interest with the Sport Director, Caitlin Tarr, by emailing your contact details and the code you are interested in to ctarr@papamoacollege.school.nz.