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Message from the Principal

A very warm welcome to Papamoa College 2018. Welcome back to those students and families/whanau that had been with us before, and a very special welcome to those students and their families/whanau who are joining us for the first time.

I trust that your summer holiday has been a good one and you have managed to have time to relax and refresh before starting another busy year.

The school plans to start the year with 1300 students, which reflects the current increasing population for Papamoa and is in line with our own growth projections. It will take a week or two for the student roll to settle down before we see accurate numbers.

Uniform Shop Uniform Group

Just a reminder to you that the school uniform is no longer sold from Reception but now sold by the Uniform Group. Their shop is on campus currently operating from the theatre, but will soon be in a new building at the front of the school.

Information regarding the shop hours and details for online ordering, can be obtained from the school website and also from the Uniform Group's own website.

Wairere and Puna Wai

With the rapid growth of student numbers, especially in the Middle School, we have created a new learning community named Wairere (meaning waterfall). This learning community is part of the Upper Middle School and is made up of 90x year 9&10 students, and is lead by Ms Marcie Hintz (Leader of Learning of the Commons).

The Lower Middle School learning community - Puna wai with year 7&8 students will be located in a new group of relocatable buildings that will be positioned at the end of the Senior School. Unfortunately, there has been a delay that has been out of our control, which means we will not be able to use the buildings for the start of the year.

Therefore, Puna wai will be situated in the lobby and theatre areas. We expect that this will be a temporary situation for approximately 4/5 weeks.

2018 New Staff

We welcome 8 new teachers to Papamoa College this year.

Pictured **Anaru Taute** – Te Reo Maori Teacher, **Leanne Blow** – Y7/8 Teacher, **Maddi Brunton** – Science/Wairere Teacher, **Kevin Turanga** – Careers Teacher **Debra Cornelius** – Y7/8 Teacher, **Abdul Lateef** – Digital Technology Teacher, **Tanya Laybourn** – English/Moana Teacher, **Absent: Shelley Lock** – English/Motu Teacher

Despite the teacher shortage across New Zealand that has been widely reported recently, it is pleasing we are in a position of being fully staffed at this stage.

Heat wave

As you may be aware weather forecasts have predicted a hot and possibly wet February. It seems everyone is feeling the heat and it is unfortunate that we have to contend with these conditions during the first month of school. It would be useful for you to help your child be as prepared as possible with how to cope with the heat.

Students need to be well hydrated and make frequent use of a water bottle. Students will be allowed to have their water bottle with them in class for this purpose.

The application of sunscreen to students before they come to school is advisable. Learning Communities as well as Student Services do have some sunscreen available but it would be helpful for your child to have their own supply of sunscreen. The message to reapply sunscreen throughout the day should also be understood.

Students need to hear the message that prolonged periods in the sun should be avoided. Despite the fact that some of the trees on-campus are relatively small and don't provide much shade, there are places around the buildings that provide shade throughout the day. Students need to be sensible as to the amount of time they are in the sun at break times.

At Papamoa College the wearing of hats outside is highly recommended.

Excessive physical exertion outside, especially when it is very hot, should be minimised or at least reduced.

At school teachers will also reinforce these messages to ensure that students can deal effectively with the heat.

We hope that you and your child have had a good start to the year and look forward to meeting and partnering with you throughout 2018.

Kind Regards

Steve Lindsey
Principal



Helpful Information

Reminder if you are picking up students...

In 2018 we will continue to close the school gates from 2.45pm-3.30pm. This is to provide a safe passage for students to depart at the end of the day while they leave the campus.

Please also observe all traffic rules to consider pedestrians and our surrounding neighbours.

Therefore if you collect your child by car after school, please ensure your collection place is off campus. This will mean that students will have to walk a short distance.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter. The safety of your child is important to us.

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	Uniform Shop or online
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.

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.

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Y7 & Y8 Orientation Afternoon

Thursday 8 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 2018. 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 For example; Teacher - John Key's email address would be jkey@papamoacollege.school.nz

For general enquiries email: enquiries@papamoacollege.school.nz

To contact the Board of Trustees: board@papamoacollege.school.nz

For enquiries regarding fees: 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

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

Caelum Rogers-Hall, Abby Grant, Danielle Banks, Mckenzie Hartley, Fiavaai Filo, Sabrina Maguiness-Green, Molly Crawford, Gabriella Malu, Xavier Lea, Emma Huggestone, Kayla Ringrose, Abigail Cunningham, Elisabeth McNaughton, Sarah Gordon, Maia Ririnui-Komene, Alex Scott, Novneet Kaur, Tiana Whitehead

Level 2

Brianna Burt, Lila Fox, Ellie Grant, Monique Kim, Brydie Craven, Brooke Rapira-Grindley, Samantha McLachlan, Rhiannon Cotton, Maegan Jones, Calista Cristobal, Georgia Fowler, Emma Campbell, Katherine Speidell, Brooke Broomhead, Zach McLachlan, Yunbai Huang, Connor Douglas, Cameron Slade, Caleb Le Roy

Level 3

Mysha Amin, Emma Archer, Stefanie McGregor, Sophia Malu, Aliyah Cole, Manjinder Dhaliwal, Caitlin Bass.

On Monday 12 February from 5.30pm - 6.00pm at school, we will be celebrating these students' achievements at the NCEA Endorsed with Excellence evening.

What's Happening

Term Dates

Term 1: January 30 - April 13

Term 2: April 30 - July 6

Term 3: July 23 - September 28

Term 4: October 15 - December 12

Y9-Y13 Competitive Athletics Day

On Tuesday 20 February the Y9-Y13 students will participate in Athletics Day. Parents and Whanau are most welcome to attend. Please make sure you are sunsmart!

ID Photos

Students will have their ID photos taken on Monday 19 February (for Y9 - Y13 students) and Wednesday 21 February (for Y7 & Y8 students). Students will then 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.

Y7-Y13 Competitive Swimming Sports

Swimming Sports are on Tuesday 13 March held at Baywave Aquatic Centre. Parents and Whanau are most welcome.

Physical Education Uniform

Recently some students have worn a wide range of non-uniform sporting apparel for Physical Education.

We wish to remind students and parents that the school does have a PE uniform that students need to wear. A PE uniform is in keeping with the school having a school uniform for all students. When the school was established the community communicated very clearly that Papamoa College students should wear a uniform.

Please support the teachers by helping your child to have the correct PE uniform. All uniform items can be purchased from the Uniform Group.

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. The afternoon bus service leaves the school at 3.20pm.

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. The afternoon bus service leaves the school at 3.20pm.

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.



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