

What's been happening this term:

Lunchtime Games

Term 4 is great time for Lunchtime games, since we got to continue lunchtime games through winter this has really helped the youth workers build consistency students but also it helps students to know that this fun thing is always on Thursday Lunchtimes. Games such as 3 v 3 basketball, dodgeball, indoor football, volleyball are always favourites amongst students.

Cool Story: Jasper has noticed that a lot of students are now asking what game we will be playing outside of Thursdays. There was one student called Dylan (Year 11) and every time Jasper sees him down the hallway he'll ask 'what game will you be playing' and would say to 'Dang it's not Thursday today, you should run games at other lunchtimes.'

Drama Production

In late term 3 Kieran was approached by some senior boys he had gotten to know through Drama, they asked him for some help in running a production before the end of the year. The drama department was already pretty busy with other things so Nathan (HOD of Drama) asked Kieran to direct it. Kieran felt a little out of depth running the production but we all know for Kieran that diamonds were made under pressure.

Throughout the 5 weeks of rehearsals and preparation putting together this production Kieran and the cast grew really close as a group, after every afternoon rehearsal they would often spend an extra half hour just chatting about the stresses of life and end of school coming to an end. They affectionately named this 'Kieran's therapy time'. What really stood out in these conversations was the fun and inside jokes (often at Kieran's expense) that could only have been made by spending an extended amount of time together.

Term 4 had two shows in week 4 on a Wednesday and Thursday evening. The audience was relatively small but the goal wasn't to sell out a whole theatre, the goal was to set out to have a good time. The end of the production was bitter-sweet for Kieran. He loved his time spent with the boys and was really proud of the work they had put in together. On the other hand, it was hard for Kieran seeing them finish up for the year and move onto life outside of Shirley. Kieran's hope was that they created a lasting positive memory for those boys to look back on from their final weeks at Shirley. Kieran should be really proud of his efforts and the impact he has made on those students.

Whirikoka Kaihōpara

Jayden and Kieran took 1 group this term through the whirikoka kaikōpara programme, unfortunately students weren't attending regularly due to their low attendance at school. **2023 statistics** for the programme this year, there were 8 groups run, unfortunately 2 were stopped early due to covid and another stopped due to no attendance. There 55 boys were given the chance to attend our programme unfortunately due to the student that were referred there were 24 students that completed the programme. We had 15 of those students fill out surveys about the programme. One of the questions asked was 'What did the students most like about the programme?' 9 out of the 15



students liked getting to know the youth workers. 9 out of 15 would recommend the programme to their friends. Comments from students were 'they were really nice and understanding', 'Funny', 'Chill' and 'Cool'. How will this programme help you going forward? 'Lead my friends into making good decisions', another said 'Not putting down my mates will help my strengths going forward' and lastly 'my strengths will help me in my future careers'.

Year 9 Days at Rawhiti, Queenspark and Chisnallwood



One of the things our youth workers do which the school don't ask of is help year 8's get integrated and ready for high school. The school is very stoked that the youth workers go to local primary school and run Year 8 days for students that are going to SBHS. Firstly, Chisnallwood sees so many students go to Shirley and so we joined other youth workers from other local high schools and got to meet all the year 8's going SBHS. Play some games and give them an ice block, there was some disc golf and volleyball involved. Next school was Queenspark School, majority of the year 8's were going to Shirley and students asked us questions about High School and gave them an ice block and played Basketball Dodgeball. Lastly, the team went to Rawhiti School and again there were ice blocks involved as well as some games. All these schools were keen to have the youth workers come in and the hope is that the team will be able to continue to run these events for future SBHS students. The team have helped break the ice students going to Shirley and the team can't wait to see those students next year in year 9.

Volleyball

Term 4 saw Jasper taking the Senior B Team for Volleyball again and due to a Covid outbreak in term 1 and cancelling all volleyball tournaments, the Canterbury Volleyball Association moved the Canterbury Champs to term 4. This gave the senior B's something to look forward to going into this term, usually term 4 volleyball isn't too busy due to school exams coming up.

This was a bitter sweet time for Jasper, as he was finishing with the students that he coached since year 9 in 2018. Picture to the right are just some students that Jasper has coached. A highlight for Jasper over the years of working with them has been how close that group was with each other even though they all started hanging out in different groups and they formed their own group at school. Jasper loves how volleyball can bring together a bunch of misfits together (from short to tall, quiet to loud) and become a team.

Canterbury Champs with the B team was another successful tournament, the team was in Division 2 and won all their games in the pool stages, this put the team into the semi-finals, where Haeata was



waiting, last year Haeata bet the B Team in the finals and so redemption was on the cards. It went to 5 sets which historically isn't good for Jasper's team but finally the team won in 5 set (3-2). They were through to the final once again, this time versing Hornby High School, disappointingly the team was low on energy and lost 3-1. The boys were devastated because this was for some, their third silver medal. This was the same for Jasper, finals record isn't the best but he was very proud of the team. Shout out to Uli for his help!



Mentoring

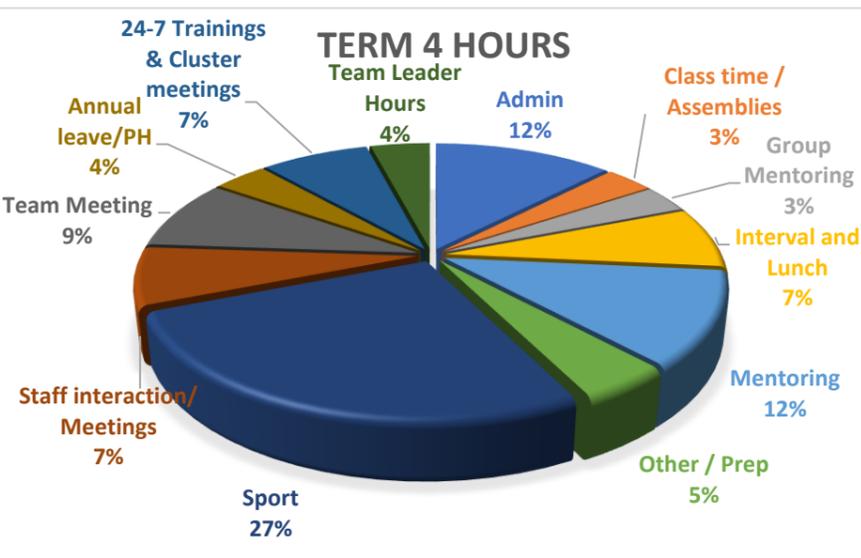
Our team continues to meet with students on a regular basis when they can. There was definitely less 1 on 1's this term as students would be away a lot or not turning up to school, this is a common occurrence. These mentoring sessions can consist of 1 on 1 catch ups getting a drink, getting lunch, playing a sport, playing some card games and or going for a walk.

Kieran's Farewell

Last but not least, Kieran is finishing up his time as a youth worker at SBHS. It is with a heavy heart to see this old boy of the school leave. Over the last 3 and ½ years Kieran has grown immensely in youth work, he has pushed into other areas which not many youth workers have ventured. He has done so many things from coaching cricket to running a production for the senior drama class. Kieran has done amazingly, working particularly in the drama department, mentoring students who were feeling the pressure of a production or school life or even helping students find their 'niche' in life. There is certainly going to be a gap as Kieran leaves to go study to be a teacher, here at Shirley we know that he is going to be a fine teacher and who knows maybe he will be teaching back at SBHS one day. All the best Kieran, you will be missed.



Youth Worker Hours for the term:



Youth Workers Term 4 Stats:

Total Hours For Term 4:

290.05 Hours

Team Leader Hours for Term 4:

5.75 Hours

Meaningful one on one contacts:

92 young people

Meaningful Interactions in Groups:

893 young people



SHIRLEY BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

"Kiwi Soul, Global Vision"



24-7 YouthWork

Term 4 2022

24-7 Youth Work @ SBHS

As 24-7 Youth Workers we are employed to bring these 5 outcomes of youth work into Shirley Boys High School:

- Support students well-being
- Building Positive Relationships that support students
- Cultivating positive school spirit
- Developing Leadership
- Integrating young people into community activities



Disc Golf

Disc Golf has taken off this term. Jayden and Jasper have found students in the school who are keen to play disc golf as a sport. Spartan sport was keen for us to get this going and it looks like potential for it to grow in the future. A lot of the students keen were also busy with other sports after school and this led to organising lunchtime disc golf. The youth workers would book a van and drive a load of students to Queenspark Disc Golf Course and play multiple games of disc golf. The range of experience was from beginner to advanced, this was a great chance for Jayden and Jasper to coach and teach students but also to have a fun lunchtime break playing doubles. The course is 9 holes and takes about 25 mins to play, just enough time to get back to school before the end of lunch. We can't wait to see what happens next year with this new sport in the school.



As a team, we want to acknowledge all the support we have received throughout the year. We often get the credit for supporting young people, but all of that would not be possible without the organisations & communities that have partnered with us.



