

NEWS LETTER

PASADENA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

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WELCOME

Greetings, Tena Koutou Katoa, Talofa Lav a, Kia Orana, Malo e Lelei, Fakaalofa Lahi, Atua, Kamshor, Namaste, Bula Vinaka, Ni Hao, Taloha NI, Konichi Wa

We welcome new students who have enrolled recently. We trust your time at Pasadena will be enjoyable and profitable.

2004 inter EXCHANGE

HIROSHIMA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL EXCHANGE

THE EDUCATIONAL TRIP OF A LIFETIME!

The Information Albums and CDs about the Hiroshima High School Junior High School Exchange are available for students who are considering applying, from the office, to take home for their families to view.

Application Forms for the May Hiroshima High School Junior High School Exchange are available from the Office and must be completed and handed in by 3.00pm, on Monday 8 March 2004.

Interviews and selection activities will be held during the week and the final selection announced on Thursday 11 March 2004.



IWI AFFILIATION

Last week, all Yr 7 parents will have received a notice about iwi affiliation.

Parents are asked to complete 1 form for each of their children attending Pasadena Intermediate and return it to school as soon as possible.

The school is required to include iwi affiliation in roll returns to the Ministry of Education.

It is anticipated that including iwi affiliation in the roll return will provide information at a statistical level that will allow iwi, schools and the Ministry to understand the current opportunities and challenges and to focus effort in the areas of greatest need.

It may also assist the school/families accessing additional education funding.

ABSENCES/LATENESS

We ask that parents/caregivers advise the school of their child's absence or lateness by 8.30a.m. This enables classroom teachers to be advised before school commences.

CONGRATULATIONS

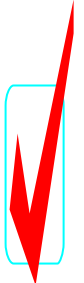
Congratulations students, parents/caregivers and staff, as we approach the halfway point in Term 1. Your combined efforts have launched us into 2004 with an excellent start.

There is a really nice atmosphere about the school - happy, cooperative, supportive and industrious students - we are in for a fantastic year.

School programmes are up and running, specialist programmes and modules have commenced; the inter-class sports programmes are well underway; Waterwise is up and sailing; the tennis and softball teams have been preparing for the Zone Tournaments; we are preparing for the Swimming Sports; preparations for the 2004 Talent Quest are starting to echo in the corridors; interested students are preparing their applications for the 2004 Hiroshima Junior High School Exchange; Outdoor Education Week preparations are well in hand and School Councillors are being elected and School Monitors selected.

I have visited and have been invited to many classrooms and have been impressed by the co-operation and supportive tone.

Congratulations students and thank you parents/caregivers for your efforts over uniforms - they are looking really great.



This is Learning for the 21st century

Pasadena Intermediate is a leader in the appropriate use of Information and Communications Technologies to support learning.

Coupled with this, we are also researching and investigating 21st Century Curriculum 'What knowledge, what skills, what abilities will our students REALLY need for the 21st Century?'

We have been invited to join a pilot project that is trialling this delivery. The project involves 18 schools from across Auckland and Northland, it is being run by Team Solutions, the advisory arm of the Auckland College of Education and has the Ministry's support.

We would like to share with you what we are doing, what it means for your children and how we would like you to become involved.

Please join us for an Information Meeting

7.30pm - 8.30pm

Tuesday 2 March 2004

Pasadena Centre

Supper will be served following the Meeting

MESSAGES FOR STUDENTS

We accept there will be occasions when students need to contact members of their family during the school day.

With the approval of their classroom teacher, students are able to use a school telephone to do this. Because of the demands of school management and school activities, these calls will be restricted to important matters.

Likewise, the school accepts in today's busy schedule there will be occasions when parents need to get important messages to their children. The school will make every effort to forward these messages. However, the administration staff cannot accept responsibility if a student does not receive a message.

BLUE LIGHT DISCO



6.30 - 9.00pm

FRIDAY 12 MARCH 2004

PASADENA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL HALL

\$4.00

Tickets Available At The Door On The Night

REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE
SPOT PRIZES

The Disco Is Run and Supervised by Youth Aid and Community Constables of The NZ Police. It Is Not a Pasadena Intermediate School Activity.

PEER PRESSURE - HARASSMENT

The 2004 Prospectus and Calendar details the expectations and standards of personal behaviour we have of all students.

Page 14 GENERAL INFORMATION PASADENA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL CODE Items 4, 5, 6 & 7 detail these expectations very clearly -

4. All students are expected to be courteous and sensible at all times. They are expected to allow others to learn without interruption.
5. Students are expected to be sensitive to the feelings of others and to display tolerance of difference, including gender, race, culture, religion and ability.
6. Assault, violence, physical abuse, verbal abuse, bullying, social, sexual, religious, physical, intellectual, cultural, age, gender harassment and foul language are considered anti-social and unacceptable forms of behaviour.
7. All students are expected to be honest. Property and possessions belonging to others will be left alone.

This information is also on Page 17 in the 2004 Student Information Book.

The warm atmosphere, supportive tone and cooperative student attitude are characteristics of Pasadena Intermediate School that authorities and visitors regularly comment on. We would be grateful of your continued support in maintaining these standards.

Students who consider they are the victims of any of the above anti social behaviours are encouraged to speak up and are supported 100% by the school and staff.

Sometimes however, there are students who feel afraid to speak up, who feel reporting the matter may further compound the problem for them - this is not the case.

If you are aware your child is suffering because of other student/s behaviour and they need help in dealing with the problem - we want to know.

TELECOM SCHOOL CONNECTIONS

In recent years we have made TELECOM SCHOOL CONNECTIONS our fund raising activity - effortlessly raising over \$200,000!



It is the easiest fund raising activity we have ever been involved in - IT COSTS US NOTHING - IT COSTS OUR SUPPORTERS NOTHING - there is not product to handle, we simply receive a commission from Telecom for our support.

Starting this week we will be enrolling supporters. Students will have an information pack, including an ID Card.

As in the past, we will be running an inter class competition with the most successful 'sponsor gathering classes' having an all expenses paid day at a fun park of their choice!

We ask for your support in this, the only fund raising activity we undertake.

PHOTOGRAPHS 2004

Individual and family portraits will be taken on Friday 27 February, class photographs will be taken on Friday 30 April and team and group photographs will be taken on Friday 19 November.

UPDATE OF INFORMATION

If, for your child attending Pasadena Intermediate, there have been any **changes to the custodial arrangements, change of address, change of telephone number, change of emergency contact numbers**, we would be very grateful if you would inform us as soon as possible, so our records can be corrected.

SUN PROTECTION

HATS

For obvious Health reasons, HATS ARE ESSENTIAL for outdoor activities during Terms I and IV .

As you will have noted in the uniform list, Pasadena does have, as part of its official uniform, a baseball style cap and a full brimmed hat, at the 'at cost price' of \$15.00.

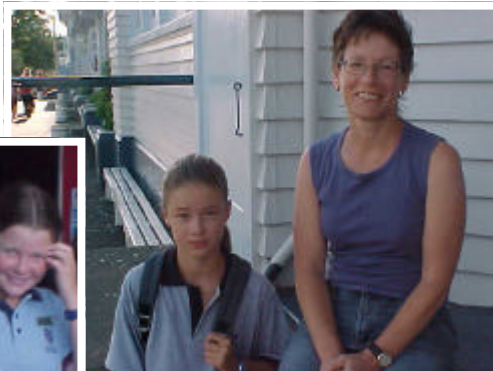


SUN BLOCK

At the beginning of this Term, we again have issued each class with a large pump bottle of Cancer Society approved, 30 Sun Block for student use.

If there are parents who don't wish their child to use the Sun Block, I would ask they advise their child's class teacher in writing.

An Excellent Start To The Year!





BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS 2004

The Fifth Elections of Boards of Trustees are being held this year.

The theme of the 2004 elections is e tu tangata— **“stand and be counted”** because those who are willing to stand for the board are those who value their child's education.

Being on the board is one of the most rewarding things you can do for your children. A truly successful school is reliant on a dynamic board - one that can create the kind of supportive learning environment that drives education achievement.

Nominations are now being accepted for parent representatives on our Board of Trustees. Nomination forms can be obtained from the School Office. If you are on the school electoral roll, a nomination form will be sent to you.

KEY DATES:

- March 5 Nominations open
- March 19 Nominations close, 12 noon
- Voting Papers Issued Before March 24
- April 2 Polls close

CONSENT FORMS

As noted in the Prospectus, the school requires written consent from parents/caregivers for students to participate in selected out-of-school activities. This procedure is designed to keep parents/caregivers informed of school activities and to protect both the school and the students.

There are occasions when students have not been able to go on organised activities because they were unable to produce a signed consent form. Although it can be very disappointing for the students involved, we are unable to allow students to participate in activities outside the school without written consent from parents/caregivers.

SWIMMING SPORTS FINALS

1.00 - 3.00pm

FRIDAY 27

FEBRUARY

2004

All Welcome



2004 COSTS

Thank you to all those parents/caregivers who have paid their costs - Specialist Courses Materials and Services, Photocopying Levy, Activities.

As detailed elsewhere, these are part of full costs of activities and services that we believe are critical to your child's successful education that are not funded by the government.

Families who have not yet paid these costs, we would ask that you do so immediately - they are now due.

OPEN DAY

Our school is always open and parents/caregivers are most welcome, in fact encouraged, to visit at any time.

We have set aside Thursday 4 March as our Open Day for this term and would welcome visits from parents/caregivers at any time throughout the day.

FROM THE GOLDEN JUBILEE BOOK—STREET NAMES

Moray Place Moray Firth is a large bay on the North Eastern coast of Scotland. Morayshire sometimes called Elginshire is in Northern Scotland.

Pasadena Avenue Known as this as early as the 1860's, possibly the sub-divider's name.

2004 CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you to all those parents/caregivers who have forwarded a Contribution to Pasadena Intermediate.

We were encouraged by a number of parents to offer a scale of Contribution options and we have been overwhelmed by your generous response. Thank you.

Parents/Caregivers planning to make a Contribution may do so in person, or by forwarding your cheque (\$30 / \$40 / \$80 / \$160) to the school office.

A receipt that is suitable for claiming Tax exemption will be provided on request.

SATURDAY NETBALL

WE URGENTLY REQUIRE COACHES AND MANAGERS FOR OUR SATURDAY MORNING NETBALL TEAMS ENTERED IN THE THREE KINGS COMPETITIONS (Mt Roskill Intermediate)

Please contact Mrs Linda Bowden, our Administration Officer, or Miss Susan Paraha, our Sports Manager, at school, 846-2169.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

When space permits, we are happy to include Community Notices, particularly those pertaining to activities that involve our students and their families, in our Newsletters. Forward copy to, or enquire at the office.

ALL STAR CHEERLEADING CLASSES

Learn Real American Style Cheerleading from US Certified safety cheer coaches.

Experience: Cheer, Chants, Stunts, Tumbling, Build pyramids and Learn Funky Dance Routines! Gain positive life skills such as Self Confidence, Leadership

Practices are held at the Mt Albert YMCA everyday. Contact us on 416 7677 or log onto www.allstarcheerleaders.co.nz

YOUTHTOWN PROGRAMMES TERM 1 & 2

ASP daily (OSCAR approved) \$6 per day

Holiday Programme (OSCAR approved) \$10 per day

METRO SOCCER CLUB 2004 SEASON

Junior & Youth Soccer Registration

BOYS & GIRLS Ages 5—17 Years

Friday 20 February 6.00p.m.—8.00p.m.

Sunday 22 February 10.00a.m.—Noon

At Metro Soccer Clubrooms—Phyllis St Reserve Mt Albert Enrolments, at the clubrooms, Phyllis Street, Mt Albert

RICHMOND ROVERS RUGBY LEAGUE

2004 JUNIOR MUSTER REGISTRATION

U/6's—U/18's

Tuesday 24 February 5.00p.m.—7.00p.m.

Thursday 26 February 5.00p.m.—7.00p.m.

Venue: RRRL Clubrooms

For any further enquiries, please phone

021 1509 138 or 025 777047



WE STILL NEED PARENTS TO HELP WITH OUR SCHOOL WATERWISE PROGRAMME!!!!

WATERWISE is a water skills and water safety programme run by parents for their children, teaching them how to be safe around Auckland's coastal area.

Our programme follows on from those provided by Pt Chevalier and Gladstone Schools - the other members of the Western Bays Waterwise Society. All Year 7 and 8 students will be participating in the programme.

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE AN INSTRUCTOR OR A SAILOR TO PROVIDE IMPORTANT HELP!

A NUMBER OF THE ACTIVITIES TAKE PLACE AT SCHOOL, SOME ARE IN THE POOL, SOME DON'T EVEN INVOLVE WATER ACTIVITY! WITHOUT PARENT SUPPORT WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO OPERATE YOUR CHILD'S CLASS WATERWISE PROGRAMME!

For more information PLEASE contact the SCHOOL OFFICE, 846-2169 or your child's Teacher.

Please see the table right.

SMOKE FREE ENVIRONMENT

In accordance with recent legislation and the Pasadena Intermediate School Smoke Free Environment Policy, I remind parents/caregivers, Pasadena Intermediate School is a Smoke Free School.



Smoking is not permitted anywhere in the school, and personnel involved in any school activities will not interact with a student while smoking.

WALL FOR HIRE

Excellent Facilities
Very Well Appointed
Reasonable Rates
Discounts For Regular Bookings

Phone
Jim Gilbert
846-1094

As you know from the Pasadena Intermediate School 2004 Prospectus and Calendar, we have scheduled this year's Outdoor Education Week in the week Monday 15 March - Friday 19 March 2004. The format for Outdoor Education Week will be somewhat different from Camp Week, in that it will be school based.

Outdoor Education and Camps are an integral part of Pasadena Intermediate School programmes and in addition to the contributions they make to specific areas of the curriculum and to individual's personal and social development, the camps are designed to help students get to know teachers and other students and teachers get to know students early in the year.

All students are expected to attend camp/participate in outdoor education programmes.

The Syndicate Managers, Teachers and the Specialist Staff involved are familiar with the various venues we will be using and in consultation with the professional staffs and hired experts, have prepared an interesting, challenging and safe programme for the students. In separate notices you will be provided with all details including times, clothing and equipment lists, transport arrangements, personnel involved, contact telephone numbers, provisions for health problems, special diets etc.

Outdoor Education Week will be an outstanding experience and wonderful learning opportunity for your child and we would ask that you give your child permission to take part by signing and returning the Consent Form with this Newsletter to your child's teacher before the end of the week.

Although representing value for money, we appreciate with uniform and stationery expenses as well, the cost of Outdoor Education Week will be a burden for some families. For this reason and so as not to disadvantage any student from attending Outdoor Education Week, Board Policy allows for Outdoor Education Week Fees to be paid in instalments and/or arrears during Terms I and II. Parents/Caregivers wishing to make payments in this manner are required to make prior arrangements with the Principal. We are still waiting for final quotes from some suppliers, but anticipate the cost of the camp will be between \$65 and \$70.

For your information, next year's camp will be in the bush setting at Totara Springs near Matamata.

If you have any questions, concerns or would like further information please contact your child's teacher or the Principal on 846-2169.

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WATERWISE TERM I 2004 SAILING DATES, CLASSES & TIMES

Mr Barry Noyer / Mr Martin Ball / Classroom Teacher/s / Trained Parent Helpers / Parent Helpers

WEEK	DATE	HIGH TIDE	SESSION	ROOM
Week 5	Wednesday 25 February	12:03 {3.1}	All Day	12
Week 6	Monday 1 March	15:44 {2.6}	Afternoon	9
Week 7	Monday 8 March	9:25 {3.2}	Morning	9
	Tuesday 9 March	10:09 {3.3}	All Day	8
Week 9	Tuesday 23 March	10:06 {3.2}	All Day	5
	Thursday 25 March	11:30 {3.0}	All Day	4
Week 10	Tuesday 30 March	15:05 {2.6}	Afternoon	2 (Yr 7)
	Wednesday 31 March	16:06 {2.6}	Afternoon	2 (Yr 8)
Week 11	Wednesday 7 April	9:40 {3.3}	All Day	3