



**Pasadena
Intermediate
School**
2007
Term 1
Issue 4

NEWSLETTER

WELCOME

Greetings, Tena Koutou Katoa, Talofa Lava, 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.

PASADENA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL CHARTER

THE SCHOOL

Pasadena Intermediate is a state, co-educational, intermediate school catering for Year 7 and 8 students.

NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL GUIDELINES

Pasadena Intermediate School undertakes to fulfil its obligations as detailed in the National Education Guidelines.

MISSION

Our school will be an environment which allows each student to achieve their full potential.

SCHOOL GOALS

CURRICULUM

*To provide an interdisciplinary and holistic curriculum which emphasises the unity of knowledge.
To provide a sequential programme of study.
To value learning and acknowledge diversity.*

CLIMATE

To provide a programme which affirms individuals and builds on the strengths of our multicultural environment.

ASSESSMENT

To provide an ongoing assessment of student achievement and programme development that ensures the attainment of the school's objectives.

STAFF AND ADMINISTRATION

To attract and support teachers and managers who will accomplish the school's mission.

FACILITIES

To provide and maintain facilities which meet the goals of all the programmes and to ensure a suitable environment for the accomplishment of the school's mission.

FINANCE

To allocate the available funds to accomplish the school's mission.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

To recognise and strengthen mutually supportive relationships with all sectors of our community.

At appropriate intervals the school will elaborate the goals by writing appropriate objectives and detailing specific initiatives.

Review of the school's achievement will be made in terms of these objectives and initiatives.

CHARTER UNDERTAKING

The Board of Trustees accepted this charter as its undertaking to the Minister of Education on the 20th day of September 1999.

CENTRAL ZONE TENNIS TOURNAMENTS

Following trials, a Pasadena Team was selected for the Central Zone Year 7 and 8 Tennis Tournaments played recently at the Windmill Road Courts.

Boys' Team: **Jack Tapsell, Andrew Feeney, Jacob Zussman, Keith Bruder, Thomas Hirst**

Girls' Team: **Kim Adams, Chelsea Fowler, Rima Williams**

On behalf of the school and students involved, I would also like to thank **Mrs Allan** for her efforts with the team. The members of the Tennis Team would like to thank all the parents/caregivers who assisted and supported the teams on the days, **Lucy Fowler, Sally Geary and Susan Hirst.**



CENTRAL ZONE CRICKET TOURNAMENTS

One Pasadena Boys' Year 8 Team was selected to represent the school at the Central Zone Cricket Tournament.

Caleb Ward, Dawit Gerezghere, Ben Jackson, Eamon Guthrie, Samer Mistry, Wasim Ahmadzai, Liam Hatten, Jack Windler, Jack Tapsell, Jacob Zussman

The team played well, with some very good individual performances. Well done! Due to weather interruptions the Team off for 3rd place. Their behaviour on and off the field and their sportsmanship were very good.

Sincere thanks to **Mr Gore** for his efforts in organising and preparing the team. The members of the team, would like to thank all the parents who supported them on the day, particularly **Hunsa Mistry, David Windler, Mary Jackson and Brian Windler.**

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

The Sixth Annual Elections for the the Pasadena Intermediate School Board of Trustees were held in March 2007.

Five nominations were received for Parent Representatives and I declare the following elected:

**Paul Cogswell
Wanairangi Nopera
Steven Rudd
Rees Tapsell
Miki Walters**

One nomination for Staff Representative was received and I declare

Lisa White elected.

T. Teesdale

RETURNING OFFICER

SCHOOL MOTTO

"To The Diligent, Nothing Is Difficult."

BICYCLES, SKATEBOARDS, SCOOTERS, ROLLERBLADES

Students may cycle or ride skateboards, scooters or rollerblades to school. A high standard of road sense and pedestrian courtesy is required and if a student proves to be unable to operate at this standard, then the right to ride to school will be removed.

Cycle stands are provided and while every effort is made to ensure the security and safety of bicycles and scooters, the school cannot accept responsibility for damage or theft. We strongly advise all bicycles and scooters are locked to the stands.

Students are required by law to wear approved safety helmets and equipment when travelling to and from school and while using skateboards and rollerblades at school.

HOURS

School is open for students from 8am.

Please do not send or drop students at school before this time.

We cannot be responsible for their safety and welfare.

END OF TERM

School will close for the end of Term 1 at **2.00pm** on **THURSDAY 5 April** and re-open for Term II at **8.45am** on **MONDAY 23 APRIL**.

It has been an extremely busy and certainly a most rewarding and productive term. Most students have grasped the variety of learning experiences offered them in the class and in the school wide programmes and have been rewarded for their efforts and initiatives.

I would like to thank parents/caregivers for the support and encouragement they have given us, in terms of encouraging their children to participate and supporting homework and class programmes. Also a special thank you to the many parents/caregivers previously mentioned in Newsletters who have assisted with specific activities.

On behalf of parents/caregivers, I would like to both thank and compliment the teaching and support staff for their efforts during the course of the term. Their commitment and professionalism not only in the classroom, but in all the activities in the wider corporate life of Pasadena Intermediate, are one of the many reasons for the success of this school.

TELECOM SCHOOL CONNECTIONS

For more than a decade, we have made TELECOM SCHOOL CONNECTIONS our fund raising activity - effortlessly raising over \$240,000!



As you know, during the second half of this Term, students have been collecting sponsors for Pasadena Intermediate as part of this programme.

Paper work is being completed at present, we will forward the completed sponsor forms to Telecom during the holidays and will hear back the results in Term II.

Thank you students and thank you parents/caregivers for your support.

40 HOUR FAMINE

Earlier in the Term the following students participated in the World Vision 40 hour Famine.

 **Joel Riddell, Sean Janssen, Lani Skeen, Imasha Kumarawansa, Grace MacDonald-Walker, Heather Kelly, Kate Farrant, Hebe Schaefer, Jessica Barris, Claudia Cairns, Anahera Hare, Edana Richardson, Geneer Tohovaka, Emily Gore, Erin O'Flaherty, Dorothea Neugebauer, Kim Adams, Poppy Cogswell, Janki Patel, Averil Peace, Gwenny De Leon, Rosie Luke, Michela Belesarius, Lucie Everett-Brown, Lorraine Perenara, Mitchell Cosgrave, Alyssa Ward, Jack Windler, Amy Hart, Sylvia Dew**

They are to be congratulated for their efforts for others not so fortunate.

Thank you Ms Donnelly for coordinating this event.

HIROSHIMA EXCHANGE

Following the application process and selection activities, it is congratulations to the lucky students who will participate in the 2007 Hiroshima High School Junior High School Exchange in May -

Kira Balmforth, Luke Butters, Faith Cleverley, Mitchell Cosgrave, Michael Denby, Lucelia Everett-Brown, Josie Fitzpatrick, Kitty Godbolt, Jarrod Gribble, Rosa Newell, Erin O'Flaherty, Eleanor Oxley, Averil Peace, Georgia Rudd

The students will be accompanied by **Mr Hendrik Den Hartog** (Deputy Principal) and **Mrs Susan Elliott** (Teacher).

SATURDAY NETBALL

Trials have been completed and 3 teams entered in the Waitakere Netball Association Competitions. If you can help with NETBALL (Coach or Manage) please contact the School Office - 846-2169.

BOT MEETING

The next meeting of the Pasadena Intermediate School Board of Trustees will be on Thursday 17 May at 7.00pm in the Principal's Office.

All Board Meetings are open to the public and copies of agendas, reports and minutes are available in the School Office for public inspection. Agendas for Meetings will be forwarded to requesting families on receipt of a stamped self addressed envelope and can be found on the website - www.pasadena.school.nz > Board > Meetings

SAFE CYCLING TIPS

Remember to:

Stand out, Be Seen.

Always wear your helmet.

Keep Watch, Be Alert.

Ensure your helmet fits flat and firmly on your head.

Look after your bike. Check pedals, brakes, wheels, frame and helmet.

Learn the Road Rules.

PHOTO ALBUMS

To view photographs of recent school activities go to

www.pasadena.school.nz

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2007 PHOTO ALBUM

OPEN DAYS

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

Thank you those parents/caregivers who took the opportunity to make a visit earlier in the month, your favourable comments were appreciated.



DUATHLON

Recently, as a finale to the 'summer' aspects of our Health and Physical Well Being - Physical Activity programme, **Ms Godinet** and **Mr Ball** and the staff organised a very successful duathlon.

Participants were required to run/walk 2.5 km and swim/walk 75 metres in the pool.

Sincere thanks to **Ms Godinet** and **Mr Ball** and their team for the excellent organisation and thanks also to all staff members for their effort and contribution to an outstanding event. Thank you to the many parents/caregivers and friends of the school for your support.

My congratulations to all students, the participation, skill level and class spirit were excellent, you can be well proud of your efforts.

RESULTS

Year 7 Girls:

- 1st **Gwenny deLeon**
- 2nd **Anahera Hare**
- 3rd **Lisa Serbeh**
- 4th **Mira Oliva**
- 5th **Leuo Fruean**
- 6th **Zjanika Houghton-Grundty**
- 7th **Kate Farrant**
- 8th **Takau Dean**
- 9th **Roona Rani**
- 10th **Hannah Jackson**

Year 7 Boys:

- 1st **Liam Mitchell**
- 2nd **Tyrone Scalabrini**
- 3rd **Jackson Kinney**
- 4th **Lawrence Baldock**
- 5th **Jonathan Tanner**
- 6th **Benjamin Jackson**
- 7th **Filimon Abay**
- 8th **Shaan Mistry**
- 9th **Vinura Gunarathna**
- 10th **Kieran McCullough**

Year 8 Girls:

- 1st **Tessa Hodder**
- 2nd **Lani Skeen**
- 3rd **Georgia Rudd**
- 4th **Samantha Casey**
- 5th **Whitley Rosenberg**
- 6th **Hannah Ward**
- 7th **Hebe Schaefer**
- 8th **Rosa Newell**
- 9th **Faith Cleverley**
- 10th **Dorothea Neugebauer**

Year 8 Boys:

- 1st **Dawit Gerezghere**
- 2nd **Jarrod Gribble**
- 3rd **Christian Ulukita**
- 4th **Masud Ibrahim**
- 5th **Maxton Scott Coulson**
- 6th **Wasim Ahmadzai**
- 7th **Mitchell Cosgrave**
- 8th **Sam Hutton**
- 9th **Fou Tagiilima**
- 10th **Tyrone AhChong**

Class Competition:

- 1st **Room 4**
- 2nd= **Room 3 and Room 9**

SCHOOL TRAVEL PLAN

INTRODUCTION

On Friday 23rd March we launched our school Travel Plan. The Travel Plan aims to make it safer and easier for students to walk, cycle and bus to school and to encourage more students to use these sustainable forms of transport rather than being driven to school.

PROCESS

The launch of the Travel Plan celebrates the result of a years work by a working party involving school teachers, students, parents, Board of Trustees members, Auckland City Council and the Auckland Regional Transport Authority. The process started when the school community was surveyed about their travel behaviour and safety concerns.

The action plan developed by the working party is available on our website.

The types of actions that are proposed include:

Engineering a safer built environment around the school

Educating students and parents about road safety

Enforcing appropriate road safety behaviour

Making walking, cycling and busing to Pasadena Intermediate School an efficient journey

Actively encouraging walking, cycling and busing to Pasadena Intermediate School

BENEFITS OF THE TRAVEL PLAN

A number of benefits flow from reducing school-related car journeys and promoting active and sustainable transport including

Reducing chaos at the school gate

Giving a greater sense of road safety and personal safety for pupils and parents

Increasing pupils' independence and road sense

Increasing the health and fitness of pupils.

Improving air quality and reducing carbon emissions

Saving energy and parents the cost of petrol

Reducing local traffic and thereby creating a safer, more pleasant environment for everyone to enjoy

LAUNCH

The launch of the Travel Plan took place at a special assembly and involved speeches and items by the students, speeches by officials, include the Deputy Mayor of Auckland - Dr Bruce Hucker and the signing of the Plan.

PLEASE NAME IT

We make every effort to see students' personal items are secure. It would make our task considerably easier and would drastically reduce the level of stress for students if ALL ITEMS - INCLUDING SHOES, TOWELS, P.E. GEAR, SPORTS EQUIPMENT WERE CLEARLY NAMED.



CENTRAL ZONE SWIMMING

As a result of their success in the School Swimming Sports, the following students went on to represent the school at the Central Zone Year 7 and Year 8 Swimming Meet held at the Cameron Pool in Mt Roskill recently.

Jessica Munro, Kate Farrant, Rima Williams, Chelsea Fowler, Georgia Rudd, Jessica Neute, Liam Mitchell, Tessa Hodder, Jack Tapsell, Shaan Mistry, Hebe Schaefer, Gwenny deLeon, Henri Kirkham

Shaan Mistry qualified to represent the Zone at the Champion of Champions Swimming Meet in 50m Freestyle, 50m Backstroke, 50m Breaststroke and 50m Open Butterfly.

All members of the team are to be congratulated, both on their swimming prowess and the way in which they represented their school with pride.

The members of the Swimming Team would like to thank the parents/caregivers who assisted with transportation, time keeping, marshalling and support: **Anita Mok, Elaine Hodder, Robyn Gray, Claire Mitchell, Janette McLeod and Parul Mistry.**



CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS SWIMMING MEET

As a result of his success in the Central Zone Swimming, **Shaan Mistry** was selected to represent the Zone in the Champion of Champions Swimming Meet held recently. This is competition at the highest level, the best Year 7 and Yr 8 swimmers from Orewa to Pukekohe.

Congratulations to **Shaan** who competed in four events, qualifying for Finals in 50m Freestyle, 50m Backstroke and placed 4th in Open Butterfly. The school would like to thank Shaan's family and Swimming Coach who supported him on the day.

LOST PROPERTY

By this time every year, the school has accumulated a variety of items of clothing, shoes etc which has never been claimed. If your child has lost an item of clothing at school, please ensure they check the lost property. Parents/caregivers are welcome to look through this themselves, if they feel their child is reluctant to do so.

'FIRESTONE FAIRPLAY'

Pasadena Intermediate School students, staff, coaches and supporters recognise and support the

FAIR PLAY SPORT CHARTER OF NEW ZEALAND

We at our school agree that when playing sport we will:

- enjoy ourselves*
- play within the rules*
- respect the referees and umpires*
- respect the opposition and their supporters*
- be gracious winners and dignified losers*
- play hard but play fair*

AUCKLAND REGIONAL DENTAL SERVICES

Should you require emergency dental care over the holiday period the nearest available school dental clinics will be at

Pt Chevalier Primary 16 - 19 April. Contact Phone 846 7882.

Mt Albert Primary 10-20 April. Phone 846 1999

Gladstone Primary 10 - 20 April. Phone 846 7812

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.

<http://www.pasadena.school.nz>

YOUTHTOWN HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

68a Nelson Street, Auckland City
Tuesday 11th – Friday 20th April 2007 (weekdays only)
\$12.00 per day, 8.30am – 4.30pm
Before Care 7.30 – 8.30am
After Care 4.30-6.00pm also available (\$5.00 per session)
3 separate programmes for children aged 5 to 17years.

CHILDREN'S ART SCHOOL: HOLIDAY ART CLASSES

Painting: 10-13 April & or 16-19 April. 9-12 noon
Mosaics: 1st week; 12.30-3.00
Clay: 2nd week; 12.00-3.00
Children's Art School. Creative & Visual Arts Dept,
University of Auckland, Faculty of Education, Epsom
Term 2 begins Saturday 28 April
For a brochure or further information phone 623 8858

HOLIDAY SEMINARS CHARITABLE TRUST

April 2007 Achieving Potential Seminar
For High Ability Students Years 4-10
11-18 April at Selwyn College, Kohimarama, Auckland
A range of workshops available
Contact organizer for further details:
Jean Henty-Harris 585 0111; Mob. 021 389 448; Fax: 585 0144
e-mail: info@holidayseminars.co.nz

QUALITY PERFORMING ARTS HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

10 – 13 April - Make a Film in a Week
16 – 20 April - So you want to be an Actor?
Our holiday workshops offer quality care in fantastic performing arts facilities at The Auckland Performing Arts Centre in Western Springs, TAPAC.
Children 8 – 14 years are catered for in a friendly caring environment that challenges, inspires and supports your child.
Call The Performing Arts School of NZ on 845 0290 ext 1 or go to www.pasnz.co.nz for information on both holiday and term time programmes.

DAFFODIL PLANTING

As I am sure you are aware, in late 2005 a mini cyclone cut a path through Pt Chevalier, Newton and Mt Albert – it demolished most of our swimming pool fence, did considerable damage to our pool changing rooms' roofs and wrecked the plantings around the enclosure.

We have become increasingly aware of the large numbers of our families who have been affected by cancer.

In 2006 we decided to bring these 2 tragedies together with a positive outcome.

Insurance repaired the changing rooms and replaced most of the fence – the Board successfully applied to the Ministry of Education to have the replacement of the remainder of the fence included in our Property Plan and we now have a new 'Alcatraz' like fence' protecting our pool.

On Friday of Week I Term II, With the assistance of Simon Stiles (Tippett Nurseries), we will have our second school beautification/ Cancer Society Fundraising Project, when the students will continue the planting of daffodil bulbs along the north, north west boundaries of swimming pool enclosure and school.

The school will purchase the daffodils at cost and we will ask the students to make a gold coin donation to the Cancer Society at the time of planting.

