

# newsletter



TERM IV 2004 No 2

## 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.

## BANDANNA DAY

Thank you everyone for your wonderful support of the NZ Teenager Cancer Patients' Society Appeal in which the students raised over \$800.00 in Bandana sales.

## 2004 COSTS

Thank you to all those parents/caregivers who have paid their costs- Specialist Courses Materials and Services, Photocopying Levy, 2004 Programme 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 well overdue.**

## OPEN DAYS

Our school is always open and parents/caregivers are most welcome, in fact encouraged, to visit at any time. We have set aside Thursday 11 November as our Open Day for this term and would welcome visits from parents/caregivers at any time throughout the day.

## SCHOOL MOTTO

*"To The Diligent, Nothing Is Difficult"*

## END OF YEAR TRIPS

Syndicate Staff are currently planning their end of year trips.

Parents are reminded that these are social outings, and while they are an enjoyable experience and a nice way to end the year, they do not form part of curriculum delivery.

For students to be able to pay for and participate in these outings, it will be necessary for their parents to have met all their financial commitments to the school.

Outstanding accounts for Camp, Specialist Courses Materials and Services, Programme Activities and Photocopying will need to be paid before students can participate in these trips.

## TEAM PHOTOGRAPHS

Team and Group Photographs will be taken on Friday 19 November. Proofs will be displayed and the photographs will be available for sale by pre paid orders later in November.

## WELCOME

**Greetings Tenaa Koutou  
Katoa Talofa Lava Kia  
Orana Malo e Lelei  
Fakaalofa Lahi Atu  
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.

## STUDENT HEALTH

We have noted on a number of student enrolment records, there are students with allergies and conditions which require special medication and treatment.

If your child is one of these children, we would be grateful if you would contact Mrs Louise Holmes, School Receptionist, to outline to her, treatment procedures.

## CENTRAL ZONE TOUCH TOURNAMENTS

Pasadena entered 3 teams in the Central Zone Touch Tournament held recently.

**GIRLS': Narcisse Peterson, Mary Apolosi, Mary Tiimalu, Hannah Winter, Jessica MacGregor, Avea Tafeamalii, Hinemoa Pirika, Siouzy Livingstone, Sisilia Koloamatangi, Brooke Evaga, Rebecca Summerhayes, Priya Mistry, Ruth Holden**

**BOYS': Nick Tausi, Zachary Southworth, Joseph Fletcher, Ross Oliva, Ross Pulou, Kelvny Havilitama, Uili Sitauti, Sunny Kim, Stanley Tongotea, Jordan Leutele, Chanel Aмосa, Tonga Henry**

**MIXED: Brandon Trevan - Stewart, Mata William, Henry Faitotoa, Jordan Tuiuli, Felix Nimeti, Jason Kau, Tamsin Dehar, Sophie Blazey, Elleni Takele, Katie Curd, Charlotte Bunce - Williams, Josephine Wallis, Rebecca Van Dam**

All players represented their school with pride and played with skill. Our Boys' team had a good tournament by making it to the semi-final. They were placed 3rd overall. The Girls' Team and the Mixed Team played well but unfortunately neither teams were placed. Well done all teams.

On behalf of the school and students involved, I would like to thank Miss Manu, Miss White and Miss Chao for their hard effort in trainings. Also a special thanks to Sifiti Manu, Sci Vehikite and Luana Tuiuli for their encouragement and support on the day.



## IN THIS ISSUE

Central Zone Touch	Page 1
Team Photographs	Page 1
Athletic Sports	Page 2
Student Social	Page 2
Peer Pressure / Harassment	Page 2
Auckland Intermediate Schools' Art Exhibition	Page 3
Illness - Accident - Injury	Page 3
Councillors, Office Assistants, Librarians, Technicians 2004	Page 3
Prize Giving	Page 3
Internet Safety	Page 4
Home & School Communication	Page 4

## AUCKLAND INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS' ART EXHIBITION

This week, The Auckland Intermediate Schools' Art Exhibition is being staged at the Aotea Centre.

Only the very best of art work from all schools with Year 7 and 8 students between Orewa and Pukekohe is selected for this most prestigious exhibition. Again the talents of Pasadena students were on display - 11 students had work selected!!

Outstanding.

Thank you Mrs Elliott for your wonderful support and guidance of our young artists.

## 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-

- All students are expected to be courteous and sensible at all times. They are expected to allow others to learn without interruption.
- Students are expected to be sensitive to the feelings of others and to display tolerance of difference, including gender, race, culture, religion and ability.
- 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.
- 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.



Opening Night, The Auckland Intermediate Schools' Art Exhibition, Aotea Centre.

## STUDENT SOCIAL

The School Council have organized a student Social for Friday 26 November - 7.15pm to 9.30pm in the Pasadena Centre. I take this opportunity to remind parents of procedures concerning Socials.



The Social is for Pasadena Intermediate students only. All parents/caregivers will receive a letter and Consent Form for each Social planned. Students need a signed Consent Form to purchase a Social Ticket and admission to the Social is by pre-purchased ticket only.

It is imperative that parents/caregivers provide transport to and from the Social for their children.

The Social starts at 7.15pm. Students are asked not to arrive before that time. The Social finishes at 9.30pm and we would ask that students be collected by 9.45pm.

Our School Socials are a lot of fun and provide the students with enjoyable and worthwhile learning experiences. In the interests of the safety for our students, your co-operation in these matters is greatly appreciated.

## SMOKE FREE ENVIRONMENT

In accordance with the Pasadena Intermediate School Smoke Free Environment Policy, I remind parents/caregivers smoking is not permitted in the following areas:

All classrooms and corridors, the Staff Lounge, the Toilets, the Library, the Pasadena Centre, the Assembly Hall during school hours, the Secretary's Office, the Deputy Principal's Office, Meeting Rooms and Sickbay Areas, and that personnel involved in any school activities will not interact with a student while smoking.



## PARENT/CAREGIVER TEACHER CONFERENCES

Thank you to the many parents/caregivers who took the opportunity to meet with teachers for the Parent/Caregiver Teacher Conferences as a follow-up to Report Three.

We view the home and school relationship as a very integral part of successful education for your children and all of the staff report that the conferences were both positive and a very successful exercise.

For those who were not able to make the appointment, please do not hesitate to contact your child's classroom teacher and arrange a mutually suitable time if there are any matters you would like to discuss or information you would like to pass on or share.

Thank you to those many parents/caregivers who commented on the quality of the students work on display and the progress their children are making. We freely admit we are proud of the work our students produce, but they are the ones who must take the credit and deserve your praise.

PASADENA  
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

2004  
ATHLETIC  
SPORTS

MT SMART STADIUM

TUESDAY 9 NOVEMBER

All Welcome

## ILLNESS — ACCIDENT — INJURY

The following is our ILLNESS, ACCIDENT & INJURY PROCEDURE as detailed in the Prospectus.

Parents/caregivers are asked to note major health problems, allergies, medication and physical difficulties on the Enrolment Form.

A list of students with special needs, their condition and necessary medication is held in the Office and this is circulated to Staff at the beginning of each term.

Contact, emergency contact and doctor telephone numbers are also noted on the Enrolment Form. Should any of the above details change, we ask that you inform the school immediately.

In the event of illness, accident or injury, the following procedures will be followed:

Students unwell or injured are taken to a sick bay

Minor injuries or conditions are treated by the teacher/Office Staff

If necessary students rest/recuperate in a sick bay

Parents/caregivers are contacted and arrangements are made for their child to be collected from school. If the parent/caregiver cannot be contacted the student will remain in the sick bay.

In the case of serious accident or injury the student will be taken to Ponsonby A & E Clinic, St Lukes A & E Clinic or an ambulance will be requested. Parents/Caregivers will be contacted at the earliest opportunity.

Sick students will not be sent home without parent/caregiver permission.

If the student is in a very distressed condition and parents/caregivers cannot be contacted, the family doctor will be consulted.

Students will not be permitted to give themselves first aid treatment or medications unless specific written permission has been received from parents/caregivers.

Parents/caregivers are asked not to send children who are unwell to school.

## PRIZE GIVING

**AN INVITATION IS EXTENDED TO ALL PARENTS AND FAMILIES TO ATTEND THE PASADENA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL PRIZE GIVING**

*'A Celebration of The Achievements and Successes of Our Students and Our School'*

**WEDNESDAY 8 DECEMBER 2004  
7.30PM, ASSEMBLY HALL**



## CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION

An afternoon of colour, costume and fun to celebrate CHILDREN'S DAY. Superbly organized and staged by the Student Council.

## 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 'bucket style' hat, at the 'at cost price' of \$15.00.

## COMMUNITY NOTICE

**WANTED: Caring Host Families for AFS Students for 2005**

We have girls from Canada (French), Chile (Spanish), Germany, U.S.A. and Guatemala (Spanish speaking) and boys from Denmark and Paraguay (Spanish speaking).

They all have excellent school and character reports.

These are Exchange Students, not fee paying and have been selected as good ambassadors for their country.

Hosting is a wonderful opportunity to experience a new culture in your own home.

For more information, please call Brenda 818 5520 Waitakere Chapter of AFS Intercultural Programme

## 2004 COUNCILLORS

Room 2: **Rose Philpott, Grace Elliott, Sophie Blazey, Ruth Ziegler**

Room 3: **Mary Tiumalu, Brenna Magee-Watling, Nicholas Tausi**

Room 4: **Reynieze Petersen, Kenahadleeh Trusewich**

Room 5: **Hannah Cleverley, Clare Hannam, Greer Rasmussen, Emmett Watch**

Room 8: **Helen McLean, Miranda Webster**

Room 9: **Mark Hawkins, Dinesha Kumarawansa**

Room 10: **Jewell Phillips, Dinushi Kumarawansa**

Room 11: **Georgia Kirkham, Allanah Colley**

Room 12: **Vincent Watson, Caitlyn Te Moana**

## 2004 LIBRARIANS

Room 2: **Jessica Langley, Mischa Cole-Delu, Claire Lowe**

Room 3: **Margaret Taito, Olga Tambovtseva**

Room 4: **Finn Godbolt, Victoria Jackson**

Room 5: **Hannah Cleverley, Rebecca Van Dam**

Room 8: **Liam O'Dwyer, Helen McLean**

Room 9: **Grace Kennedy, Dinesha Kumarawansa**

Room 10: **Jewell Phillips, Vicky O'Connor**

Room 11: **Sam Loveridge, Grace Nesbitt, Edward Dean**

Room 12: **Caitlyn Te Moana, Hailey Ngapera**

## 2004 TECHNICIANS

Room 2: **Samuel Willis, Neerali Parbhu**

Room 3: **Tai Filemoni, Linga Nadarajah**

Room 4: **Kenahadleeh Trusewich, Ziggy Croft**

Room 5: **Clare Hannam, Emmett Watch**

Room 8: **Paris Karena, Chanel Amosa**

Room 9: **Ariella Balmforth, Tumanako Wikotu**

Room 10: **Rain Singh, Jo Kwon**

Room 11: **Clare Corbett, Andrew Peagram**

Room 12: **Vincent Watson, Soleena Solomon**

## 2004 SOUND/MUSIC TECHNICIANS

**William Strachan, Vincent Watson, Sharna Makoare-Slade, Hinemoa Pirika, Siouxy Livingstone, Reyna Bianchi**

## 2004 OFFICE ASSISTANTS

Room 2: **Sophie Blazey, Rose Philpott, Ruth Ziegler**

Room 4: **Rebecca Summerhayes**

Room 5: **Hannah Winter, Shanti Morgan**

Room 9: **Erin Jagger**

Room 10: **Jewell Phillips, Jasmin Lin, Dinushi Kumarawansa**

**Thank You Councillors, Office Assistants, Librarians and Technicians, we appreciate the wonderful job you do!**

## INTERNET SAFETY

News items and media coverage continue to highlight the issue of internet safety.

We all are well aware that the internet is a wonderful educational resource, but as events of recent days have again highlighted, there are dangers.

As you know, to use the information and communications technologies resources, including accessing the internet at Pasadena Intermediate School, students and their parents, are required to sign an **ACCEPTABLE USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGIES AGREEMENT**. This agreement spells out very very clearly what is acceptable and what is not acceptable both in terms of use and internet site access.

In addition we have software that blocks known unacceptable sites and certain keywords in addresses and in searches.

Students use individual logons and our system records for audit - all logons, the date and time of the logon, the location of the computer and a list of all searches attempted and sites accessed.

No system is full proof, but we believe our system is sophisticated and robust and our procedures and school climate have minimized the risk of students accessing or being exposed to unacceptable material.

## HOME AND SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

### **PARTNERSHIP**

At Pasadena Intermediate School programmes are designed to develop each student to the best of their natural abilities. This can be best done when there is a close co-operation between the home and the school. In different situations each has a knowledge of the child that is helpful to the other.

### **PROBLEMS AND CONCERNS**

It is our policy to contact parents/caregivers early if problems arise and hope that this is a two-way process. If you have a problem or concern pertaining to any aspect of your child's life at school, please contact your child's Classroom Teacher, the Syndicate Manager or the Principal.

If you have any problems or concerns regarding school governance or management, contact the Principal, or approach any member of the Board of Trustees.

### **INZONE!**

Earlier in the Term, we were the guests of the Endeavour Trust at Kings School to experience the INZONE Presentation.

The presentation included state of the art audio visuals and live presentations from successful NZers about their innovations and their journeys to success.

# HALL FOR HIRE Centre

Excellent Facilities

Well Appointed

Reasonable Rates

Discounts For  
Regular Bookings

Phone

626-6359

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board meets formally on at least 10 occasions during the year (see Calendar) and within the bounds of the Education Act (1989) and subsequent amendments and the Pasadena Intermediate School Charter, is responsible for school governance.

All Board Meetings are open to the public and copies of agendas, reports and minutes are available in the School Office for public inspection. The next meeting of the Pasadena Intermediate School Board of Trustees will be on Monday 15 November at 7.30pm in the Staff Lounge.



## TALENTED STUDENT

Recently **Taufa Toa** played in an all day National Boccia Tournament.

Playing in the only all women's team, she was placed fourth after victories over two teams that contained Olympic Representatives from the recent Para Olympics in Greece!! Well done Taufu.

## LIFE EDUCATION TRUST LESSONS

As previously advised, the Life Education Trust Education Van and Teachers are now at Pasadena Intermediate.

We acknowledge the generous support of the Life Education Trust in providing these outstanding lessons as part of our Health Programme.