

NEWSletter

PASADENA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

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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.

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.

SOFTBALL TOURNAMENTS

Four Pasadena teams were selected to represent the school at the Central Zone Softball Tournaments held recently.

Boys' Year 7 – **Ryan Quayle, Joshua Tepaki, Gareth Steven, Aaron Tohovaka, Ryan Drew, Tea Williams, Max Thomas, Mitchell Rayner, James Philpott, Joshua Taylor, Fehi Tupuivaha, Rory Lenihan-Ikin**

Boys' Year 8 - **Norman Mann, Tautua Faitotoa, William Strachan, Henry Faitotoa, Jackson Barron, Sam Jones, Kurt Marsters, Quentyn Puru, Stanley Tongotea, Rafferty Dobson, Cheng Liu, Tausani Ah Chong**

Girls' Year 7 – **Kara Robertson, Christina Sauni, Sarah Toutaiolepo, Lucy Humphreys, Jacqui Toelau, Lataai Tuitupou, Clarissa Mafoe, Phoenix Karaka, Kate Lupeiki, Fine Tuhipa**

Girls' Year 8 - **Milly Sanders, Lily Taurau, Rebecca van Dam, Ruth Holden, Avea Tafea, Emily Sedon, Ato Malo, Rosemary Fale, Amelia Brown, Brenna Magee-Watling, Nina Girsbergger, Kate Milne, Lily Matatia, Jessica MacGregor**

The Tournaments were held at Wesley Intermediate. All teams played very well. Their behaviour on and off the field and their sportsmanship were exemplary – they were a great credit to themselves and the school. Boys' Year 7 5th, Boys' Year 8, 3rd in their division and 6th overall. Girls' Year 7 5th; Girls' Year 8 5th.

Sincere thanks to **Mr Alan Pumfleet, Mr Walsh, Miss Wackrow and Miss Paraha** for their efforts in organising and preparing the teams.

The members of the Softball Teams would also like to thank the parents who supported them on the day.



Action from the Yr 7 Boys' 12-1 win over Ponsonby!

REPORTS

With the changes to our curriculum as discussed at the previous Parents' Information Evening, our Reporting to Parents Schedule has been altered.

TERM II

Week 1 Term I Report forwarded to parents/caregivers
Student Self Evaluation Report completed and shared with parents/caregivers

TERM III

Week 1 Term II Report forwarded to parents/caregivers
Student Self Evaluation Report completed and shared with parents/caregivers

Week 2 Parent/Caregiver - Teacher Conference Evening

TERM IV

Week 1 Term III Report forwarded to parents/caregivers
Week 2 Parent/Caregiver - Teacher Conference Evening
Week 11 Term IV Report forwarded to parents/caregivers

MUFTI DAY

To raise funds for their activities and approved charities, the Student Council will hold a Mufti Day on Thursday 14 April.

Mufti is not compulsory, but students wearing mufti will be asked to contribute \$3.00 to School Council funds.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

The next meeting of the Pasadena Intermediate School Board of Trustees will be on Monday 21 March 2005 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 monthly Meetings will be forwarded to requesting families on receipt of a stamped self addressed envelope.

BLUE LIGHT DISCO

6.30 - 9.00pm

FRIDAY 18 MARCH 2005



**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.

**This Is Not a Pasadena
Intermediate School Activity.**

HONOURS

Students receive recognition for their achievements, contributions and participation through our Special Effort Awards programme. In keeping with the school's philosophy and mission statement, we further recognise those students who participate, contribute and achieve in the full range of activities available at Pasadena through our Honours Award programme.

To qualify, students must have consistently displayed the standards as described in the Pasadena Code (see Page 17) and receive a minimum of 10 awards as follows:

2 from Specialist Courses/ Programmes; 2 from Cultural or Arts Activities; 2 for Sport /HPWB Physical; 2 from Classroom Teacher for class work and 2 others. 1 for class HPWB Physical for First Honours Only. The 2 others must be from different categories.

Students who believe they have qualified, apply to the Principal with their awards. If the Principal is satisfied the student has the required awards the student receives an Application Form.

The Applicant must complete a self evaluation - if the Applicant believes he or she has not consistently met any of the standards described in the Pasadena Code, the Applicant should mark the Application Form accordingly and sign.

The Application Form must be taken to each of the following
Classroom Teacher The Syndicate Manager
Specialist Teachers the Student is Currently Working With

If a teacher believes the Applicant has not consistently met any of the standards described in the Pasadena Code, the teacher will explain this to the Applicant and mark the Application Form accordingly. When the Applicant has met with all teachers, the Application Form should be returned to the Principal.

If the Applicant's self evaluation shows and all the teachers have been satisfied the student has consistently displayed the standards as described in the Pasadena Code, the Application is taken to the next full Staff meeting for final approval.

The student will be presented with the Honours Badge and Certificate at the next Friday Assembly.

If the Applicant's self evaluation shows or if any of the teachers have not been satisfied with the student's performance and have marked the Application Form, the Principal will discuss the matter with the student and set a date one term hence when the student can reapply.

During their time at Pasadena, students may qualify for and receive more than 1 Honours Award.

For significant or repeated breaches of the Pasadena Code, a student may have their Honours Status removed. A student who has had Honours Status removed is entitled to earn 10 new awards and reapply.

25 M Backstroke – Junior Boys

- 1st **Tea Williams**
- 2nd **Sam Bell**
- 3rd **Meihana Purdie**

25 M Backstroke- Senior Girls

- 1st **Jane Weatherspoon**
- 2nd **Ariella Balmforth**
- 3rd **Jessica Langley**

25 M Backstroke – Senior Boys

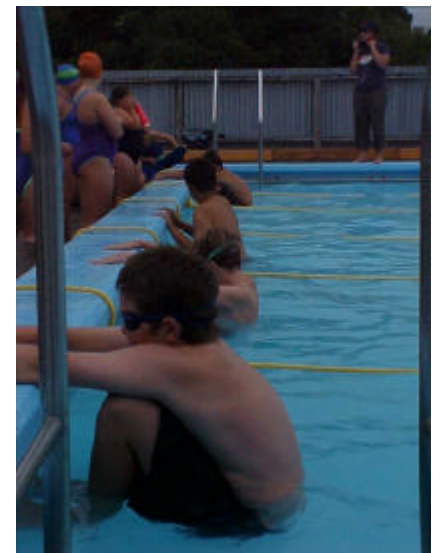
- 1st **Andrew Peagram**
- 2nd **Billy Strachan**
- 3rd **Adam Tapsell**

THE GREAT RELAY RACE -

- 1st **Room 11**
- 2nd **Room 3**
- 3rd **Room 10**

INTER CLASS COMPETITION -

- 1st **Room 11**
- 2nd **Room 3**
- 3rd **Room 2**



SWIMMING SPORTS

Our Swimming Sports Finals were an outstanding success. Despite the insistence of the weather, our spirits were not dampened and the participants should be proud of their efforts.

Sincere thanks to **Mrs Williamson** for her excellent organisation and grateful thanks also, to all staff members for their effort and contribution to an outstanding day. Thank you to the many parents/caregivers and friends of the school for support in this event.



All participants should be congratulated for their skill level, participation and support of each during both the heats and finals events. My congratulations to all participants. You can be well proud of your efforts.

Results -

25 M Freestyle– Junior Girls

- 1st **Lucy Humphreys**
- 2nd **Phoenix Karaka**
- 3rd **Amelia Brown**

25 M Freestyle– Junior Boys

- 1st **Tea Williams**
- 2nd **Sam Bell**
- 3rd **Meihana Purdie**

25 M Freestyle- Senior Girls

- 1st **Jessica MacGregor**
- 2nd **Erin Jagger**
- 3rd **Jane Weatherspoon**

25 M Freestyle– Senior Boys

- 1st **Billy Strachan**
- 2nd **Adam Tapsell**
- 3rd **Quentyn Puru**

25 M Breaststroke – Junior Girls

- 1st **Phoenix Karaka**
- 2nd **Jacqueline Koops -Ridder**
- 3rd **Molly Hyland**

25 M Breaststroke – Junior Boys

- 1st **Tea Williams**
- 2nd **Ryan Drew**
- 3rd **Omar Ismail**

25 M Breaststroke- Senior Girls

- 1st **Ariella Balmforth**
- 2nd **Lilly Taurau**
- 3rd **Erin Jagger**

25 M Breaststroke – Senior Boys

- 1st **Adam Tapsell**
- 2nd **Billy Strachan**
- 3rd **Quentyn Puru**

25 M Backstroke – Junior Girls

- 1st **Amelia Brown**
- 2nd **Phoenix Karaka**
- 3rd **Jacqueline Koops -Ridder**

TELECOM SCHOOL CONNECTIONS

In recent years we have made TELECOM SCHOOL CONNECTIONS our fund raising activity - effortlessly raising over \$181,000!

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.

Using the information pack and ID Card, students should be enrolling supporters at the moment.

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.



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.



**ASSEMBLY HALL
FRIDAY 8 APRIL 2005**

10.45am

**Parents and Friends
Cordially Invited**

NETBALL

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

Please contact Mrs Linda Bowden, our Administration Officer, or Miss Lisa White, our Netball Manager, at school, 846-2169.

PHOTO ALBUMS

To view photographs of recent school activities go to

www.pasadena.school.nz

NEWS

2005 PHOTO ALBUM

TE TARI WHAAINGA MAATAURANGA - LIBRARY INFORMATION CENTRE

As you know from previous Newsletters, correspondence and from coverage in the local media, the Prime Minister, the Right Honourable Helen Clark, officially opened our new Library Information Centre, TE TARI WHAAINGA MAATAURANGA on Friday 24 February.

It was a wonderful occasion, with a powhiri, items by students, an address by the Prime Minister, cutting of the ribbon and a blessing.

It was the culmination of years of planning and hard work by the Board, the Staff and parents and now provides our students with a state of the art facility.

A feature of the centre, is window and entrance door frostings. Designed for us by a very generous parent, Mr Mark Blazey, the frostings on the windows are representative of the many cultures in our school society and the frostings on the entrance doors depicting disciplines of knowledge.

BOOK FAIR

In conjunction with the opening, we held a BOOK FAIR, offering friends of the school, parents and students the opportunity to purchase and donate a new book to the school collection.

This has been a huge success with in excess of 200 new titles donated. We sincerely thank everyone who has contributed for their generosity. Each of the titles has a special slip fixed in the front, noting the name of the donor and of the occasion of the opening by the Prime Minister.

If you haven't already done so and would like to donate a book, we are proposing to run the BOOK FAIR until the end of the Term. The books are on display in the Library Office, please call and select a title.



2005 COSTS

Thank you to all those parents/caregivers who have paid their costs - Specialist Courses Materials and Services, Photocopying Levy, 2005 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 due.

2005 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.

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 and reduces the number of attendance telephone calls the administration staff need to make each morning.

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.

GIRLS' SELF DEFENCE AND PERSONAL SAFETY

For girls aged 7—12

Auckland Women's Centre
4 Warnock Street Grey Lynn

When: Fri 18 March 4-6pm. & Sat 19 March 10am-4pm
Cost: \$30

Phone 376 3227 for further information

EASTER FAMILY FUN DAY

Grey Lynn School

Saturday 19 March 11.30a.m.—3 p.m.

If you would like to run your own Art & Craft stall, please contact Shirley 378 8312

WATERWISE AGM

Tuesday 05 April at 7.30p.m. at Pt Chevalier Sailing Club,
Raymond Street

As previously advised, we have scheduled this year's Outdoor Education Programme for the days Wednesday 30 March - Friday 1 April 2005.

All students are expected to participate in outdoor education programmes.

Three days and one night of activities have been organised, including an overnight at Auckland Zoo. Students will be organised to stay one night at this venue. Bigfoot Adventures will be in school and their specialised instructors will be taking various adventure activities including mountain biking and rock climbing. There will also be a Boats day using Pt Chevalier Beach.

Syndicate Managers, Teachers and Specialist Staff have been involved in the planning and the organisation of these days and have prepared an interesting, challenging and safe programme for the students. In separate notices you will be provided with full details.

This programme 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** immediately and the **INFORMATION RETURN** To your child's teacher **BY THIS FRIDAY**.

Although at \$91.00, including GST, 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 this cost to be paid in installments 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.

For obvious health and safety reasons, and because the children enjoy having their parents participate during this Week- **we do need parent support for all the Outdoor Education Week Activities**. If you haven't already done so, please advise Ms Priscilla Godinet, Deputy Principal, if you can assist.

**outdoor
education
programme
2005**

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

2005 STUDENT COUNCILLORS

- Room 2 - **Sophie Blazey, Ruth Ziegler, Norman Mann**
Room 3 - **Adam Tapsell, Brenna Magee-Watling**
Room 4 - **Finn Godbolt, Kenah Trusewich**
Room 5 - **Shanti Morgan, Rebecca Van Dam**
Room 8 - **Eddie Crawshaw, Rochelle Peckham, Alexis Tetenburg**
Room 9 - **Molly Hyland, Ariella Balmforth**
Room 10 - **Laura Wright, Kieran Wilding**
Room 11 - **Billy Strachan, Allannah Colley, Jackson Barron**
Room 12 - **Soleena Solomon**

2004 LIBRARIANS

- Room 2 - **Anisha Panchia, Jim Philpott, Claire Lowe**
Room 3 - **Jayran Mansouri, Jessica Booth**
Room 4 - **Khayla Burton, Clem Wilson**
Room 5 - **Rohan Berry, Brooke Evaga**
Room 8 - **Liam O'Dwyer, Rochelle Peckham**
Room 9 - **Mauganui Isaako, Kavindi Gunarathna**
Room 10 - **Kieran Wilding, Alannah Stewart**
Room 11 - **Jane Weatherspoon, Fleur Mann, Frances Marler**
Room 12 - **Troy Martin, Arapera Blank-Penetito**

2004 TECHNICIANS

- Room 2 - **Shaheen Patel, Jessica Langley, Jason Riddex, Norman Mann**
Room 3 - **Lucy Leslie, Sharda Pouesi**
Room 4 - **Ryan Siggelkow, Alexander Craig**
Room 5 - **Christina Sauni, Bevan Peace**
Room 8 - **Brandon Trevan-Stewart, Qianting Luo**
Room 9 - **Grace Kennedy, Henry Faitotoa**
Room 10 - **Ako Malo, Amelia Brown**
Room 11 - **Tautua Faitotoa, Sam Bell, Billy Strachan, Jackson Barron**
Room 12 - **Troy Martin, Cody Natana**

2005 OFFICE ASSISTANTS

- Room 2 - **Sophie Blazey, Ruth Ziegler, Jessica MacGregor**
Room 4 - **Linda Palavi**
Room 5 - **Shanti Morgan, Kayla-Rose Mitchell**
Room 8 - **Fine Tuhipa**
Room 9 - **Erin Jagger, Kavindi Gunarathna**
Room 10 - **Lucy Humphreys**
Room 12 - **Chay-Lorraine Nicoll**

2005 SOUND/MUSIC TECHNICIANS

Still to be selected

OPEN DAY

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

Thank you to those parents/caregivers who took the opportunity to visit during our Open Day last week.

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 Riesterer, School Receptionist, to outline to her, treatment procedures.

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.

This is
Learning for the 21st
century

Thank you all the parents who attended our recent Information Evening.