



Pasadena
Intermediate
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NEWS CENTER

WELCOME

Greetings, Tena 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.

This is Learning for the 21st century

Thank you all the parents who attended our Information Evening last night. From your questions and feedback, you obviously found it helpful and informative. We appreciate there are many differences in both the curriculum and in classroom activities in a classroom that is preparing children for the 21st Century and it will take parents time to understand and appreciate these.



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SOFTBALL TOURNAMENTS

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

Boys' Year 7: **Eric Munro, Geoff Viligia, Saul Osaki, Charles Jackson, Desvilla Zinck, Fraser Whitelaw, Caleb Chambers, Tylor Peltier, Levi Crump, Billy Richards, Kepu Vaipulu, Glory Leota**

Boys' Year 8: **Christian Davis, Harnz Rhodes-Cowley, Tyrone Scalabrini, Samir Mistry, Trent Henskens, Michael Peagram, Liam Hatten, Alessandro Marin, Lepu Kau, Ben Jackson, Ian Manu, Orlando Talagi, Tapu Pauli**

Girls' Year 7: **Marihi Kahukura, Isabella Lenihan-Ikin, Ariana Cornett, Jamie Evans, Eleanor Dwyer, Jasmine Thompson-Milne, Henrietta Le'au'anae, Saane Kaufanga, Tessa Siddells**

Girls' Year 8: **Toni Talamaivao, Leuo Fruean, Takau Dean, Rima Williams, Imasha Kumarawansa, Rachel Sosene, Anahera Hare, Rebecca Asa, Zjanika Houghton-Grundy, Jessica Munro, Rose Simi, Brosnan Ackerman.**

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.

Sincere thanks to parents **Jeanette McLeod** and **Irene Rhodes** and staff **Miss Wackrow, Miss van de Klundert, Mr Walsh** and **Mr Den Hartog** for their efforts in organising and preparing the teams.

Thank you also the parents who supported the teams on the day **Adam Thompson, Jeanette McLeod, Vaughan Henskens, Irene Rhodes** and **Kirsten Davis**.



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.

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 13 March as our Open Day for this term and would welcome visits from parents/caregivers at any time throughout the day.

MUFTI DAY

To raise funds for their activities and approved charities, the Student Council will hold a Mufti Day on Thursday 27 March.

Mufti is not compulsory, but students wearing mufti will be asked to contribute \$4.00 to School Council funds.

SCHOOL PROPERTY

The school has a policy of "abuser pays." Students who carelessly or wilfully damage school property or equipment will be asked to meet the cost of the repairs or a fair share of the replacement.

On the rare occasions when this does occur, parents/caregivers will receive an explanatory letter and a tax invoice to cover costs.

In addition to schools operating on very tight budgets, we see the development of personal responsibility as an important outcome of our school programme.

DUATHLON

THIS FRIDAY -14 MARCH
Commencing at 11.00am
All Welcome

COME AND SUPPORT YOUR CHILDREN

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.

50M BREASTSTROKE – JUNIOR BOYS'

1st Jonathan Tanner
2nd Simon Mead
3rd Tharaka Munidasa

50M BREASTSTROKE – SENIOR GIRLS'

1st Jessica Munro
2nd Kate Farrant
3rd Deanna Lauchlan

50M BREASTSTROKE – SENIOR BOYS'

1st Shaan Mistry
2nd Joshua McPherson
3rd Riley Mooney

50M BACKSTROKE – JUNIOR GIRLS'

1st Rima Williams
2nd Taylor Wallace
3rd Ariana Cornett

50M BACKSTROKE – JUNIOR BOYS'

1st Eric Munro
2nd Simon Mead
3rd Jonathan Tanner

50M BACKSTROKE – SENIOR GIRLS'

1st Jessica Munro
2nd Kate Farrant
3rd Zjanika Houghton-Grundy

50M OPEN GIRLS' FLY

1st Rima Williams
2nd Jessica Munro
3rd Carys Finlayson

50M OPEN BOYS' FLY

1st Shaan Mistry
2nd Riley Mooney
3rd Joshua McPherson

CLASS RELAY FINAL

1st Room 8
2nd Room 4
3rd Room 10

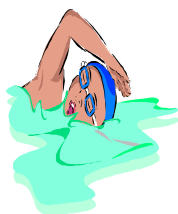
STUDENTS V STAFF RELAY

1st Staff
2nd Room 8
3rd Room 4

SWIMMING SPORTS

Our Swimming Sports Finals were an outstanding success.

Sincere thanks to **Mr Gore and Mrs Allan** for their 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:

50M FREESTYLE – JUNIOR GIRLS'

1st Rima Williams
2nd Carys Finlayson
3rd Taylor Wallace

50M FREESTYLE – JUNIOR BOYS'

1st Simon Mead
2nd Fraser Whitelaw
3rd Jonathon Tanner

50M FREESTYLE – SENIOR GIRLS'

1st Jessica Munro
2nd Kate Farrant
3rd Zjanika Houghton-Grundy

50M FREESTYLE – SENIOR BOYS'

1st Shaan Mistry
2nd Liam Mitchell
3rd Michael Peagram

50M BREASTSTROKE – JUNIOR GIRLS'

1st Rima Williams
2nd Carys Finlayson
3rd Takau Dean

CURRICULUM EVENING

Thank you all the parents/caregivers who attended last night's Curriculum Information Evening - from your comments it helped you understand 21st Century Learning, the New NZ curriculum and the benefits of an On Line Learning Environment.

Thank you to the Staff for their contributions and thank you to the students **Speakers: Tharaka Munidasa, Toni Talamaivao**
Presentation: Brosnan Ackerman, Takau Dean, Rima Williams, Dreesana Gaitau, Eleanor Oxley, Sophie McIntyre, Simon Mead, Mikayla Casey, Liam Hatten, Imasha Kumarawansa, Ben Jackson, Raveena Nand, Isabella Lenihan-Ikin, Deanna Lauchlan, Sean Janssen for their presentations.

A sincere thank you also to Hannah Ward, Year 9 Western Springs College and former Pasadena Intermediate student, for taking the time to talk about her Task Learning Experience and how it has set her up for success at high school.

CENTRAL ZONE TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Following trials, a Pasadena Team was selected for the Central Zone Year 7 and 8 Tennis Tournaments played recently at the Windmill Road Courts. Unfortunately the Tournament clashed with our Camp and the final team selection was restricted to students from Te Tokaroa Syndicate.

Boys' Team: **Thomas Hirst, Kieran McCullough, Tharaka Muidasa, Tom Feeney, Jack Sedon, Sam Jenkins**

Girls' Team: **Rima Williams, Imasha Kumarawansa, Kate Whitfield, Isabella Lenihan-Ikin, Jhanna Savov, Marihi Kahukura**



Results: **Rima Williams** (3rd, Girls' Singles) **Thomas Hirst** (4th, Boys' Singles), well done to these fine players and to all members of the team.

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 managed, assisted and supported the teams on the day - **Susan Hirst, Susan Sedon, Lyn Quickenden, Angela Beaumont, and Sally Geary.**

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.

EASTER

School will close for the Easter break at the normal time of **3.00pm on Thursday 20 April 2008** and reopen at the normal time of **8.45am on Wednesday 26 April 2008.**

TV ADVERTISEMENT FILMING

Thank you **Brosnan Ackerman, Kahlia Hughes, Panxi Pan, Toni Talamaivao, Leo Dashper, Eleanor Oxley, Katie Budgen, Amy Hart, Courtney-Paige Devereux, Mikayla Casey, Hannah Jackson, Pearl Kennedy, Rima Williams, Ella Pooley, Takau Dean, Jacob Radford, Nicholas Denby, Demi Harlen and Olivia Sefuiva** for your time, talent and contribution to the filming of the ANZ Trans Tasman Netball Competition Advertisement for Sky TV after school recently.



CENTRAL ZONE CRICKET TOURNAMENT

One Pasadena Boys' Team was selected to represent the school at the Central Zone Cricket Tournament - **Ben Jackosn, Nick Denby, Simon Mead, Samir Khan, Eric Munro, Liam Hatten, Caleb Chambers, Jacob Radford**

The team played well, with some very good individual performances Well done! The Team was placed 3rd overall in Year 8. 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 **Jeanette McLeod, Tim Munro, Debra Mead, and Ngaire Woolford**

SATURDAY (Now After School Wednesday) NETBALL

A big thank you to all those who attended the Wednesday Netball Meeting on Tuesday. We thought it was an excellent response and has secured Saturday Netball for our girls.

Some reminders and updates of the decisions made at that meeting:

Pasadena Intermediate School will continue with Wednesday Netball teams.

We will continue to play at the Netball Waitakere Competitions at Te Pai Place, Henderson.

Entries for the Intermediate Grade need to be in before Friday 18 April 2008. The Competition starts on Wednesday 14 May 2008 and ends on Wednesday 27 August 2008. Usually, there are no games scheduled during the school holidays.

Intermediate Games are Round 1 starting at 4.00pm, Round 2 starting at 4.45pm and Round 3 starting at 5.30pm. The registration, uniform deposit and playing cost, including the 'hire umpire' fee for the 2008 season is still to be finalised but we expect they would be approximately \$80 per player.

Management of Saturday Netball, coaching of teams and management of individual teams, would be undertaken by our parents.

The school will assist with communication, notices, provision of netball uniforms, netballs and practice facilities.

Individual Teams will organize transport to and from Netball. This maybe by car pooling, Taxi Van or a combination of both.

We anticipate 3 teams. We would like a Coach for each team, although Katrina Hare has very generously offered to coach all three teams if necessary! Thank you Katrina. We will need a Manager for each Team.

Practice will be after school at Pasadena - Monday 3.00pm - 4.15pm every week and Thursday 3.00pm - 4.15pm as required. Parents/Caregivers will need to arrange after practice transport for their daughter.

Once numbers, coaches and team managers have been finalised, in conjunction with the school, trials and selection will commence.

Parents/Caregivers of girls interested in playing Wednesday (After School) Netball, will receive a separate Consent Letter.

YEAR 9 SCHOLARSHIPS

A reminder to those parents considering applying for 2009 Year 9 Scholarships of the closing dates -

St Kentigern College: Academic 10 April 2008

Kings College: Academic and Music, 30 April 2008

St Cuthberts College: Academic, Sport, Music and General Excellence, 4 April 2008

Forms are available on line.

CAR PARKING PROJECT

Thank you all those parents/caregivers and staff who assisted with the Pasifika Festival C@PS Car Parking Project.

A long and busy day with an outstanding \$3500 being raised. It is planned this money will contribute to the installation of electronic teaching stations in 2 classrooms.

Again our thanks to those who gave of their time to assist.



Blessed by very good weather, very supportive parents and enthusiastic students, our Camp Week recently, was an outstanding success.

The variety of interesting, new and challenging activities proved very popular with the students. What was equally impressive was the way the students supported and helped each other to overcome any fears and these challenges.

The staff involved at Camp - **Ms Godinet, Mrs Allan, Ms Percy, Miss White, Ms King-Ansell, Miss Wackrow, Mr Gore, Ms van de Klundert, Mrs Drake, Mrs Elliott, Mr Ball and Mrs Henry** are to be congratulated for extremely well planned, prepared and executed learning experiences for the students. Thank you also to **Ms Donnelly, Mr Den Hartog, our Administration Staff, Mrs Teesdale and Mrs Holmes** for your extra efforts that contributed to the success of the programme.

Despite the best planning, the most detailed of organization and total vigilance - when you are working with children accidents can happen! Camp, especially in a setting like Mangawhai Forest Park are a pressure time for teachers, they care about the safety and the wellbeing of students and in providing them with the wonderful outdoor experiences, they do place themselves under enormous pressure. In addition to coming to know staff and one another, the students gained confidence and many new skills.

On behalf of the parents and the school, I thank **Ms Godinet** for her excellent organisation and the whole staff for their commitment and the extra effort they made to make the week possible.

I would like also to thank most sincerely, the huge group of parents/ caregivers and friends of the school who willingly gave of their valuable time and expertise and assisted with the activities -

David Tanner, Debra Mead, Susan Hirst, Maria Gold, Jagath Munidasa, Winnie Lenihan, Kim Munford, Wendy Goode, Sarah Coughlan, Steve Kennedy, Jane Adams, Ian Jenkins, Colin Jackson, Deborah Smith, Mat Munford, Sappho Banks, Glen Poole, Mariet Janssen, Mike Clarke, Mike Siddells, Adel Ziba, Fiona Graham, Karen Fraser, Elin Esther, Sally Barclay, Alvin Williams, Sandra Palmer, Revel Arlington, Caroline Magee, Sheridan Lauchlan, Bridget Glasgow

We also acknowledge and thank the Rotary Club of Western Springs for their generous sponsorship of our Outdoor Education Programme.



REPORTING SCHEDULE

The Reporting to Parents Schedule for 2008 -

TERM I

- Week 2 Informal School and Families Picnic/ Meeting
- Week 6 Parent/Caregiver Curriculum Information Evening
- Week 11 Student, Parent/Caregiver, Teacher Conference Evenings
Student Self Evaluations completed and shared with parents/caregivers

TERM II

- Week 3 Student, Parent/Caregiver, Teacher Conference Summary forwarded to parents/caregivers
- Week 9 Term II Task Presentations to parents/caregivers

TERM III

- Week 1 Report I (Terms I and II) forwarded to parents/caregivers

Student Self Evaluations completed and shared with parents/caregivers

- Week 10 Term III Task Presentations to parents/caregivers

TERM IV

- Week 1 Student, Parent/Caregiver, Teacher Conference Evenings
Student Self Evaluations completed and shared with parents/caregivers
- Week 3 Student, Parent/Caregiver, Teacher Conference Summary forwarded to parents/caregivers
- Week 8 Term IV Task Presentations to parents/caregivers
- Week 10 Report II (Terms III and IV) forwarded to parents/caregivers
Student Self Evaluations completed and shared with parents/caregivers