

NEWSletter

PASADENA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

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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.

NAGISA, HIROSHIMA, JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL EXCHANGE

On Saturday we farewell - **Miho Noma, Mamiko Komoguchi, Haruka Kabayama, Saki Shimatani, Haruna Sakamitsu, Akito Kato, Kaito Hiraoka, Teruyuki Ogawa, Mai Ihara, Ikkei Hashimoto, Kitanosuke Yamamoto, Fumino Shineda, Misaki Shimose, Rika Matsubara, Naoki Yoshihisa, Yuri Koike, Ryo Miyamae, Nodoka Nishida, Fuka Shimomura, Syuya Ohgizawa, Miss Chisako Kasamoto and Mr Yoshiaki Saki**, our guests from Nagisa High School Junior High School at the end of their two week exchange here at Pasadena.

During their time at Pasadena, our special guests have participated in Pasadena classes and school activities, had additional English experience classes and made educational visits in and around Auckland.

My congratulations to all Pasadena Intermediate students for the warmth and hospitality they extended to our visitors and the extremely mature way in which they conducted themselves as hosts.

Thank you to the families of **Demi Harlen, Liam Ferguson, Tessa Siddells, Jhanna Savov, Shezin Naidoo, Merryn Bowden-Duffy, Noah Van Zyl, Samuel Jenkins, Elsie Bollinger, Ilaisaane Kaufanga, Kimberley Stansfield, Simon Mead, Eldin Hasanbegovic, Ella Barclay, Isabella Lenihan-Ikin, Nicholas Denby, Eduard Canning, Jack Adams, Jack Sedon and Sophie McIntyre** for hosting our guests and making them so welcome during their visit.

Thank you to all members of the staff for the extra efforts they made to make the Exchange a success.



WELCOME YEAR 6 FAMILIES

We extend a special welcome to families of Year 6 students at local primary schools, receiving a copy of this Newsletter during their visits to Pasadena Intermediate during OPEN WEEK - welcome.

SPEECH competitions

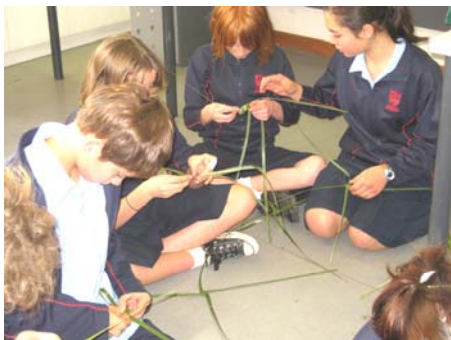
The 2009 Pasadena Intermediate School Speech Competitions finals will be held at a special Assembly on **Friday 14 August, commencing at 10.30am.**

All parents/caregivers and friends of the school are cordially invited.

AUGUST

- 6 Zone Girls' Netball Tournament
- 6 Auckland Schools' Maori Speech Competitions Finals, at Pasadena
- 11 Zone Boys' League Tournament
- 11 BOT Meeting
- 12 Pasadena Intermediate School Cross Country
- 13 Zone Girls' Basketball Tournament
- 14 Pasadena Intermediate School Speech Competitions Finals
- 17-21 Enrolment Week
- 19 Newsletter 3
- 19 Primary School Parents' Information Night
- 19 Zone Cross Country Meet
- 19 University of NSW International Competitions & Assessments for Schools - Mathematics
- 19-20 Open Days
- 20 Champion of Champions Netball Tournaments

... on the calendar



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.

HOURS

School is open for students from 8am. **Please do not send to or drop students at school before this time.**

We cannot be responsible for their safety and welfare.

PASIFIKA ARTS ACTIVITIES

As noted in Newsletter 1, Mrs Elliott arranged a special Pasifika Arts, Visual Arts Extension for all students recently. In addition to an introduction to Pasifika Arts and Crafts the programme included practical workshops for Music, Drums and Dance and Flax Weaving.

All students participated with enthusiasm and were welcoming and inclusive of our guests from Japan and Korea.

A special thank you to **Mrs Elliott** for her preparation and organizing such a wonderful event. Thank you also to those parents/caregivers who came to observe / support and participate.

We thank The Pacifica Experience Team: Manager: **Tuaratini**, Tutors and Supporters: **Mama's Teuke ,Sefuiva, Mary Ama, Masina, Tiana and Papa Jerome** for a wonderful experience.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board meets formally at regular intervals 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. Agendas for Meetings will be forwarded to requesting families on receipt of a stamped self addressed envelope.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 11 August at 7.00pm in the Library/Information Centre. The Board will be hosting the Student Council at this meeting.

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:

- in school buildings at any time
- in school grounds during school hours

And that Board members, staff members and personnel involved in school activities, will not interact with a student while smoking.



2009 CROSS COUNTRY

10.45am WEDNESDAY 12 AUGUST
WESTERN SPRINGS RESERVE

All Welcome

COME AND SUPPORT YOUR CHILDREN

As we have done in previous years, we are seeking parent helpers to be Marshalls around the course. Thank you those who have already offered their assistance.

If you are able to assist, 10.30am-12 noon on WEDNESDAY 12 AUGUST, please telephone Louise in the Office 846-2169

C@P COLUMN

Community at Pasadena (C@P) is a group that brings together people with a shared vision for and a commitment to supporting Pasadena Intermediate School. Members of the group consist of parents/caregivers, staff, representatives from the Board of Trustees and others from the wider community who have an interest in the wellbeing of the school.

If you would like more information about what's happening at school through C@P or you would like to be included on our mailing list then contact Lizzie Baker 845 4704 or lizzie@wanderwomen.co.nz or Nic Smith 820 2256 or nicsmith@xtra.co.nz

Being part of C@P is also a great way of meeting other parents and being more involved with your child's school.

We do hold regular monthly meetings which you are welcome to attend.

Next Meeting: 7.30pm, Tuesday 25 August 2009, in Te Tari Whaanga Maatauranga - Library Information Centre.

COMMUNITY NOTICE - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need volunteers in each of the following streets to deliver our local Police Community newsletter every couple of months: Alberta, Bambury, Bangor, Berridge, Edith, Formby Ave (part of), Katoa, Maranui, Newell, Oliver, Pasadena, Pelham, Premier, Rama, Seacombe, Studholme, Wainoni, and Wright. If you can help out please ring Sonia on 846 3099.

GARDENERS WE NEED YOU!

The Kitchen Cultivators have the students and the resources to continue, we just need some enthusiastic volunteers to help once or twice a term. We meet Thursday 1pm - 3pm and have 3 volunteers per session. It is fun and the students are keen to learn.

If you would like to help then drop Wendy an email - wendy@wgdesign.co.nz

Fantastic Liquid Fertilizer

The Kitchen Cultivators now have a wonderful supply of 'worm tea fertiliser' produced by those hard working worm farms. This fabulous, nutrient filled, plant fertilizer is available for purchase for only \$1 for a litre bottle and \$2 for a 2 litre. Money raised will go back into buying more seeds etc.

Come down to the garden area (courtyard by technology and art rooms) between 1 - 3.30pm on Thursdays. Have a look at the flourishing garden and support the project by buying some fertilizer. You are welcome to tell your friends as we have plenty in stock!



PASADENA CENTRE

WINE/JUICE & CHEESE OPENING - 7.30pm Tuesday 1 September 2009
All Parents and Families Invited

VIEWING:

8.15am - 4.30pm Wednesday 2 & Thursday 3 September 2009
& 8.15am - 1.00pm Friday 4 September 2009

Parents/Caregivers, Friends of the School and the Community are Invited to View our Children's Wonderful Art.

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SECONDARY SCHOOL 2010

Secondary Schools are completing 2010 enrolments at present. With the return to a form of zoning, it is vital that parents/caregivers complete applications by the due dates. We are holding information for -

WESTERN SPRINGS COLLEGE
AVONDALE COLLEGE
MT ALBERT GRAMMAR
AUCKLAND GIRLS GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Understandably we cannot recommend one secondary school ahead of another but should parents/caregivers wish to discuss the future schooling of their children, please don't hesitate to contact us.

SCHOOL TELEPHONE

The requirements of the information age are making ever increasing demands on our telephone system. In addition to providing full time internet access for all classroom computers, administration computers and mobile laptop computers, we also have available for student classroom use, eight cordless telephones.

In bound and out bound voicemail is available outside office hours. Parents may leave messages, report an absence or listen to information about upcoming school activities, including postponements and changes of venues for sports tournaments.

MOBILE TELEPHONES

With their parents'/caregivers' approval and at their own risk, students may have mobile telephones at school. They must however, be turned off during all class and school activity time.

MESSAGES FOR STUDENTS

The school accepts in today's busy schedule there will be occasions when parents/caregivers need to get important telephone, fax or Email 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.

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

TALENTED STUDENTS

We take pride in the achievements of our students at school, but also acknowledge their achievements away from school.

Congratulations and well done **Geoff Viligia** and **Eric Munro** for your selection in the West Auckland Walter Dickson School Boy Rugby Team that played in the tournament over the holidays.

The team was runners up in the tournament narrowly losing in overtime in the Grand final! Despite the disappointment - the achievement of being the first West Auckland Team to make the finals in ten years was a significant achievement. Well done **Geoff** and **Eric**.

2010 ENROLMENT WEEK
Monday 17 - Friday 21 August 2009

Honours Award

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.

EXPO WEEK

One of the activities we arrange to make Year 6 students transition to intermediate is EXPO Week. The students spend part of the day involved in an 'intermediate' activity - Foods, Technology, Visual Arts, ICT- in one of our specialist areas with one of our specialist teachers.

To assist with the activity, a number of our students acted as Tutors. Thank you **Aanind Rupa, Daniel Brudenell-Bruce, Elsie Bollinger, Jack Sedon, Isabella Lenihan-Ikin, Simon Mead, Ilisaane Kaufanga, Eduard Canning, Zoe Stenhouse-Burgess, Connor Ward, Noah Rudd, Levi Crump, Merryn Bowden-Duffy, Jack MacKay, Kate Barber, Ellen Hobbs, Tanya Peart, Tessa Siddells, Isobel Shore, William Gillette, Gemma Parmentier, Bella Wendt, Gabriel Lennon, Louis Esther, Arabella Crane-O'Connor, Sophie McIntyre, Jayden Dunn, Louis Varney, Carys Finlayson, Tulip Garland, Ellen Hackett, Luther Bunce-Williams, Thomas Rands, Francesca Bond, and Felix Sinton -Glavich.**

As a bonus this year, our Exchange friends from Nagisa Junior High School arranged a special 'Japanese Activity' for the Year 6 students to participate in and three of our visiting Korean Teachers prepared a Korean Activity for the Year 6 students.

2010 ENROLMENT

I am sure you are well aware we are entering the final stages of our publicity and Enrolment Programme for 2010 enrolments.

ENROLMENT WEEK 17-21 AUGUST

OPEN DAYS WEDNESDAY 19 and THURSDAY 20 AUGUST

Week 5 is our Enrolment Week with Open Days on Wednesday and Thursday. Also on Wednesday 19 August 2009, 7.30 - 9.00pm in The Pasadena Centre we will host an Information Evening about Pasadena Intermediate and our curriculum for new, and prospective parents.

Please encourage your primary school parent friends to attend.

ZONE BOYS' BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Pasadena entered a team in the Central Zone Boys' Basketball Tournament held at the Waitakere Stadium.

Ben Davis-Wihongi, Bailey Tuki, Samuel Slade, Reid Burrows, Nathan Cairns, Larry Wong, and Farley Schaefer.



The teams played extremely well, showing a lot of commitment and determination. The Teams received compliments from the organizers of the tournament for their play and their behaviour.

A special thank you to the parents/ caregivers who supported the teams.

On behalf of the school and students involved, I would like to thank, **Martine Cairns** for transport and Scoring, **Craig Burrows** for transport and support and **John Tuki** for his outstanding efforts with the Basketball Team.

HALL FOR HIRE

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