

# PASADENA INTERMEDIATE NEWSLETTER



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## *Principal's News*

Welcome back to school after the Term 1 Holidays. I hope everybody had time to relax and spent time with their families.

The Term has started with a blast with the visit to school by the "Science in a Van" to kick start our Term 2 Science based Inquiry Unit "How the World Works".

It has been wonderful to walk around the school and see students immersed in Science experiments, mixing elements together and predicting what is going to happen.

Over the past 6 months we have been updating the schools logo and colour scheme. With this in mind we have now also updated our school website [www.pasadena.school.nz](http://www.pasadena.school.nz). This has also improved the functionality of the website to ensure parents and the community are able to access information about our school with ease.

Below is a survey from the school Council regarding our Badge system and School Code. One of the strategic initiatives for the school this year is to ensure that student voice is evident in the decision making process across the school. I look forward to seeing the group bringing the information together to make an informed decision.

## *School reporting to parents*

At the end of last term Student Led Conferences took place. This was an opportunity for students to share with parents their successes for Term 1 and set goals for the rest of the year.

At the end of Term 2 students will be receiving a student report. The reports will contain:

- NZ Curriculum Levels for Reading, Writing, Mathematics, Science, Social Science, Health and PE
- Current achievement and next learning steps (Reading, Writing and Mathematics)
- An update on achievement in relation to end of year National Standards (Reading, Writing and Mathematics)
- A teacher comment relating to the specialist subjects
- A list of extracurricular involvement
- Some ideas about how you can help your child's learning at home
- Effort grades for all learning areas
- A general comment

While there will be no formal Student Led Conference at the end of term 2 parents will be able to make appointments with teachers if they need to discuss any aspects of achievement in further detail.

Jonathan Hughes  
Principal

## Student Honors System

From the Student Council

We are currently reviewing our School Honours system and the Pasadena Code. We are asking for feedback from the students, staff and parents via surveys we have made up. To help us gain feedback from parents could you please fill in the quick survey by clicking on this link <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/G2CFS22> .

Our current honours systems is as follows:

To qualify, students must have consistently displayed the standards as described in the Pasadena Code ([click here](#) to see the code) and receive a minimum of 12 certificates across the school.

Students who believe they have qualified, apply to the Principal with their certificates. Once the Principal has signed these off an application form is then filled in which includes a self-assessment against the [Pasadena Code](#). The application must also be signed off by:

- Classroom Teacher
- Two Specialist Teachers
- Team Leader

Once this all has taken place the application is then taken back to the Principal where the Pasadena Code is recited.

By **Nathan, Gregor, Josh and Fergus** – Student School Councillors

## BOT Elections

Along with all NZ schools, Pasadena's Board of Trustees' elections will take place this June. This is our transitional election to a mid-term election cycle, which means two parent representatives will be elected for an 18 month-term, and three parent representatives will be elected for a three-year term.

Any person in our community is invited to stand for the Board, and all parents (including Year 6 parents at our contributing primary schools) have the right to nominate and vote for Board nominees.

Nominations must be made by someone on Pasadena's voting roll (this includes parents of current Year 6 students of contributing primaries).

Key dates are: Friday 6 May (All eligible voters will receive Nomination Forms); Friday 20 May (Nominations close); Wednesday 25 May (Voting papers and candidate info mailed to eligible voters); Friday 3 June (Voting closes at noon).

For those who are interested, there are booklets in the office with information about what it means to be on the Board of Trustees.

## Nagisa Hiroshima Exchange 2016

On Thursday 5 May we farewelled **Tamai Burger, Shea Evans, Amy Ingold, Jaime Lewis, Paris Lloyd-Beere, Daniel McNaughton, Emily Reed, Kenzo Shiraishi, Tomas Wade, Scott Williams, Josh Winsley James, and George Wright** accompanied by Staff **Priscilla Godinet** and **Martin Ball** on the outward leg of their exchange to Nagisa, Hiroshima Senior and Junior High School Exchange.

They enjoyed a stopover in Singapore, arriving in Hiroshima on Saturday where they met their homestays for the next 12 days.

The group thanks **Mrs Teesdale, Mrs Holmes. Whaea Natalie Henry** and **Ms Maureen Donnelly** for their extra work in the preparation of the Exchange. Their support and contribution is greatly appreciated and indicative of the strong bonds between Pasadena and Nagisa Hiroshima Junior High.



## Newsletters Term 2

Five newsletters will be forwarded home on Wednesdays.  
Dates for this term are 11 and 25 May, 8 and 29 June, 6 July

## Chocolate Fundraiser

Last week you would have received hardcopy and email notification of this fundraiser. The money raised will go towards the purchasing of ICT equipment for our classrooms. Attached to the notice is an option for students to opt out of selling chocolates. This can be done by bringing the attached slip back to school signed by parents. Students who are selling the chocolates will be given them on Friday 13 May and will have 2 weeks to sell them.

The bars are on sale for \$2 each with 30 bars in each box. For each box sold, the school receives \$24.00. If you have any questions regarding the fundraiser please email our organiser, Karen Ingold at [ingold.karen@gmail.co.nz](mailto:ingold.karen@gmail.co.nz)

## Science in a Van

Everyone was excited to see what was going to happen when Science in a Van came in on the first day of term. They explained about matter changing states.  
He then asked us how to change a state keeping in mind that: the atoms in solids don't move, liquid atoms slide over each other, and gas atoms move freely.  
Next was a brief talk about the periodic table and he explained that atoms that move state can always be reversed. He showed us many experiments including dry ice that helped us understand these concepts.

Report by **Ben Marsh Room 10**

## Literature Quiz

On Thursday 5th May Pasadena competed in the Kids Literature Quiz international competition. Two teams of four participated in both the morning and evening sessions. After weeks of hard work and intense study it was time to take on every other intermediate school in the Auckland region.

Team A placed a noble 4th out of 57 teams.

Team B placed a respectable 20th out of 37 teams.

Well done to all our students. They competed in a positive, cooperative manner and represented Pasadena Intermediate with passion and pride.

Team A: **Sylvie Casey, Josh Campbell, Riley Fong, Emily Baden-Myers**

Team B: **Caleb Zussman, Xavier Todd, Fergus Reay, Sanne Bosman, Norah Samuels-Tangimetua**

A big thank you also to **Jerome Brown** who spent a lot of time preparing the team.

## Kapa Haka Wananga

During the first week of the holidays Tuesday the 26th - 29th April, our Kapa Haka group had their first Wananga here at school. It was a program for the Kapa Haka group that **Whaea Natalie** organises.

We all got together and learnt more about ourselves and each other, we set up our beds (marae style of course) and changed the Tony Walsh centre into our Marae and the Foods Studio into our Wharekai. Amongst our non-stop schedule we began learning Samoan Siva, Poi Haka, Rakau, Himene and Waiata.

We were put into groups to do jobs every day. Some were put into three different groups for preparing the food, there was the breakfast crew that had to wake up early to cook and set up, the Lunch and Dinner crews which Whaea picked randomly. After dinner the boys and girls would take turns tidying up the kitchen, doing the dishes and re-setting the Wharekai. We were learning new things all of the time.

We were very blessed to have so many talented tutors **Celyn Pauli** an ex Rm 2 Pasadena student gave up her time to teach us Samoan Siva with parts especially designed to include our boys. We had many visitors over our four day Wananga - parents, grandparents, ex pupils and Whanau of all ages.

In the evenings we were all given the opportunity to stand and talk about what we had achieved, enjoyed and what we want to improve on. We got to share and speak if there were any problems that people weren't happy with. Whenever there was a problem we all had to sit as a big Whanau and sort it out together because we learnt to look after each other and become a big family.

During church we learnt how lucky we are and be grateful for what we have in this world. The Wananga was non-stop and was hard work but we learnt so much from it and we were all so happy to have been a part of the experience.

We want to thank our Kaumatua and Kuia for their guidance and travelling such a long way to be with us all, our tutors **Tuakana Isaia**, **Tuakana Tiakina** and **Tuakana Huiarangi** also an ex pupil for their help, patience, sense of humour and great guitar playing. Big Thank you to our Ringa Awhina **Ms Godinet** and **Whaea Nikki** for being part of the whole experience sleeping with us listening to snoring, sleep talking, alarms and all, to come and support us and Whaea. Thanks Whaea for the wonderful opportunity.



Refected on by **Hope Pauli** and **Sophia Van Den Hoven**

### *New Softshell Jacket*

After feedback from parents and students, we have sourced a softshell jacket with a hood that can be purchased as an optional extra jacket.

Sample sizes are available at the school office.

We are required to have an order of 20 jackets before we can place an order.

The cost is \$85.00 including GST, payment is required with your order.

### *2016 Request for Payments*

A reminder that school payments can still be made.

Details covering costs are listed below.

#### **PROGRAMME ACTIVITIES -\$68**

Each year we plan a number of visits, activities, additional learning programmes or guest speakers to supplement our learning programmes. Often there is a cost associated to these.

The activities include: Waterwise – equipment and facility hire, The Life Education Trust Van, Health Courses and entry fees to local resources.

#### **MATHLETICS SUBSCRIPTION - \$18**

Mathletics is an online programme that offers a variety of differentiated learning activities. Teachers use this online programme to supplement their maths lessons.

#### **TAKE HOME MATERIALS - \$139**

Students make products in our Specialists programmes which they may take home at the end of the unit, term or year. This fee covers the supply of materials in Technology, Foods and Arts. Take home materials enables our Specialist programmes to be engaging, fun and exciting.

#### **PARENT DONATION - \$250**

Pasadena is a high achieving, high decile state funded school. Unfortunately the funding we receive from the government fails to provide the type of education and staffing ratios we offer. Each year the Board of Trustees requests an annual donation which is a key component of our budget. The budget component allows us to provide:

Additional Specialist Staff

Smaller class sizes

Further Learning Centre staff and extension activities

Purchasing of ICT Equipment

These cost cannot be met by the government funding and we appreciate your contribution in this area. You are able to claim from the IRD your Donation contribution.

Payment can be made at the school office (cash, cheque, eftpos or credit card), or by post to the school. Our bank details should you wish to pay online: ASB 12 3020 0374150 00. Please complete the particulars field with your child's name. This is very important so we can identify the payment.

## Sports News

### Out of School Hours Sports Teams

Good luck to our Thursday Netball and Friday Water Polo Teams as they begin their seasons.

A huge thank you to the teachers who facilitate the sports **Lisa White** (Netball) and **Christine Abercrombie** (Waterpolo) and to parents/caregivers who coach and manage these teams.

## Visual Art

Last term in Visual Art we created wire sculptures that expressed something about who we are. Each piece was unique and many told very personal stories. Ideas were as diverse as animal rights to achieving personal goals. They will all be exhibited as part of our school exhibition on 8<sup>th</sup> November. Sue Elliott – Art Teacher



## Upcoming Events

### May 2016

- 5 – 21 Nagisa Hiroshima School Exchange
- 13-27 Chocolate Fundraiser
- 16-19 Year 8 Girls' Self Defence Course
- 19 HPV 2 Year 8 Girls and Boostrix Catch up
- 19 Central Zone Girls' Football Year 8
- 26 National Young Leaders Day
- 26-27 "Big Foot" Cycle Training
- 26 Central Zone Rugby Boys' Under 45kg
- 31 ICAS Science Test
- 31 Central Zone Year 7 Boys' Football

### June 2016

- 2 Central Zone Year 8 Boys' Football
- 8 Central Zone Rugby Boys' Under 55kg and Open
- 10-11 World Vision Famine
- 13 ICAS Writing Test
- 16 HPV and Boostrix Catch Ups
- 20 Central Zone Boys' Hockey
- 21 Central Zone Girls' Hockey



## Secondary School Enrolments 2017

### Mount Albert Grammar School

- Open - 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016.  
Out of Zone - Close 4pm Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2016  
(Ballot conducted 14<sup>th</sup> September)  
In Zone -to assist with planning for 2017 it would be appreciated if in zone applications were submitted by 30<sup>th</sup> November 2016

Please submit your child's 2017 application once you have received his/her 2016 mid year school report.

#### Information Evenings

When: Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August – Blockhouse Bay, Glen Eden, and Pasadena Intermediate  
Where: Mount Albert Grammar School Hall  
Time: 7.00pm

#### Academic Testing

Year 8 Girls Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2016  
Year 8 Boys Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2016



AUCKLAND GIRLS'  
GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Open Day Tours

## Thursday 2 June 9.30am-2.30pm

Auckland Girls' Grammar School welcomes enrolments from students throughout Auckland. The Principal will give short talks at 10am, 11am and 12 noon.

### Information Evening, Nga Tumanako o Kahurangi

Maori students and their families who are interested in our Maori Whanau Unit are invited to attend a meeting on Wednesday 1 June between 6pm and 8pm in the school's Wharenuui.

Parking at Gate 2, 16 Howe Street

Phone 307 4180 or email [enrol@aggs.school.nz](mailto:enrol@aggs.school.nz) for more information, or check our website [www.aggs.school.nz](http://www.aggs.school.nz)

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## Community Notices



Pt Chev



Messy Church Pt Chev

Family Fun, Activities, and Food – [Sunday 22 May, 4pm](#)

Theme: **Wise and Foolish Builders**

Enjoy lots of fun activities:

Build a birdhouse, Collapse a house on sand. Hunt for church building clues; Create and decorate houses, Paint signs;

Dress up ready for the play, and more

Then a time of song and celebration, and you can act in the play.

To finish we all enjoy the delicious meal our wonderful cooks provide.

Where:

*Church of the Ascension Hall*, 11 Dignan St, Auckland

Sunday 22 May, Starts at 4:00pm Finishes at 6:00pm after meal

All are invited – young and old, all welcome.

If you are a child you will need to bring an adult with you

Entrance free: donations welcome

Messy team coordinator: Dick Lane, 09 846 3902



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