

PASADENA INTERMEDIATE NEWSLETTER



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Principal's News

I hope everybody had a relaxing holiday with their families and were able to get away and enjoy some fun at the beach.

Welcome to the parents who are new to Pasadena in 2017. I know going to a new school can be very stressful for students and parents. Over the past few days our teachers have been doing activities in class to develop the relationships and friendships within the classroom. We have put together a Welcome to Pasadena guide, which can be downloaded by going to <http://www.pasadena.school.nz/enrolment:>.

Also welcome back to our Year 8 students who are now the leaders of the school. It has been great to see the help you have given our Year 7 students over the past few days.

I look forward to getting to know all of our community in the upcoming weeks. I am at the gate at 3pm most days so feel welcome to come and say hello and introduce yourself. The upcoming Meet the Teacher Picnic Night on Wednesday 8 February will also be another opportunity to meet families.

In the week leading up to the start of school our staff have spent time attending Professional Development days. The days focused on staff appraisal through the use of student data and the development of Professional Learning Groups within the school to share and reflect on teaching practice. I know staff really enjoyed the 2 days and gained a lot of new knowledge that can be used in the classroom in 2017.

Senior Leadership profiles

In the next 2 Newsletters we will be introducing staff. Starting this week with the Senior Leadership team.

Jonathan Hughes – Principal

Having started at Pasadena in Term 4 of 2014 I am now 2 years and a term into being the Principal.

I enjoy the wonderful students and the community feel that Pasadena brings.

At Pasadena students always come first which has enabled the school to make tremendous progress, building on the successes of the school in terms of students having a say in how they learn, where they learn and what they learn while making sure the curriculum is relevant and engaging.

On a personal note, I am married to Tracey who is also involved in education, I have 2 children Cole (13) and Gabi (9). 2017 is going to be a very exciting year!

I look forward to meeting as many parents, caregivers and the community in the upcoming weeks.



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Lisa White – Deputy Principal

This is my 17th year at Pasadena, primarily because I love our students, the staff and the community. It's true that when you come you become part of the 'Pasadena Family'. Providing a supportive, exciting and challenging learning environment has been a focus throughout my teaching career with students always being my key focus.

My husband and I live in Avondale, and I have two grown up stepdaughters, one of whom lives in London while the other is still at home. In the past I have been active in a number of sports, and now play touch rugby along with a bit of yachting.

I started in the role of Deputy Principal late in 2016, and am really looking forward to supporting the school in this position. You will find me working in the office with Jonathan. If you have any questions or concerns regarding pastoral care, please feel free to contact me: lisa@pasadena.school.nz

Christine Abercrombie – Strategic Leader/ Team Leader

My name is Christine Abercrombie and I am excited to be the Kahurangi team leader for 2017. I live on the North Shore, surrounded by many gorgeous bush walks which I often do in the weekend. I have been teaching for 10 years where I have taught a variety of year levels, but in particular, enjoying teaching intermediate students (with this being my second year at Pasadena Intermediate). I have completed my post graduate diploma in Advanced Teaching, Learning and Motivation (with a focus on Mathematics) and have trained as a Reading Recovery teacher. I believe Intermediate School is an exciting time for the students as they become more independent and take responsibility for their learning. They get presented with new experiences and challenges, encounter many successes while having fun, as well as having multiple opportunities to participate in activities that may be outside their comfort zone. Contact: christine@pasadena.school.nz

Keith Ward – Strategic Leader/ Team Leader

Before moving to New Zealand 9 years ago I spent 20 years in finance as a money broker trading for ICAP. When we arrived in New Zealand I knew I wanted a career that was more rewarding so I retrained in Auckland and taught at Epsom Primary for 4 years before moving to Pasadena last year. I like teaching in the community I live in.

I see teaching as involving a reciprocal relationship between teachers and students-I believe that teachers have duties to their students and that students have duties to their teachers. I believe that it is my responsibility as a teacher to provide students with the following:

- an environment conducive to learning,
- knowledge that will help them be successful in achieving their learning goals,
- materials, opportunities, and feedback that will help them learn, and
- help in becoming and remaining motivated to be successful both in their studies and in applying their knowledge to solve problems in their lives.

I'm looking forward to another successful year at Pasadena Intermediate School.

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Education Outside the Classroom

Outdoor Education takes place on Tuesday 21st February to Friday 24 February, Week 4 of the school term. You will have received a booklet yesterday, which includes important information regarding the programme for the week as well as permission forms, payment, and parent help. These are due back to school no later than Wednesday 8th February. We really value any time you can give to help over these four days. If you have any questions about the

activities, there is an information session planned at 5.45pm on Wednesday 8th February, just before the Meet the Teacher BBQ. It will be in the Pasadena Centre.

Hiroshima Student Exchange

Dates: 4th to 20th May

Since 1995 Pasadena Intermediate and Nagisa Hiroshima Senior and Junior High School have been involved in annual student exchanges. To date, a total of 362 Pasadena students have participated in the exchange programme.

In 2017 there will again be student exchanges. The first will be in May when, travelling via Singapore, twenty students will fly to Hiroshima and will attend Nagisa Hiroshima Senior and Junior High School.

Students on this exchange will stay in hotels during the two stopovers in Singapore and will be hosted by Japanese student's families in Hiroshima, having the opportunity to genuinely experience Japanese culture and hospitality. During this stay they will attend their host student's class, and participate in Physical Education, Music, Science, Art, Mathematics, English and assembly, will visit Japanese classes, and will have a number of excursions to places of interest in the prefecture of Hiroshima.

The students will be accompanied by two Pasadena staff members. The cost including all fares, accommodation, transfers and insurances will be approximately \$3,300 - \$3,600.

Later, in July/August, Pasadena will host twenty students from Nagisa Hiroshima Senior and Junior High School where they will experience a similar exchange here, staying with our students who participate in May.

All students are eligible to apply for selection. Information packs will be available from Wednesday 8th February from the school office.

Past exchanges have proved to be fantastic learning experiences for the students who have participated, with many making lifelong friends.

Please don't hesitate to contact the school if you would like to discuss the matter further: lisa@pasadena.school.nz

School Newsletters

Newsletters come out every 2 weeks on a Wednesday via email. If you would prefer to get a paper copy please contact the school office on office@pasadena.school.nz or 09 8462169. Please also check that you are receiving emails from the school as this is the main way that we communicate with our parent community. If you haven't been getting emails please contact the office as above. Further newsletters will be forwarded home on 15 February, 1 March, 15 March 22 March and 12 April.

School Website

Our school website contains information regarding the school. This includes staff email addresses and the calendar of events for the year which can be found at <http://www.pasadena.school.nz/news/school-calendar>.

Meet the Teacher Picnic

On Wednesday 8 February we will be having a Meet the Teacher Picnic Night.

From 6.30 pm – 7.00 pm in classrooms teachers will talk about their expectations for the year, upcoming events and how the classroom will operate. From 7.00pm – 8.00 pm there will be a picnic on the field and a chance to chat informally to other parents and teachers in the school.

Bring: A picnic tea and blanket

Sausages and Drinks will be on sale - \$2.00.

Riding bikes, Scooters and Skateboards

If students are riding bikes and scooters to school please make sure they are locked in the bike racks at the front of the school. All students must wear a helmet.

If you are riding a skateboard please store it in the classroom. It is essential that you also wear a helmet.



Class Newsletters

Each term a classroom newsletter will be sent home to share with you what is happening in your child's classroom and the specialist subjects. Included in the newsletter will be a brief introduction of the teacher, some information regarding the class's programme of work, contact details for the teacher and important dates for the term. This term's class newsletter will be distributed on Wednesday 1 February. Specialist newsletters will be sent home on Wednesday 8 February once the specialist classes have started.

Absences/Lateness

We ask that parents/caregivers advise the school of their child's absence or lateness by 8.30am. This enables classroom teachers to be advised before school commences. To contact the school please ring the office on 8462169 or send a text to the school cell phone on 0274688003.

School Stationery

School Stationery boxes are available from the school office for \$35. These contain all the stationery that students will need for the year.

Uniform

Pasadena Intermediate School colours are Navy Blue and Red. Pasadena Intermediate School does not have separate boy's and girl's uniforms or separate summer and winter uniforms.

The Website details the correct school uniform.

Below are listed the garments that constitute the Pasadena Intermediate School uniform. Students select from these items according to the weather and their needs. It is not anticipated that parents/caregivers purchase all items.

SHIRTS/BLOUSE Unisex and Female fittings; Light Blue

SHORTS: Navy

TROUSERS: Navy ordered from the school office

CULOTTES: Navy ordered from the school office

RAIN JACKET Features: Jacket Style; Softshell water resistant ordered from the school office

SOCKS - Black or White Ankle Length

SHOES - Black; Lace-up (To be worn with socks)

SANDALS - Black or Brown with Heel Strap (To be worn without socks)

SCHOOL HAT - Navy Blue Baseball Style

PE SHIRT - Navy Blue and Red Shirt

PE SHORTS - Navy Blue and Red

SWEATSHIRT/JACKET: Navy Blue



Jewellery is limited to watches and single studs for pierced ears. For safety reasons, students must wear shoes when participating in lessons in the Foods Room and Technology Studios. All items of clothing and footwear must be named.

Uniforms are available from the office. Hours: School Days 8:30am - 3:00pm.

If a child is unable to wear a uniform item they will need a note from their parent/caregiver. This is to be brought to Lisa White the Deputy Principal for a Uniform Card which they are to carry with them.

Pasadena Running Club

This year we are starting a Thursday morning running club, beginning in Week 2. It will start at 7.45am from outside Room 10 and will begin with some easy runs before hopefully progressing to longer runs. Students will need to wear their Pasadena PE kit for the runs and can come to school wearing the PE uniform. We will need some parent help, so if you can (and get fit at the same time) assist please contact Mr Ward on keith@pasadena.school.nz



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