

PASADENA INTERMEDIATE NEWSLETTER



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School Closing 2pm Thursday

Just a reminder that tomorrow is the end of Term 1 and school will be closing at 2pm. We wish you all a Happy Easter and have a safe and enjoyable break and we will see you all back here bright and early on 1 May.

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Principal's News

In staffing news, Gina Care will be replacing Sarah Coughlan in the Learning Centre at the start of Term 2. Gina is a very experienced teacher who has had a lot of involvement working with students that have learning needs. In the Technology room Wendy Dai will be taking over the classes for Term 2. Wendy has worked at Pasadena a number of years ago and until recently has been overseas teaching.

With the holidays coming up make sure that students and parents spend time having a rest and enjoying quality time with friends and family. Have a great holiday.

A few weeks ago the students and staff had John Parsons come into the school and spoke about being safe online. This was well received by our students and generated wonderful discussions in classrooms after the talk.

There were also a number of key messages that are important for parents to be aware of. These are:

- 1) Become your child's "friend" in any social network environment your child creates.
- 2) Maintain easy access to your child's profile via their log in.....you will see everything.
- 3) Ensure that you can always have access to your child's phone to help them stay safe (i.e. it is not a no-go area) ...check the quality of how they are communicating with others; talk about how they connect and communicate with friends. Is it consistent with the values of your family?
- 4) Educate your children about the importance of protecting family and friends images, teach them to seek permission of another before they send or upload images to the internet.
- 5) Try to always maintain open lines of communication with children. Do not over-react if you see something that alarms you or makes you angry... share your concerns, and always talk about the issues and how they relate to them and their friends safety.
- 6) Agree on a time in the evening to stop using the technology within the home...that's everyone. "Remember, what we model today will either come back and embrace us or bite us tomorrow" – John Parsons.
- 7) Talk/ask about their friends and social activity as a way to reduce the opportunity for cyber-separation to develop.....encourage being open about new friends and what they are up to, and who their parents are. When in doubt, call the parents and introduce yourself.
- 8) Teach your children to protect their online identity, as a way to future proof themselves for employment.....we need to nurture and protect them online and teach them how to protect themselves as they engage information technology.

To learn more about online safety with John Parsons view his TV and Radio interviews at

<http://www.simulate2educate.co.nz/tv-and-radio> .

Business in Service of Community (BISC)

A big thank you to BISC our local businesses that have donated \$1000 to the school. On the last page of our newsletters are the names of the companies that belong to BISC. Please try and support these companies if you are able to.

School Rain Jackets

These can be ordered and paid for at the office and they are \$85.00. We can only place an order for a minimum of 20 jackets at a time. Once we have placed the order it takes a few weeks for them to be delivered as they need to be embroidered. Place your order quickly before the chilly weather arrives.

School Reports

Our school mid-year reports will go home on Wednesday 5 July. The reports will contain a mid-year update against the end of year National Standards, feedback and feed forward for Reading, Writing and Mathematics, a general comment and comments from Specialist teachers. These will be followed up by our second Student Led Conferences on Wednesday 26 July and Thursday 27 July.

Otago Problem Solving

This year, students at Pasadena Intermediate have the opportunity to participate in a problem solving competition held by Otago University called 'Problem Challenge'. The students attempt to answer five problems in 30 minutes that allow them to practise and learn strategies such as guessing and checking, drawing diagrams, making lists, looking for patterns and classifying. There are 5 challenges held throughout April to August, spaced at about 5 week intervals. Those students who do particularly well in the Problem Challenge during the year are then invited to enter a final multi-choice competition in late October where the students can be awarded prizes.

Hiroshima

The Hiroshima Exchange group has been exceptionally busy filling in paperwork, learning Japanese culture, developing performances, and generally preparing for their trip at the start of Term 2. They recently spent an evening together finding out more about the exchange along with being entertained as the students practiced their performances.



School Counselling Service

We now have a counselling service available for students. It will be every Tuesday and will run for the duration of the year. This is provided by a counselling trainee under the umbrella of UNITEC and is available to all students. The sessions will be confidential. Please contact me if you would like your child to be included or to find out any further information: lisa@pasadena.school.nz or phone the school on 846 2169.

Kitchen Cultivators

We have been fortunate enough to have a landscape designer in the community - Kristin Colthurst, who has kindly re-designed our gardening area for us. The Kitchen Cultivators group is working hard towards transplanting the existing vegetables into other planter boxes so we can begin the new garden design.

Within the Kitchen Cultivators group, we have students working on a variety of activities - planting and gardening, compost and worm farming, menu designing, and outdoor furniture design and building. Once we harvest our crops, students will be cooking a range of different cultural foods. In Term 2 we will be cooking dumplings and chop suey from the crops we have planted this term.

We are aiming towards making this area a peaceful social hub for students to relax in.

We welcome any expertise from the community to help us with any cooking, building, ideas or gardening that can help towards the new design. You can email laura@pasadena.school.nz if you can offer any expertise or materials towards our garden.



Māori across the School

There are a range of opportunities being offered in the school to embrace our kaupapa Māori.

Every classroom has a half hour Te Reo Māori lesson each week. This is followed up with practice in the class programme. The focus of these lessons is to build a basic vocabulary which can be used in everyday situations.

Classes also have a one hour lesson every fortnight which develops student's understanding of Te Ao Māori.

A Gifted and Talented programme has been established which is done in two different sessions. One is for those students who would like to build their understanding and knowledge of Te Reo from a base level. The second is for those students who are fluent and with the focus on conversing confidently in Te Reo.

The Cultural Whanau group has begun with Kapa Haka.

If your child is not involved in any of these programmes and you would like them to be, please contact your child's teacher.

Homework Club

A Homework Club is starting in Term 2. This will take place once per week after school and is run by teachers. It is an opportunity for students to have support with homework and/or school activities. All Pasadena students are welcome, however they will require a permission form from a parent/guardian. Further details will come out in Week 1.

Daffodil Planting



As part of our school support for the Cancer Society we will again be planting daffodil bulbs on Thursday 13 April. This has been done over a number of years, and in Spring they pop up all around the school grounds. All students will be involved in this project over the morning. The school has purchased the daffodils at cost and we ask students to make a **gold coin donation** to the Cancer Society at the time of planting. Later in the year we will have Yellow Day which is a mufti day dedicated to fundraising for this cause.

School Social

The School Social was a great success. Thank you to the Student Council who organised the event, Mr Brown for his excellent DJ skills, and to the teachers who came and supported.



Sports News

League Tag Tournament

On Friday 31st March Pasadena sent a boys and girls team to the Zone league tag competition held at Cornwall Rugby Club. It was a competitive tournament with a very high skill and fitness level being shown by all the teams present.

The girl's got off to a winning start against Remuera and had some close fought games to end up 4th in their group. The boy's lost their first 2 games narrowly and then bounced back to win 2 of their last 3 to just miss out on a place in the semi-finals.

Thanks goes to all the parents who supported and helped with transport on the day.



Lactic Turkey Orienteering

On Friday the 7th of April, 48 students attended the Lactic Turkey Orienteering at the Cascades in the Waitakere Ranges. This involved the students being in teams of 4 with an adult shadow to navigate their way around the course with a time limit of only 2 hours. In these time, students had to try and gain as many points as possible by completing activities or by finding the clues. This challenged student's fitness, strength and teamwork as they crossed streams, hiked up steep hills, ran up and down many stairs and of course got super muddy. All teams had an amazing, fun-filled day. Thank you again to all the parents that helped make this day possible, by shadowing and transporting students. Without you the trip would not have been possible.



Wool Donations

Whaea Nat is seeking wool donations for the Cultural Whanau, there will be a box in the office and outside Room 1 for any donations.

Upcoming Events

APRIL

13 Daffodil Planting

School Closes at 2pm for end of Term 1

MAY

1 School starts at 8.45am

4 Hiroshima Trip

Out of school hours Netball begins

8 C@P chocolate fundraising

17 HPV 1 Year 8 girl's and boy's

24 Central Zone Football year 7 girl's

25 Central Zone Football year 8 girl's

30 ICAS Science

Central Zone Football year 7 boy's

Maori/ Pasifika Consultation

Community Notices

Conversational English Classes

Free and open to all, classes cover listening exercises, pronunciation, grammar, speaking activities and IELTS preparation. Tuesdays 1-3pm at Pt Chev Community Centre.

Contact Deb for more info: Debbie.kean@gmail.com / 021 233 0698





'TECHNOLOGY TODAY' AND 'GET A LIFE' WITH JOHN COWAN

Parents will get the skills and confidence they need to be proactive in tackling text bullying, porn, sexting, online predators, gadget addiction and electronic gaming. Be aware of the scope and perils of this digital age, moving on past the negatives through to maximising the positives and putting safeguards in place. Plus top tips to help your teen get ahead – discover your teenager's passion and abilities so you can help them plot a course to a great future, with ambition and optimism.

Tuesday 2 May 2017
Point Chevalier Community Centre,
18 Huia Road, Point Chevalier

6.30pm Doors open
7-9pm John's presentation

FREE EVENT

For further information please contact Kristina on 846 9897 or email learningpoint@extra.co.nz or Sara on 021 719 613 or email sara.woodward@aukiandcouncil.govt.nz

Sponsorship: Auckland Council and LEARNING AT THE POINT Community Kindergarten

theparentingplace.com



KIDS PLAY FREE SQUASH

18,19,20,26,27 April 2017 (*12pm-3pm)
@ the National Squash Centre

Come along and try this fast, fun, and exciting sport!
Racquets & balls provided (*No Coaching provided)

Open to ALL Kids 8-18 years old
No need to register - just come down & play
(*Subject to court availability)

Contact: Robbie Yam – NSC Manager
Phone: 09 815 8602
Email: play@natsquash.co.nz

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UNITEC SPORTS CENTRE PRESENTS HEART OF GOLD 'FIT BASH'

FUNDRAISING EVENT FOR ST JOHN AMBULANCE

SATURDAY, 29th APRIL 2017

\$5 ADULTS, CHILDREN GOLD COIN ENTRY

9am Yoga, 10am Boxing, 11am DASH, 12pm pilates, 1pm STRONG
2pm Cycle Pursuit (12 LIMIT), 3pm GRIND, 4pm Body Blast, 5pm ZUMBA
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