

PASADENA INTERMEDIATE NEWSLETTER



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Principal's News

With Sarah Percy leaving a few weeks ago I am pleased to announce that we have appointed Kirsten Hudson to teach in Room 3 from Term 4 onwards. Kirsten is an experienced teacher currently teaching in Wellington. She is also in the New Zealand Water polo team which is an added bonus. We look forward to Kirsten being part of the Pasadena staff. Currently we have Michael Lintott taking Room 3 until Kirsten starts.

Yellow Day

A huge thank you to everyone who dressed in yellow to support Daffodil Day last Friday. There were some great outfits, many taking creative to the next level!



Kitchen Cultivators

Thank you to John Barker who donated a range of plants to the Kitchen Cultivators group. These included a range of different lettuce, parsley, lemon grass, coriander, carrots, radishes and many more!

We are well underway with our garden transformation with an aim to have a lovely garden area for students to use as a quiet social hub, or for teachers to use as an extension of their classrooms in a nice, relaxing environment. We are hoping for the new boxing timber to arrive this week. If any parents/caregivers are able to lend a hand with the construction of the new area, could you please email laura@pasadena.school.nz to arrange a time. Any help would be very much appreciated.

Year 8 Girls' Self Defence

Last week, all Year 8 Girls participated in a Girls' Self Defence Project course run by the Women's Self Defence Network – Wāhine Toa, jointly funded by the Ministry of Social Development and ACC. We learnt about how to deal with unsafe people and different situations that might make us feel uncomfortable (including cyber bullying), how to trust our feelings, and to listen to our instincts -it helped us to feel more confident by defending ourselves if needed. We also discussed how important it is, and that it is ok to tell someone if something ever did happen. Self Defence was a really fun and valuable experience.



Parental Feedback Survey

As part of our Self Review process we are consistently looking at getting feedback on different aspects of Pasadena Life from our school community. To do this we are conducting a parent survey relating to important areas of our school. Please click on the link below. The survey will only take 5 minutes.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Pasadena_Parent_Survey

Your comments will help shape our future direction and initiatives for our students.

ICAS Science results

Congratulations to all of the students who sat the University of NSW tests over the past term. It was great to see a number of students achieve amazingly well in the tests. To date we have the results for the Science test.

Congratulations to the students who received the following awards:

Distinction (Top 10% of participants who sat the test world wide)

Jed Room 8

Chester Room 5

Lucas Room 8

Dylan Room 8

Merit (The next 25% of participants who sat the test world wide)

Hiroki Room 9

Credit (The next 10 % of participants who sat the test world wide)

Dylan Room 12

Keira Room 4

Nathan Room 8

Sophie Room 4

Stanley Room 8

2018 Enrolments

We are currently taking enrolments for 2018. If you need to download an enrolment form please go to <http://www.pasadena.school.nz/enrolment/forms> or alternatively if you would like a tour of the school please email the school office on office@pasadena.school.nz.

Mathex

On Thursday 24th August a group of 16 students from Pasadena Intermediate represented the school at the Auckland Mathex Competition at the ASB Stadium in Kohimarama. There were 134 teams in the Year 7 competition and 134 in the Year 8 competition. Each year level was represented by 2 teams. In each team there were 3 mathematicians and 1 runner. The job of the runner was to run as quickly as possible to the judges table. There they received a question that they took back to the team to answer. Once the team had worked out the problem the runner returned to the judges table for the next question. There were 20 questions in total, which had to be solved in 30 minutes. It was a great effort by all who competed!!



Device Usage

To reiterate the school policy on the use of phones:

If a phone is brought to school as a device for BYOD, it needs to be connected to the school network for Health and Safety reasons as it will be filtered through the school system (all access to social media etc is blocked via this). The use of 3G is not permitted due to it not being able to be monitored via the school network. If a student is caught using their phone inappropriately (including the use of 3G), it will be confiscated and sent to the office. If this happens, and a phone is needed to be brought to school for safety reasons, it will need to be dropped off at the office in the morning and be collected at 3pm.

Tony Walsh Centre

Is available for hire, all enquiries to Lina at the office 8462169 or email lina@pasadena.school.nz

Sports News

Ski Team

Last week 7 students went to the North Island Ski Championship on Mt Ruapehu. We all placed well.

The students that participated were **Lachie Rm 9, Fletcher Rm 9, Sophie Rm 4, Nikolai Rm 8, Dylan Rm 8, Stanley Rm 8 and Eric Rm 11.**

Everybody on the first day of racing did the giant slalom where you race and get timed. On Tuesday we did the dual slalom where two people race against each other and add points to their team score which determines what place they come. The next day Lachie joined the skier cross which is a race between four kids going down a racecourse and the top two of each race move on to the next round. We all had a great time and also had a great experience. A big thank you to all of the parents who helped the team and Neil Green for managing the team.

Written by **Lachie & Fletcher Room 9**

Waterpolo Fundraiser

Please support our team!

Sausage Sizzle

This Thursday Lunchtime



\$2
each

Help support our
Pasadena Water
Polo team to go to
AIMS in Tauranga!



Winterfest Water Polo

On the weekend of 18-20 August a team represented Pasadena in the Winterfest Water Polo Competition. The tournament took place at Sacred Heart and Diocesan School for Girls. The team played a total of 6 games throughout the weekend. They came second in their pool and 7th overall. It was a great opportunity for the team to work on teamwork and water polo skills. A big thank you to Issac (and Luke – between games) who coach and support the team. Also a huge thanks to Linda Raynes for giving up her time to manage and organise the team. We couldn't do this without you!



Upcoming Events

SEPTEMBER

- 1-3 Waterpolo Tournament
- 4-8 Tongan Language Week
- 5 APOPS
- 7 Wiz Kids Science Homework Club
- 8 Formal Assembly C@P Quiz Night
- 11-15 AIMS Games – Waterpolo
- 14 Homework Club Wiz Kids Science
- 15 Pasadena Speech Competition Singing Assembly
- 18-22 Avondale Dental Van visit
- 18 BoT Meeting
- 20 Boys' Central Zone Volleyball

21 Girls' Central Zone Volleyball
EPRO8@Kowhai
Homework Club
Wiz Kids Science
22 Formal Assembly

Community Notices

Point Chevalier Run & Walk

Finding it hard to exercise by yourself? Everyone welcome to walk or run in a group every Wednesday night. Suits all levels of fitness. Walk or run at your own pace. Run by yourself or with someone. Everyone starts and finishes at Nomads restaurant. Have a drink afterwards!

Walkers leave 6.00pm

Runners leave 6.15pm

Short course 3.5km

Long course 5.5km

Join **Pt Chev Run & Walk** on Facebook for more details

Come and discuss the topics that
matter most with our local candidates!
Bring your friends, whanau and any
one in the wider Western Springs Nga
Puna O Waiorea community! Come and
share your thoughts on policy and our
future as a country as well as hear how
political representatives feel about
these issues.

September 1st

7:30pm

Western Springs

Nga Puna O Waiorea

School Hall

For more information,
visit the Western Springs
Nga Puna O Waiorea
Election Year Special event
page on facebook or contact
the organiser at
furness-willso@wsc.school.nz



**ELECTION
YEAR
DEBATE AND
DISCUSSION**



BISC MEMBERS & PARENTS, PUBLIC INVITED.

The Forum

**On The Unitary Plan, Real Estate, Mortgages in
Point Chevalier and Westmere.**

**Westmere Primary
Thursday 31st August
7.30pm**

This is an open forum and your opportunity to ask David Wren from
David Wren Planning Policy & Research,
the **Real Estate Agents** who are BISC Members, Tahei Simpson from **AIM Financial
Services**
and Jackie Scott from **Scott & Co Financial Services Ltd.**

- Where are we at with the plan?
- What has it done to Real Estate prices?
- What is happening with Mortgages and the rates?
- What can we expect?

**Come along and ask your questions of this talented team.
All welcome of the local community are welcome please bring friends and
neighbours**

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