

Important Dates

13 October

Camps Depart

14 October

Out of Zone Ballot
for 2021
enrolments

16 October

Camps return

21 October

Ponsonby Cross
Country

23 October

Teacher Only Day –
No students at
school

26 October

Labour Day

28 October

Performance
Evening

Principal's Message

Kia Ora Whanau,

Welcome back to Term 4. This newsletter includes a lot of information about the busy next 2-3 weeks we have planned here at Ponsonby. The move into Level 1 means we can get this Ponsonby Experience pumping again.

Students leave for seven various camps around the Auckland region in the morning. For our Year 7 students this is a fantastic, authentic opportunity, as they have really missed out on a lot in 2020. For our Year 8 students, who are almost ready for Secondary school these camps will leave them with great memories of the time here at Ponsonby.

Tomorrow morning the camp departure times are staggered, parking is available on the school field for those of you who have volunteered to help with transport, please follow the Property Manager's parking instructions.

Please note some other important dates coming up: Teacher Only Day, Cross Country, Performance Evening.

Regards

Nick Wilson
Principal

Camp – Departure and Arrival Times

Camp Bentzon

Classes attending	17, 12, 16
Teachers Attending	Sam Jardine, Kelly Richardson, Jody Hart, Kristen Rees
Tuesday Departure	8:00am Basketball court
Friday Return	3:30pm

Carey Park

Classes attending	15, 18, 14, 8
Teachers Attending	Sarah Valintine, Zoe Soppet, Hasie Leung, Rachel Maitland-Smith, Kim Edwards, Matt Bennie (overnights)
Tuesday Departure	11:00am - Hall
Friday Return	1:30pm

Hunua Falls

Classes attending	20, 23
Teachers Attending	Penelope Dunn, Lorna Cooney, Andy Wilson
Tuesday Departure	11:00am - English Block
Friday Return	2:00pm

Marsden Bay Camp

Classes attending	28, 9, 25
Teachers Attending	Katherine Busch, Sarah Howie, Sophie Gibbons, Paul Curtis
Tuesday Departure	10:30am - Room 28
Friday Return	2pm

Willow Park

Classes attending	22, 1, 30
Teachers Attending	Michelle Murray, Angela Lane, Ian Wannamaker, Jaimi-Athy Timmins
Tuesday Departure	10:00am - Basketball Court
Friday Return	1:00pm

Shakespeare Lodge

Classes attending	26, 21
Teachers Attending	Cherie Bolesworth, Kellie Smith, Max Meehan, Adam Cleverley
Tuesday Departure	9:30am - Room 26
Friday Return	1:45pm

Peter Snell Camp

Classes attending	11, 3, 6
Teachers Attending	Katie Fiddian, Andrea Sherrock, Chrissie Cullen, Rahul Roderick
Tuesday Departure	10am - Hall
Friday Return	2pm

Teacher Only Day – Friday 23 October

As part of the NZEI collective agreement that was passed last year, multiple Teacher Only Days were granted to schools. We have been very mindful of the lack of classroom time this year and cancelled most of them. However, on Friday 23 October we need to have a school planning day – teachers will be revising the Ponsonby Curriculum. This date coincides with Labour weekend and other local primary school TOD dates.

Thank you in advance for your understanding.

Ponsonby Cross Country – Wednesday 21 October

There is no Central Zone Cross Country due to COVID but we are pleased to announce that we will still be running our School Cross Country, information below:

Date: Wednesday 21st October

Save day: Friday 23rd October

House meetings: Assemble at 1.25pm sharp in Houses on Basketball court.

Event Start Times:

- Year 7 Girls - 1.40pm**
- Year 7 Boys - 1.55pm**
- Year 8 Girls - 2.10pm**
- Year 8 Boys - 2.20pm**

Information regarding race protocol and organisation will be given to the students at our Friday assemblies and in our daily notices. Parents and Caregivers are welcome to come along and watch from the road wall along Clarence Street, where you will get a great view of the races. Students have already started training during their Kori time and maps of the course are available for students in our hall foyer.

We encourage all students to participate and those students who are unable to compete due to sickness or injury, must bring a note to their form teacher on the day. If your child is sick we ask that they are kept home as per the Ministry of Health guidelines.

Postponement: If the day is postponed it will be moved to Friday 23rd and parents and caregivers will be notified through email and our school website. Students will also be made aware.

Performance Evening and Roadshow – Wednesday 28 October

Last Term the Roadshow was a highlight for students returning to their old primary schools to showcase their talents. An extension of the Roadshow will be performed for all of our Ponsonby Intermediate whanau and friends on **Wednesday 28th October at 7pm** for our Performance Evening. This is also where our entire Showquest cast will present their piece *“Slow Down and Smell the Roses”*. We’d love a huge audience so please come along to support the 100 plus cast of this year’s Performance Evening. There will be chips and drink on sale in the foyer before the show and during half time as well as donation buckets to help support our “Kids to Camp” campaign. The proceeds help to sponsor a number of our students for Term 4 camp.



Out of Zone Ballot - 2020

Results of our “Out of Zone” ballot will be out in the next few days.

While we would love to accept every out of zone application, and in the past, have worked hard through December to clear the wait list. However, this year, we have received an unprecedented amount of applications and therefore the wait list will be longer than anticipated.

Ponsonby Learning Pathway

Our Vision

Articulate,
energised achievers;
ready for the future

New Zealand Curriculum

Ponsonby Community

At Ponsonby Intermediate we value:

Growth Through Learning

We are open to change, treating each challenge as an opportunity to learn. As life long learners we strive to be the best we can be.

Expressing Ourselves

We explore and share our thoughts, talents, feelings and beliefs because these make us who we are. We get the most out of life when we are true to ourselves.

Making Connections:

As a member of a class, a school and a community, we are part of a whole. We come together from many different cultures to learn from each other.

Showing Respect for other People

Because we have confidence in who we are, we are able to appreciate and let others be themselves. We care for, and support each other, inside and outside the classroom.

Personalising Our Path

Habits of Mind • Quality Learning Circle • Te Reo • Gifted and Talented • SMART Target Learning Journals • Positively Ponsonby • Inquiry Model • Specialist Teaching
Ponsonby Passports • Student Council • Art/Culture Weeks • Direct Vocab Information Landscape • R.E.E.P. • E.O.T.C. • ESOL • S.S.R. • Options • Camps
B-Cool • Reporting to Parents • Professional Development • Appraisal
Tools for Learning • Planning • Overviews • Curriculum Reviews • Mentoring
Keys to Success • Critical Thinking • Kori • Habits of Mind • SMART Targets

Key Competencies

Mathematics

- Thinking
- Using language symbols and text
- Managing Self

Humanities

- Thinking
- Relating to others
- Managing Self

English

- Thinking
- Using language symbols and text
- Managing Self

The Arts

- Thinking
- Managing Self
- Relating to Others

Technology

- Thinking
- Relating to Others
- Managing Self
- Participating and Contributing