

Important Dates

6 June
OPEN
MORNING

11 June
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MORNING

12 June
OPEN
MORNING
Modular
Conferences
3:30pm – 8pm

14 June
Showquest
Evening
Performance

17 June
Central Zone
Boys Hockey

18 June
Central Zone
Girls Hockey

19 June
Year 7 Boostrix
Year 8 HPV1
Catch-up
Immunisations

20 June
Central Zone
Table Tennis

Principal's Message

As the teachers are underway putting the mid-year student reports together, I thought I would give a brief overview of this process. "Assessment for Learning" is the widely used approach here at Ponsonby. AfL is an ongoing process of seeking and interpreting evidence for use by learners and teachers to decide where the learners are in their learning and what the next best steps are. Finding a grade for a student's report is a three-prong approach. It involves teacher observation, learning conversations, and assessment tools (often these tools are Asstle and PAT testing).

The Reporting Process

Twice a year a Student Report will be emailed, these are sent at the end of Terms Two and Four. The report will contain grades for every subject area completed.

Student Led Conferences with parents, teachers and the student also occur throughout the year.

The Module subjects have conferences mid-way through their programme – usually about Week Seven of each term. The Module subjects are Art, Performing Arts, Music, Science, Home Economics, Textiles and Design, Exploring Technology, Social Sciences and Learning Languages. We also include Health and Physical Education with the Modular Conferences. The Core subjects (Mathematics and English) have three evenings of Conferences in Term One and two evenings again in Term Three.

Module subjects operate on a term-by-term basis, while Core subjects are taught throughout the year.

I would like to give a special thank you mention to all those parents who are braving the cold, coaching sports teams and those who have already contacted teachers offering help for Camp. We can't do what we do without all this support.

Ngā mihi
Nick Wilson

Showquest

Close to 100 students have been working hard this term on our 2024 Showquest performance. We are nearly ready for show day, next **Friday 14 June** at Aotea Centre. How cool that our cast get to perform on the largest stage in New Zealand. Our piece “Unapologetically You” explores the idea of what it means to be just that, unapologetically yourself. Follow our lead Freddie as he shows our cast how to live unapologetically as themselves, no matter the struggle. And for intermediate students there can be so many people and pressures pulling you one way or the other. There are judgments, comparisons, competition and friendship changes. But we want everyone to remember to embrace what makes you you, live fearlessly as you are and to never apologise for that. Tickets can be purchased from Ticketmaster. Link here. <https://www.ticketmaster.co.nz/showquest-auckland-centralwest-auckland-region-auckland-14-06-2024/event/24006081E3C018D0>

Sports Update

Year 8 Girls' Football

Thanks to students Maia, Madi and Hollie for the following review of their team's day out at the Central Zone Year 8 Girls' Football tournament.

The team went out to Seymour Park on Thursday 23 May. It was a tough day out competing with all the incredible schools. The first game was strong with Ponsonby putting the pressure on Pasadena to tie 0-0; the second game v Diocesan had the team up 1-0 at half time, but in the second half Diocesan took it home and won 2-1. The final pool game was against St Mary's where striker Greta Beuth scored an amazing last second goal which gave us the win of 1-0. We went onto the quarter finals round to verse Remuera Intermediate and unfortunately lost 1-0. Then came the semi-final rounds - top 8 teams. We played Balmoral and at full time were tied and we had to have a winner so we went into a penalty shootout. Thanks to our amazing goalie Blanca Ebbett and shooters we won 3-2. The final game against Royal Oak was for 5th and 6th, another really close game that ended in a tie, so we had to have another penalty shootout! Thanks to our amazing goalie again who didn't let a single goal in, we won 2-0. Shoutouts to Nikita Pasche, Greta Beuth and Maia Martin for amazing strikes, Emma Bell, Hollie Allbon, Lily Follington, Grace Paranihi and Alana Watson for great midfield play and shoutout to Iva Bernard, Madison Dettling and Ondine Harvey-Smith for some amazing defence. A big shout out to Blanca for her amazing saves in goal. Thanks to Ms Murray, Flynn McGregor and Dante Lam for coaching us on the day – we couldn't have done it without you. **STAY SPORTY PONSONBY!!!**



Year 7 Boys' Football

On Tuesday 28 May the Year 7 Boys' football team competed at Seddon Fields for the Central Zone Boys' Football tournament. The first match was against Mt Roskill Intermediate and after a tough game we drew 1-1. For our second game we played Remuera Intermediate. It was a hard game and we sadly lost 4-0. After that we played St Peters and won 2-1, it was a great game! For our final game in the group we played Pasadena and lost 5-0. Our team got into the 5th and 6th playoff vs Royal Oak Intermediate and won 2-0. Overall we came 5th place in the tournament.

Shout outs to the players - Hamish Reynolds for awesome goal scoring, Ryder Beard and Alex Gitsham for great passing, Connor Bryant for amazing tackles, Max Doig for his great saves, Barnaby Yelash for good runs, Priyansh Malik and Sam Van Grinsven for good playmaking, Darragh Coll and Max Smythe for great defending and shout out to Alfie Hales for great dribbling. Thanks to Miss Stone, Fedde Berry and Dante Lam for great support and co-coaching - we couldn't have done it without you. And a big shout out to Tanya for bringing us muffins and oranges. Review by Ryder, Alex and Priyansh.

Stay Sporty Ponsonby!



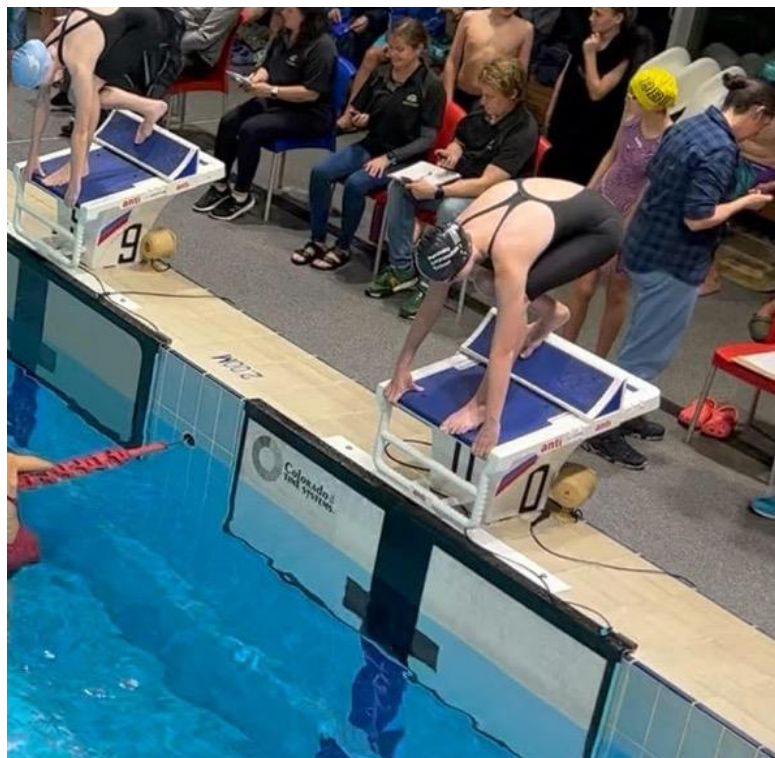
Central Zone Year 8 Boys' Football

When the Football trials started some six weeks ago, we were amazed by the talent in our school. After a while a squad of 22 was chosen and this resulted in many lunchtime games for two, 11-a-side teams. These games were intense and it was going to be incredibly hard to choose just one team. And then a stroke of luck! The organiser from St Peters College put out a call asking for extra teams to fill the draw, lucky us! Ponsonby Year 8, A and B teams all set to go on what felt like our home grounds - Seddon Fields, Meola Rd.

Both team played five games each reaching the play off final rounds. Eventually Ponsonby A finished 10th, and Ponsonby B, 12th overall.

Swimming Achievement

Year 8 student Madison Dettling, a competitive swimmer, has recently qualified for her first New Zealand Championship meet in the 100m Backstroke. This is an incredible achievement for Madison who swims for the North Shore Swimming Club and trains at the TBSS Central City Swimming Club (the two clubs work together so they have more opportunity when they get to the National Squad level). Madison will also be competing at the NZ Short Course Championship later in August where she'll be one of the youngest competitors - her birthday is only four days before the meet and the minimum age to enter the meet is 13 years old. Madison is hoping to gain a few more qualifying times too, as currently she is only 0.22 second off the 50m Backstroke and 1.4 second off the 200m Backstroke time. All the best for your NZ swimming events Madi.



Ponsonby Road Mural Project – ‘Places for Good’

The Auckland Council has invited local schools to take part in a community art project ‘Places for Good’ in collaboration with local artist Ross Liew on Ponsonby Road. The Toi Art Extension Group has worked together over the past few weeks to design a series of murals to contribute to the student street gallery. Toi Art Students who have participated, will walk up to the site to celebrate with local artists and council organiser Boopsie Maran on Wednesday 12 June. If you are able to assist with parent help, please return the permission slip with your child to Art Teacher Sarah Valintine in the Whare Toi as soon as possible. sarahv@ponsint.school.nz



Toi Art Extension Students finalise work on one of the designs for the Ponsonby Road Mural Project. This will be scanned and printed onto large boards.

Samoan Language Week

The Pasifika Fono group helped the school to celebrate Samoan Language Week with their first performance of the year. They performed a siva during Music Assembly, taught by Vaitoelau Fanene (a parent of one of our members). Afterwards, parents were invited to join the Options session for a celebration and talanoa. This was a great opportunity to have whānau join our program and share their ideas. Well done to all of the performers and a big thank you to all of the parents for your support.



Overdue Library Books

We have a large number of books that are overdue from the library at present. Can you please check with your child and help them to find and return any books they may have.

Student Led Conferences

Online Conference Booking

Bookings can be made at <http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz> using the school code.

Please include your child's room number.

Modular Conferences

Wednesday 12 June 3:30pm - 8:00pm

Code: x5r6a

<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/x5r6a>

Below are the list of teachers and the classes they teach to make booking easier.

Thanks,

Cobey Bennett

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Module Teachers:

Design and Textiles: Cobey Bennett

Teaching Rooms: 1, 16, 23, 26

Design and Textiles: Brooke Jameson

Teaching Room: 19

Art: Sarah Valintine

Teaching Rooms: 1, 16, 19, 23, 26

Art: Racheal Wilson

Teaching Rooms: 19, 26

Art: Brooke Jameson

Teaching Room: 1

Performing Arts: Christine Cullen

Teaching Rooms: 15, 17, 18, 25, 30

Music: Claire Holmes

Teaching Rooms: 15, 17, 18, 30

Music: Paul Curtis

Teaching Rooms: 25

Health & P.E: Holly Brittin

P.E & Health - Teaching Rooms: 1, 3, 15, 17, 19, 23, 28

P.E - Teaching Rooms: 11, 12, 16, 18, 21, 22

Health & P.E: Michelle Murray

PE & Health - Teaching Rooms: 8, 9, 14, 20, 25, 26, 30

Health - Teaching Rooms: 11, 12, 16, 18, 21, 22

Home Economics: Kelly Richardson

Teaching Rooms: 8, 9, 11, 12, 21

Science: Sione Taupeaape

Teaching Rooms: 8, 9, 11, 12, 21

Science: Jaimi Athy-Timmins

Teaching Rooms: 3, 14, 20, 22, 28

Exploring Technology: Andy Wilson

Teaching Rooms: 3, 14, 20, 22, 28

Social Sciences: Sarah Howie

Teaching Rooms: 8, 11, 14, 18, 20, 23, 26, 28, 30

Social Sciences: Brooke Jameson

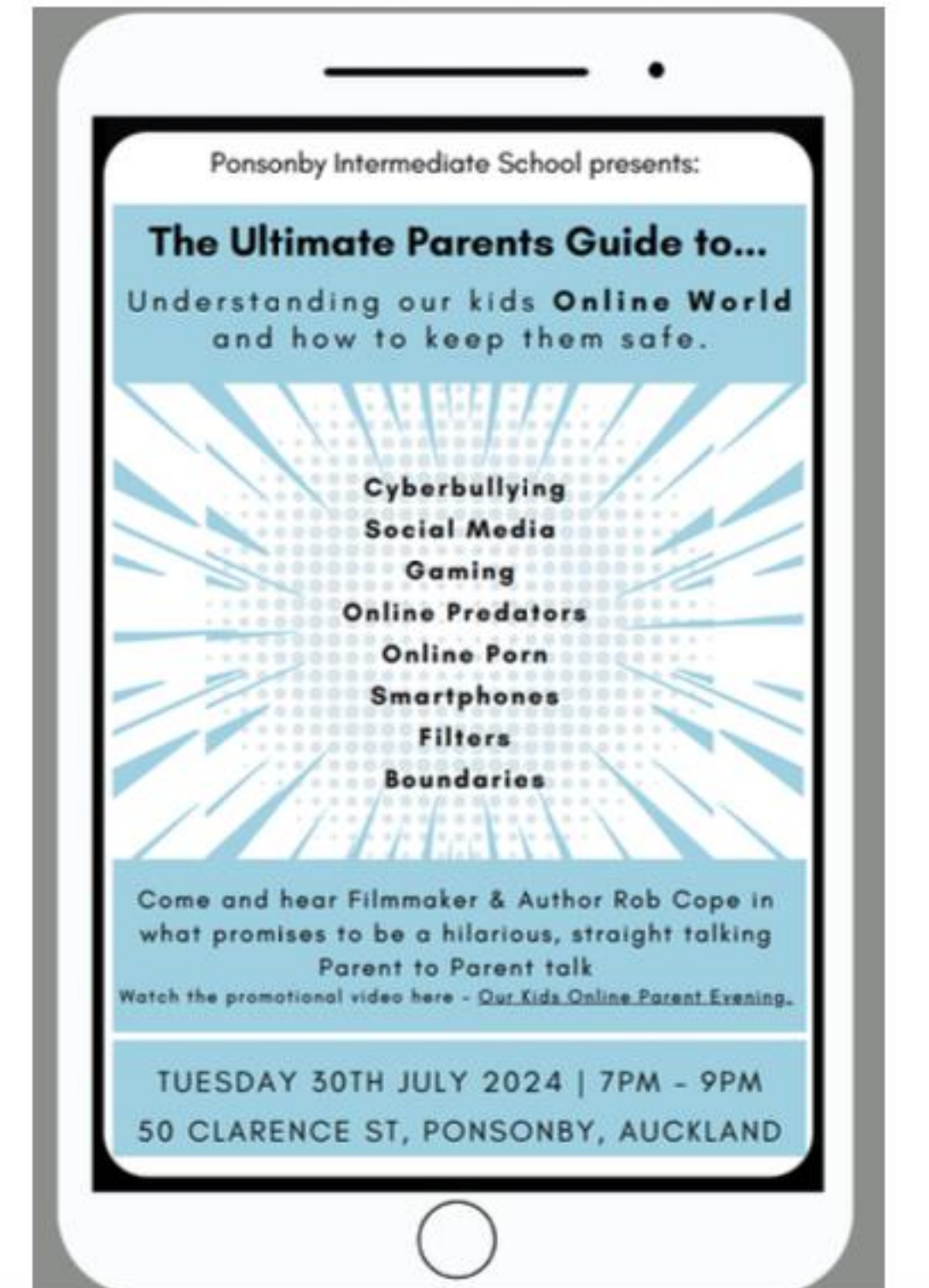
Teaching Room: 17

Learning Languages: Holly Francis

Teaching Rooms: 1, 3, 9, 12, 15, 16, 19, 21, 22

Learning Languages: Brooke Jameson

Teaching Room: 25



[Ticket Information – Our Kids Online Parent Evening](#)

Please book your place at this important community event by clicking the link to this [Google Form](#) and completing your information to confirm that you will be attending. If you have registered through the google form and then decide not to attend, please let us know asap so that we can offer your place to someone else.



Ponsonby Intermediate School

OPEN DAYS



Open Morning Dates

Tuesday 14th May	Thursday 6th June
Tuesday 11th June	Wednesday 12th June
Tuesday 30th July	Tuesday 20th August

Open Evening

Wednesday 14th August
6:00 pm

Registration for visits

office@ponsint.school.nz

Out of Zone Enrolments

Close: Friday 30th August

TOUR 1: 9:15AM
TOUR 2: 9:45AM
TOUR 3: 11:00AM

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**AUCKLAND GIRLS'
GRAMMAR SCHOOL**
PER ANGUSTA AD AUGUSTA



OPEN DAY

Tuesday 11th June 2024

**Educated at
Auckland Girls'
Equipped for
the World**

We invite you to visit our school on Tuesday 11th June. Our Principal will give a short presentation at 9.30am and 6.30pm. Students will lead tours of the school as part of your visit.

All prospective students for 2025 and their whānau are very welcome to attend. We welcome whānau of students interested in enrolling in Ngā Tūmanako o Kahurangi, our Māori Whānau Unit.

Auckland Girls' Grammar School welcomes enrolments from throughout the Auckland region and we hope you will take this opportunity to find out more about us.

MORNING 9.30am – 12.00pm

EVENING 6.00pm – 7.30pm

**For more information please phone 307 4180
or email enrol@aggs.school.nz**

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.

As members 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.

Making Connections

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.

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 and support each other inside and outside the classroom.

Our Values are GEMS