Newsletter Ponsonby Articulate, energised achievers, ready for the future

10 December 2024

Important Dates

Principal's Message

During the past fortnight we have kept the 'Ponsonby Experience' as action packed as possible. Curriculum and sport programmes continue right through into the final days of school.

With the Prizegiving's coming up, please note that not every student can receive an award, however every student should feel a sense of achievement as the 'Ponsonby Experience' draws to a close for 2024. Our Year 8 students are well prepared for secondary school and we have another exciting year planned for the returning Year 7's.

Students will bring home their Yearbook on Thursday 12 December and school reports will be sent by email on Thursday for Year 8, and Friday for Year 7.

Thank you for your support this year, and we wish you a safe and relaxing holiday break.

Nick Wilson Principal

Important End of Year Dates;

Year 7 Prizegiving - Wednesday 11 December at 11am

Year 8 Prizegiving - Thursday 12 December 11am - 12:30pm (Year 8's finish at 12:30pm and return at 6pm for their Graduation)

Year 7's finish at 12pm Friday 13 December

11 December Year 7 Prizegiving 11:00am

12 December

Year 8 Prizegiving 11:00am

Year 8 Graduation 6pm – 8:30pm

Year 8 Reports sent by email

13 December

Last Day - Year 7's Only – 12pm finish

Year 7 reports sent by email

23, 24 & 29 January

Uniform Sales – School Office Open 9am – 2pm

30 January School Starts 8.35am

Year 7's meet in Hall

Year 8's meet on Basketball Court

End of Year Prizegiving – Repeat Notice

This year the Year 7 prizegiving ceremony will be held on Wednesday 11th December beginning at 11:00am.

The Year 8 prizegiving ceremony will take place on **Thursday 12th December beginning at 11:00am.**

There will be parking on the field and allocated seating for family and friends. Year 8 students may go home following their ceremony (approx 12:30pm) and return at 6pm for the Graduation.

If your child is receiving a prize we encourage you to come along to celebrate your child's success with us, however, please consider that our school hall has limited space so please carefully consider the number of family members.

Not all students will receive a prize, but we would remind all parents and caregivers that throughout the year we recognise and celebrate students' success during our weekly school assemblies and on other occasions.

Year 8 Graduation – Repeat Notice

We will be celebrating the Year 8 students' two year 'Ponsonby Experience' on **Thursday 12th Decembe**r with a special Graduation Ceremony.

Graduation is \$10 and includes a class shared dinner. You will have received a letter home with your child providing specific information for this event.

It is a formal evening so we encourage the Year 8 students to dress smartly.

The event starts at **6.00pm** and there will be allocated seating for all parents and family members. However, please consider that our school hall has a limited amount of space so please carefully consider the number of family members. There will also be parking on the field.

We look forward to seeing you there to celebrate the amazing two years your child has had at Ponsonby Intermediate.

World Challenge – Overseas Trip 2025 – Repeat Notice

We are now opening the online sign-up process for the 2025 Vietnam trip with World Challenge.

Earlier this year we had a successful trip with 10 of our students traveling through the beautiful southern region and we will be following their footsteps with the same journey.

World Challenge held an initial presentation for this trip on the 7th of November and will be hosting another presentation in Term 1 2025.

For those who would like to sign up for the journey to Vietnam, please follow the link below:

https://www.myworldchallenge.com/tour/E3A83DB

Signing up through the World Challenge portal is the initial stage to secure a space on the trip, there will be an interview process following during Term 1.

You do not have to attend any of the presentations before signing up, but it is strongly encouraged so you can make an informed decision before applying.

If you have any questions, please follow the link below to look at the Itinerary & Parents' Pack.

https://weareworldchallenge.com/trips/e3a83db/

Please feel free to contact : tgreenem@worldchallenge.com.au if you have any questions about this great experience.



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