

Important Dates

29 March

20/20 Cricket v St
Peters College
HPV 1

30 March

Good Friday

2 April

Easter Monday –
School Closed

3 April

Easter Tuesday –
School Closed

5 April

School Social 7:00pm
– 9:30pm

6 April

ASB Get Wise in Math
Classes

11 April

Cheerleading Trials –
3:05pm – 4:30pm

12 April

Sustainable Coastlines
presentation –
1:35pm

13 April

Showcase 1:30pm –
3:05pm for Rooms 8,
9, 12, 15 and 21
Term Ends 3:05pm

30 April

Term 2 begins

Principal's Message

In the previous newsletter I shared with you some of the school's strategic targets and the achievement against these targets. The achievement is exceptional and a legitimate question may be, "how can this school continue to produce such excellent results?"

The simple answer is, Ponsonby Intermediate runs a specialist teaching model with high levels of pastoral care.

Our teachers are primary trained teachers (except sometimes the PE Department) who teach to their passion and expertise. They are absolute professionals in their chosen field and the classrooms are equipped likewise. This teaching model results in high student engagement and I have been deliberate about an increased focus on student well-being (including the appointment of key staff) over the past couple of years.

We know our students are successful in their time here, however, it is also very reassuring when our local secondary schools (Western Springs, Northcote and Mt Albert Grammar) contact me at this time of year with their announcements of Prefects and Student Leaders.

Thank you for supporting the students in our recent Market Day, the turn out from the community was superb. This year we tried harder than ever to educate students on profit and loss, supply and demand, and basic marketing. After the event I asked our students to reflect on their learning – "What would I have done differently now I know what I know?"

We must recognize the great efforts of Mrs Katie Muller and the Councillors for making this event a success.

However, Katie and the Councillors are still hard at work organizing another three exciting up-coming events. They are - Talent Quest, the School Social and our annual Great House Race.

Regards,

Nick Wilson
Principal

Social / Dance

The first school social is happening next Thursday 5th April. The councillors have decided on a House themed social this year. There will be lots of chances to win prizes for costume and house dance challenges at the social. The social will run from 7:00pm - 9:30pm in the school hall. Tickets are on sale for \$5 from the Room 11 window at morning tea times from Tuesday 27th March. On the night drinks and chips will be on sale. Cash sale only. Check out Room 12's PPTV episode this week for costume inspiration, or just come in what you are comfortable in. Please note that, for safety reasons, all students must be picked up from **INSIDE** the school hall on the night.

Market Day

Here is a link to a slideshow of last week's Market Day:

<https://tinyurl.com/marketday2018>

Vietnam Cultural Exchange

From the **21 September – 4 October**, 4 teachers and 28 students will be heading over to Vietnam for a Cultural Exchange. We will be visiting the Cu Chi Tunnels, Hoi An, Halong Bay among other destinations. The application process has begun and will close on **Wednesday 4th April**. Students are asked to write a letter expressing their interest and explaining why they would make the best ambassador for Ponsonby Intermediate. If your child would like to apply for this experience, they can get more information from their form teacher. The cost for this trip will be \$4600.

Below is a link to the promotional video link for the Vietnam trip.

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1rH9jpyUH2ISvL8BS776ikgKRTRjbsOnf>

Ponsonby Mountain bikers

Callum Bowes and Hugo Heyward represented Ponsonby Intermediate in the Under 13 Cross Country and Downhill races last week for the NZ Schools Mountain Bike National three day competition in Rotorua as part of the International Crankworx Festival.

As an initiative by Cycling NZ to support children in all biking disciplines, it was a well organised and inclusive event.

While Callum and Hugo didn't make it to the podium they did the school proud, giving it their all and had the privilege of rubbing shoulders with the professionals from around the world.

Results:

U13 Cross Country: Callum Bowes 17th / Hugo Heyward 26th

U13 Downhill: Hugo Heyward 5th / Callum Bowes 7th (only 8 of the 31 entered crossed the finish line)

If you would like to find out more about mountain bike competitions coming up, please contact Mr Bennie who can forward you on to the necessary contacts.



House and Leadership Wristbands

Some of you may have noticed your child coming home with a school wristband. These bands are to promote and encourage participation at school whether in a leadership role or just general involvement in the Ponsonby Experience.

If your child receives any type of certificate at a Friday assembly they will earn a house wristband and if they are chosen to represent the school in one of our many leadership roles they will also receive a wristband specific to their leadership group. These wristbands are also imprinted with our school values which reinforces how important they are to ensure each student has a positive and enjoyable Ponsonby Experience.

Ponsonby Shoemakers

As part of Design and Textiles, an extension class is going to be run where students learn the art of cobbling. Students are going to be learning how to make leather sandals/slides and producing a pair they have designed themselves. I am looking for leather, leather tools and shoe lasts.

If you have any leather, leather tools or lasts lying around that you are not using or know where we can source some, can you please email Cobey at cobeys@ponsint.school.nz
Any help would be appreciated.



SWEETMAN'S SHOEMAKERS

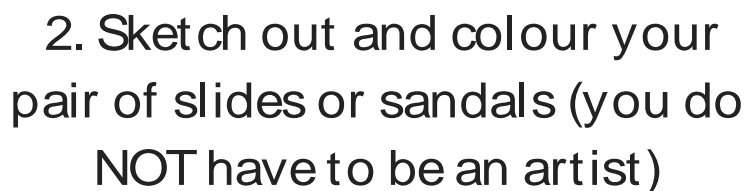
Are you interested in shoes and footwear?

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE PART OF A NEW GROUP OF
PONSONBY SHOEMAKERS?



How to apply:

1. Get on pinterest find a bunch of sandals/ slides you like the look of and make a collage.



2. Sketch out and colour your pair of slides or sandals (you do NOT have to be an artist)

3. GIVE TO MRS SWEETMAN OR EMAIL TO
COBEYS@PONSINT.SCHOOL.NZ



DUE WEDNESDAY 4TH APRIL

Ponsonby Intermediate School – Teacher Aide position, Fixed Term 2018.

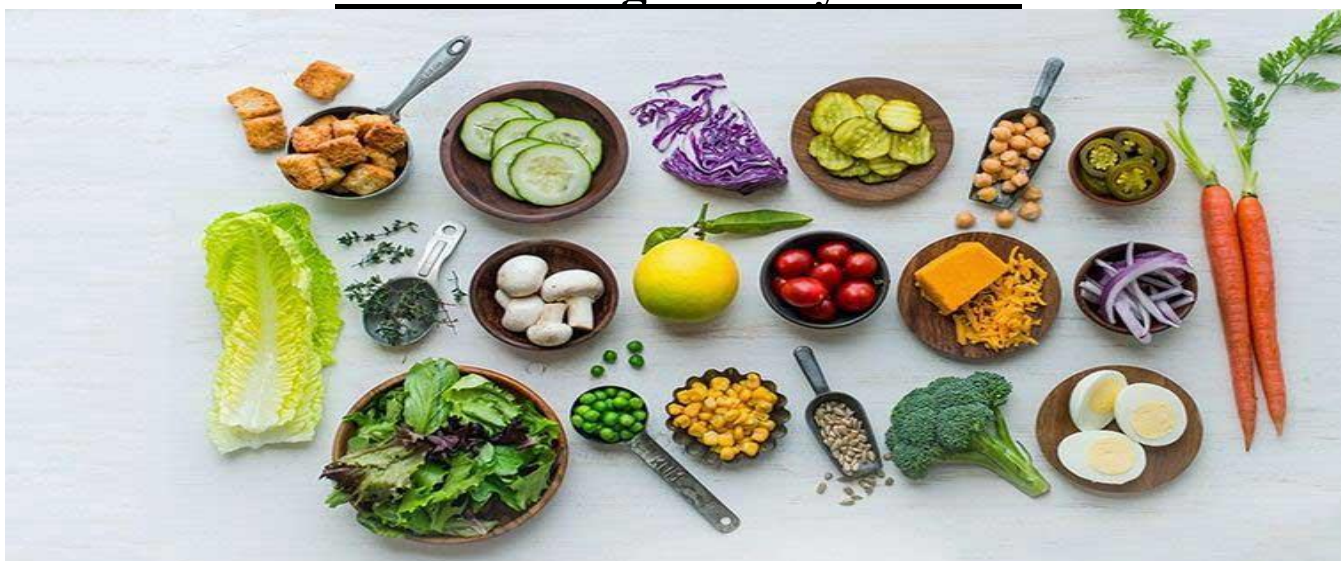
We are looking for a teacher aide to support individual students or groups of students with behaviour and / or learning challenges.

You will be a positive, supportive, independent, flexible worker with a genuine enthusiasm to motivate, inspire and mentor students within our school.

Please forward your covering letter and CV, including names of two referees to Jill Charlton jillc@ponsint.school.nz . Start date ASAP or by negotiation.

Closing date Monday 9 April, 4pm.

Kids Cooking Holiday Classes



Looking for something fun to do in the holidays and wanting to learn some new skills? Why not test your cooking abilities and have a great time doing it.

Where: Ponsonby Intermediate Food-tech Room

Dates: 16th 17th 18th 19th April 2018

11:00am- 2:00pm

\$50 per session

10 years+

(Students do not have to attend Ponsonby Intermediate)

Max 20 students per session and Minimum being 8 (classes won't go ahead otherwise)

Classes will be 3 hour slots where students will be learning how to prepare, cook and of course eat healthy, nutritious main meals (all ingredients included).

To get an idea of numbers bookings will close on Wednesday 12th April.

For more information please contact Jody Hart jodyh@ponsint.school.nz

Nb: I am a fully qualified chef and teacher and hold a current first aid certificate. Students will be well supervised and will learn safe cooking and knife skills.

Tennis Monsters

Tennis Monsters, a tennis coaching organisation, are hosting a "Tennis Community Play" on Sunday the 25th of March at Pompallier Tennis Club, Green Street, St Mary's Bay, open to all beginner non-members to come down to the club and give-it-a-go in a friendly environment!

We have programmes for both kids and adults and have attached a flyer for further information. It would be great if you are able to advertise in your upcoming newsletter or online.

Thanks & Regards,

Alicia Baker - Tennis Monsters Marketing Coordinator



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Western Springs College is a co-educational secondary school with a proud record of academic, sporting and cultural achievements.

We are dedicated to offering excellence in secondary education to families in our community by providing:

- **Skilled and effective teaching delivering high academic standards**
- **A safe, disciplined and supportive learning environment**
- **Access to a rich range of extra-curricula opportunities**

OPEN DAYS 2018

(for 2019 enrolments)

Monday 9 April – Thursday 12 April

SCHOOL TOURS

Tours with the principal for interested students and parents planning to enroll for 2019 will be held on
Monday 9 April – Thursday 12 April
leaving from the hall foyer at 9.00 am each day and finishing around 11 am

2019 Enrolment Packs will be available in hard copy or by email from start of Open Week

Please visit our website and click on 'Enrolments' for further enrolment scheme information or to view our zone map or call the office with any general enquiries

Telephone: (09) 815 6730
Email: admin@wsc.school.nz
Website: www.westernsprings.school.nz

PONSONBY COUNCILLORS PRESENT

House Pride Social

**HOW HARD CAN YOU
GO FOR YOUR HOUSE?**

THURSDAY 5TH APRIL

7:00-9:30 PM

TICKETS \$5

CHIPS AND DRINKS WILL BE FOR SALE



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SPECIAL FX

School holiday workshops

If you are into Face-Off, Cosplay or film FX
this class is for you!

**3 day sculpting &
mask making workshop**

16-17-18 April

10am-3.30pm

**Special FX Workshop
'Autumn edition'**

19 April

10am-3.30pm

*10% Discount
code: FX042018*

BODYFX

WWW.BODYFX.CO.NZ - Young Artists

607 New North Rd. Morningside - 0800 263939




MAHIA
Do it

Flying Machines

Saturday 14 - Saturday 28 April
School Holidays at Leys Institute

At any time during the school holidays, come in and create a flying machine to take home or leave it here to hang in the children's room.

Find out more: phone 09 377 0209 or visit aucklandlibraries.govt.nz/

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SPEECH AND DRAMA LESSONS

Enrol now for lessons in 2018- Term 1 start

Lessons afterschool at Epsom Community Centre, Ponsonby Primary and the Ponsonby Community Centre

To enrol email janita@headheldhigh.co.nz
or visit our website www.headheldhigh.co.nz

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