

Important Dates

28 May

Options Start

1 June

QUEENS BIRTHDAY

9 June

Open Morning

10 June

Open Morning

24 June

Modular
Conferences

30 June

Core conferences

2 July

Core conferences

3 July

End of Term 2

Principal's Message

School is well and truly back!

This week we have had 93% of students present and back enjoying their Ponsonby Experience.

The systems and procedures we put in place worked well and the students have been fantastic in following the rules. They understand about their 'personal space', they have been diligent in their handwashing and students presenting with sickness have not come to school.

Having the school running an effective bubble system during Alert Level 3 also helped us in our preparation.

We started school back with an overly cautious approach and avoided cross grouping situations. This week has shown us our systems can be trusted, so by keeping a careful register we may start to open up cross grouping next week. This means potential Basketball trials, Rock band try outs, Showquest and other sports teams may start.

This is important and exciting as you have heard me say it before – student engagement is a key factor in student learning.

Our Deputy Principal, Matt Bennie, has kept a daily register of students using bus services. A requirement asked of us by Auckland Transport. As I highlighted in the last newsletter, bus services were a bit of an unknown factor moving into Level 2. Unfortunately, our concerns were correct. I can assure you, we are in "discussions" with the Metro team at Auckland Transport. At this stage my best advice is for students and parents to organise a 'plan B' in case buses fail to accommodate students. The problems have been around the afternoon return trips towards Mt Albert.

The school office has been receiving many requests for information on our school hoodie and new track pants. Please see below.

Regards,

Nick Wilson
Principal

Ponsonby Intermediate Hoodie and Track pants Order

We have a sweater/hoodie available to students. You can order the hoodie or sweater using the link below. Order for this garment are open now and close Friday 29th May.

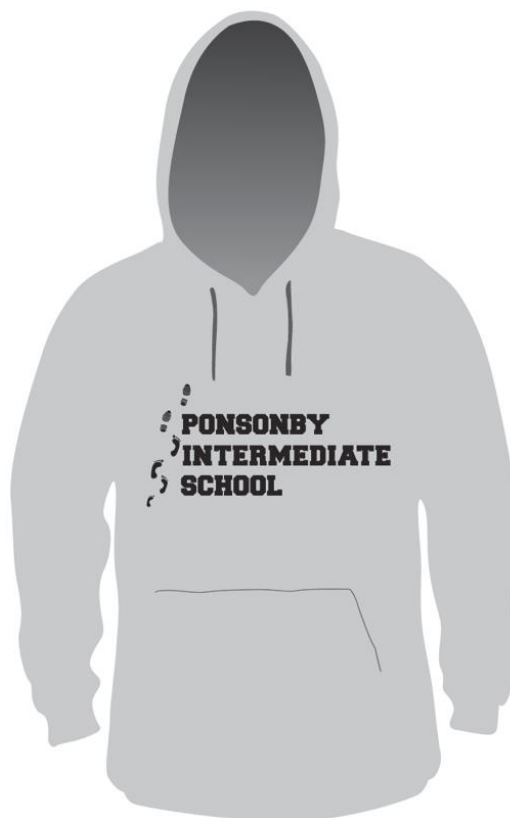
Your child also has the option of having their name on the back. Guidelines for the name are outlined on the website. Please read these carefully before placing an order. If you need to try on sample sizes, these are available at the office to try on before and after school. This top is not compulsory for all students to have, it is a choice and not a required part of the school uniform. However, it is ideal for the winter months and it will allow our students to be easily identifiable on sports/extra-curricular trips and around the Ponsonby community.

New Track Pants

We also have track pants now available at a cost of \$41.50. These are ordered exactly the same way as the hoodie using the link below. A range of sizes are available at the front office for students to try on. Just like the hoodie, this is not a compulsory part of the uniform. Orders close 5th June.

There will be another time this term to place an order so keep an eye out in the newsletter.

<http://schooluniformcentre.co.nz/catalogue/school/ponsonby-intermediate/>



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

