

### Important Dates

**29 September**

CZ Girls Volleyball

**30 September**

Last Day of Term 3,  
3:05pm finish.  
Out of Zone Enrolments  
Close

**17 October**

Start of Term 4

**18-21 October**

School Camps

**24 October**

LABOUR DAY – No  
School

**26 October**

CZ Badminton

**27 October**

Shakeout Drill 9:30am

**31 October**

Western Springs  
College Transition  
Meetings with teachers

**1 November**

BOT Meeting 6pm

## Principal's Message

After the holidays we all come back to school for Monday 17 October and then on Tuesday the whole school departs for our seven camps. The students are looking forward to it, and as I have mentioned in the past, for some, it will be their first ever school camp. However, can I give a massive “thank you” shoutout to all parents and caregivers helping us out. School camps are not possible without our adult helpers – I trust you are looking forward to it too!

Term 4 will see students completing their final modular subjects for the year, Athletics Day – Monday 14 November, new Options subjects and a variety of celebrations. We have it all carefully planned out.

If your child is in Year 8, I encourage you to make sure your enrolment into secondary school is completed, this will help us assist with a smooth transition. Likewise, enrolment into Ponsonby Intermediate for out of zone students closes tomorrow at 4pm, don't miss out!


Ngā mihi

**Nick Wilson**

## New School App – Sign up please!

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New Skool Loop App - Ponsonby Intermediate has signed up with Skool Loop to provide easy access to our fortnightly newsletter and notifications of important events. Please download the Skool Loop from either the Google Play or App Store and search for Ponsonby Intermediate to keep “in the loop”.



**Stay “in the loop” with our communication app!**

**Events | Cancellations | Notices**  
**Newsletters | Permission slips**  
**Instant notifications | Absentees**  
**Parent Teacher Interviews**

**Simple free download:**  
In Google Play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our organisation once installed.



## Kids-to-Camp Sponsorship

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Throughout the year, we have been raising money to sponsor students to attend camp in Term 4.

If you are a parent/caregiver who would like to sponsor a student feel free to follow the link below with the reference 'Kids to Camp'. Your contribution is greatly appreciated. Any amount is helpful to ensure all students who are able to attend camp, can do so.

Thank you!

Reference: Kids to Camp

<https://www.ponsonbyintermediate.school.nz/online-payment/>

## Sports Update

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### **CZ Boys Basketball - Monday 19 September**

After some fantastic pool play the boys faced St Peter's in the semi-final. They put up a good fight but were unable to make it through to the finals. They had a convincing 3rd/4th play-off win and should be very happy with 3rd place in a tough tournament.

Well done to Clay Cooper, Carlo Eible, Tom Speary, Tombo Reid, Dylan Lord, Lucien Lowe, Tu O'Donoghue and Jacob Stephens. Special thanks to Coach Bryan for all his hard work with the boys and for bringing his usual levels of enthusiasm.

### **CZ Girls Basketball - Thursday 22 September**

The girls' basketball team looked dominant from their opening game. They finished top of their pool and continued to cruise through the quarters and the semi-finals. The final was one of the toughest games of basketball I have seen. It was a very physical competition against Kowhai Intermediate, and after putting up a very hard fight Ponsonby walked away with second place. A very impressive performance and one the whole team should be proud of. Well done to Erika Orbell, Iva Tanu, Kim Vaka, Ivy Lundon, Eve Moon, Minerva Armstrong, Addisen Ferris, Zara Baldwin, Zara Bosch, Beata Granberg, Keyana Reihana and Caroline Doan.

Special thanks must go to Dion for all the work he has put into coaching these girls. An incredible result on the day.





## **CZ Boys Volleyball - Tuesday 27 September**

The boys had very little chance to train in the lead up to this tournament, yet still went in with smiles on their faces and a competitive spirit. They played a lot of volleyball over the course of the day, totalling six games all up. They put on some very impressive performances and finished 3rd in their pool. This put them through to the quarter finals where they faced a very well drilled Royal Oak. The team finished a very respectable 6th over-all, and it is worth mentioning they won a set off every team they lost to. Well done to Emanuel Angula Quinones, Archie McGregor, Cooper Mcanulty, Sam Turner, Noah Ogilvie, Oscar Townley, Jon Maea-Brown and Darcy Armstrong.

## **IZ Cross Country - Tuesday 13 September**

Held out at Muriwai, we had four fantastic runners who qualified from our CZ Cross Country to represent both our school and our Central Zone at the Interzone Cross Country race. Interzone is the best from all different areas of Auckland, and it is a real testament to these students that they made it this far. The course was 3km, and unlike our school cross country, or even the CZ race, it involved some tricky and trying terrain. Of our 4 runners Nikhil Davison finished 44th, Lucy Britten finished 23rd, Thabo Gonzenbach finished 12th, and Ali Edwards came in 1st place for the Year 8 boys. Tremendous efforts from all 4 runners.



## Swim League

Ponsonby Intermediate Swim team have had an exciting season competing in the Auckland Swimming Association Intermediate Swim League competition.

Team manager Dion Orbell spoke highly of the swimmers - *"they were an amazing team to manage and even easier with such great kids that have exceptional attitudes and competitive spirits. They represented Ponsonby in an exemplary manner every swim! Highlights from the year are the performances of the Year 7 girls swimming up to race as Year 8s, due to sickness and injuries. One round all the Year 7's raced in the grand Relay at the end, amazing! Strong performances from the Year 8 girls whenever they were available to swim. Swims by Cooper to fill in where ever he was needed to race on the day; Toby for representing race after race for the Year 7 boys; Dax and Connor on great swimming each round they swam; finally to Caleb and Erika who never lost a race they swam individually and anchored relay swims to win, when both of them were present"*.

**Results:** After 8 rounds (8 hours of swimming or 23 swim races for each meet; 184 separate races), unbelievably the results are a tie with Kowhai (Gold) Intermediate. 2,206 to 2,206 - WOW! Congratulations to swimmers Erika Orbell, Caleb Yin, Connor Webby, Georgia Marshall,

Zara Baldwin, Ivy Lundon, Cooper McAnulty, Ella Bray, Dax Pasche, Lucy Materi, Chloe Barr, Toby Cui, Matilda Templeman, Stella Farragher, Nitya Jaiswal, Gus Mount.

Huge thanks to parents and caregivers for ensuring swimmers made it for each swim and to all the parents that helped out with timekeeping.

## Water Polo

Ponsonby Intermediate Water Polo (WP) teams Sharks and Marlins have had a full-on season competing weekly in the Atlantis City Water Polo Intermediate Central League.

Both teams have been challenged in the pool, always playing to mount a strong comeback win or lose, and have fun competing. The teams also competed in three major tournaments - Winter Festival, Tim Sonderer and more recently the North Island Year 7 & 8 Festival where Marlins came away with a great result to take out 3rd place in C Grade (photos below). Coaches Naomi Purdon and Ike Ancell trained A Grade Sharks squad - Erika Orbell, Ivy Lundon, Logan Gourdie, Lennox Nathan-Edmonds, Cooper McAnulty, Isla Roberts, Mya Allen, Niels van Wijk, Julian Stevenson, Tilly Howl and Dylan Lord. Coaches Bailey Hollick and Bella Raynes took on training the B Grade Marlins squad - Lucy Britten, Millar Ashley, Amber L'Ami, Joseph Faiva, Gus Mount, Chloe Barr, Emily Clark, Hugo Dixon, Norah Stubbs, Noah Ogilvie and Jack Dobson. Great to see these ex-students involved in coaching our students. Shout out to team managers Peter Gourdie (Sharks) and Angela Mount (Marlins) for their huge efforts with comms and supporting the coaches and players. Table results for the season had Marlins Top of the Pool in Term 1, giving them a top 8 spot for Term 2, currently in 5th place. Sharks will be playing off for 5th/6th. Final games are Friday 30th September. Good luck Ponsonby!!





## CZ Girls Futsal - Wednesday 14 September

The Auckland Futsal tournament is a one day event that our footy students always look forward to as it's a fast moving sport and the ball moves very quickly on the indoor courts. We entered 2 teams - a Year 7 and Year 8, and although these teams hadn't had a lot of training time together, they all had a top day out playing Futsal against the CZ schools. The Year 8 girls were a competitive team and from the start set up player positions and game strategies, confidently winning their pool and quarter final games. The semi final was a tough game played with plenty of pace and shots at goal from both sides, but ended in a loss to Ponsonby 2-4 against Balmoral. This didn't deter the girls and they played the next game with vigour and a 'let's have fun' attitude, finishing the tournament in 4th place. Excellent effort to Zara Baldwin, Scarlett Williams, Tully Cook, Minerva Armstrong, Addie Ferris, Isla Roberts, Ivy London and Livy Graham.

The Year 7 girls were super excited to be at the tournament and played every game with a determined line of defence. Midcourt players worked relentlessly to weave passes to the strikers for shots at goal putting goalies under pressure. Year 7s had a great experience finishing in 7th place and can't wait for the opportunity to play Futsal next year. Well done to Lucy Materi, Lyla McConchie, Olivia van Grinsen, Stella O'Sullivan, Izzy Russell, Elsie Ward, Mischa Selak and Kanika Patware. Shout out to our wonderful parent supporters!



## **CZ Boys Futsal - Tuesday 20 September**

Ponsonby Intermediate has always managed to field strong Futsal teams, and this year was no different. We had both a Year 7 and a Year 8 team in the competition and each had great success on the day. The Year 8 team had a great win to start, but a tough second pool match against Remuera. They were still able to make it through the quarter finals but unfortunately came up short in the semis. In the match to decide 3rd and 4th the team again came up against their rivals Remuera. The boys were much more competitive, the score line could have gone either way, but the Year 8 boys came away with a 4th place finish on the day. Well done to Archie McGregor, Nate Ninich, Jackson Cosgrove, Ryan McGrath, Kyah Webster, Seb Smirk and Liam Peak.

The Year 7 team had a terrific start to their day and did not drop a single game during their pool play. Finishing on top, they made an equally strong push through the semi-finals and were facing off against ANI in the finals. After a tense 20 minutes the score was still nil-nil and the match had to be decided by penalties. In a nail biting end to a fantastic day the year 7's finished 2nd. Were they to play again I have every confidence the result could go the other way. Well done to London Ridge, Blake Strang, Spencer Strang, Sam Turner, Max McLean, Billy Harcourt, Oscar Townley and Harry Scott.

## **Archery**

Year 7 student Simon Atkinson (Room 11) is part of the Mountain Green Archery Club in Mount Albert and the Massey Archery Club in Kumeu. He recently competed in the Auckland District

Archery Association's 2022 Field Championships, hosted by Lakeview Archers next to Lake Karapiro, Cambridge. This was Simon's first competition using a compound bow - he used to use a recurve bow, but switched a few months ago. Simon likes to do field archery, which is out in the bush and done in small groups, a bit like golf. For this event, competitors move around a specific course and shoot at targets with the first round shooting at round targets and second round shooting at animal 3D targets (see photos). Placings are based on a points system and Simon gained 471 points to come 2nd overall in his division of Cub Male Compound. Awesome shooting Simon, especially when some targets were unmarked and making split second judgements on distances were called for.





## 4D After School Tag Programme

This programme begins in Term 4 and is a fun safe learning pilot after school tag programme for tamariki and rangatahi in Grey Lynn from the Richmond Rovers Rugby League Club, offering skills, drills and tag games for year 7-10 children. This programme is set to start on Wednesday October 19 from 3.30-7.30 out of Grey Lynn Park. Participation in this programme is absolutely FREE. More details are mentioned on the attached flyer (below).

For students expressing an interest, please see Ms Murray or email. [michellem@ponsint.school.nz](mailto:michellem@ponsint.school.nz)

## Hackathon Results

Mr Andy Wilson and the Tech Experts put on the 2022 Hackathon competition. The brief was to create something digital within the allotted two week time frame. 18 students submitted a range of products including Scratch games, Tinkercad 3D designs, Unity games, video edited clips, Minecraft creations and more. The main prize was a Sphero Mini robot activity set.

The student's entries were graded on effort, technical ability and wow factor. Mr Andy Wilson and the Tech Experts Hackathon team chose the 5 prize winners and 2 highly commended entries. These were presented in Assembly last week.

Congratulations to:

**1st Place - Tiger Liu Room 21 (Minecraft)**

**2nd Place - Muhammad Faraz Room 23 (Unity)**

**3rd Place - Louis Denyer Room 8 (Unity)**

**4th Place - Hettie Plummer Room 15 (Video editing)**

**5th Place - Archie McConchie Room 25 (Scratch)**

Highly Commended - Gigi Fromont Room 23 (Video editing)

Highly Commended - Dominic Vaiomanu Room 14 (Minecraft)



In this photo:  
Tiger Room 21,  
Muhammad  
Room 23, Archie  
Room 25 and  
Louis Room 8.  
(Absent: Hettie  
Room 15, Gigi  
Room 23 and  
Dominic Room  
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## Art Soirée

This was an evening to celebrate the work of others in the Visual Arts. The students used constructive feedback to create a composition. A few students were also asked to create a mural that teachers would want to have in their room.





## Enrolments for High School

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Transitions to high school begin early next term. There are a number of Year 8's enrolled in their high school. Please make this a priority so that we can set your child up for success in this exciting move. It is particularly important that you enrol, if you are in zone so they know to expect you and your child can be placed in classes accordingly. If you need help or support with this please contact [katief@ponsint.school.nz](mailto:katief@ponsint.school.nz)

## Councillors Film Festival

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The councillors have organised their annual Film Festival that will run over the next five weeks. Budding filmmakers have been signing up this week and we are excited at the number of entries. This is a fantastic holiday project for friends to work away at.

## Camp Information – repeat notice

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### Camp Information, Reminders and Fees for 2022

The whole school will attend camp in **Term 4, Week 1 (Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October)**. Your child has been informed of where they are going for camp and which classes they are attending camp with. Your child would have now received a gear list to help you begin getting your equipment together.

If you have any questions regarding camp, your first point of contact is your child's form teacher.

### Camp Fees

The fee for attending camp this year is \$350.00 per student. This amount can be paid online using the link below or at the front office.

If you pay online, please following the instructions with regards to payment details. This amount was due by Friday September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

<https://www.ponsonbyintermediate.school.nz/online-payment/>

## Rooms attending each Location

Year 7 Camps	Year 8 Camps
<u>Shakespeare Lodge</u> Rooms 23 and 12	<u>Camp Bentzon</u> Rooms 25, 18 and 1
<u>Peter Snell</u> Rooms 11, 6 and 14	<u>Carey Park</u> Rooms 17, 3, 15 and 16
<u>Chosen Valley</u> Rooms 21, 20 and 30	<u>Marsden Bay</u> Rooms 28, 26 and 8
<u>Willow Park</u> Rooms 22 and 9	

# ABOUT

We are family and community focused and encourage all children to participate regardless of ability. We have had some outstanding results as a Club in recent years (e.g. 4th in Top Ten 2013) and we have enjoyed seeing some of our children achieve outstanding performance in regional and national competition in recent years (e.g. Colgate Games, National Secondary Schools, Trans-Tasman). However our aims and philosophies remain grounded in providing an enjoyable athletics experience for children of all abilities and we celebrate in particular the triers that return year after year (we have 14 year olds who have been members since they were 3 year olds). We believe all children can benefit from being involved in our club. We are always striving to improve the level of programmes offered and the quality of equipment and facilities available to the children.



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## PT.CHEVALIER ATHLETICS CLUB

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.

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.

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