

Important Dates

19 October

Shakeout Drill
9:30am

19 October

Kahui-Ako
Tamariki Day

23 October

LABOUR DAY – No
School

29 October

AMSAA Art
Exhibition

31 October

CZ Touch – Girls
BoT Meeting 6pm

2 November

CZ Touch – Mixed
and Boys

3 November

Onshore Sculpture
Art Exhibition

7 November

Modular
Conferences –
3:30pm – 8pm

10 November

Councillor Fun Day

15 November

CZ Athletics Day

13 December

SCHOOL
PRIZEGIVING
1:30pm

Principal's Message

Following school camps, we have planned activities and events that will build on the momentum, enthusiasm and respectful relationships that have been strengthened. We are also very keen on routine – this approach gives us a 'happy calm' about the place.

Our Year 8 students are now in the process of transitioning to various High Schools, it is pleasing to hear from them that the visit or tests have gone well. The Ponsonby Intermediate specialist teaching model really does set students up for success.

Athletics Day is all set for Week 6, let's hope the weather cooperates. The final round of Modular Conferences are in Week 5.

NZEI Teachers Union has negotiated a Teacher Only Day on Friday 24 November, we will be closed for instruction.

Finally, a thank you for supporting your child through school camp, I know they will be better for it. Thank you to all the helpers who attended camp, and of course – thank you to the amazing team of excellent teachers we have here at Ponsonby.

Ngā mihi

Nick Wilson

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Camps 2023

Following on from Mr Wilson, we would just like to thank our amazing parents and caregivers who helped out with camp. Our camps were a huge success and this was thanks to your hard work and dedication during camp week. Thank you for running activities, helping with duties, transporting students and helping build the positive camp environment. Our teachers worked incredibly hard to organise an engaging and exciting camp. Your contributions and commitment help make this possible.

We also know that the students were incredibly grateful for your help on camp and giving up your own time to make sure their camp experience was a positive one.

Thanks again to our Camp Leaders and the staff that helped ensure everything went to plan!

There is a lot of work behind the scenes throughout the year from our Camp Leaders and staff and they have pulled off 7 amazing camps.

The positive culture the camp has created within the school will help us continue with an engaging Term 4.

Year 8 Transitions to High School

Transitions to High School begin early this term. There are a number of Year 8's enrolled in their chosen 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

Art Exhibition Results

Congratulations to all our students who participated in our Art Exhibition on the 20th of September.

1st Place

Laki Pillai

Maisie Mackintosh - Taniwha

Norah Stubbs - Rangitoto

2nd Place

Felice Leanos

Manha Pahore

3rd Place

Juliet Schaeviz

Amber L'Ami

Finalists

William Harcourt 23

Caoilinn Coen 23

Caleb Scott 14

Stella O'Sullivan 22

Amber L'Ami 12

Hazel Fox 23

Dirk De Guzman 12

Norah Stubbs 21

Maisie Mackintosh 21

Luca Hope 23

Manha Pahore 21

Lulu Mackie 6

Arabella Douglas 12

Elsie Ward 12

Millie Stewart 12

Melissa Liao 18

Ace Ngaia 12

Mariam Domingo 1

Peter Ovsiiiko 9

Juliet Schaeviz 8

Jiyu Kim 3

Jessie Clark 11

Augustin Piaux 9

Evie Rodgers 11

Niamh Mordaunt 8

Laki Pillai 11

Agafia Vovchenko 3

Felice Leanos 8

Charlton Leslie 28





AMSAA Art Exhibition

Schools across Auckland are working together to exhibit student art at Silo Park on 29th October – 5th November. The AMSAA Exhibition is a wonderful opportunity to view the amazing and diverse art work from across our city and celebrate some of our own talented artists at Ponsonby. Students whose work will be exhibited are Juliet Schaevitz, Felice Leanos, Jiyu Kim, Lula Wright, Norah Stubbs, Maisie Mackintosh, Billy Harcourt, Caleb Scott, Amber L’Ami and Ace Ngaia.

OPENING 29TH OCT (12PM START) | RUNS FROM 29TH OCT - 5TH NOV
EXHIBITION HOURS: 10AM -5PM 30TH OCT - 4TH NOV | 10AM-12PM 5TH NOVEMBER

AMSAA ART EXHIBITION



Opening:
October
29th 2023
12pm start

FREE ENTRY

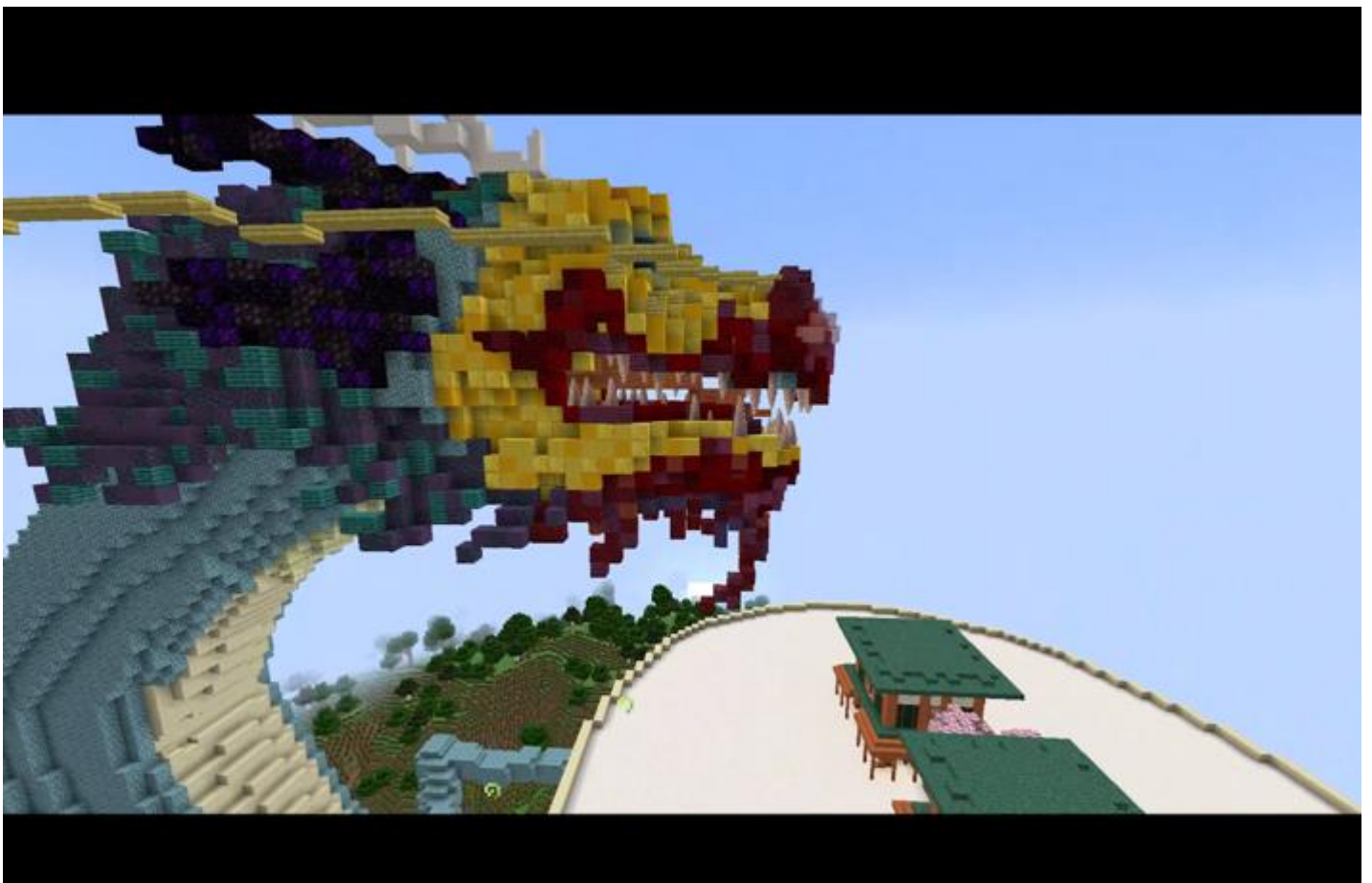
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ART ASSOCIATION ANNUAL
ART EXHIBITION → SILO 6, BEAUMONT STREET
&, JELLCOE STREET

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Hackathon 2023 Winner

The Tech Experts and Mr Andy Wilson are proud to announce that Damon Gordon Room 12 was presented with the winning prize of a Sphero Mini Roboto for his entry in 2023's Hackathon. He created a gigantic dragon in Minecraft (see photo below) during the competitions two week time frame. Second place went to Jonty Plummer Room 23 for his Minecraft village entry. Third place Dominic Vaiomanu Room 14 for his re-creation of Room 14 Classroom in Rec Room. Other successful entries were: Kai Howell Room 1 (4th place), Elliot Peters Room 11 (5th place), Gigi Fromont Room 23 (Highly Commended), Sean Mullins Room 12 (Highly Commended), Ruby Kells Burgess Room 21 (Highly Commended), Reuben Wilson Room 28 (Highly Commended) and Nicholas Myers Room 25 (Highly Commended).



Sports Update

Girls Volleyball

Term 3 ended with a highlight for the Year 7, 8 Girls Volleyball teams participating in the Central Zone Volleyball tournament. Both teams had loads of fun and played with pep and vigour around the court trying to out-rally their opponents. Great team camaraderie from the Year 7s - Iva Bernard, London Samania-Tuioti, Grace Paranihi, Ivanna Marin Linarez, Deanne Puli, Maia Martin and Hazel McCready. Top effort from the Year 8's - Zarah Khan, Pipiana Ramsay, Tayj Edwards, Miriama Smith, Taylor Dodds, Ruby Kells Burgess, Stella O'Sullivan, Ariana Ram and Courtney Wainhouse who made it to the final to place 2nd overall and qualify for the Interzone Girls Volleyball tournament on Wednesday 8 November.





Water Polo

Ponsonby Intermediate Water Polo teams finished their final round of games at the end of Term 3 with excitement and pride.

The Marlins team, who have improved in leaps and bounds over the season, played an exceptional game with the final score 7-6, taking out a well-deserved win and C Grade 3rd place! Bronze Medalists - Charlie Evans, Alice Barton, Lucie Klein, Chuck Luo, Lucas Parkin, Billie Hannah, Max Hannah, Luis Clark, Mikael Ross, Jack Coop, Zach Compton and Millen Blijlevens. Thanks to coaches Emerson and Teddy, Managers Karen Duggan and Andy Evans for their awesome mahi and commitment. Shout out to parents, 'super supporters'.



The Sharks final game of the season was a nail biter! Playing Kings Gold for 5th place in the B Grade league, Kings led 2-1 in the third quarter. With some magnificent teamwork and gutsy play Sharks came back to even the score and then won with a goal in the last seconds of the game, final score 3-2.

B Grade 5th place! Great season Sharks - Hugo Dixon, Gus Mount, Emily Clark, Lucy Britten, Miller Ashley, Amber L'Ami, Chloe Barr, Evie Wood, Flynn Grocott, Grace Paranihi and Iris Fahey. Thanks to Ike and Stan for terrific coaching, Manager Angela Mount and parents for dedication throughout the season.



Skiing

Ponsonby Intermediate Ski team recently competed in the Schools Alpine Competition 2023 at Coronet Peak in Queenstown. Over 100 competitors from Year 3 - Year 8 entered teams from Auckland schools. The events were Giant Slalom (ski run with long, wide, complicated, inconsistent turns) and Dual Slalom (shorter and simpler ski run). All races were independent with overall scores contributing to the team's results.

Ponsonby had two teams of 5 skiers based on rankings 1-10 from time trials.

Team BLUE - Courtney Wainhouse, Flynn Grocott, Samuel Symonds, Chloe Scott, Jack Coop.

Team RED - Charlie Evans, Jade Paykel, Fletcher Norrie, Roman Mak, Sam Graydon.

Both teams skied extremely well considering some of the icy conditions on the courses and had some awesome fun skiing around the mountain before and after their races. Students said it was a “great experience representing Ponsonby Intermediate!” Special thanks to Karen Duggan and Belinda for their fantastic organisation and also the support from all parents involved. Check out the individual/team results and photos (below).

Chloe Scott:

- Bronze medal - Giant Slalom Individual race (Year 7 Girls)

Ponsonby Intermediate Team RED:

- Silver medal - Giant Slalom Mixed Team Race

Ponsonby Intermediate Team BLUE:

- Bronze medal - Giant Slalom Mixed Team Race





Athletics Day Information 2023

When: Wednesday 15th November

Where: Mt Smart Stadium

Students, please remember:

- Full PE uniform
- Covered shoes
- Hat
- Sunscreen
- Warm clothing
- Water bottle and a packed lunch – Bring a healthy one!

Students are allowed to wear spikes for 100m, 200m, 400m

We will be travelling to the event on buses at 9.00am and returning by 3.00pm. There is a full timetable of the track and field events at the end of this newsletter.

Please note: The 800m race is will be run separately before the day. More information to come.

Central Zone Day is Wednesday 22nd November at Mt Smart Athletics Track

Options Term 4

Skateboarding Club : Miss Jeon - Top Courts (Preselected) Listen to the daily notices on how to sign up for this option.	FLOX Art: Mrs R Wilson- Room 18 Create a piece of art based on FLOX's work. You will create a piece that is bright and colourful and inspired by nature.
Touch Typing: Miss Rees: HUB Come and learn how to type without using the sense of sight to find the keys. You will learn the useful skill of Touch Typing using Interactive learning games and speed.	I can Animate! : Mr Curtis- Room 7 Bring those ideas and stories alive through animation. Explore different software programs to create your own 2D and 3D animations. If you enjoy model making you can explore legomation and claymation using stop motion techniques.
Comic Book Creations: Miss Stone - Room 8 Learn how to make your very own comics! You will develop your story writing and illustrating abilities, picking up new skills along the way..	Slinkachu Art: Mrs Spurdle - Room 9 Slinkachu is a British street artist whose artwork is a mixture of sculpture, installation, street art and photography! He places miniature figures and objects in different scenarios and is inspired by landscapes, food and experimenting with scale and proportion. In this option you will create your own Slinkachu inspired piece of artwork.

<p>Paint by numbers: Ms Collins - Room 12 Come and chill out on a Thursday afternoon and paint within the lines whilst listening to chilled out music. If you know your numbers, you'll be great at this! You'll end the term with a beautiful artwork ready to gift to someone or hang up in your room. Be aware, the options are mostly flowers/plants.</p>	<p>Origami: Miss Athy-Timmins - Room 14 Want to make miniature sculptures each week, origami might be the option for you! You can use this time to learn to make basic shapes or build more intricate figures. Chill out this last term and hone your paper folding skills.</p>
<p>Pasifika Fono: Mr T - Room 24 Come and learn about various cultures of the Pacific through dance, myths and legends and so much more. Be prepared to move, sing, teach and listen to stories from around the Pacific from others in the group as well as visitors.</p>	<p>Sweet Treats Baking: Miss Richardson - Room 16 Sweeten up your Thursday afternoons by learning some new recipes and baking some sweet treats such as lollicake and rocky road. This option is available to YEAR 8s ONLY and is not suitable for students with allergies. You may be required to provide some of your own ingredients</p>
<p>Beginner BuJos: Mrs Spencer: Room 21 Are you extremely organised and have high attention to detail? Do you like to journal? Are you creative or like to craft? We will be creating pages for our very own Bullet Journals in this Option. Bring your creativity, colour, and organisational skills with you!</p>	<p>3D Design and Printing: Mr Wilson - Room 19 Welcome to the future! We will be designing in 3D and printing on our newly updated school 3D printers. This option is open to both Year 7 and Year 8 students.</p>
<p>Crochet: Miss Cooney: Room 20 Enjoy knitting? Well, crocheting is similar to knitting! The only difference is using one needle that has a small hook at the end. Come and create any textile piece using yarn and thread. As well as being a mood lifter, crocheting has proven health benefits as the small repetitive movements involved can keep your hands, arms and fingers pliable and your eyes sharp. How awesome is that? All levels welcomed!</p>	<p>Christmas Cards: Mrs Francis: Room 15 Get ready for Christmas (plus birthdays and other celebrations) by making creative cards for your friends and family. Each week we will make a different style and use different materials.</p>
<p>Adapted Softball: Ms Murray: Field by Situps Keen to get outdoors and enjoy a game of softball with your team mates ? There will be skills to learn for batting, catching, throwing, fielding and taking turns to umpire games too. If you're a team player then this option is for you!</p>	<p>Creative Crafting: Mrs Howie - Room 25 Do you like to get crafty? Come and experiment making a variety of crafts for yourself or for others.</p>
<p>Mystery Box Challenge : Miss Sherrock - Room 26 So you think you're creative, work well in a team and have incredible problem-solving skills? Then The Mystery Box Challenge might just be the option for you. Each week, you and your team will be presented with a box full of random items. Your challenge is to create something unique and fun within the given timeframe eg a game, sculpture, gadget, piece of art... The choices are endless. You will need to be able to brainstorm ideas, plan and work together in order to bring your creations to life.</p>	<p>Filmmaking: Ms Busch - Room 28 Do you love film and television? Do you want to be involved in the process, but not in front of the camera? Come and learn about the world of film from behind the scenes. Then create and present your own film using cameras and video editing software.</p>

<p>Artultural: Ms Edwards - Interact If you enjoy losing yourself in creating something unique then this could be the option for you. We will work on pieces of art with a cultural and/or mathematical twist. You don't need to be fabulous at art (or mathematics) just motivated, a bit creative and able to rule straight lines.</p>	<p>Cultural Games: Mr Wannemaker - Field Rm30 Enjoy sport or playing games? In this option we explore games from other cultures through active participation. Games like ultimate frisbee, tchoukball, lacrosse and unihoc. So if you learn through doing and are open to new and exciting sports, join in!</p>
<p>Hard Out Sports: Mr Wilson - Field Sports extension and enrichment. Different styles of sport that will test all your skills. Teamwork and persistence necessary. Not for the faint-hearted, you must be prepared to go HARD every week!</p>	<p>The Improv Playground - Room 6 Want to improve your confidence? Get better at working in teams? Try some fun drama games? In this course we'll learn about teamwork, build confidence and get better at managing our emotions while playing games. Improv is theatre acting that's made up on the spot, without a script. You don't have to want to perform on stage to join – our focus will be on building confidence and working on life skills. Come give it a go!</p>
<p>Basketball - Brooke - Bball Court You know what time it is...no, not business time. No, not home time either. No, it's not lunch yet. Ok, stop guessing. I'll tell you. It's basketball time!! Self-explanatory. Basketball, a word from the ancient latin Basquetusballus is a noble game which can be played by all! Come along to shoot some hoops.</p>	

Athletics

Last year we promoted the “Have a Go” day for Takapuna Athletics Club, with a record number of kids attending to try athletics. The club is holding another “**Have a Go**” night on **Wednesday 25th October, 5:15pm** at **Onewa Domain**. Families will be able to go along and try athletics for free, win prizes and meet some of the club’s star athletes. Also measure how fast you can run using the Police speed gun! Everyone’s welcome!



HAVE A GO NIGHT!

TAKAPUNA ATHLETIC CLUB

**WEDNESDAY 25TH
OCTOBER
ONEWA DOMAIN
5:15PM**

- TRY ATHLETICS FOR FREE
- POLICE SPEED GUN - FIND OUT HOW FAST YOU ARE !
- MEET OUR ATHLETIC STARS
- \$25 REBEL SPORTS VOUCHERS FOR FIRST 10 NEW MEMBERS
- BRING A NEW FRIEND ALONG AND BOTH GET AN ICE BLOCK
- PRIZES TO BE WON !

Athletics Day Timetable 2023

Date: Wednesday 15th November @ Mt Smart Stadium

Track Events			
9:45am	BOYS/GIRLS	1500m	Boys – Year 7
		1500m	Boys – Year 8
		1500m	Girls – Year 7
		1500m	Girls – Year 8
10:00 – 11:45am	GIRLS	100m	Heats
		200m	Heats
		400m	Straight Final (Top 3 times)
12:00 – 1:45pm	BOYS	100m	Heats
		200m	Heats
		400m	Straight Final (Top 3 times)

Field Events								
EVENT	BOYS				GIRLS			
	10:00	10:25	10:50	11:15	12:15	12:40	12:05	1:30
High Jump	Kauri	Rimu	Puriri	Totara	Kauri	Rimu	Puriri	Totara
Long Jump	Totara	Kauri	Rimu	Puriri	Totara	Kauri	Rimu	Puriri
Discus	Puriri	Totara	Kauri	Rimu	Puriri	Totara	Kauri	Rimu
Shot Put	Rimu	Puriri	Totara	Kauri	Rimu	Puriri	Totara	Kauri

Finals		
1:45pm	BOYS and GIRLS	100m
2:00pm	BOYS and GIRLS	200m
2:15pm	YEAR 7 and YEAR 8	Class Relay

- Class relay runners have been selected during P.E. Class trainings. There will only be one race for Year 7 and one for Year 8.
- Year 7 100m heats will be run on the back straight (in order to speed up the day).
- The 800m is raced on the day before at school as it allows students to enter more track events.

Term 4 Overview

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 Camp Week	9 October Camp Preparation Day	10 October Camps Depart	11 October	12 October	13 October Camps arrive back to school
2	16 October	17 October	18 October CZ Badminton	19 October	20 October
3	23 October LABOUR DAY	24 October	25 October	26 October	27 October 29/10 – 5/11 AMSAA Art Exhibition 2023
4	30 October	31 October CZ Touch - Girls	1 November	2 November CZ Touch – Mixed and Boys	3 November Onshore Sculpture Art Exhibition 2023
5	6 November	7 November Modular Conferences 3:30 - 8pm	8 November	9 November CZ Sports Coordinators Meeting	10 November Councillor Fun Friday
6	13 November	14 November	15 November Ponsonby Athletics Day	16 November	17 November
7	20 November	21 November	22 November CZ Athletics Day	23 November	24 November TEACHER ONLY DAY
8	27 November	28 November	29 November	30 November	1 December
9	4 December	5 December	6 December HPV 2 Year 8's Boostrix Year 7's Catch up	7 December	8 December Showcase @ 1:30pm
10	11 December	12 December HPV 2 Year 8's Catch up Boostrix Year 7's Catch up	13 December Prizegiving 1:30pm – 3:05pm	14 December House Reward Graduation Evening 6pm – 8:30pm	15 December Year 7's Only

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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 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.

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