



AIMS Games

The AIMS Games for 2012 had 166 schools involved, which included two schools from Australia, with over 6000 students competing in the week long event. Papamoa College had a team of 136 students competing in 14 different sporting codes.

Rugby league made its first appearance this year, joining badminton, basketball, cross-country, football, golf, gymnsport, hockey, indoor bowls, multisport, rugby sevens, netball, squash, swimming, tennis and water polo. The only codes Papamoa College wasn't involved in were golf and squash.

The opening ceremony set the scene for a great week of competition. The week started with competitors having to battle very windy conditions but by the end of the week the weather was more settled and the BOP turned on the sunshine.

Papamoa College had a very successful week with all students involved having a great AIMS Games experience. We finished the week with 1 Gold medal (Gymnsport), 1 Silver medal (Gymnsport) and 1 Bronze medal (RugbyLeague) and the team placing 36th out of 166 schools.

Well done to all those students involved and congratulations on representing Papamoa College so well!

AIMS Results for Papamoa College

Gymnsport

- Amelia Axton - Gold Medal in Flyers Womens Artistic Individual Event
- Papamoa College Team (Amelia Axton, Brittany Foreman, Paige Reed, Brydie Craven) Silver Medal in Flyers Womens Artistic Team Event
- Amelia Cox - placed 9th out of 43 competitors in the Twisters Womens Artistic Individual Event
- Brittany Foreman - placed 14th out of 44 competitors in the Flyers Womens Artistic Individual Event
- Brydie Craven - placed 14th out of 44 competitors in the Flyers Womens Artistic Individual Event
- Paige Reed - placed 26th out of 44 competitors in the Flyers Womens Artistic Individual Event
- Katie Sigley - placed 30th out of 44 competitors in the Flyers Womens Artistic Individual Event

Gymnsport Hip Hop

- Papamoa College Team (Carlos LeVao, Amelia Axton, Amelia Cox, Ella Hughes, Ella Paulsen, Jazz Drent) - placed 5th out of 18 teams

Rugby League 9's

- Bronze medal

Waterpolo

- We finished 6th

Swimming

- Mitch Cowdrey - qualified for two finals and placed 9th & 10th
- Arnet Tolofua - qualified for the finals but had to withdraw due to injury.

Netball

- We placed 12th out of 80 teams

Cross Country

- Bethany Millar - placed 14th out of 90 competitors

Hockey

- We placed 15th out of 24 teams

Boys Football

- We placed 29th out of 40 teams

Girls Football

- We finished 26th

Multisport

- Joseph Wallace - placed 28th out of 45 competitors
- Torben Hitchfield - placed 34th out of 45 competitors

Students thoughts...

AIMS was a really well organised week and I had loads of fun doing what I love.

By Mitch Audus – 8MAU1

Being able to participate in more than one sport in one week was really challenging. It was still heaps of fun though, especially getting to hang out with mates and doing what you like to do.

By Joseph Wallace – 8MAU1

It was a fun but hard week participating in AIMS. I enjoyed hanging out with friends. A highlight for me was the opening ceremony.

By Jake Trafford – 8MAU1

I found AIMS Netball really exciting. We had quite a lot of games over the five days, and the whole team had to work really hard. Everyone supported each other, and we all worked really well as a team. We started off in the F pool, but ended up in the A pool. In the end, we came 12th out of 83 teams. It was a really enjoyable experience, and I'm sure that everyone there had a great time.

By Sophia Malu – 78MAU2

My experience of AIMS was really awesome and to be a part in an event like this is a privilege. I enjoyed my involvement in both Gymnastics and Hip Hop Dancing. I wish the Year 7 & 8's next year all the best, as Papamoa College continues to be a part of the AIMS Games.

By Amelia Cox – 78MAU2



Hockey



Boys Hockey finished 15th out of 24. Big improvement from last years dead last!

vs Pongakawa 7-0 loss
vs Cobham Intermediate 6-1 loss
(Cobham are the defending champions)
vs Rotorua Intermediate 2-0 win
vs Aquinas College 2-0 win
vs Bucklands Beach Intermediate 2-0 win
vs Bethlehem College 0-0 draw
vs Otumoetai 2-1 win

Most Valuable Player = Josh Leslie

Most Improved = Kainoa Dickson

Top Goal Scorer = Bailey Pharo

Well-done boys!

Miss Raelene Miller
Teacher in Charge - Hockey

Basketball

On 11 September the AIMS games were annually opened and all 14 sports were fiercely competed.

One of the sports Papamoa College was new into this tournament, was Boys Basketball. Papamoa College had one basketball team involved in the competition. The teams that our new squad came up against were very good, coming from all over NZ and Australia. All teams were at an elite standard and they had been training for a very long time.

Our new team played hard and fair the whole week, we were up against schools that beat us 71-11 and other games were very close matches that ended in a heart breaking loss.

It wasn't only the hard games (with at least 2 or 3 a day) but it was the wait from 9:40am to 4:00pm. that tired us out, the games went for 40 minutes making them very hard and tiring. In the end we lost every one of our games. We kept our heads high and took our losses, and we will beat them next year at AIMS.

When we finished our final game (which ended in a 14-18 loss) we were disappointed at how it ended but we left every thing on the court and gave all we could. We all had heaps of fun and are keen to do well next year and improve our skills and results.

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