



PAPAMOA
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SPORTS TALK

AIMS Games 2014

This year Papamoa College had 132 students entered into 11 codes. 2014 marked the first year of Table Tennis being part of the AIMS Games, and Papamoa College had 5 students entered into the event. With the guidance and coaching of John Lea we went into the event feeling confident. After an extremely successful year last year we had a lot to live up to. Papamoa College ended the week with 3 Silver Medals and a Bronze.

Table Tennis

There were 3 opportunities for Medals in this Event- Teams, Doubles and Singles.

Hopes were high for our team comprising Xavier Lea, Matt Slade and Dylan Bass, who won the BOP Junior Secondary Schools Champs shortly before AIMS. The boys team finished their pool play strongly and earned their place in the Gold Medal final. After a thrilling game against Somerville Intermediate the boys had to settle for Silver. Xavier and Matt played their doubles semi-final against Somerville. The experienced Papamoa pair started the final very well, taking the first set, but the highly rated opposition then began to dominate with heavy chop serves, and Papamoa again took out silver. In the singles event, Xavier Lea qualified for finals day. After having initial control in his semi-final, Xavier found himself 2-1 down, as his opponent showed amazing confidence and much animation. Xavier fought back strongly and strategically battled his way to match point, however failed to take out the match. Xavier then played off for the Bronze Medal and had a comfortable win.

Swimming

Joseph Terry and Corey Robinson both represented Papamoa College at the Swimming Meet. Joseph competed in the 50m Butterfly event and came 22nd overall and achieved a Personal Best. Corey competed in 100m Individual Medley, 100m Freestyle, 100m Backstroke and 50m Breaststroke and qualified for the finals in each of these events. Corey also took out the Silver medal in 100m Backstroke. In this race Corey shaved an incredible 4.5 seconds off his time and was only 0.4 seconds off 1st place.



Netball

The Girls AIMS Netball team had a great week courtside. They faced some tough teams and really had to work for their 4th place finish in their pool on Wednesday. After some really great games they finished 47th of 97 teams.

The team had great support from Parents contributing to their success through the week. Thank you also to Charlotte James and Paula West who took time off their busy jobs to coach.



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Information...

Year 7&8 Athletics Day

LMS Athletics Day will be held on Friday 17 October 2014. Athletics is a fun and full day event. Parents and Whanau are most welcome to attend and support.

Sport Awards 2014

Papamoa College has its Annual Sport Awards coming up on Wednesday 29 October in the Papamoa College Theatre from 6.30pm. This is always a great evening to celebrate the success of our students over the year. Students, Parents and Whanau are all welcome to attend.

Cross Country

Papamoa College had 11 students competing in the Cross Country. Our students gave it a good shot and had the weather on their side, however it was evident from the start that all competitors were bringing their A game and unfortunately it wasn't Papamoa's day.

Indoor Bowls

8 Students from the Lower Middle School worked hard all term learning the skills needed for Indoor Bowls. The students represented the school and themselves incredibly well facing some very tough competition. Unfortunately we did not make it into the finals for either the peers or the individual competition missing out by just 1 point.



GymSport

A group of 5 Gymnasts competed at the AIMS Competition. After some great results last year, the students had some pressure to compete well. Our female Gymnast Kate Schlegel completed some beautiful routines, but the competition was tough from other schools. Our boys team also competed exceptionally but faced some strong competition from Tauranga Intermediate.



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Basketball

The Boys Basketball Team had a goal for 2014, which was to improve their last years result. Being made up of mostly Year 7's this was a going to be a huge feat for them to accomplish. Sadly, they were unable to do so. The team learnt a lot about themselves and the game, they never gave up when faced with difficult opposition and always had fun.

It was a challenging and exciting week at AIMS for the Papamoa College Girls Basketball Team. We had a team of mainly year 7's with a lot of players who were new to Basketball. Everyone of them played their hearts out and tried their very best until the final whistle. They are to be commended for their perseverance and commitment to the team. We finished in 24th position and are looking forward to improving on that at next years AIMS Games.

Rugby League



The Rugby League Team had a really strong start, with many wins, securing them a spot in the top 8. The boys played sensationally, showing the opposition they were a force to be reckoned with. After some really slim loses they boys played off for 4-8 and finished up 5th overall.



Hockey

Our Aims Hockey team had a great week, playing against some of the best teams in New Zealand was a fantastic experience. They had a mixed week as far as results went, but finished on a high with an awesome win against Orewa College.

Thank you to Bernadette Millar and Marion Olsen who gave up their week to take the boys along to the AIMS Games. Along with the team of parents behind the boys, they were never short of encouragement or laughter.

Football

Despite our Boys Football team being in a very tough pool that included this year's winner Auckland Normal Intermediate and last year's winners Balmoral Intermediate, the boys had some good wins against strong teams, including comfortably beating last year's winners 9-3. The Boys finished 3rd in their pool, and finished the competition in 23rd place.

The Girls Football Team suffered a few fairly heavy losses early on in the tournament, the girls remained positive. They grew in confidence with every game and strengthened their defence and attack, and scored 3 goals near the end of the tournament. The girls all really enjoyed their experience, and were coached by two Year 10 students Haylee Gibbs and Caitlin Bass.

GymSport Group Performances

There were 50 groups performing in Aerobics, Cheerleading and Hip Hop, so it was a huge evening of competition. Papamoa College had teams competing in Cheerleading and Hip Hop, and both performed very well. Both teams have put in a huge amount of practice leading up to the event, and were both coached by students at Papamoa College.

Amelia Cox coached a group of 13 Cheerleaders. There was a mix of both Year 7 and 8 students, however many were beginners. Amelia coreographed the routine and put the music together. The Cheerleaders had really tough competition facing 12 other schools, who all mastered their routines and ended up finishing 9th.

Mokoia Phillips-Bradon led our group of seven Hip Hop dancers. The team was formed at the start of Term 3, and did a great job with the limited time to both learn the routine and refine the moves. The Hip Hop team performed seamlessly on the evening and looked fantastic in their costumes. There was a huge 19 teams competing all at a high level, but our Hip Hop team managed to really put everything they had into the performance and finished 6th overall.



Multisport

Lewis Farr was Papamoa College's solo competitor. Lewis had a great race despite the conditions. It was very wet, and as Lewis was competing in the final race, the course was very slippery in many parts. Lewis was up against 60 other students from around NZ. He came off 8th in the Kayak Leg and held this lead onto his Mountain Bike. Lewis gained on several students over the course of the Mountain Bike Leg, but other students also showed their skills and made some great advances.



Lewis finished 10th but after a great transition, started back in 8th on the Running leg. With the end in sight, Lewis really pushed hard to get to the end and came 8th overall. It was a stellar race- with an awesome result.