



Palmerston North Boys' High School

Established 1902

International Students

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A Century of Education
A Tradition of Excellence

Palmerston North

- Palmerston North, often called “Palmy”, has a population of more than 75,000 and is in the lower half of the North Island, about 2 hours drive north of the capital, Wellington
- “Palmy” is also known as “The Knowledge City” because it is the home of world renowned Massey University as well as having a number of other educational institutions
- The city has a wide range of shops, cinemas, theatres and sporting facilities - in fact, all the facilities of a big city, but without the major problems of big city life - a recognised safe city
- NZ is a unique country with a population of 4 million. It has some of the world’s most breathtaking scenery, from lush green farmlands to the majestic snow-covered mountains and golden beaches, which sets it apart from any other country
- Its people, known as “Kiwis” are renowned for their friendliness and hospitality with a casual, safe and relaxing lifestyle
- Websites of interest:
www.pnbhs.school.nz www.manawatunz.co.nz



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Why PNBHS

- Safe, quiet and inexpensive city
- Smaller classes
- Individualised attention
- Education and ‘Knowledge City’
- Well connected to tertiary institutions and research centres
- Literacy and Numeracy Programme
- Sports Development Programme
- Leadership Programme
- Academic Pathways
- High speed internet connection on-site
- An impressive array of facilities
- Dedicated and personalised student support
- Extensive variety of co-curricular activities
- Comprehensive academic extension (Massey University Papers and Cambridge International Examinations)
- Extensive and varied subject options
- Welcoming and devoted homestay families



New Zealand

Student Stories



ARCHING – “I walk to and from school. The teachers cover all of the work we need to during the day and the students are very welcoming and friendly. When I came to Boys’ High, I did 1.5 terms of ELT and then moved to regular English classes. My homestay takes me away on trips to places, which gives me more life experiences. My goal is to finish at Boys’ High and then go to Massey Aviation to be a pilot.”



BANK – “In Thailand, we don’t discuss as a class, we just copy what the teacher writes. At Boys’ High, we discuss and work out the answer together, which helps me to learn. Class size is only 20 at Boys’ High, where Thailand local schools have 50 students. Palmerston North is safe and peaceful, with no crime here. The cars stop for you to cross the road. The speed limit is slower, so there are less car accidents.”



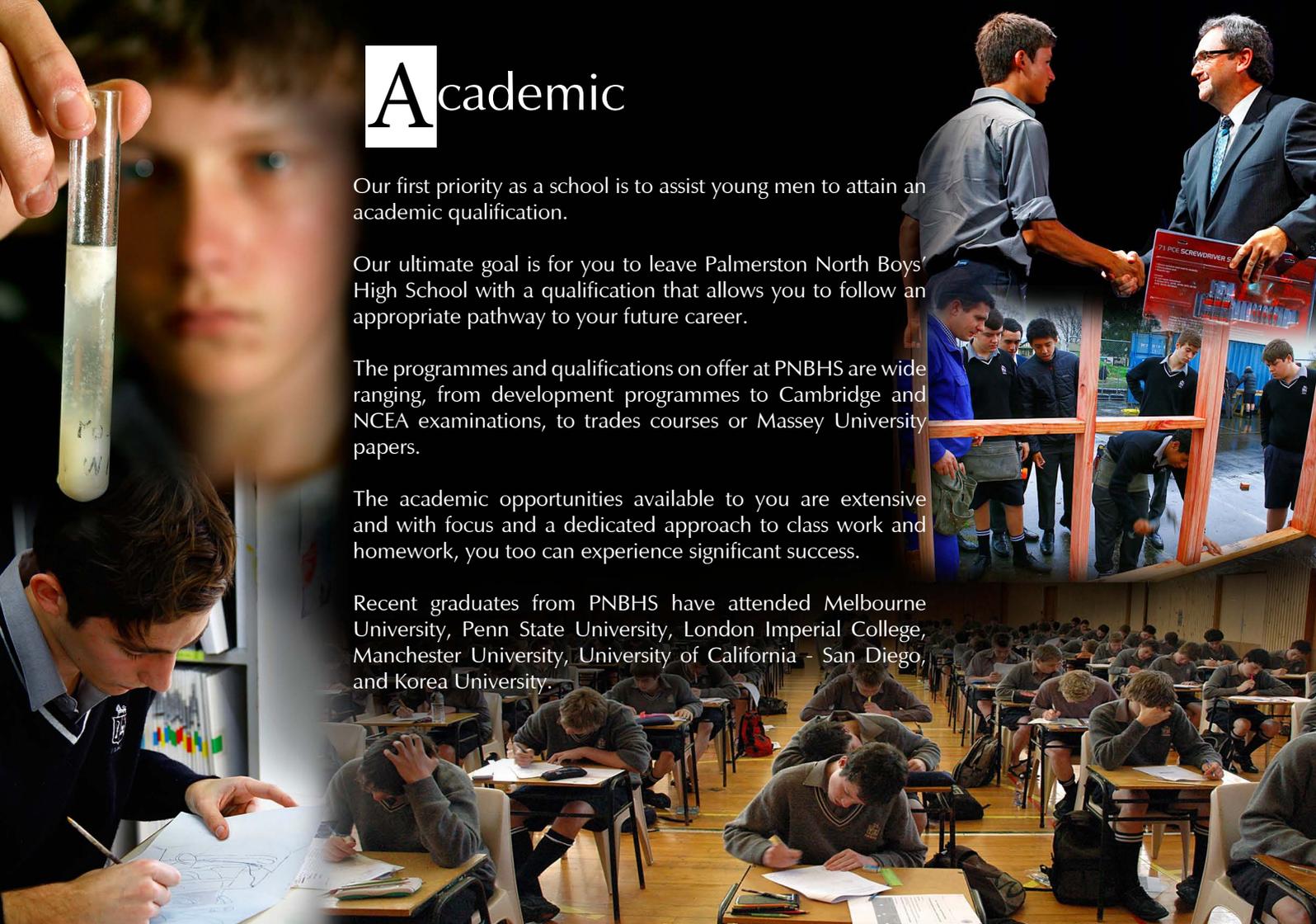
NEL - “PNBHS has its own swimming pool, tennis courts, hockey fields and a big rugby field, so there is a lot of opportunities to do sport. My homestay father took me on a fishing and hunting trip to Lake Taupo. I really enjoyed it and I recommend for every student to go on some nice trips with your homestay family. I made lots of friends here and will stay in contact with both Kiwi and International students when I go home.”



SHAUN – “In China, students have to learn by themselves. At Boys’ High, you are allowed to ask questions and ask for help. PNBHS has more subject variety – Graphics, Visual Art, Horticulture, Media Studies, PE Studies. There are more opportunities to study and go to university here. It’s a healthier lifestyle with fresh air, no pollution and more opportunities to do sport. PNBHS has good facilities for learning and sports. PNBHS teaches you more skills for life.”



JESSE – “I really like to study at Boys’ High because I feel free. You have to learn to be disciplined and study and do things by yourself, where my parents would do this for me in Korea. You learn to be independent. If I have a problem, I get lots of help and support from the International staff and our teachers. I have made many Kiwi friends, they are really friendly people. On the weekends, we go biking around the river and watch movies in the Square. In town, there are Korean food shops and you can buy Korean groceries. “



Academic

Our first priority as a school is to assist young men to attain an academic qualification.

Our ultimate goal is for you to leave Palmerston North Boys' High School with a qualification that allows you to follow an appropriate pathway to your future career.

The programmes and qualifications on offer at PNBHS are wide ranging, from development programmes to Cambridge and NCEA examinations, to trades courses or Massey University papers.

The academic opportunities available to you are extensive and with focus and a dedicated approach to class work and homework, you too can experience significant success.

Recent graduates from PNBHS have attended Melbourne University, Penn State University, London Imperial College, Manchester University, University of California - San Diego, and Korea University.



Sport

Palmerston North Boys' High School has a proud and strong tradition of competing at the highest levels in national secondary school competitions.

This is reinforced by the outstanding results of our top teams across all sporting codes and the number of New Zealand Secondary School representatives named this year.

While we are extremely proud of our first team results, the opportunity exists to compete at any level in the extensive list of sporting codes offered at our school. You will quickly learn of the significant sporting opportunities available to you.

The opportunities in sport are diverse, from snowsports and golf to the traditional codes of cricket, tennis, hockey, football, basketball and rugby. Whatever your chosen sport, the school will support your progression and development.



Culture

At **Palmerston North Boys' High School** a wide range of cultural activities are available and participation is actively encouraged.

From drama classes to major stage productions and musicals, from the symphonic, stage and concert bands to the pipe band and rock groups, the opportunities in music and drama are extensive.

Groups such as OK Chorale, the elite choir, are renowned nationally for their ability and for those with focus, dedication and desire, there are opportunities to audition for places in national secondary school groups within the fields of music or drama.





Mr David Bovey
Rector

Welcome to Palmerston North Boys' High School. You are joining a school that has high expectations of you as a young man in the classroom, as a participant and competitor in sporting and cultural activities and always as an ambassador of our school.

The academic, cultural and sporting opportunities here are many and I would encourage you to take up the challenge and immerse yourself in Palmerston North Boys' High School life.

Palmerston North Boys' High School has a long and proud tradition of educating young men to their potential. The traditions of the school are important to us and by joining us you will become part of a school that since 1902 has been aiming to develop educated men of outstanding character.

Our NCEA results consistently exceed national averages for all categories of schools and we have a recent history of success in Cambridge International Examinations. PNBHS has become a top CIE centre nationally. For exceptional students, the School offers Massey University Papers for their final year of school.

We welcome you to our School community and look forward to the contributions you will make. The team of staff who look after our international students will assist your transition into school and then work with you to ensure you have every opportunity to succeed in and out of our classrooms.

David Bovey

Rector

'Nihil Boni Sine Labore'

*'Nothing Achieved
Without Hard Work'*

People you will Meet

The International Department of Palmerston North Boys' High School consider the safety and welfare of its students to be of paramount importance. We offer international students a comprehensive and encompassing education. Our students are consistently top performers, academically, culturally and on the sporting field.

We provide a safe, friendly environment to learn English and other curriculum areas, all delivered by passionate teachers. Our students have clear guidelines in regards to their behaviour, grooming and academic performance which provide structure and discipline, and in turn, will ensure your success at Palmerston North Boys' High School.

Our Accommodation Manager will arrange your homestay with a Kiwi family, where you will be treated as one of their own. Your Kiwi family will provide private room and furniture, three meals a day, laundry and transport where necessary. Students can stay with designated caregivers who must be relatives or close family friends. All student accommodation will be monitored regularly by the School.

We want you to have the best educational experience in New Zealand, which is why Palmerston North Boys' High School is a school of choice.

Lance Retemeyer

Director - International



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About the School

- A traditional state boys' school established in 1902
- A school roll of more than 1780, Years 9 - 13 students with boarding facilities for 180 young men
- Over 100 committed and enthusiastic staff members support the development of young men through offering academic, sporting and cultural expertise and support

The Curriculum

- Focuses on providing a broad base with an emphasis on literacy and numeracy at junior school
- Allows for specialisation at the senior level
- Involves extensive use of information technology
- Offers acceleration, extension and remedial support to meet a diverse range of needs
- Well supported by excellent facilities and resources
- A full programme, at all levels, of English Language Tuition (ELT) is offered, following assessment on arrival

Our Values

The School seeks to provide young men with an intellectual and moral education which will enable them to make a valuable contribution to our society. The School values are:

- Integrity
- Pride
- Industry
- Courage
- Respect
- Humility

School Facilities

- Fourteen specialised science laboratories
- Four technology workshops
- Indoor heated 25m swimming pool
- Two gymnasiums plus an extensive weights room
- Indoor Cricket Centre
- Extensive artificial sports surfaces
- Six modern computer suites
- 370 seat Auditorium and Performing Arts Centre (Speirs Centre)
- Refurbished hall to accommodate all students
- A well-resourced Library
- High speed internet network connection located on-site

Student Support, School Environment, Student Safety

- The Dean of International Students, the Accommodation Manager and the ELT staff are in daily contact with students
- Outstanding Student Support and comprehensive careers and tertiary study advice
- A safe environment with zero tolerance for theft, drugs and bullying
- A fully self-contained campus