

PALMERSTON NORTH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL – INTERNATIONAL



Palmerston North Boys' High School
Location: Palmerston North, New Zealand
Years: 9-13 (Age 13-18)
Boys' only
School Roll: 1800
International Roll: 40
(3 German students)



NEW ZEALAND

- 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.
- NZ is a very safe country with an extremely low crime rate – it is ranked 3rd Most Peaceful Country.
- NZ offers outdoor and adventure lifestyle experiences coupled with a chance to improve your English language skills in high quality education.

PALMERSTON NORTH

- Palmerston North, often called "Palmy", has a population of about 80,000 and is in the lower half of the North Island, about 2 hours' drive north of the capital, Wellington. Palmy is in the central hub of New Zealand.
- Palmy's central location in New Zealand means there are lots of opportunities to travel to fun places and experience New Zealand while keeping the cost down.
- Palmy 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 world recognised safe city.
- Palmy is easy to get around and takes 5-10 minutes to get anywhere. You can walk, bike or there is free public transport for all students.



Felix Förtsch—Germany

I came to New Zealand because I wanted to improve my English, to see the beautiful landscape, meet new people, learn about their culture and to do sport. I'm having a great time at PNBHS, the school I chose, and everybody is nice here and it is easy to find new friends. My homestay family is very nice and supports me in everything I want to do. I am part of the 1st XI Hockey team, where we play many other schools. I have also done things like bungy jumping, rock climbing and skydiving which was amazing.





Why PNBHS?

- Safe, quiet and inexpensive city
- New Zealand NCEA Level 3 is a globally recognised qualification and can be used for entrance into universities world wide.
- Outdoor Education – a New Zealand Experience
- Many school trips and activities – river rafting, bungy jumping, flying fox, mountain biking, snow trip to Mt Ruapehu, Tongariro Crossing, paintball, trip to Wellington and many more.
- Extensive variety of 57 co-curricular activities and 35 different sporting codes
- Many competitive sporting events and competitions between schools
- Physical Education – average 2 times per week (Junior) or 4 times per week (Senior)
- Athletics, Road Race, Cross Country, Swimming Sports, Winter Tournament – all school events
- Sports Development Programme – enhance your sporting skills and develop fully as a talented athlete
- High quality education experience
- Smaller classes
- Individualised attention
- Vocational education options
- Impressive facilities
- Specialised English classes for international students (approximately 10 per class)
- Your choice of a variety of subjects to specialise and focus on your future career

ACADEMIC

- Choice of academic pathways: Students can choose to study National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA), Cambridge International Examinations (CIE), vocational courses or study university subjects at PNBHS with our Massey University Paper Programme.
- Your choice of a variety of subjects to specialise and focus on your future career.
- Extensive academic opportunities: from academic support programmes to accelerated courses for gifted students.
- Excellent academic results – above local, regional and national averages.
- Recent graduates from PNBHS have attended Melbourne University, Penn State University, London Imperial College, Manchester University, University of California - San Diego, and Korea University.

- Academic Pathways: well connected to tertiary institutions and research centres
- Education and ‘Knowledge City’
- The Ultimate Student City – supportive learning environment
- Study University Subjects with Massey University Paper Programme at PNBHS
- Study Cambridge International Examinations (CIE) at PNBHS
- Literacy and Numeracy Programme
- Leadership Programme – instils values, lifelong learning, self confidence
- Firm guidelines
- Multicultural Society in Palmerston North – over 100 different cultures.
- High speed internet connection on-site
- Regular newsletters to parents and agents about PNBHS international students
- Dedicated and personalised international student support
- Welcoming and devoted homestay families



SPORT AND CULTURAL

- PNBHS runs one of the most extensive sports programmes in New Zealand.
- 57 sporting and cultural activities to choose from, some include: hockey, tennis, cricket, football, basketball, rugby, snowsports, golf, cycling and water polo.
- Many students compete at local, national and international levels, however you can compete at any level and play for fun.
- Opportunities to play teams from other countries exist, as do opportunities to join international tours in a range of codes.
- Outdoor Pursuits – our proximity to mountains, bush and water enables students in Years 10, 12 and 13 to develop leadership and group skills under the direction of qualified and competent staff.
- Extensive Performing Arts opportunities: drama and music classes; individual tuition; major stage productions and musicals; stage and concert bands; orchestra; pipe band and rock groups.



Paul Wolff—Germany

At PNBHS, I am learning English, making new friends and getting a New Zealand experience. I have been on many trips with my homestay, sporting trips between schools, trips and activities with the international department and also with friends. In the 2 terms I have been in New Zealand, I have been to Napier, New Plymouth and Wellington with my homestay family; Hamilton for a tournament with the PNBHS 1st XI Hockey team; tramping, mountain biking and river rafting in Turangi; bungy jumping and flying fox at Gravity Canyon; paintball; and rock climbing for Outdoor Education. Soon I will be going to Invercargill for a tournament with Hockey Manawatu U18 Representative Team and skiing with friends at Mt. Ruapehu. I recommend PNBHS and New Zealand to anyone looking to study abroad.

