



Port Moresby International School

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Owned and operated by the International Education Agency

Port Moresby International School is the major educational institution of Papua New Guinea. It is an independent, co-educational, international secondary school (Grades 7 – 12) operating within the framework of the International Education Agency. For more than 30 years Port Moresby International School has provided high quality secondary education to both the Papua New Guinean and expatriate community of Port Moresby.

Our Emblem

The school emblem, as seen above, is a Lakatoi sail. These distinctive crab claw sails allowed large sailing canoes to travel up and down the south PNG coast to barter and trade goods. They were the only means by which isolated villages and tribes had any contact with each other in the pre-colonial history of Papua New Guinea. In this way, we see this emblem as a sign of unity, of developing community, and of active work and service.

Our School Colours

The school colours of Port Moresby International School are blue, green, and white. These colours are seen through the campus, as part of our emblem, and in the uniforms our students proudly wear.

Our Motto

Excellence – Commitment – Diversity – Integrity

These four words are the pillars by which we acknowledge the development of the whole person as our goal at Port Moresby International School.

Our Mission

To prepare students for success in the modern world by being the leading provider of secondary education in Papua New Guinea.

Our Students

- Come from 22 different nations around the world and from across the country of Papua New Guinea
- Plan in most cases to proceed to tertiary education both in Papua New Guinea and overseas
- Experience a broad range of social, academic and cultural experiences
- Are encouraged and expected to take a full part in the school's co-curricular programme
- Will be challenged and encouraged to succeed through quality teaching and learning initiatives
- Feel part of the larger school community of 800 students

Our teachers

- Come from 10 different nationalities; 33% of these are from countries other than PNG
- Are highly educated and trained, experienced, motivated and caring
- Create opportunities for students to excel in all aspects of their development: social, athletic, moral, ethical, and academic.

Our facilities

- Air-conditioned examination and assembly hall
- Air-conditioned lecture theatre
- Large, pleasant, tropical hillside campus with beautiful gardens and plenty of shade
- 5 Fully networked, air-conditioned Computer Laboratories – 200 networked computers
- 6 fully equipped air-conditioned Science Laboratories
- Air-conditioned Art Studios and Music Centre
- Craft, Design & Technology Workshop
- Home Economics facilities
- Renovated, pleasant canteen with plenty of shaded eating areas
- Air-conditioned Library Resource Centre
- Basketball Courts and Weight/Fitness Gym Facility
- The best maintained Oval in PNG
- Many professional offices for teachers, administration, and ancillary staff.

Our curriculum – what we offer

Although we use the extensive and well-planned IEA Curriculum documents as a guide, our student-centred education experience is developed through FOUR separate curriculum streams. Parents and their sons and daughters choose the appropriate stream and tuition fees differ according to these choices.

- **Papua New Guinea School & Higher School Certificates**

External examinations are conducted in Grades 8, 10 & 12 for certification.

- **ACT (Australian Capital Territory)**

This rigorous programme is composed of externally moderated courses in Grades 11 and 12. Grade 12 Certificates are issued, and, in Grade 12, students have the opportunity to gain a University Entrance Ranking.

- **IGCSE (International General Certificate Secondary Education)**

This Cambridge based curriculum is recognized throughout the world. The IGCSE programme begins with our Grade 7 students and it has external examinations that are internationally accredited and externally moderated. Students sit for examinations in Grade 8 and in Grade 10.

- **IB (International Baccalaureate Diploma)**

The IB is a two-year programme offered at the Grade 11 and 12 level. It has external examinations and gives students the opportunity to gain University entrance around the world.

Detailed curriculum booklets are available for each grade level

Co-curricular Activities – what we offer

The school provides a wide-ranging co-curricular activities programme. We take advantage of the school's multicultural environment. All students are encouraged to retain pride and respect for their own nation and culture and at the same time gain an appreciation of other nations and other cultures.

Co-curricular events include; United Nations Concert, School Musical, Sporting Competitions, Art Exhibitions, CAS activities, Music tuition, Rugby Tours, after- school help classes, a range of lunchtime and after school clubs e.g. badminton, embroidery, Interact Club. The school also runs fully supervised dances in the School Hall each term to provide a popular social and entertainment opportunity for the students. Dances are strongly supported and supervised by staff and parents with stringent security measures.

Student Services....what we have

- Deputy Principal (Academic), Deputy Principal (Student Welfare and Operations), 6 Heads of Department, and Curriculum Coordinator
- Grade Coordinators and Roll Call teachers (these teachers are also responsible for student welfare and counselling)
- Librarian

Student Government: Tomorrows Leaders.....

Port Moresby International School encourages students to take responsibility. Grade Forums are run by students elected by their peers and provide students with avenues of meaningful input into the running of the school. Students are represented on the Board of Governors and student leaders meet regularly with the Principal and the Deputy Principals to further foster good two-way communication. Students regularly contribute to assembly items and concerts and a large proportion of students are involved in the organisation of the annual United Nations Concert and Independence Day celebrations.

School Uniform

As we wish students to show a sense of pride in themselves and our school, it is a requirement that the school uniform be worn properly and proudly at school and on school occasions. Detailed information regarding school uniform is available at enrolment. Apart from shoes all uniform articles are available from the school uniform suppliers.

Governance

The school is a non-profit making body, run by a Board of Governors, most of whom are elected parents. This school is one of 22, which form the International Education Agency of Papua New Guinea. Board sub-committees assist in the development and administration of school and IEA policies. These committees include Staffing, Finance and Administration, and Students. Non-Board members may be co-opted onto these committees from time to time. Parents should feel welcome to contact the Principal for more information in being involved in the Governance of the school.

Why send your daughter or son to Port Moresby International School?

- In Papua New Guinea, Port Moresby International School has the best-qualified teachers from around the world and within Papua New Guinea, teaching internationally and nationally accredited curricula leading to university and other tertiary and employment opportunities worldwide.
- Port Moresby International School is a multi-cultural school with an outstanding record and history of student successes which not only broadens your son's or daughter's outlook but also gives him or her an opportunity to make friends for life in PNG and around the world. This is a school that encourages students to take pride in their culture while appreciating and celebrating the cultures of others.
- Port Moresby International School is the only secondary school in Papua New Guinea, which truly provides for the needs of students from Grade 7 through to Grade 12 in the area of Technology Education and International Curriculum.
- Port Moresby International School is the school with the best Library, Science, Expressive Arts, Computing and Technology facilities in Papua New Guinea. The Oval which is in high demand throughout the city and, indeed, the country.
- Port Moresby International School delivers the best academic programmes and personal development environment for each and every student, as well as sporting opportunities second to none.
- Port Moresby International School is the only school in Papua New Guinea which is accredited to offer the IGCSE, the IB, and the ACT curricula. It is also the only centre in the country to provide SAT testing.
- Port Moresby International School is a non-selective educational institution, open to all. This inclusive nature defines who we are.

Port Moresby International School is a school dedicated to providing an excellent education in partnership with parents.

**Christopher West
Principal**