



# Get Ready!

2008 PACIFIC SCHOOL GAMES  
CANBERRA  
30 November - 6 December

9 months to go to the 2008 Pacific School Games in Canberra



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**The Pacific School Games is an international sporting event for primary and secondary school students – and this year it comes to Canberra!**

## Our Ambassadors tell how to achieve at your sport

Adrian Faccioni says, "Being healthy and as injury free as you possibly can be will be two key factors that will ultimately determine if you reach your goals or not."

John Jakeman's advice for young upcoming athletes is simple. "Make sure you enjoy whatever you are doing. As long as you do

the hard work the injuries and sacrifices will all be worthwhile."

"Make sure you are focused and determined to succeed when you are competing," advises Peta Gallagher.

Check out the 2008 PSG website for Ambassador profiles and details on how to have one visit your school.

## NEWS around the schools



One Year to Go Show at Westfield Belconnen – Emmaus Christian School, St Francis Xavier College and Radford College were the linch pins in this milestone event attended by hundreds of students and families.



Judges are busy sorting through the many entries for the 2008 PSG Opening Ceremony Song Competition... they say it's going to be really hard to decide the winner.



Scenes from the One Year to Go show!  
(Photography by Measa Cox)

We've been getting rave reports from students who've had a 2008 PSG Ambassador visit their school ... here's what students from Stromlo High had to say when Adam Pine recently visited their school ...

"He told us lots of terrific stories and memories that he had from competing"  
Brandon

"I can't believe that he knows Ian Thorpe so well" Ethan

"It was awesome to have an actual Olympic competitor so close to me" Tom

"It was awesome to have him come to our school" Ashley



Adrian Faccioni recently visited Calwell Primary School

Deahne McIntyre presented a sporting award to Elise Powley from St Matthews Primary School



Share the difference

# Your Sport

## Good Sports

The 2008 PSG is a member of the ACT Government Good Sports Territory Program which encourages positive sporting behaviour.

Are you a good sport? Do you ...

- keep your cool when the ref blows the whistle?
- say "thanks" as part of your game?
- take it seriously but keep it fun?
- have respect for players, officials and game rules?

Information courtesy of Good Sports Territory Program – visit [www.sport.act.gov.au](http://www.sport.act.gov.au)

"What I love about soccer is there are lots of people to encourage you to make you have more potential and to make you stronger." *Edie, St Matthews Primary School*

## COMPETITION

Write 1 or 2 paragraphs on why it is important to be a good sport

# Winners!

These students received prize packs for their great entries for activities in the last issue of *Get Ready!*

- Darcy K/1 H – Calwell Primary School
- Shani 5/6 R – Calwell Primary School
- Edie 3F – St Matthews Primary School

Well done! You can see their work on the 2008 PSG website

Local designer Hilary Talbot busy at work in her studio bringing the ideas of local students to life for the 2008 PSG Mascot ...



## COME AND MEET THE 2008 PSG MASCOT

Yes – we are ready to unveil the the identity of the 2008 PSG Mascot. Check out the website for Launch details.

## INTERNATIONAL CONNECTIONS

These are the flags of the countries interested in coming to the 2008 Pacific School Games.

## COMPETITION

Name these countries in the same order as the flags – first 6 correct entries win a prize.



## Name the Mascot COMPETITION

AFTER THE LAUNCH - SEND US YOUR IDEAS FOR NAMES FOR THE MASCOT...

## Competition Prizes

Complete one of the competitions in *Get Ready!* and send to the 2008 PSG Editor by 31 March. Best entries will be published in *Get Ready!* or on the 2008 PSG website and receive prize packs with exclusive 2008 PSG Bottles of Australia® drink bottles, Kea Designer Sportswear sports caps and T-shirts, Go Natural food bars and Westfield Belconnen gift cards.

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