

Auckland Pétanque Association Schools Tournament 24 March, 2021

On a beautiful sunny day 54 students gathered at the Herne Bay Petanque club for the Annual School's tournament hosted by the Auckland Petanque Association. Covid played havoc with our tournament last year so it was great to have the students join us again. It was evident by the competition that some students had been practicing but as Auckland Pétanque goes to great lengths to point out this is a fun tournament for the students. Even if students had never thrown a pétanque boule previously they very quickly picked up the basics of the game. And all games were assisted by experienced pétanque players who thoroughly enjoyed guiding the teams.

The winner of this year's tournament is Rangitoto College 4 [Jamie Lee, Jack Choi and Max Ji].

The runners-up are Belmont Intermediate 3 [Oscar Beech, Seif Ali, Will Westgate]

3rd place-getters were Rangitoto College 1 [Kevin Yao, Ben De Wet, Andrew Zong]

And Belmont Intermediate 3 were also the top Junior team.

Congratulations to all the prize winners and also to Henderson Intermediate and Waitakere College for being part of our tournament. There was great enthusiasm from the support teams of teachers, coaches and parents. Thanks also go to the petanquers who assisted on the pistes and made my job easier.

We look forward to holding this event again in the future and having you and your students join us for a fun day, especially those students learning French and French culture.

Ella Harris, Convener, Schools Tournament