

Pegasus Bay School

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Elisha: We're all on a journey to change the future of learning in Canterbury and Aotearoa. We want to broaden our horizons.

The earthquakes were a bad thing that happened in Canterbury, but the good thing is that now we have a chance to build a better future.

We've got a *brand* new school at Pegasus Bay. It looks *awesome* on the outside, but the best thing is what's happening *on* the inside.

My school is *way* different to what Mum and Dad's used to be. We learn on our own, or in small groups. That way, we can find out what we're *really* good at.

Inside is open and *full* of spaces.

Jade: I really like my new classroom because it has lots of cool furniture, and I enjoy working with my friends.

Jesse: When the classroom gets too noisy, we can just come in the fish-tank.

Jared: What I really enjoy about the modern learning environment is the collaborative nature of the teaching. It's really great for the kids to see teachers working together, cos that's what we're hoping they'll learn too.

Ella: I like working under the table, because I can sit with my friends and we can all share ideas with each other.

Penny: We've got spaces where kids can work on their own in quiet areas; we've got spaces where the kids can work in groups; and they know how to move themselves effectively around all those different areas.

Ali: I love teaching here: the openness of it; the small spaces for those that need it. The modern learning environment enables us to spark children's interest so that there is better engagement and also achievement.

Victoria: My son comes home and tells me he can find the space to focus.

Brent: The kids get loads of choices when they're in class; the little girl's always coming home happy. Just an awesome place.

Elisha: Our new school inspires us to think outside the classroom.

Alex: It takes a lot of energy to be a kid, but hardly any energy to run our school.

Roger: Pegasus Bay is New Zealand's first zero net energy school. We produce all of our own electricity, and any spare goes back into the grid. It's great for our budget, but it's even better for the planet.

Elisha: Our school wants us to grow up in the modern world, knowing how to make things happen.

Because we're a 21st Century school for 21st Century learners.

Our new learning environment will help us to grow up to be confident, capable and successful New Zealanders. Wait for me!

[musical interlude 3.01 to END]

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