



# NORTHCOTE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

## PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

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### TERM 1 – WEEK 8 - 24 March 2022

Greetings • Nau mai, haere mai • Ni Hao • Konnichiwa • An Nyung Ha Sai Yo • Talofa Lava • Malo e Lelei • Namaste • Ni sa bula • Noaia'e mauri • Kia Orana • Asalam Alykum • Nay Ho • Goeie Mône • Привет • Bonjour • Dia dhuit • Hola • Guten tag

Kia ora all

Just a short newsletter this week as we've already sent out a couple of messages and things are going well at school.

#### **Covid-19**

Following on from the Prime Minister's announcement yesterday, few things change for us at school. Here are the key points:

- The removal of vaccination mandates for education workers will take effect from 11.59pm Monday 4 April.
- On the same date, removal of the My Vaccine Pass from the COVID-19 Protection Framework (traffic light system).
- There is no requirement to display QR code posters (although we encourage you to retain them) or have other processes, other than your regular processes, to support people to check-in. This system may need to return if case numbers rise.

#### **NZ is still in the 'Red' Covid Protection Framework level**

- There is no change to masks in education settings from the existing Red setting. Medical-grade masks remain a requirement for staff working indoors with children and young people in Years 4-13.
- For all New Zealanders, including school settings, masks will not be required outdoors.
- Capacity limits will be removed for outdoor events and activities.
- Indoor capacity limits for extra-curricular activities increase to 200 people, or a maximum capacity based on the maximum number of people who could occupy the space if each person was one metre apart (whichever is lower).

## **Camp**

Apologies for anyone who could not join the camp information meeting on Wednesday evening. You can see the presentation here:

Generic camp information video:

<https://youtu.be/wfkcB72CzQU>

The parent helper presentation will be sent out directly to parent helpers. If you do not receive this by the end of the week please email Mr King at [joelk@ni.school.nz](mailto:joelk@ni.school.nz)

## **Ukrainian Refugee Fundraiser**

Under the current circumstances I believe we did well in raising over \$900 last Friday, all of which will go towards the Red Cross's appeal to support Ukrainian refugees. Thank you everyone for their support.

## **Staff Update**

I would like to announce that Mrs Mirela Lapuste had been appointed as Team Leader for Rangitoto Team. We have appointed Miss Sarah Osborne who is an experienced teacher, currently at Murrays Bay Primary, to replace Mr Andrew Kingston at the end of this term. All going well, Miss Osborne will spend some time with the students in Room 13 before the holidays. Congratulations to both.

I'd also like to acknowledge our long serving Social Worker, Pam Ryder. Pam is well known in our community and has been legendary in the support she has given to our students and staff. Pam is starting a new position as a family harm youth advocate at Henderson Police Station. Here's a message from Pam:

*"I went into this role to educate the schools around the services and supports that can be put into place for children and their whanau, and I think this is a big part of my journey that I have achieved. All of the schools are proficient in gaining support for the children and that made my job so much easier and gave me time to work with the children one on one, so congratulations to you all. I am confident knowing that when I exit and before someone else comes in, there are people within the schools that can seek support and services for the kids."*

Thank you Pam, and best wishes for your new role.

## **Student Acknowledgements**

Congratulations to Jess Lathwood who competed in the Senior and Junior Auckland Athletics Championships over the last few consecutive weekends. She competed well and placed in the long jump. Results are:

Senior Champs U14 Long Jump - 2nd Place PB of 4.40m

Junior Champs 12yr old Long Jump - 2nd place and a new PB of 4.46m!

Jess was awarded her senior medal as well. Well done Jess on a great effort.

## Bus Timetable – Parent/Teacher Interviews 29<sup>th</sup> March

As school finishes at 12.35pm on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March, the following buses will be operating from 12.45pm – **Please Note: As the 012 will not operate at this time, students can catch bus 028.**

**028:** Chatswood & Beach Haven – Also overflow of Highbury Shops to get off top of Onewa Road & walk into shops

**029:** Maritime Terrace & Highbury shops

**032:** Normal bus route

## FIRST Award Recipients

At yesterday's online assembly we 'presented' the following students with FIRST Awards. These are awarded to students who have shown effort towards one or several of our FIRST criteria – being future focused, inspired, resilient, successful, thinkers.

Congratulations to the following:

Lucas Galopin	Kyra Coneybear	Emma Evans	Olive Humphries
Ed Ritchie	Jaren Hong Goo	Jayda Archibald	Holly Alchin
Sienna Corner	Charlotte Hancock	Elliot Suter	Hannah Dixson

As always, if there is anything we can do better, feel free to contact me directly on [principal@ni.school.nz](mailto:principal@ni.school.nz).

Kia ora all

Ngaa mihi,



Phil Muir, Proud Principal of Northcote Intermediate School

Upcoming Events for March	
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Final camp payment due
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent/Teacher Interviews via zoom
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Class Photos

## TROMBONE AND TRUMPET LESSONS NOW AVAILABLE AT NIS!



Please get in touch with Bronwyn Babbage as soon as possible if your child is interested in joining our Concert Band programme learning the trumpet or trombone as we now have a tutor! Tutoring and instrument hire is **free**. The only cost is \$35.00 for a band lesson book.

The programme is for 2 years if students are year 7 and 1 year if they start in year 8. The time commitment is 1x half hour instrument lesson per week, 1x after-school band practice per week and 10 - 20mins daily home practice. NB: Lessons will be conducted outdoors due to current health considerations. Please contact Bronwyn via email directly on [bronwynb@ni.school.nz](mailto:bronwynb@ni.school.nz)

# PhotoLife

## CLASS PHOTOS – WEDNESDAY 30 MARCH 2022

Photolife will be at Northcote Intermediate on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March to take **Class Photos only**.

All students **must** be in formal school uniform, i.e. Polo Shirt (not PE top or shorts); black footwear - enclosed black shoes with black socks (no white socks); or black sandals.

Team photos will be held on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August. You will be reminded of these closer to the date.

**SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOP ART DAY FOR CHILDREN  
7 – 12 YEARS**

**CHILDREN'S  
ART  
WORKSHOP**

**DRAWING &  
PAINTING**

One-day workshop for ages  
7-12yrs

If your child loves drawing and painting they'll love this one-day workshop with artist Eion Bryant. With step-by-step instruction they will draw then create a vibrant acrylic painting learning tips and techniques along the way. Fun and focused

**VENUE**

Beach Haven Community House,  
April 27th

Hours: 10.00am - 3.00pm

Cost: \$55

**BOOKINGS**

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