



NORTHCOTE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

TERM 1 – WEEK 11 – 13th April 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

Well, we've made it through Term 1. It's been an interesting 11 weeks, however as a community we have weathered it well! Today we held our school's ANZAC Assembly. We talked about the importance of remembering those who have made sacrifices and how fortunate we are. The civic ANZAC Day services won't be held this year, however we will be delivering wreaths to both Northcote and Birkenhead RSA's to show our respect.

Tomorrow we will be collecting for Poppy Day, in support of the RSA, and ask those who wish to contribute to bring a gold coin donation. Student leaders will visit classes at the start of the day and poppies will also be available at reception.

Covid-19

The news of the level changes to orange at midnight tonight has just been broadcast. At this stage I don't have the full list of specific details for what changes there are to schools – I will send this through once these details are clarified. Masks will no longer be compulsory, although due to the number of cases still circulating, we strongly encourage the continued use of masks and basic hygiene procedures.

Term 2

Term 2 starts on Monday 2nd May and finishes on Friday 8th July. We have a teacher only day on Friday 3rd June (along with the other schools in the Northcote Community of Learning/Kahui Ako) and Monday 6th June is Queen's Birthday. There is the new national holiday on 24th June for Matariki as well.

Term 2 is a fun term – which includes features such as:

Music Month (all of May), NZ Sign Language Week, Tech Week, Anti-Bullying Week (finishing with Pink Shirt Day on 20th June), Book Week, Sports Camp, Maths Extension, Mathex and Otago Problem Solving, Science Fair and Showquest. There will be lots of other learning and opportunities as well...

Staff Update

Miss Emma Hegan will be taking over Room 5 on day one from Mrs Kirstyn Ratu who left for maternity leave last week. We wish Kirstyn the very best and welcome Emma back from her maternity leave. Great timing!

Camp

A big thank you to all our parent helpers who attended camp this year – we cannot run such events without such support. I'd also like to acknowledge Mr Joel King who took point on the organisation and Mr Zane Cooper for attending Sunday to Sunday to oversee the health and wellbeing of our students, parents and staff. I have heard nothing but fantastic feedback about our camp. There will be a survey for feedback sent through.

FIRST Award Recipients

At today'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:

Harry Mahon
Riley Littin
Boston Small
Natasha Apelu
Ethan Lai
Casey Bernas
Charlotte Welsh
Sofie Worth
Boris Mitev
Kayla Harborth
Mila Zafirovska
Mina Byrne

Congratulations to all recipients.

Here's wishing everyone a safe and restful Easter break and a reflective ANZAC Day.

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

Ngaa mihi,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'PM', written in a cursive style.

Phil Muir, Proud Principal of Northcote Intermediate School

SPORTS CAMP 2022

Sports Camp provides an opportunity for our keen sportspeople to compete in a range of sports against other athletes with similar abilities. **This is for Year 8's ONLY in 2022**

Camp: Totara Springs - 288 Taihoa North Road, Taihoa 3473

Dates: Monday 27th June - Friday 1st July

All students attending trials for sports camp will need to complete the google form which is attached [here](#).

The selection process for these teams will begin in **Week 1 of Term 2**. We have many talented athletes at NIS but we are only able to take a maximum of **38** students to camp.

Students interested in being considered to represent NIS will take part in a number of trials.

Trial schedule:

- Wednesday 4th May (Term 2, Week 1): Full day trial 9.00am to 3.00pm
- The remainder of trials will be held during break times, before or after school of Week 1 & 2 of Term 2

The group of students selected will need to be **all-round** sportspeople, competent at a range of sports, have an excellent **attitude** (including classroom behaviour), and demonstrate a high level of **sportsmanship**. An exceptional standard of behaviour is expected, as the team will be representing the school and be part of a large group of students taking part in the five-day camp.

The selected athletes will be required to take part in a range of the sports listed below:

Athletics, Archery, Basketball, Bowls, Caged Soccer, Croquet, Cross Country, Darts, Draughts and Chess, Hole-In-One Golf, Hockey, Indoor Hockey, Indoor Soccer, Kayaking, Netball, Petanque, Rugby, Shooting, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Table Tennis, Tennis, Touch Rugby, Volleyball and Wallball.

The cost of the camp will be **approximately** \$450.00 to \$550.00 (*costs will be confirmed once squad is confirmed*). This cost covers transport, accommodation, food, clothing, all sporting activities, camp facilities, and NIS staff supervisors for the whole week of attendance.

Please contact me if you have any more questions,

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