



School Board Newsletter

Term Three 2022

Tēnā koutou,

As we conclude another busy term and look forward to the school holidays, I'm delighted to introduce your new NIS School Board. Thank you to everyone who took the time to be part of the democratic process and vote in the recent Board elections.

At our first meeting of the year, we reviewed the skillsets of all Board election candidates and made the decision to co-opt the sixth nominee (who just missed out on election to the Board in a very close vote) – welcome Darren Coneybear. We also voted that I would continue in the Presiding Member role, which I held in the previous Board. Please read below to find out more about your new Board.

In other school news, I'm also pleased to announce that Angela Teague's job title has changed from Assistant to Deputy Principal, and Zane Cooper (who has been acting Assistant Principal) has been appointed to the permanent role of Deputy Principal. Our other Deputy Principal Joel King will be Acting Principal when Phil is carrying out Community of Learner Lead Principal duties. We are really pleased that we have such a high-performing, experienced and stable Principal team.

Finally, thank you for all your support of the school and your children's learning throughout Term Three. Thank you also to our wonderful staff who work so hard to create amazing educational experiences for our tamariki. Have a great school holiday break and please keep in touch at northcoteintboard@gmail.com – we always welcome your thoughts and feedback.

Ngā mihi,
Katrina King
NIS Board Presiding Member

Meet the New NIS Board

Katrina King (Presiding Member): Katrina has been on the NIS Board for the past 3 years, has a background in marketing and communications, and is passionate about the role that great education can play in improving outcomes for individuals and society as a whole.

Sally Clendon: Sally has been on the NIS Board for 6 years, is a Senior Lecturer in the Institute of Education at Massey University, and is committed to the school's core principles of strong community spirit, a growth mindset of striving to continually improve, and a focus on the student as a whole person.

Darren Coneybear: Darren is a new member of the NIS Board, has an engineering and IT background, and is passionate about creating workplace and learning environments that are welcoming, where everyone feels valued and able to give their best no matter what their backgrounds, goals, and aspirations may be.

Rochelle Greer: Rochelle is a new member of the NIS Board, works in corporate Learning and Development, and is looking forward to helping the school grow our tamariki into strong thinkers and contributors as well as good New Zealand and world citizens.

Damian Lawrence: Damian is a new member of the NIS Board, has a background in financial services plus governance experience, and is keen to use his skills and experience to help the school and surrounding community through such an exciting transition/growth phase.

Spencer Willis: Spencer has been on the NIS Board for 2 years, works in strategy development and governance, and is passionate about helping the NIS community to grow, to leverage all opportunities that arise, and to shine brighter each and every year with a little aroha and support.

Zane Cooper: Zane is our returning Staff Representative and is one of the NIS Deputy Principals and the school SENCO. He has over 20 years' experience teaching students in Years 1 - 8, with a specific focus on working with neurodiverse students. He is passionate about the environment and connecting with the wider school community.



*Back Row (Left to Right): Zane, Sally, Damian, Rochelle.
Front Row (Left to Right): Darren, Katrina, Spencer, Principal Phil Muir*

2022 Remaining Meeting Dates

Members of the community are very welcome to attend our Board meetings, usually held in the school staffroom from 6.00pm: 31 October, 5 December