



TERM 4, WEEK 7 PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

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 Môre ● Привет ● Bonjour ● Dia dhuit ● Hola ● Guten tag ● Kumusta

Kia ora all

With 12 school days to go until the end of the year we still have LOTS to do. I've sent this week's newsletter out earlier than usual as there are some reminders about events coming up that I wouldn't want people to miss out on. This week we have 2 nights of markets (Motutapu and Rakino are Tuesday night and Rangitoto, Kawau and Tiritiri Matangi on Wednesday night) and arts showcases both nights too. If you have not yet purchased your tickets for the arts showcases there will be limited door sales. We also have our Blast Camp heading out to the Tamaki Leadership Centre at Shakespeare Regional Park later this week. This team has been working through a full-on programme 2 mornings a week for a term now growing their confidence and fitness and the students involved have shown commitment and focus throughout.

We also have a full school trip to "WENDY" the musical on Friday 2 December, where we have at least 7 talented students performing. We have the yachting zone day, Futsal Auckland Champs, Beach Volleyball Zone days, Minecraft @ Microsoft experience, our Year 8 Graduation Dance on 12th December (more info to come). Life Education continue with their programme and we have our prizegivings, so still LOTS to go.

Windows around the school are plastered with advertisements for school businesses ready for the market days. There are some fantastic businesses happening out there and it will be great to see students pitching and selling their products. Keen investors should be here on Tuesday and Wednesday between 5.00 and 7.00pm.

I would also like to acknowledge our Pasifika students who were involved in the cultural literacy fiafia night on Thursday 17th. So much work went into this, and the packed hall absolutely loved watching performances and hearing the students share their learning. Well done to all involved and thank you to Cathy Lio and Rachelle Payne for all their hard work to make this happen.

As well as great learning, we've got several property projects happening including the window and door replacement for rooms 5 – 12. This is a big project and there will be some class movements next week to accommodate this. Our enviro hub new build and sports/PE shed refurbishment are almost completed, and we have 2 large murals scheduled over the next month. Construction will start this weekend for new accessibility carparks down our driveway and the driveway will have further work to reseal it once school finishes. Every day we see more deliveries of big pieces of our

new 2 storey block. Last Friday the front steps arrived – weighing in at over 17 tons. it's a BIG project.

School Yearbook

The school year book is priced at \$20.00. If you would like to purchase a copy, this can be paid through Kindo. If you do not wish to purchase one, please email finance@ni.school.nz and the cost will be removed.

Birkdale/Beach Haven Community Collection Project

We are filling a big box of non-perishable items or gifts to be donated to the Birkdale/Beach Haven Community. If you have spare goods to donate, please bring them to the collection box at reception.

For more information contact projects@birkdalebeachhaven.org.nz

Prizegiving Update – Reminder

This is the first year we've been able to do a full end of year formal prizegiving for a few years. We're trying to maximise the time when parents may wish to see their child be recognised for their achievements. The format for this year's prizegivings is:

Friday 9th December

9.15am -10.15am: Sports Prizegiving

11.00am -12.00pm: Academic Prizegiving

We are unable to host at our usual venue, the Northcote College School Hall, due to it being renovated so we will be hosting it here at NIS. We will notify parents of award winners should they choose to attend.

Last day of the year

Wednesday 14 December is our final day for 2023. This will be a half day finishing at 12.30pm. We have rearranged all buses to align with our earlier finishing time (**except for the 032 – Hillcrest which could not accommodate our earlier finishing time**).

Staff Appointments for 2023

Further to my previous announcement around appointments for 2023, I would like to also announce the appointments of:

- Vanessa Lyle who will be joining our Tech team to teach digital technology. Vanessa comes to us from Birkenhead Primary and is a very experienced teacher. We're looking forward to Vanessa re-establishing and growing our digital space.
- Erin Tiplady, who comes to us from Marlborough School. Erin is an extremely experienced teacher and leader who will be leading our literacy programme which will be one of our focus areas for 2023.
- Sarah Williams who has been teaching at Kaitaia Abundant Life School in Kaitaia and has an excellent reputation.

Now we have all our appointments we are finalising our teams and will notify everyone once we are confident these are all ready for 2023. In the preparation for moving into the new building, which should be completed mid year, we will be changing a number of our teams. Unless there is a reason for a change Year 7 students will stay with their teachers, however there will be some teams changing from 4 to 3 (to fit in with the new building) and alongside this there will be a number of physical class movements.

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



Ngā mihi

Phil Muir, Proud Principal of Northcote Intermediate School

Term Four Policy Review

Should you wish to view and give feedback on any of our policies, go to:

<https://www.schooldocs.co.nz/>

Search for our school, then log in using our community login:

Username: northcoteint

Password: Respect

Look at: Policy Reviews, under review. Should you wish to give feedback, click the Red review icon, where you can submit feedback. Please submit feedback on the currently reviewed policies before the end of Term.

SPORTS NEWS

Water Polo

Alana Mouldey and Lucas Galopin have been selected in the 14 & under North Harbour teams travelling to the Hawaiian Invitational Water Polo Tournament in July/August next year. (<https://www.hawaiewaterpolo.com/tournament.html>)

They will both be amongst the younger players in the team and will still be eligible to play the following year as well, so it is a massive achievement to make these squads.

Netball



Some of our Year 7's participated in the Spring Netball league. The team have had a great season winning most of their games so far. Thanks to Natalie Ring for being such an inspiring and fun coach for the girls. Unfortunately, this week's game will be forfeited due to the School Market Day. But they did win a fantastic prize of a training session with the Silver Ferns thanks to Hannah Mclean and Ashton Welsh.

OTHER NEWS

Grease-Young@Part

We are fortunate enough to have our very own Annan Chai-Rodgers, Poppy Prebble, and Holly Alchin performing in the musical 'Grease-Young@Part' run by the Auckland Performing Arts Academy at the ASB Waterfront Theatre in Wynyard Quarter. Matinee performances are being held on Saturday 17 to Monday 19 December.

This is a 70 minute, age-appropriate version of Grease, suitable for the whole family and will be performed by over a hundred APAA students aged 7-14 years.

10% of all box office revenue from the final shows will be donated to Breast Cancer Foundation NZ, in memory of the most famous Sandy of them all, Olivia Newton-John.

Tickets can be purchased through the theatre at <https://tinyurl.com/bdenb9ph> or via Ticketmaster at: <https://tinyurl.com/ygy8sx5z>.