



Term 1, Week 6 Principal's Newsletter

Kia ora all

We're now in Week 6, over halfway through Term One and NIS is a very busy place! Here are a few updates:

Great news – and a huge thanks to everyone for supporting our recent fundraiser for cyclone affected communities – we raised a total of \$ 3126 and collected a small mountain of food and goodies. The money is all being donated to the Red Cross and the food and physical items have been delivered to De Paul House.

Camp info evening

Planning for our 2023 school camp is full steam ahead. This week you should have received the camp information letter outlining all the key info. We also have our Parent Information Evening coming up on Wednesday 22 March at 6pm in the school hall.

As a school we strive for all students to have the opportunity to attend camp and we understand the financial burden can be a limiting factor. If this is the case and you would like financial assistance, please contact Joel King (Deputy Principal joelk@ni.school.nz) as soon as possible.

Also, we recognise some families are in the fortunate position to donate and be able to support another child. If you would like to do this, please also reach out to Joel King (joelk@ni.school.nz) and let him know. This is something we have done in the past and the support from our amazing school community is always appreciated and often the difference between a child attending camp or not.

Fabulous Feedback about a student

I regularly receive lovely feedback about our students. Here's a recent post I'd like to share:

"I hope the parents of a charming Y7 boy from Northcote Intermediate see this post. Your son is a credit to you. He helped me pick up a box of stationery that fell out of my car near Birkenhead Pools around 2pm today. He was on his scooter. His mates went on ahead but he stayed until everything was picked up. Polite young fellow with some awesome values". This was posted on a social media page for Birkenhead and Northcote Community. Well done Eli! It's fabulous hearing about students who make their parents proud, and show strong values.

Rarotonga Parent evening

For the parents of students travelling to Rarotonga in June/July on our HALP (Humanitarian Aid Leadership Programme) trip, there is a meeting scheduled for Wednesday 15th March, 6pm in Tiri.

Health Curriculum Survey

To ensure we are doing the best to meet the needs of our community we would like to find out your thoughts around our Health Curriculum, and our Mitey wellness programme. Please make the time to complete the following survey:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeiCPbld14kqmvtrN6CJluLbldlo-jrwd0LTsEwMza7lpaf1Q/viewform?usp=sf_link

NZEI Industrial Action

The union which represents primary teachers, principals and support staff is in the process of renegotiating their collective agreement. You may have heard that Secondary school union members (PPTA) have agreed to strike on 16th March. We are still waiting on the results of the latest member consultation – one action being considered is for primary teachers to also strike on the 16th March. Should this happen, we will notify you as soon as possible. If this were to happen, we would consider the school being closed for instruction on the day of the strike.

Te Ara Awataha Celebration

The rescheduled date for the celebration of the new Te Ara Awataha greenway is Saturday 1st April. This is the belt of land that starts at Greenslade Reserve and makes its way around much of our school's boundary. There will be a number of events happening as part of this, including some of our students involved. More details to follow.

Friends of the School Parent Group

Northcote Intermediate School has a parent group, Te Kāhui Atawhai, who are parents/whānau that are interested in supporting us with sponsorship and fundraising. If interested, please add your name to this list [here](#) and Ange Teague will be in touch regarding an initial get together to learn more.

Community Working bee

This has been rescheduled to the 18th March. If you're keen and available on this date please add your name here: <https://forms.gle/wXhBE9PKDgBQ66yZA>

FIRST Certificates

Dominique Maltby, Sebastian Baarspul – 1
Ben Ogier, Malcolm Douglas – 2
Dante Fetuani, Matilda Holmes – 3
Hass O'Reilly, Tamaku Howell – 4
Liam Abbot, Liam Phillips – 9
Katie Yang, Marko Stoychev – 10
Nye Bradley-Bridge, Ruby Mallin – 13
Ambar Gillman Jurado, Annie Liu – 14
Blake Saward, Ed McKibbin – 16
Ashling Caulton, Tommy Whittaker – 18
Albie Larsen, Ethan Soucek – 19
Eloy Babilonia, Hiroto Maruyama, Lily Lawson – 20
Josh Fountain-Jones, Nate Matthews-Olsen – 21
Loise Tuitupou, Māia Williams, Sam King - 22

Looking ahead - Dates

Monday 20th March - Class Photos

Wednesday 22nd March - Camp Information & Parent Helper Evening

Tuesday 4th April - Parent/Teacher Interviews and Aotearoa Archives Art Gallery 1.30 - 8.00pm

Thursday 6th April - last day of Term 1 (Friday 7th is Good Friday)

Monday 24th April - (first day of Week 1, Term 2) - teacher only day

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

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Ngā mihi

Phil Muir, Proud Principal of Northcote Intermediate School

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SCHOOL YEARS 7 & 8

You've spoken and we have listened! Join our new Youth Hub just down the road and enjoy some fun new opportunities. Come along and hang out, play games or just relax and have some kai. You'll also have a say in what what we do there during the year.

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GIRLS AND WOMENS FOOTBALL

JUNIOR GIRLS 9's to 13's PRE-SEASON TRAINING

- Open to everyone
- **When** : Friday 3rd March to Friday 24th of March
- **Where** : Shepherds park
- **Time** : Grade 9 and Grade 10 (born 2014 – 2013) 4pm – 5.15pm
- **Time** : Grade 11, 12, 13 (born 2012 – 2011 – 2010) 5.30pm – 6.45pm
- For more details, please visit our website.

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