

# School Board Newsletter Term Four 2023

Tēnā koutou katoa,

We're already in the middle of December with the last day of school next Wednesday and another year coming to a close. The Board has been grateful again this year to work alongside a very talented and dedicated team who genuinely care about the success of each and every student at Northcote Intermediate School. And a big thank you to our students and community for all of your efforts, energy and involvement in learning, sport, dance, music and all of the other activities that have been part of our school year.

### **Out and About**

Members of the Board were delighted to be at yesterday's prizegiving events to recognise and award student achievement, to acknowledge our team and to celebrate another wonderful year of NIS awesomeness.

Congratulations to all the award winners and congratulations also to every student who has worked hard this year and achieved goals that help them to be the best they can be. Success is a personal journey, and everyone follows their own path.

The Board has also been busy this term attending the opening of Te Whare o Akoranga, our new teaching space; the Northcote Kāhui Ako board evening; the wonderful Cultural Literacy evening; and our dance and music showcases. What an amazing range of talent we have at NIS!

## Other things this term

Term 4 brings the review and approval of the 2024 school budget and annual plan, both of which have been discussed and are being ratified at our final board meeting of the year this week. The school is growing significantly next year, and this has required some additional planning to accommodate increased student numbers.

Thank you to those who provided feedback on the 2024 annual plan. We really appreciate and value your feedback and suggestions – keep them coming!

## End-of-year farewells

Finally, it is a time for farewells. To our Year 8s, thank you for sharing your intermediate years with us. Good luck with your transition to high school and go forward and make NIS proud. To our Year 7s – we look forward to welcoming you back next year as Year 8s. We hope you will be good role models and support our new Year 7s as they join the school next year - and that you'll show them just how awesome Northcote Intermediate is.

We wish you all – our kaiako (teachers), ākonga (learners) and whānau - a wonderful, welldeserved summer holiday break and we look forward to seeing our returning families in 2024.

Ngā mihi nui, Katrina King NIS Board Presiding Member



Members of the Board attended the opening of Te Whare o Akoranga





Katrina King, Zane Cooper, Phil Muir and Damian Lawrence at the 2023 prizegiving

#### NIS Board: Who we are

Katrina King (Presiding Member) Dris Adradi (parent representative) Sally Clendon (parent representative) Rochelle Greer (parent representative) Damian Lawrence (parent representative) Spencer Willis (parent representative) Zane Cooper (staff representative)

#### 2024 meeting dates

Members of the community are very welcome to attend our Board meetings, usually held in the school staffroom from 6pm:

19 February	18 March	20 May
17 June	12 August	16 September
4 November	2 December	

#### Get in touch

The Board are always keen to know what issues are important to you, what concerns you have or what you would like us to advocate for on your behalf. Please get in touch on email <u>northcoteintboard@gmail.com</u>.

#### What we do

We are a dedicated group of current and alumni parents, passionate about Northcote Intermediate and tasked with governing the school - supporting our Principal Phil Muir and his team in their management of the school's staff, curriculum, students, finances, property and much more. The NIS Board is also focused on upholding our school values of respect - for ourselves, others, and the environment – and pursuing the school's vision and mission to "empower, learn, and grow together...by equipping ākonga with meaningful knowledge, FIRST skills and values."