

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora all

I've really enjoyed visiting and spending time with a lot of classes since the start of the term. It's great to see lots of students involved in activities before, during, and after school. There are so many opportunities for students to get involved and find what they enjoy. It's also heart warming to see so many parents and siblings getting involved – as with camp, we could not offer as many teams and opportunities as we do without volunteers. Thank you.



This week's blue-sky days have been lovely, however, it's only a matter of time before winter sets in with rain and the cold. Please ensure your child has the necessary gear to keep them warm and dry.

There also seems to be an increase in parents picking up and dropping off their children in cars which is fine, but please exercise caution when coming into the turning bay. We had an accident recently involving a car and a bus which could have been avoided. We've removed one of the arrows in the turning bay to make it one lane only so cars do not try to underpass buses. Please also respect the cones – they are there for safety. It sounds like common sense but we are still regularly having to ask people not to park on the footpath, and if dropping off children, to drive as far forward in the bay as possible. Please exercise patience and awareness if dropping off/picking up, and please follow instructions from any staff who may be on duty to help with safety. We have a lot of students who arrive and leave in a short space of time. Many thanks for your support on this.

I'd also like to announce that during the school break two of our senior teachers, Miss Deb Reed and Mr Elliot Thomas got married! Very best wishes to Mr and Mrs Thomas – two very special people.

### **Bus Fares – Important reminder for parents whose children use buses**

**Remember – as of 1st May** Children aged 5 to 12 no longer travel for free on weekdays and pay child fares (at least 40% off adult fares). Half-price child fares for children ages 13 to 15 have also ended. Children will pay child fares (at least 40% off adult fares). For full details see:

<https://at.govt.nz/bus-train-ferry/fares-discounts/public-transport-fare-changes-for-under-25s>

### **AIMS Games**

AIMS Games take place in Tauranga in September and it is a HUGE event. See the separately emailed newsletter with information for parents who have children considering participating at this year's AIMS Games. Note: there is a list of individual sports as well as team sports.

### **Chinese Exchange Students – Host Families Please – Possible 2025 Trip to China**

We are still looking for host families for our group of Chinese exchange students who are visiting us in July. The overseas guests will be here from July 18 – 26th (8 nights). These students will be paying \$40 per night for their homestays. If interested, please add your name [here](#) as soon as possible.

### **After School Care Programme**

MiCasa, who ran a trial holiday programme at our school, are now offering after school care for children. See the information below should this be a service that will help you. Feedback from the holiday programme was excellent.

## UPCOMING KEY DATES

**Friday 17th May: Pink Shirt Day. Gold coin donation for those wearing non-uniform to support for prevention against bullying. All money raised goes directly towards the Mental Health Foundation**

**Friday 31st May: Teacher only (for all Northcote Kāhui Ako/Community of Learners schools)**

**Monday 3rd June: King's Birthday public holiday**

**OUR FULL LIVE CALENDAR IS AVAILABLE THROUGH OUR WEBSITE LINK ON THE HOMEPAGE**

[HTTPS://NORTHCOTEINT.SCHOOL.NZ/](https://northcoteint.school.nz/)

**FOR UP-TO-DATE PHOTOS AND VIDEOS OF WHAT'S HAPPENING AT OUR SCHOOL, CHECK OUR FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM PAGES.**

As always, if there is anything we can do better, or if you have any compliments, feel free to contact me directly at [principal@ni.school.nz](mailto:principal@ni.school.nz)



Ngā mihi  
Phil Muir, Proud Principal of Northcote Intermediate School

## FIRST CERTIFICATE AWARD WINNERS

- Anthea Wood, Surin Soltani - 2
- Zoe Copas, Jacob Thompson - 3
- Cooper Weingarth, Yiyi Yin - 5
- Lola Holdaway, Braden Sun - 6
- Luca Caldwell, Jamie Leppan- 7
- Jovena Cheng, Leo Perham - 8
- Maisey Sowman-Aiono, Eloy Babilonia - 9
- Penny Collier, Georgia Day - 10
- NiNi Sophearom, Leo Kim - 11
- Quintus Du Toit, Charlotte Molloy - 16
- Travis Powell, Camden Travis - 17
- Cooper Anderson, Keisha Piper - 18
- Kristian Meys, Hanna Hardeman - 19
- Azra Besyaprak, Georgia Lay - 20

*Congratulations to all of this month's recipients*

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

# -50%

EXCLUSIVE FOR NORTHCOTE INTERMEDIATE  
SCHOOL STUDENTS!  
TERM II

[micasaasc@gmail.com](mailto:micasaasc@gmail.com)



**AFTERNOON TEA INCLUDED IN ALL  
SESSIONS**

**LOCATED AT FOOD TECH  
ROOM & LOUNGE ROOM**



- **SHORT DAY SESSION (3PM - 5PM)**
- **REGULAR BOOKING**
- **\$10 PER CHILD / PER SESSION**

- **SHORT DAY CASUAL (3PM - 5PM)**
- **ONCE A WEEK / ONE TIME BOOKING**
- **\$11 PER CHILD / PER SESSION**



- **FULL DAY SESSION (3PM - 6PM)**
- **REGULAR BOOKING PER TERM**
- **\$11.50 PER CHILD**



- **FULL DAY SESSION (3PM - 6PM)**
- **CASUAL / HALF PRICE**
- **\$12.50 PER CHILD**

**SECURE YOUR  
SPOT NOW!!**



**WE ARE A LICENCED MSD & WINZ APPROVED  
PROGRAMME**

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

FRIDAY NIGHT FUN  
6PM - 8PM  
YEAR 7-9

# PROTEEN

TERM 2 AND 3  
STARTING 3RD OF MAY

67 EBAN AVE NORTHCOTE BAPTIST CHURCH  
SIGN UP AT [PROTEEN@NBC.ORG.NZ](mailto:PROTEEN@NBC.ORG.NZ)

## Intermediate Maths



For enquiries & enrolment,  
pls contact Yvonne:  
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Location: Birkdale

## Small Group Lessons



## The Lookout Community Feedback

Do you visit or walk past Kaimataara o Wai Manawa (the Lookout) in Highbury and have ideas of how that space could be better used? We are looking for volunteers who live, work or study nearby and can spare 15-30 minutes to help us understand what our community thinks. This will be used to advocate to the local board and business association for improvements to make it a more inviting and engaging space.

Drop in and chat to our local community volunteers between 2-4pm on Friday 31 May or give us feedback by email to [birkenheadplacemaking@gmail.com](mailto:birkenheadplacemaking@gmail.com) or online at <https://bit.ly/4drXNHA>.