MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora all

Wow, we're over half way through the term! It's been great to see so many students working hard on their speeches recently – crafting, rehearsing, performing – being able to create and deliver a quality speech is powerful learning and develops so many skills. Next week are our school finals and we are hosting the regional speech finals next Thursday 5th September.



Tomorrow is both book character costume day and Daffodil Day. We are looking forward to seeing lots of students parading their favourite characters, and for those wishing to contribute to the Cancer foundation please bring a gold coin donation.

We have 8 student teachers with us at the moment, including 3 from Norway. It's always great to have the extra energy at this time of the year and we have been fortunate with the calibre of student teachers we are seeing.

It was great to welcome hundreds of parents to our recent open days. For enrolment at any school for the start of next year – whether it is for primary, intermediate or secondary school – please take the time to do this ASAP if you haven't already. Schools need numbers to plan well.

Structured Literacy has been a big focus this year, and we are imbedding this well at NIS. This will be the focus of our next teacher only day on 6th September. It's great to see explicit, consistent teaching of key concepts across our classrooms.

Bandquest

Last week's Bandquest saw 5 bands from NIS perform at the Bruce Mason Centre. There were 17 bands in total – a huge night with lots of talented musicians. Our band 'Lack of Vision' were overall winners! Band members: Adam Adradi, Jake Christie, Lola Holdaway, Max Moir and Lily Stebbings. Laura Alchin was awarded top singer for all the bands on the night! Congratulations Laura and Lack of Vision. All our 26 students were fantastic! Thank you to all parents, support staff and our fabulous music teachers for all your hard work.

Music sharing day

Our senior concert band and choir, Awataha Soul, visited Northcote College on Tuesday for workshops, practices and performances. It was great learning and connection building for all involved.

Mathex

Last week also saw 4 teams from NIS compete at the Casio Mathex Auckland competition. Although not placing, they still performed extremely well, being noted by the judges for their outstanding attitude and enthusiasm. Well done to all involved.

Girls Basketball

Yesterday our representative team competed at the North Harbour zone day, winning all their games except the final, coming in second place overall, which is a great achievement. Our Boys compete today.

- Girls Team: Chloe Birzin, Chloe Everett, Tamaku Howell, Beth Sharp, Geneva Coneybear, Keela-Dove Theyers, Kerrison Teahan, Eve Allison, Ruby Swiggs.
- Boys Team: Noah Taylor, Braden Sun, Havila Taukolo, Levi Campbell, Cory Hall, Richie Cairns, Cooper Anderson, Eliaba Taua Nicholls

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UPCOMING KEY DATES

29th August – Book Character Costume Day and Daffodil Day

4th September - NIS Speech Finals

4th September - Out of Zone Enrolments Close

5th September - Rehu Tai North Shore Speech Finals

Friday 6th September – Term 3 Teacher Only Day

9th – 13th September – AIMs Games

27th September – Last Day of Term 3, 3pm finish

OUR FULL LIVE CALENDAR IS AVAILABLE THROUGH OUR WEBSITE LINK ON THE HOMEPAGE HTTPS://NORTHCOTEINT.SCHOOL.NZ/

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

Netball

We've also had lots of recent success with our Netballers. We'll hold off announcements until after their upcoming prizegiving – for now, just a huge thanks to all students, staff and parents who put in so much time and effort over this year's netball season.

Safety and security of bikes/scooters

We're seeing an increase in the numbers of students riding bikes, scooters and skateboards to school. **Helmets need to be worn when riding.** Also, for security, students should store and lock these safely in the racks or if they are particularly valuable check in with one of the DP team around what is the safest place to store – we have had a recent theft that we are currently investigating and have reported to the Police.

After School Care Programme

MiCasa offer onsite after school care for children and are running a holiday programme at our school. Contact: <u>www.micasaasc.co.nz</u> and for bookings: <u>mi-casa.aimyplus.c</u>om

School Policies

All our policies, as well as the review process are accessible to parents. We encourage you to be part of our school's official policy reviews.

Should you wish to read and give feedback on these, or 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.

This term we are reviewing the following policies/topics:

- Concerns and Complaints Policy (board review)
- Media
- Performance Management (board review)
- Professional Development
- Protected Disclosure (board review)
- Staff Conduct
- Staff Leave

As always, if there is anything we can do better, or if you have any compliments, feel free to contact me directly at <u>principal@ni.school.nz</u>

Stay safe

Ngā mihi Phil Muir, Proud Principal of Northcote Intermediate School

FIRST CERTIFICATE AWARD WINNERS

- Angelina Bibin, Cato Anderson, Jayden Murphy 2
- Jacob Mowat, Marlo Fischer 3
- Emily Bean, Keeley Field 4
- Keela-Dove Theyers, Liam Abbot, Sarah Vaiangina 5
- Luca Bayly, Lyla Hellyer 6
- Anna Bakewell-White, Kyla Tulloch 7
- Leo Perham, Yuna Tran 8
- Graydon Cuthbert-Scott, Maia Anderson 9

- Eldon Darragh, Myah Haythornthwaite 10
- Eve Allison, Nathan McIntyre 11
- Yuanxi Song 13
- Thomas Tonga, Vanessa Lavemaau 14
- Chase Kelly, Levi Campbell 15
- Finlay Roberts, Kaden Nicholas-Ishikawa 16
- Kendall Williamson, Titus Hale 18
- Ava Wheatley, Caelan Scott, Reese Coneybear 19
- Ariana Dyason, Keeley Morrissey 20

Congratulations to all of this month's recipients

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Free Youth Hub

Youthtown is offering a free youth hub for Northcote Intermediate students on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school. There will be transport available from school to our building. We are soon looking to expand the number of days available and offer to more schools in the very near future.

Our youth hub is an opportunity for students to create their own space in our purpose-built building and find opportunities that give them some success. Things such as starting some ongoing projects for themselves and the community to keep them busy, meet some new people, learn a new skill or participate in some team building activities and a whole lot more. To sign up or if you have any further questions about specific things we are planning, please contact Luke on <u>northshore@youthtown.org.nz</u> or 022 122 9635





RIP GIRLS TACKLE HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Are you a Rip Rugby player and thinking about tackle?

Come and join like minded girls who have played little to no tackle rugby but would love to give it a try.

Be lead by the players from the Girls Rugby Program who, only a few years back, were in the same position.



The Girls Rugby Program are running this program to raise money to get to the Rugby Youth Festival, Portugal in 2025.

Darrin Robertson Program Leader

- Term 3 holidays, Oct 9-10
- Targeting U13 & U15 grade girls
- Mid morning breakfast
- Gear to start your transform to being a rugby player
- Plenty of tackle mats and learning games
- The Big Dance Feature in your first tackle match in front of your parents and friends



Learn more at www.northcoterugby.nz/holidays