

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora Parents and Caregivers

Here are some updates to keep you informed:

Mid Year School Reports and Parent/Teacher Conferences

Mid Year reports will be emailed to caregivers on the last day of the term. These reports are designed to show progress so far this year and give a general indication as to how your child is developing at school.

Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled for **15th July**. To book an appointment go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and enter the event code **dfaxu**. School will finish at 12.35pm on this day. The normal bus timetable will apply and buses will leave from our bus bay at the usual times. Please do not park in the bus bay if attending interviews as this blocks access for our buses.

If you require your child to stay at school until 3pm, let us know by emailing admin@ni.school.nz

School Board - upcoming election

Board elections start relatively soon, with a call for nominations beginning on 18th July. We have appointed *Schooled* to manage our election process, and you will receive more election information soon. In my time at Northcote Intermediate School we have been extremely fortunate to have had stable, dedicated and passionate board members - please consider putting yourself forward should you have the time and willingness to support our school at a governance level. If you would like to find out more about being a board member and supporting our community, please contact either me or our Presiding Member, Damian Lawrence: board@ni.school.nz

New Curriculum Information

In a previous newsletter I mentioned the new Ministry of Education parents and caregivers portal. The following link is a guide that sets out what your child is learning at school each year and how you and your family can support them to achieve: [parents and caregivers portal](#)

Here is a useful video that outlines what shapes your child's learning through the new curriculum: [video, understanding your child's learning](#)

Also, here is a link to a useful [parents and caregivers fact sheet](#) about the new curriculum [caregivers fact sheet](#)



TERM 2, WEEK 8

UPCOMING KEY DATES

20 June - Matariki Public Holiday

23-27 June - Sports Camp

25 June - 2 July - Rarotonga Trip

27 June - Last day of Term 2.
School closes at 3pm

14 July - Term 3 Starts

15 July - Parent Teacher
Interviews. School finishes at
12.35pm

18 July - Board Elections - Call for
Nominations Begins

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.

NIS Matariki

On 17th June we held our first Matariki breakfast at NIS. What an amazing turnout! We started with an outdoor presentation by the amazing Stan Conrad, a master navigator and community member who unpacked the stars, planets and features of our night sky. Stan explained how they are used to navigate, as well as the importance of the matariki star cluster. Our kapa haka, choir and one of our bands, R & B Rangatahi entertained us. We were then treated to some tasty kai which included a very tasty kumara chowder and fried bread. It was great to see so many whanau join us, and a huge thanks to the team who organised it!

Show Quest



A huge congratulations to our Show Quest students, staff and families – **1st Place!**

In what can only be described as a phenomenal performance, our students absolutely shone on stage, and behind the scenes too. Thank you Ms Day-Jones and Mrs Allen for your passion and dedication to developing these amazing performers, winning the Teacher Spirit Award was extremely fitting. When the official video is streamed, we will share the link.

Talented students, hard work and commitment – AWESOMENIS!

NZ North Island Artistic Swimming Competition



Congratulations to Amelia Kapitan, who placed 2nd in the recent North Island Championships for Artistic Swimming in the Youth Combo event.



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

Ngā mihi
Phil Muir, Proud Principal of Northcote Intermediate School

FIRST CERTIFICATE AWARD WINNERS

In our formal school assemblies, we present stand-out students with FIRST certificates.
Congratulations all!

- Mia Flint, Georgia Martin - 1
- Ellie Worth, Rosie Holdaway - 2
- Felicity Watts, Syria Fa'avae - 3
- Oscar Badham, Geo Park - 4
- Jenna Elmore, Brianna McLean - 5
- Faith Harris, Jacob Thompson - 6
- Chamiru Merennage, Max Munn - 8
- Rusty Kennerley, Cooper Inder - 9
- Betty Liu, Cassidy Drake - 10
- Alice Moorehead, Cruz McClure - 11
- Ethan Bailey, Jan Demichowicz - 12
- Morgan Buxton, JD Laganse - 13
- Harry Huang, Aria Mannix - 14
- Adele Northin, Zoe Waddingham - 15
- Roby Newman, Shelby Underdown - 16
- Emma Wilde, Max Bowen - 17
- Isabella Pavez Hernandez, Ben McKibbin - 18
- Louise Martins Pinto, August Henderson - 19
- Maisie Wansbone, Lorien Chai-Rogers - 20
- Lucy Hall, Jelliana Roy - 21
- Michael Strudwick, Kauri Noanoa-Samuels - 22
- Eli Holmes, Rain Barbarano - 23
- Isabelle Paston, Adam Willis - 24

LION DANCING AND DRUMMING

After a little try last year (which was great fun) we are going to give it a proper go!

NIS will have a Chinese Lion Dancing drumming group starting in Term 3 to be coached by the amazing Jacky Liang - from Northcote College. The practices will be either after school Tuesday or Wednesday or before School Monday/Tuesday.

Your child can express interest by adding their name to the sign-up list in the music room - or please email bronwynb@ni.school.nz

Coeliac Awareness, a Student's Story

Alice Moorehead, One of our Year 8 students, has written an article about her experience having been recently diagnosed with Coeliac Disease. It was Coeliac Disease Awareness Week in June and we wanted to share her story to help raise awareness in the community.

I'm a real shortie. In fact, I have been the shortest in my class, Every. Single. Year.

Hi, my name is Alice, and I'm 12 years old, and did I mention I am quite short for my age? I was diagnosed with Coeliac Disease in 2024, and life hasn't been the same since. I mean, I used to be able to eat whatever I wanted, like pies, yummy, hot, steaming mincey cheesy crispy... oh, sorry, I must have gotten carried away, anyway, where was I? Oh yes, I used to be able to go to cafes and order what I wanted **without** having to think about anything.

For me, when I eat gluten I get very bad stomach pains. I like to call it a Coeliac Attack. One time it was so bad I had to go to StarShip Hospital overnight, and they considered giving me Morphine! (Apparently Morphine is a very strong medicine, but for me medicine is all the same, yucky!!). But at the time of these attacks, we had no idea it was Coeliac, and it wasn't even mentioned.

The only reason I found out that I had Coeliac disease was because my parents were concerned that I wasn't growing enough. So we visited our family doctor, and she recommended going to a paediatrician, who told us to get some blood tests. One of them was of course the coeliac test (not wanting to scare you, but the needle they stabbed into my arm was unusually big and let's just say I'm glad I won't have to do that again for a while). Then when we got the blood test back it came back positive for coeliac disease - it was such a surprise, I didn't really know what Coeliac Disease was. Next, Mum, Dad, and I, all went to get a gastroscopy to confirm the diagnosis (actually, it was only me who got one that day, but they came with me).

Since being diagnosed with coeliac and changing my diet to be gluten free, I have gone from the 2nd to the 9th percentile in my height range which, for me, is a **big** thing. And I haven't had any more stomach pains either.

Discovering I have Coeliac Disease and making changes to what and how I eat has been really hard but my parents have tried to make it easier by encouraging me to experiment with different ways to make the foods I love, such as biscuits and cupcakes (not always a win). I know that I am lucky to have been diagnosed early so that I can try to live the best way for me.

High School/College Enrolments

For those of you with a child in Year 8 – the High School/College enrolment season starts soon. If you have not already decided, please take it upon yourselves to make an informed decision around which school you will enrol your child at. Make the time to attend open days/evenings, and ask reliable people questions that are important for you to find the best school for your child. If applying out-of-zone for a school, ensure you have your application in before the due date.

Schools will post information around enrolment processes, zones and dates on their websites. Currently our nearest schools are displaying this information:

Birkenhead College: <https://www.birkenhead.school.nz/Enrol1>

An Open Night was held on Tuesday 17th June at 6pm

Click [here](#) to see Birkenhead College in action.

Northcote College: <https://www.northcote.school.nz/enrolments/enrolment-application-process>

An Open Day will be held on Saturday 19 July

Westlake Girls: <https://www.westlakegirls.school.nz/domestic-enrolments/>

An Open Night will be held on: 15 July, 4 + 6pm

Westlake Boys: <https://www.westlake.school.nz/enrolment/important-dates-enrolment>

An Information Evening will be held on 24 July

Details can change so please check yourself!!

COMMUNITY NOTICES

**REGISTER
NOW!**

Book your Spot

School Holiday Programme



SCAN ME



Hit Em Up - Year 1-4
8 & 9th July

Hooked on Hockey - Year 5-8
8, 9, & 10th July
9am - 3pm

For more details email: carey@harbourhockey.org.nz

NATIONAL YOUTH THEATRE JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

DISNEY'S DARE TO DREAM JR

Rehearse & perform in two weeks

(7 – 18yrs)

Tue 1 – Fri 4 July &
Mon 7 – Sat 12 July

(Performances Wed 9 – Sat 12)

**Celebrating 100 years
of Disney Magic**

sign up at nyt.nz



ALLSTARS (7 – 16yrs)

“Winter Wonderland”

Week 1 Grey Lynn **OR**
Week 2 Belmont



JULY HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

AT NORTHCOTE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

145-147 Lake Road

Promotional Price
Weekly rate:
\$350 per child-
Available for full
sessions: 8:30am to
5:30pm



AFTER SCHOOL CARE
& HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

We are OSCAR MSD
accredited & Winz
approved programme.

**INECRAFT
3D PRINTING**

WATCH IT PRINTING
& TAKE A CREATION
HOME

Mon 30th JUNE

**LETS LEARN
HOW TO MAKE
YUMMY
SCONES
....WITH
MRS LUNA**

Tues 1st JULY

**EXCURSION
'LILO & STITCH' @
TAKAPUNA
CINEMA**

Take a 3d
printed
Stich toy
home!

Wed 2nd JULY

**EXCURSION!!
ROLLER SKATING
@ ACTIVE ZONE**

Thur 3rd JULY

**EXCURSION!!
LIVE WIRE
MIMI GOLF!!**

Fri 4th JULY

EVERYDAY PANCAKES & ICECREAM
WITH YOUR FAVOURITE TOPPING !!!



**POKEMON
3D PRINTING**

WATCH IT
PRINTING & TAKE A
CREATION HOME

Mon 7th JULY

**EXCURSION!!
NZSSCS
BIRKENHEAD
MEDIEVAL
EXPERIENCE**

Tues 8th JULY

**EXCURSION
'HOW TO TRAIN
YOUR DRAGON'
@ TAKAPUNA
CINEMA**

Wed 9th JULY

**EXCURSION!!
LIVE WIRE
SUPER PARK**

Thur 10th JULY

**FLUORO PIÑATA
FIESTA!
LOLLIES & FLUORO
STICKS GIVE
AWAYS!!**

Fri 11th JULY

Everyday we offer:

Indoor Pod Swings, Lego, Nerf Battles, Wii Interactive games, Mario Bros Nintendo Switch

ART & CRAFT: Jewellery making, Air Dough, Origami, diamond puzzle/art.

Chess games, ping pong, board games etc

We visit the playground everyday & play Outdoor football, Basketball, plus more!



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