

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora Parents and Caregivers

We're coming to the end of Week 8, rapidly approaching the halfway point of the year - and there's so much happening. As we move into winter, please ensure your child comes to school with what they need to protect them from rain and cold. We've also had a large number of students getting colds and sore throats - please keep an eye on your child's health, and if they are not well, please do not send them to school. Our sick bay is not large and can get overwhelmed with students very quickly when they come to school already sick and we've had to call many parents recently to pick up their sick children.



Mid Year Parent/Teacher Interviews

In Week 1 of Term 3 we will be inviting all parents/caregivers to a mid-year interview with their child's classroom teacher. To avoid disruption to learning, we are going to be running these differently from the past, without the need to close the school early. On Tuesday 21st and Wednesday 22nd, we will be running these from 3.30 through to 6.30/7.00pm. More information as well as booking details, will come through to you closer to the event. You will receive your child's mid-year report at the end of the term. We will also be sending out a full letter regarding this, the changes that are happening to assessment and reporting, and what you will be receiving.

Secondary School Enrolments

For parents of Year 8 students, it will not be long until you need to enrol your child for secondary school. As we receive information around enrolments, we will share it with you; the onus is on you as parents/caregivers to work through this process. The go-to place for information and enrolment is each school's website. Northcote College's Open Day is on Saturday, 25th July. Westlake Girls' information evening is on 30th June. Westlake Boys' information evening is on 30th July.

Behaviour Management

We are continuing to see some disappointing behaviour from our students. We are addressing this in class, at school assemblies, and with Principal Team involvement. We have high expectations of our students and are encouraging them to have the same high expectations of themselves and their peers.

Sadly, we've received reports from Woolworths and members of the public that a large number of our students, in school uniform, have been behaving disrespectfully in Woolworths. Students are reported to have been snapping chocolate bars, crushing biscuits, and being loud and disruptive. This type of behaviour reflects poorly on our students, our school, and our community.

UPCOMING KEY DATES

**15 June: Year 7 immunisations
(information to be provided)**

**15 June: Next NIS School Board
Meeting**

**15 - 19 June: Aotearoa Schools
Pride Week**

**18 June: Rarotonga Trip Parent +
Student Meeting**

22-26 June: Sports Camp

**25 June: Whanau Connect for
Māori & Pasifika Families**

1-8 July: HALP Trip to Rarotonga

3 July: Last day of Term 2

**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.**

Please support us in ensuring that only students who are actually buying something go into Woolworths. The majority are buying sweets and sugary drinks, rather than nutritious options. Any students not buying for themselves should wait outside, away from the store entrance. We are doing our best to have a staff member down at the shops, but it is not always practicable for us to do duties in the community.

We appreciate your support in reinforcing the importance of our students acting with respect (our school value) and being accountable for their words and actions.

Curriculum, Assessment, and Mid-Year Reporting

With mid-year reports due, it's important our whānau community note that expectations in the "new" curriculum documents are harder to achieve than the "old" curriculum. It is likely that students who had historically achieved at or above expected levels are no longer able to. Students who were "on the cusp" or already behind, could now be years behind their enrolled year level. This is not a reflection on the child or the teacher, but rather the fact that there have been expectations "pulled down" from Years 9 and 10 and put into Years 7 and 8. There is also other key learning that students have missed out on due to it being "pulled down" from Years 7 and 8 and put into earlier years. Parents will be able to discuss their child's learning further at parent-teacher interviews in Week 1 of Term 3.

Matariki @ NIS 2026

This year's Matariki public holiday day is 10 July, which falls inside the term break. We will be offering our celebration events on 21st July. This is the same day as the parent/teacher interviews. Classes may enjoy shared Kai in the morning followed by a special assembly in the afternoon to mark the significance of Matariki. NIS will celebrate Matariki, with a presentation of artwork or inquiry to be displayed outside classrooms. The Matariki display can be a walking gallery for students and the parent community to enjoy before or after your parent/teacher interview.

Netball North Harbour Squads

Congratulations to the following Northcote Intermediate players that have made it into the following squads:

Ella Sharp - Year 7 PDP Squad

Maraea Sword - Year 7 PDP Squad

Olivia Batey - Year 7 PDP Squad

Irene Vaka-Nau - Year 8 PDP Squad

Savannah Bain - Year 8 PDP Squad

Table Talk Topics

We hope you enjoy our Table Talk Topics. The questions are designed to allow for more open answers that could lead to a reciprocal discussion between grown up and young person. They are great to pose at the dinner table for the whole whānau to answer. They are also just as easy to slot into a car ride, walk, or at bedtime.

- *What made you think or feel curious today?*
- *When were you most creative today?*
- *How do you support your friends to make good choices?*

New School Baseball Caps - Replacements

There are a number of the new school baseball caps that have faded - our uniform provider has replaced this model with a harder-wearing version. If your child's cap needs replacement due to poor quality, they can come to student services and exchange their old one for one of the new caps.

Term 2 School Policy Review

Part of the School Board's role includes reviewing school policies. We have a schedule of policies that you also have access to view and give feedback on. 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.

Click the red review icon to submit feedback. Feedback must be submitted before the end of term. Policies for review in Term 2 are:

- Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC)
- EOTC Governance Roles and Responsibilities
- EOTC Risk Assessment and Management

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



Jammies for June Donations

Is an initiative that collects brand-new pajamas for children staying at Middlemore Hospital over the winter months. Many of these tamariki arrive at the hospital with very little, and a warm pair of jammies can make a world of difference to their comfort and recovery.

If any staff, students, or whānau would like to donate, please note the following:

What: New flannelette or warm pajamas (sizes 0–16).

Condition: Must be brand new (for health and safety/hygiene reasons).

Drop-off Locations: You can drop donations directly to Room 1 here at school, or take them to the Barfoot & Thompson Northcote office.

For more information on the drive, you can check out the official website: jammiesforjune.org.nz



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Mi Casa July Holiday Programme

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Monday 6th

Wearable Arts

Get ready to turn "trash" into high-fashion treasure! Join us for a day of boundary-pushing creativity.



Tuesday 7th

Ice Skating

Bus Trip \$72
Lace up those skates and get ready to glide! We're heading out on an epic excursion to the ice rink for a day of frozen fun.

Wednesday 8th

Movies

Bus Trip \$72
Grab your popcorn and settle in! We're heading for the big screen for a day of cinematic adventure.

Thursday 9th

VR & Gaming

Step out of the real world and into the digital realm!



Friday 10th

No Programme Today.

Enjoy your long weekend.

Monday 13th

Escape Room Challenge

Think you have what it takes to beat the clock? We're transforming our space into a series of immersive puzzle rooms.

Tuesday 14th

Zone Bowling & Laser Tag

Bus Trip \$72
Lock and load for a day of high-octane action and friendly competition! We're boarding the bus and heading to Zone Bowling.

Wednesday 15th

Building Bots

Onsite day

OR

Robot Rampage

Limited Space Van Trip \$95

Thursday 16th

Around the World

We're going global! No passport? No problem. Today, we're transforming our center into a bustling international hub.

Friday 17th

Fun with Food

Roll up your sleeves and put on your chef's hat—it's time to get messy, creative, and delicious!

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EVENT AUCKLAND

CHILDHOOD REWIRED: PARENTING IN THE DIGITAL AGE



6-8PM, THURSDAY 18 JUNE 2026
RAYE FREEDMAN ARTS CENTRE,
SILVER ROAD, NEWMARKET

Join us for an expert-led evening giving parents practical tools to navigate social media, online harm and raising children in a digital world.

We've brought together a group of experts covering the neurological, physical, emotional and relational impacts of growing up online - alongside practical strategies parents can actually use at home.

HOSTED BY:

MATILDA GREEN – BROADCASTER, B416 SPOKESPERSON AND HOST OF THE ONE YOUNG MIND PODCAST

SPEAKERS:

DR SAMANTHA MARSH – ONE OF NZ'S LEADING RESEARCHERS ON SCREENS AND YOUNG PEOPLE, SPEAKING ON THE DEVELOPING BRAIN AND WHY CHILDREN ARE UNIQUELY VULNERABLE ONLINE.

ROBERT KNIGHT – PHYSIO TO THE BREAKERS, SPEAKING ON THE PHYSICAL IMPACTS OF SCREEN-BASED CHILDHOODS.

EXPERT PANEL:

KELLIE LAVENDER – EATING DISORDERS AND BODY IMAGE

RICHIE HARDCORE – BOYS, MASCULINITY AND ONLINE INFLUENCE

JO ROBERTSON – SEXUAL HARM & HOW TO APPROACH TRICKY TOPICS WITH YOUR KIDS



Parents will leave with practical tools, greater understanding and clear next steps they can use at home.

6-8PM, THURSDAY 18 JUNE 2026
\$20 PER TICKET

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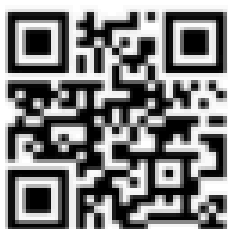
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