

*Kia ora, Talofa, Malo e lelei, Fakalofa lahi atu, Min Glar Bar, Annyong ha seyo, Ni Hao, Salam, Enedemin, Alachehu, Vanakkam, Namaste, Bonjour, Tungjatjeta, Gia sas, Pozdrav, God dag, Greetings.*

Term 3 has definitely started with a hiss and a roar with Museum trips, sporting events, zone days, and Life Education arriving. During the next two weeks we are looking forward to welcoming prospective students and families for a look around our school. Our student leaders will show our guests around.

**Showcase**

Last Friday we had our showcase afternoon where many of our groups performed and shared what it is like to learn at our School. Our students were amazing and really set the scene for the new pupils who will be joining us.

**Mike King Visit**

You are probably aware at the amount of publicity in the media around youth anxiety, self-esteem and depression. As a school leader it is something I am increasingly aware of and concerned about so feel the need to address it with our Community. Our staff and pastoral care team often work with our students and families to help deal with the impacts of social media and other pressures put on our students. Our staff do an outstanding job.

A few months ago our teaching staff and many of our parent community heard Mike speak at Northcote College at a charity evening. The message was clear that we all need to do more to communicate with our students and spend time on what is important. After the session, we felt it was important for Mike to have the opportunity to talk with our students and our wider parent community.

Mike will run two sessions for our school. He will speak to our students about his journey growing up, how he had a lack of self-esteem and how that carried into his adult life leading to alcohol and drug abuse and eventually depression. Mike will talk about the inner critic that he had in his head and by sharing his story he helps kids identify their stories and relate to what he is saying. He will then go on to champion counsellors and talk about how to help each other. In the evening session, Mike will talk to our community about the above but with a more adult lens.




The sessions are free for our students to attend and we ask for a gold coin donation for the evening adult session.

As always, at the heart of the decisions we make as a school, we put the students first. If you feel you would like to withdraw your son or daughter from Mike’s talk or discuss this further, please contact me directly through the school office or via email – [benk@ni.school.nz](mailto:benk@ni.school.nz)

Wednesday, 23 August - Student Session at 1.45pm – 2.45pm and Parent/Community Session in the School Hall at 6.30pm

**Social Media**


We are receiving an increasing amount of communication from parents and students about the complexities our students are experiencing when engaging with Social Media. A few questions for you to ponder...

-   Do you know what social media accounts your child has?
-   Is your child knowledgeable about what to do if they don't like something they come across online?
-   Do you monitor your child's accounts and social media use?

Please encourage discussions with your children around this issue. In 2017, Social Media is a really topical conversation and a part of many of our everyday lives.

It's important to upskill our students with the right knowledge, understandings and skills when it comes to using social media and all things online.

Onwards and upwards,



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**Want to help NIS in their fundraising endeavours?**  
List and sell your home through me and I'll make sure that NIS gets well needed funds to help with technology, school camps, and all sorts of other wonderful things. It's a win-win situation for us all.  
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## Coming Events Term 3, 2017

7-18 August	Life Education	23 August	Mike King visit: Students - 1.45-2.45pm Parents/community - 6.30pm
9 August	Rugby Sevens/Rippa Zone Day	25 August	PTA Whole School Disco
9 August	Kids Can Mufti Day	29 August	Sports Photos
<b>10 August</b>	<b>Open Day 9.00am – 12 noon</b>	30 August	Gymnastics Zone Day
<b>11 August</b>	<b>Open Day 9.00am – 12 noon</b>	5 September	League Zone Day
14 August	SPCA Cupcake Sale	9 September	PTA Fully Stocked/Rugby Night
14 August	PTA Meeting	20 September	BOT meeting
15 August	ICAS Mathematics	27 September	Girls' Volleyball Zone Day
16 August	BOT meeting	28 September	Boys' Volleyball Zone Day
<b>17 August</b>	<b>Open Day 9.00am – 12 noon</b>	25-29 Sept	Sports Camp
<b>18 August</b>	<b>Open Day 9.00am – 12 noon</b>	29 September	<b>Last day of Term Three</b>
22 August	Girls' Basketball Zone Day		
23 August	Boys' Basketball Zone Day		



### Get Ready to Get Crazy for KidsCan!

There will be a whole school 'Crazy' Mufti Day tomorrow, Wednesday, 9 August. Please bring a gold coin donation to support KidsCan who are fundraising for Kiwi kids in need, helping provide them with food to eat at school, adequate clothing and health care products.

### Photos

School photos are now available to be viewed and purchased online. Your child should have brought home a form from PhotoLife with their unique 'shoot key' on it. This allows you to access, view and order the photo/s. Please note that the cut-off date for free delivery to school is Sunday, 27 August 2017.

### 2018 Enrolments

<i>Enrolment Weeks:</i>	<i>21-25 August and 11-15 September</i>
Monday & Tuesday:	8.00am-3.00pm and 5.00pm-8.00pm
Wednesday & Thursday:	8.00am-4.00pm
Friday:	8.00am-3.00pm

### Northcote College BYOD

In 2018 every Year 9 and 10 student at Northcote College is expected to bring an electronic device suitable for learning to school each day. Come along to the BYOD Info Session to find out what learning looks like in Year 9 at Northcote College when students have their own devices. This will be an opportunity to ask all your questions. 6.00pm Wednesday, 9 August, in the Northcote Intermediate library.

### PTA News

- There will be a whole school disco on Friday, 25 August
- The Fully Stocked Band and Rugby Night will be held on Saturday, 9 September. Tickets are \$20.00 which includes admission to the club/venue, the rugby – All Blacks v Argentina, and the band performance. This has been an amazing evening in the past and we would love your support. There are limited seats available, please order your tickets as soon as possible by emailing [sallyp@ni.school.nz](mailto:sallyp@ni.school.nz) or by completing the return slip below.

## PTA Fully Stocked Band and Rugby Night - Saturday, 9 September at 6.00pm

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of tickets - \$20.00 each: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment made by (please circle):

Cash / Cheque / Direct Debit (12-3053-0365947-00)

Please find enclosed payment of: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please deliver my tickets to room: \_\_\_\_\_

Care of (child's name): \_\_\_\_\_

