

*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.*

Last week we had our annual School Cross Country. The students looked amazing in their house colours and we were lucky with the weather. Thank you to all the parents and caregivers who attended the event to help with marshalling and student safety. Without your support these events are impossible to run.

On Tuesday evening we had our annual Parent Evening for prospective students for 2019. There was a great turn out and numbers grow every year. It is nice reflecting back to six years ago when these events were held in our library with 30-40 people in attendance, now we are filling our hall with over 400 people.

Planning has already begun for 2019 and beyond. We are working closely with the MOE and local schools about the possibility of a future zone for our School. One of the main reasons for the possibility of a zone is the pressure we currently have on our School infrastructure. We expect a total of six more prefabs onsite by the end of 2018. Our mission remains to make sure local kids are coming to their local school. We have started to look at future plans for growth, including planning 10-15 years forward with the MOE. It is likely that Northcote Intermediate School will grow towards 900 students by 2030.

A number of students have presented at school recently with vomiting bugs or cold and flu symptoms. We would appreciate parents and caregivers keeping these students at home. We are finding it increasingly hard to find relief staff if teachers get sick.

On Saturday, 25 students and three staff (including myself) are travelling to China. We are looking forward to a cultural exchange where we will visit The Great Wall, Fudan University, The Forbidden City, our Sister School (Dinghai No.2 Middle School), as well as other well-known tourist locations. We look forward to sharing our travels through our Facebook page.

### **Paid Union Meeting – Tuesday, 19 June**

As you are probably aware, the Teacher's Union have a paid meeting on Tuesday, 19 June. Communication about organisation for the afternoon will come home shortly. We will have a small skeleton staff at school for students who are not able to be collected or find their own way home. Signed permission will be needed for students to leave school for this afternoon.

### **HELP! - Builder Required**

We are looking for a local builder to help us strengthen four of our macrocarpa tables. If you are able to help us out, please contact me through the office, or email me [benk@ni.school.nz](mailto:benk@ni.school.nz).

### **Uniform**

We are getting into the cooler weather and students should now be wearing the School polar fleece jumper. Please make sure that these are clearly named in a number of places as we have a pile of them in the lost property and cannot find the owners. Please remind your students that the sports hoodies are not part of their formal uniform. Students should be wearing the correct formal uniform each day, which includes plain black shoes and dark blue or black socks. Thermals are to be navy blue or black.

Onwards and upwards,



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## Coming Events Term 2, 2018

### **Term 2**

9 June	China Trip commences
13 June	ICAS Spelling
14 June	ICAS Writing
20 June	Photolife class and individual photos
21 June	Table Tennis zone day
25 June	Sports Camp #1 commences

### **Community News**

#### **PKC – Premium Kids Care**

We would like to thank Premium Kids Care for their loyal support of our school. Recently we have had a high number of students attending inter-school zone days. Kate and the PKC team have made it possible for us to use the vans to transport students to and from these events. Thank you!



**SUNA PILATES** Free Pilates Open Day Saturday 16 June – a workout that actually works... get rid of kilos and feel energised. Two sessions – 1.30, 2.30pm, no need to book, just turn up!

#### **Northcote Y8 Junior Rugby Tours Movie Night**

Please come and support the Northcote Y8 Junior Rugby Tours Movie Night to see the Premier of Incredibles 2! This is a pre-released movie so get in now before it hits the cinemas. We have 2 session times available. DATE: Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June 6.30PM OR 8.00PM.

Purchase tickets through Eventbrite or contact [cotetour2018@gmail.com](mailto:cotetour2018@gmail.com) or Traci 0220988667 for more information.

#### **Birkenhead Artisan Market. Saturday 16th June 9am - 1pm at Birkenhead Primary School**

30+ high quality stalls, food, art, gifts, crafts, eco-products, home decor, beauty & wellbeing, clothing, kids craft and more...

#### **North Shore Sport Stacking Club**

The North Shore Sport Stacking Club (cup stacking) - has set its meet up dates for the year. The meet ups are held at Bayswater School Hall, 181 Bayswater Avenue, Bayswater and are FREE for anyone, any age (3-60+), wanting to go along and learn to sport stack. Cups, mats and timers are provided for those that don't have their own sets and free coaching is also given by current members of the NZ Black Stacks team. The dates are as follows: Sunday 10 June, 2.00pm-4.00pm. Sunday 8 July, 2.00pm-4.00pm. Sunday 12 August, 2.00pm-4.00pm. Sunday 9 September, 2.00pm-4.00pm. Sunday 14 October, 2.00pm-4.00pm. We look forward to seeing you there. This is a fun-filled family afternoon.

#### **Edventure Outdoors- School Holiday Camps**

These July school holidays we are running 2 awesome camps.

Tramping, rock climbing, possum trapping, team building challenges, hot pools and much more  
Edventure Outdoors Camp, Mt Pirongia, July 9-13<sup>th</sup>. Edventure Winter Camp, Aongatete lodge, July 16-20<sup>th</sup>. 8-14 yr olds. OSCAR available. Pick up/drop off AKL, BOP, Waikato. Book at [www.edventure.co.nz](http://www.edventure.co.nz) or email [mark@edventure.co.nz](mailto:mark@edventure.co.nz)

#### **Marrzipan**

Is your child shy? Do they feel intimidated by the idea of public speaking and performance? Do they sometimes find it difficult to make eye contact? Do they just need dedicated time per week to just be CRAZY?! Come and join the revolutionary self-confidence programme - Marrzipan! We run awesome classes at schools, which focus on key life skills and public speaking ability. We play fun engaging games and perform at the end of term once to parents and once to the school. All scripts are original, engaging, educational and HILARIOUS. You can sign your child up for a Trial Lesson via our website [www.marrzipandrama.co.nz](http://www.marrzipandrama.co.nz)