



Principal's Newsletter **Week 9, Term One, 2019**

Kia ora whanau

Nearly there for Term One!

This Friday, 5 April is going to be a HUGE day. We are hosting Mike King, New Zealander of the Year (2019) on his charity's biggest day of the year – Gumboot Friday. A number of our students are involved in the running of the day, and all of our students will be involved in a School-sized gumboot (which should have over 600 people as part of it). Look for us on TVNZ Breakfast TV on Friday morning, there will be a number of live crosses to our School throughout the programme. Breakfast will be provided at School from 7.30am and you are welcome to join us. The big drone photo will be at 8.30am and then it could well be standing room only when Mike does his presentation in our School hall at 9.15am. Everyone should be wearing their gumboots on Friday. Please also bring a gold coin donation for charity.

Next week on Tuesday, 9 April we have our 'Optional Teacher Check In' afternoon. Teachers will be touching base with students and caregivers if they need to discuss or share any observations. If you have any specific concerns you want to raise, you may also wish to make contact with your child's teacher. There won't be a booking system for this – it will be by arrangement through teacher and parents/caregivers.

There are some parents starting to cross the road with their children in front of the School straight after School – please refrain from doing this. Our students look at adults as role models and this is potentially dangerous on our busy main road. There is a safe crossing down by Countdown.

Soon we will be looking for parents to stand for our Board of Trustees – please make contact with one of our current Board members if you would like to know about this role. It is a very important role for the School – and a great opportunity for people to be of service to their School Community.

Cybersafety also keeps popping up its head – be aware of what your children are accessing and posting – particularly on Instagram. We have heard of some posts

that have needed to be actioned recently. Contact the School or Netsafe should you need further advice around this. It is important you are vigilant and aware of your child's online action. Students do not have access to their phones between 8.45am and 3.00pm while at School.

This year, all Schools on the North Shore are implementing a School Zone, which will be put in place for 2020. We will be going through a consultation process very soon, outlining what physical addresses will be in our zone, and you will have an opportunity to provide feedback around that should you wish to. This will need to be confirmed before our 2020 enrolment process starts later in Term Two.

In Term Two we will have our mobile dental unit on site as well.

Recently we practiced our lockdown and emergency procedures and the operation ran extremely smoothly. We were highly praised by the external agency who facilitate our procedures and our students and staff responded really well. We had some extra curve balls thrown at us as part of the drill which were handled well – including a group of students being moved during the lockdown. It's comforting to know our learners know what to do if they ever need to.

Stay in touch, stay safe and don't forget to adjust your clocks this weekend.

Best regards

Phil Muir
Proud Principal of Northcote Intermediate School



Upcoming Events

3 April	Girls' Futsal Zone Day
5 April	Gumboot Friday
	Fia fia Finau Diversity event - Northcote Shops
9 April	Optional Teacher Check In
12 April	Last day of Term 1
	School finishes at the normal time
29 April	Day one, Term 2
2 May	Orienteering Zone Day

Community Notices



Here's what the kids have to say about PKC.....

"I love going to PKC 'cause the boy teachers play with us like big brothers"

"The food that they give us after school is way yummiier than we get at home!"

Here's what parents say.....

"My daughter has been going to PKC before and after school since she was five, and she LOVES it!!! Alanah and her crew are very hands on with all the fun activities and it is obvious they care about each and every one of the kids. Couldn't recommend it more!"

"i love that my kids don't miss out on their after school activities because I have to work"

Come for a free trial day - Enrolling only takes 5 minutes!

[Enrol Now](#)

Guitar Lessons

Guitar Lessons are available in Term Two 2019, at Northcote Intermediate School, through Dave Gatman from Musiqhub. If you would like some more information about the Guitar Lessons, please contact Dave on 021 2221456 or dave.gatman@musiqhub.co.nz.

After School Mandarin Lessons 2019

Mandarin has emerged as the new must have language so why not introduce this language to your child through fun and easy to learn classes after school! Taught by a fully registered primary school teacher Ray Chen, this is a great opportunity for children to be culturally inspired by the Chinese Language in a safe, interactive and positive learning environment. Lessons will be taught in the Glenfield area. Please contact him by visiting his website www.mandarinheroes.com or e-mail mandarinheroes@gmail.com if interested.

Join our Easter Family Night

FREE



Thursday 11th April 5.30-7.30pm

**Bring the family along
for a great night of fun!**

- Easter D.I.Y. Workshops
- Visit from Easter Bunny
- Fun Easter egg hunt
- Easter activities for the whole family
- Light refreshments will be provided

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- Bouncy Castle and Face Painting
- Adult D.I.Y. and Kids D.I.Y
- Pop Corn and Refreshments
- Meet the Easter Bunny
- Kids Easter Show and PRIZES
- Lots of FUN for the whole FAMILY

For more information or to book, ask one of our team in-store or visit www.bunnings.co.nz

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Hobsonville Point Runway Challenge

Coastal - Walk or Run

SUNDAY MAY 26th, 2019

Welcome!



The Hobsonville Point Runway Challenge has been a successfully run event for 8 years now. This is a family fun run or walk with 10Km, 5Km or 3 Km courses to compete in, incorporating fantastic views along the Hobsonville Point Coastal walkway.

The Lions Club of Henderson-West Auckland is committed to serving our community. We do this through our Charitable Trust by assisting any group or organisation that has a community need. We specifically concentrate on community needs for our Youth, Senior Citizens, the Environment, Vision, Hunger and Diabetes.

School and Community organisation teams entered in this year's fun run are automatically included in an 'On the day' spot prize draw for two \$500 prizes. The more teams you enter, the more chances your school or organisation has of winning one of the spot prizes. It is only \$25 per entrant to compete with adults, teachers and students able to make up your team of 10 runners.

Individuals may also enter. You do not have to be in a team to take part but only teams are eligible for the Team Spot Draw and prizes. If you have a team of more than 10 runners, the top 10 runners' times will be listed on the certificate. All entrants will receive a goody bag and a medal at the end of the race.

This is a great opportunity to showcase your school or organisation and is also a good warm up for winter sports teams, your school cross country team and to check out other teams competing. This event will also build team spirit in a fun way while enjoying the coastal sights of Hobsonville Point.

For more information check out our website: www.runwaychallenge.co.nz

We are happy to come and talk to students, staff or cluster groups about the event. The Henderson-West Auckland Lions Club has run events in the West Auckland community for over 55 years. We have donated hundreds of thousands of dollars back to our community in that time. Come and be part of this community fun run.

To enter, simply ensure each team member registers online at www.runwaychallenge.co.nz. Ensure team members are aware of your 'Team Name' which needs to be recorded in the online registration form. Payment can be made individually online. Should you wish to pay as a group, simply contact Doug Grinter on mobile 021 08582847 to discuss.



Get your team together, make sure they all look fantastic in a uniform that reflects the character of your school or organisation and turn up on the 26th May 2019. See you there.

Doug Grinter
Chairman, Hobsonville Point Runway Challenge Fun Run



