

29 August 2022

Principal's Pen

Dear parents & caregivers,

Now we are in Week 6 it certainly feels like Spring is almost here – I don't want to tempt things too much though. While the weather is warming up, the fields are unfortunately too wet in the middle for us to be able to open them up just now. We are monitoring them closely and as soon as they are firm, we will open them up once more.

The Board approved getting some garden work carried out around the admin and new classroom block this year. The gardens have been cleared and re-planted and look amazing. One more addition to come is a low fence at the end of the Tiger Turf courts to protect the gardens from balls and feet. We have now also had some stairs built from the drop off/pick up zone off Nutsey Avenue down to the path by the pool entrance. There are two handrails and I would encourage you to use these to access the lower path, rather than risk it by walking down the gravel bank. Our thanks to Mike and his crew from Riverstone Landscaping for undertaking these two projects - <http://www.riverstonelandscaping.co.nz/>

Last Friday we held our annual Daffodil Day fundraising event, the first for at least two years. This was such an amazing day and has helped the school raise important funds for the NZ Cancer Society. The Tui & Kereru performance in the hall kicked things off and was truly heart-warming. The Totara and Kauri teams then held their stalls for food and games which were another huge success. The turnout of visitors was amazing and really gave your children a 'feel good' day for all their hard work. Thank you for your valuable time and for helping your children raise so much money for such a worthwhile cause. It wouldn't be a success without so much support.

This week FONS start their Te Wero Ako (The Learning Challenge) fundraiser and you should all have received information for this. There are already signs this will be a great fundraiser for FONS and an excellent motivator for all your children too!

As you will be aware the School Board elections are now open online, and close on election day, Wednesday 7 September (which is actually only next week!). This will determine our next Board so please read the candidate profiles and vote if you have not done so already.

Take care and stay well.

Kind regards

Andy Brown - Principal

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Upcoming Dates

Upcoming dates are published on the homepage of the school website and on the Calendar section of the School App.

Term 3 2022

Thursday 1 September - Year 3-6 NPS cross country
Thursday 1 September - New Parents Meeting 9.15am
Wednesday 7 September - Board election closes
Thursday 15 September - Year 4-6 Interschool cross country

NPS School App

Don't miss out on what is happening at school. Download the school app and set up the correct notifications for class and team to suit you and your child/ren. Go to the App Store and search 'SchoolAppNZ'. Once downloaded search for Northcote Primary School. This is the one place to find out everything going on at and about our school.



Board Elections

Voting papers and candidate profiles were emailed out on Wednesday 10th August from CES - iro@electionz.com. Please check your spam folder if not received. Those with valid email addresses will receive instructions on how to vote online. For those without emails voting papers should have been received by post. You can vote anytime up to Wednesday 7th September 2022.

Absences

If you are taking a holiday during term time please ensure that you send an email to admin@northcoteprimary.school.nz in advance stating the dates. For MOE auditing purposes we also need to know if the trip is overseas. For general absences please either use the school app or the school absence line on 09 480 7376.

Sibling Enrolments for 2023

Enrolment packs are available in the office for any siblings of current students turning 5 in 2023. Please contact us if you would like one to be sent home with your child.

Out of Zone Enrolments 2023

Northcote Primary School Enrolment Scheme 2023

The enrolment at Northcote Primary School is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available on the school website. The board has determined that five Out of Zone places will be offered to new entrant students only. The deadline for receipt of applications for out of zone places is 28 September 2022. If a ballot for out of zone places is required, it will be held on 19 October 2022.

Parents of students who live within the home zone and intend enrolling their children at any time during the next year, should notify the school as soon as possible to assist the school in planning appropriately for 2023.

Community News



2022 Charity BOOK FAIR

7-9 OCTOBER

GLENFIELD COLLEGE HALL

60 Kaipatiki Road, Glenfield

Friday 7 October: 11am* - 7pm

Saturday 8 October: 9am - 5pm

Sunday 9 October: 9am - 3pm

*\$10 Entrance Fee for first hour on Friday only, otherwise FREE entry

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BOOK COLLECTION

2022

SATURDAY 3 SEPTEMBER TO SUNDAY 2 OCTOBER

BOOKS REQUIRED *

Do you have good quality books to donate?
If so, you may drop them off at any of the Z service stations listed below.

If you are unable to do so, or have a large number of books, please contact Graham or Judy:
09 488-7105 to arrange for assistance.

*Sorry, we don't accept damaged books, ex-Library books, Reader's Digest collections, encyclopaedia, phone books, magazines or newspapers. 100% of proceeds will be returned to the community for charitable purposes.
Thank you for your support

Drop-off bins are located at the following Z Service Stations:

Glen Park	241 Glenfield Road
Greville Rd	43 Greville Road
Mairangi Bay	413 Beach Road
Millford	151 East Coast Road
Onewa Road	119 Onewa Road
Sunnybrae Rd	37 Northcote Road