

# NewsSheet

20 February 2023

## Principal's Pen

Tēnā Koutou Parents & Caregivers

Welcome to our first NewsSheet for the year. The start to the new school year has certainly been 'different' than expected but it is nice to now be back into a regular pattern again. Our school escaped too much damage because of the summer storms and cyclone which we are very pleased about.

I would like to say a huge welcome to our three new staff at school this year. Rebecca Anderson has joined us as Team Leader for Kererū in Room 7, Polly Sills-Jones and Ian Eakin have both joined us teaching in the Kauri team in Room's 13 and 11, respectively. Welcome to NPS, we know you will love it here!

Over the holiday break the inside of our school pool was painted. It is now looking way more inviting for your children and for Dean Greenwoods Swim School who lease the pool outside school hours.

Please remember to send your child to school with their hat for wearing outside. These are compulsory in Terms 1 and 4. The office does have some hats that can be used, but children usually prefer their own hat best. Please name it in some way so we can get it back to them if it is left somewhere.

Traffic seems on some days to be almost back to pre-covid times so please be mindful of this and the time it can take getting to school if driving in the mornings particularly. Remember there is a Walking School Bus in operation and any details about this are available from the office should you wish.

There are a couple of ways you can help us at school. Firstly, if you use a school gate after 9.00am please remember to close it behind you. Secondly, we are a dog friendly school and want to keep this as it is. I am a dog owner and love having dogs at school. Please help by making sure your dog is on a lead and under control, and should your dog poop in school grounds, please pick it up and keep our school grounds clean and safe for your children. We recently had a dog poop on the Totara classroom deck, and this was left by its owner. This will ensure we can keep our school being dog friendly.

Thanks for your support and take care.

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 1 2023**

Monday 20 February - Board meeting - 6pm  
Tuesday 21 February - FONS meeting - 7pm  
Thursday 9 March - Kauri Team Swimming sports  
Wednesday 15 March - New parents meeting - 9.15am  
Wednesday 29 March - Camp Carey - Kauri team  
Thursday 6 April - Last day Term 1  
Friday 7 April - Good Friday  
Monday 24 April - Teacher only day - school closed to students  
Tuesday 25 April - ANZAC day - school closed  
Wednesday 26 April - Day 1 term 2

## 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.



## Community News

**Northcote Rugby Club**  
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**2023**  
**TAKAPUNA JUNIOR RUGBY**

**TACKLE & NON-CONTACT OPTIONS FOR**  
**BOYS & GIRLS FROM 4 1/2 - 17 YEARS**

**"HAVE A GO" & REGISTRATION DAY**  
**SUNDAY 26 FEB, 2PM - 5PM AT**  
**ONEWA DOMAIN**

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