



## Northcote Primary School Sports Information 2025

As a school we recognise that sporting opportunities provide our students with rich learning experiences. Participation in sport and physical activity by students and staff has positive benefits for the individual, the school and the community.

We strive for excellence in providing and supporting the best sporting opportunities and environments in which our students can participate, learn and grow. Positive sporting experiences and opportunities inspire on-going participation and an enjoyment of physical activity and sport for life.

The sporting opportunities at Northcote Primary School provide students with a variety of sports to participate in, develop skills and achieve personal success. We are constantly working to do this with a healthy balance between participation and competition. With all our sporting opportunities, participation for all is equally as important as winning, creating healthy habits for life and extending students with talents.

We are always on the lookout for coaches, managers and help with transport. We would love to hear from anyone who can help out! Or, if you have a passion for another sport and can offer expertise, let us know. Without coaches - teams cannot be entered.

### **Our school takes part in regular weekly competition in the following sports - ( Subject to coaches being available.)**

- Miniball/Basketball Y2 - 6, Terms 1-2 and Terms 3-4  
 Year 2 - 4 play at North Shore Events Centre (Tuesdays tbc)  
 Year 5 - 6 play at NSECentre, AUT in Akoranga and at Massey Uni Albany (Wed tbc)
- Netball Y1- 6 Winter Terms 2 & 3 at Netball North Harbour  
 Year 1 - 3 Mondays  
 Year 4 - 6 Wednesdays  
 Summer T4 tbc ( Wednesdays )
- Hockey Y3 - 6 Terms 2 & 3
- Splash Polo (Flippaball) all terms Year 5-6 (Sundays at Millenium)
- Touch Term 1. Returning teams from previous year.  
 Term 4. New players (Wednesdays at Kaipatiki Glenfield)

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Miniball Registration Weeks 1- 3	Semester One (Terms 1&2) Year 2 - 4 Tuesday NSEC Year 5 - 6 Wed: NSEC, AUT Akoranga, Massey Albany		Semester Two (Terms 1&2) Year 2 - 4 Tuesday NSEC Year 5 - 6 Wed: NSEC, AUT Akoranga, Massey Albany	
Hockey NH Hockey	Registration and trials as needed	Winter Hockey (Term 2 and 3) Yr 3-6 Monday afternoons National Hockey Centre, Bush Rd, Albany		Summer Hockey (Term 4) Yr 1-6 Monday afternoons

				National Hockey Centre Albany
Netball	Registration and Netball Trials (if necessary)	Winter Netball (Term 2 and 3) Yr 2 Monday afternoons FutureFerns Netball North Harbour, Northcote Rd Year 3 -4 Yr 5 - 6 Wednesday afternoons Netball North Harbour, Northcote Rd		Yr 5-6 Wednesday afternoons Netball North Harbour, Northcote Rd
Touch	Years 1- 6 returning players from previous year Wednesdays Kaipatiki Grounds Glenfield		Registrations to be accumulated	Years 1- 6 Wednesdays Kaipatiki Grounds Glenfield
Waterpolo  Competent Swimmers	Term 1 Competition Yr 5-6 Sunday afternoons at AUT Millennium	Term 1 Competition Yr 5-6 Sunday afternoons at AUT Millennium	Term 1 Competition Yr 5-6 Sunday afternoons at AUT Millennium	Term 1 Competition Yr 5-6 Sunday afternoons at AUT Millennium

### **Registration and Fees:**

All children who register by the announced date are eligible to play if we have enough players to make up teams. Fees must be paid at the point of registration through school Kindo. **Without the nominated sports fee, the registration will not be valid.** Fee will be on the School App with the notice asking for registrations.

Any late registrations will only be considered if we are not decreasing playing time from other players due to late registration or if there is a viable space in a team.

The majority of these sports teams are for students in year three through to year six, however some of these sports are available to students in the junior school (Years one and two). All children who are keen and registered by the announced date are able to play. All students are able to participate in weekly sporting competitions. Everyone can play!

**Team selections** for the teams in the junior school and the middle school (years three and four) are not trial based. They are mostly based on friendships and classmates. The emphasis is on participation and enjoyment. As students move into the senior school (years five and six), trials are part of the selection process for teams. The year five and six teams are trialed where possible by neutral sporting code representatives.

Other sports can be played weekly through your local club (football, rugby, cricket, swimming). We also are mindful to not double up – often clubs would like us to participate in additional school competitions, however we believe at this age, having a club experience is sufficient and we want to free up other parts of the year for students to be able to play other sports. We have to make decisions every day about what competitions we will participate in, resourcefully and logistically there can be constraints.

**Communication** regarding registration dates and trials are through the school APP. Information is also communicated through Classroom Seesaw, however the APP is the primary means of communication. Please set the alerts to receive all sports communication so you don't miss registration due dates.

**Coaches and managers:** The successful running of these sports teams at Northcote Primary School relies on parents to volunteer to help with the coaching and managing of teams. Each team will need a parent volunteer to coach the team and a parent volunteer to help manage the team. If an older sibling is wanting to coach a team - a parent/manager must still be present at all practices and games.

If you would like to volunteer to coach or manage a team, please contact the school office and we will get the 'police vetting' forms to you as per the instructions. You will not be able to coach or manage a sports team if you have not completed this police vetting process.

Our children representing our school must have their own sports uniform. No child is permitted to take part without the correct uniform on. Coaches need to enforce that uniforms are worn. NPS Shorts, Tanks, Netball skirts. Some second hand uniforms are also available in the office.



All children representing the school must have their own sports uniform, which may be worn during school time as well.

### **Sport Guiding Principles**

- To provide a variety of sporting activities which enable and encourage student participation in the sporting life of the school.
- All students will be encouraged to be involved in sport regardless of their ability.
- Each student will be encouraged to achieve personal success.
- To promote the attainment of sporting excellence.
- To support and provide guidance to all volunteers involved in sporting opportunities for our students.
- To create an environment that recognises and encourages physical activity and lifelong participation and enjoyment of sport.
- Fair and positive play and sportsmanship are regarded as paramount at all times.
- To maintain in sport the high standards of behaviour, uniform and conduct that is expected across all areas of the school.
- To promote positive attitudes in all aspects of sport (i.e. participation, refereeing, administration, commitment and support).

## Coaches/Managers Code of Behaviour

I will ...

- Be generous with my praise when it is deserved and positively reinforce the actions of all players
- Lead by example
- Develop team respect for officials and referees
- Insist on fair play and give all players the opportunity to participate in the game
- Encourage sportsmanship
- Use appropriate and acceptable language
- Never argue with officials, opposition and referees. Without them we will not have a game
- Be reasonable on the demands of young players time, energy and enthusiasm
- Create an enjoyable environment
- Remember that players participate for their enjoyment and winning is only part of the fun (I do not have to say "winning does not count" because it does; instead I can help develop the enjoyment of and feel for competition, hard work and having fun)
- Never yell at or ridicule a player for making a mistake
- Make sure I know the process to follow should I have any concerns regarding incidences or behaviour during a game.
- I will NOT approach any players or opposition teams directly myself
- I will alert the school if any confrontation occurs, or if my players have been apart of any inappropriate behaviour at any sporting event or venue