

26 August 2025

Principal's Pen

Kia ora Parents

Week 7 is upon us and the sun has been shining more than we have been used to so things are looking up weather wise.

This week is a busy week at school with Daffodil Day on Friday. Daffodil Day is our one big fundraiser for the year with all proceeds going to the Cancer Society. We are in the top few schools across the country for money donated to Cancer Society. It is a very dearly held fundraiser for our school in the memory of staff and family who have passed away after being diagnosed with cancer, most recently we farewelled the lovely Clare Powell after she passed away following a courageous battle with cancer in December 2020. Children across the school put so much effort into the day with the Tūi and Kererū teams having their concert in the hall at 12pm and the Tōtara and Kauri teams holding their stalls and games in the afternoon. Please come along and support your children, but also the Cancer Society. Keep an eye on Hero for timings for the day. We are excited to have our next-door neighbours from Northcote Kindy joining us for the Tūi/Kererū concert this year also.

Last week the Tōtara and Kauri teams held the school Cross Country at the Harvey Wright Park in Birkenhead. It was a great day weather wise and another successful event led by Vicki Treanor. Thursday next week is the inter school Cross Country event and we wish our place getters who will represent NPS all the best for that event.

On Tuesday next week Northcote Intermediate staff Phil Muir (Principal) and Ange Teague (Deputy Principal) will be holding a parent Q&A session in our school staffroom from 6pm. Please come along and have a listen and ask any questions that you may have for them. It is a great way to get to know them and hear about the cool things happening at NIS.

As you will know voting for board candidates closes on 10 September, so please make sure you cast your vote by then.

Holiday Property Projects

During the term break we are hoping to have some more holiday work completed. The Tōtara block walkway is up for a re-roof, along with the walkway roof for Room 21 & 22 on the field. The swimming pool changing rooms are also up for roof replacement, but we are delaying this until the Christmas period when the DGSS crew close for three weeks. This way they are not disrupted with their bookings. Some electrical upgrades are also being undertaken and remaining non-LED lighting is being replaced.

Take care.

Kind regards

Andy Brown

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Upcoming Dates

Upcoming dates are published on the homepage of the school website and on the Calendar section in Hero.

Term 3 2025

- Friday 29 August - Daffodil Day
- Thursday 4 September - Whole school assembly led by Kauri team - 10.30am
- Thursday 4 September - Interschool Cross Country - Year 4 - 6
- Thursday 18 September - Whole school assembly - 10.30am
- Friday 19 September - Last day of term 3

School news

Scholastic Book Orders



Scholastic book orders will close on Friday 29 August. You can place your order online directly with Scholastic or return the completed form to the office. Payment can be made by eftpos or cash.

Community News

2025
Key Events


ENROLMENT INFO

JULY
29 TUE
6 - 7PM
YEAR 6 PARENT INFO EVENING

Come along and find out what makes Northcote Intermediate School special.
The evening will include brief presentations by key staff, followed by the opportunity to ask questions.

AUGUST
14 THUR
9AM - 12PM
15 FRI
9AM - 12PM
OPEN DAYS

Parents, caregivers and students are invited to come and see a 'normal' day at school. Check in with student leaders on arrival, and some of our awesome students will take you on a guided tour of our wonderful school. Bookings are not required.
Please note that our break time is 10.30am until 11.00am.

SEPTEMBER
10 WED
3:30 - 8:30PM
11 THUR
3:30 - 8:30PM
IN ZONE ENROLMENT INTERVIEWS

These dates are for **IN ZONE** enrolments only.
If you have **completed an enrolment form**, we encourage you to book a time as these are an important part of our transition process.
Interviews are conducted by appointment and details can be found on our website closer to the time.

OCTOBER
9 THUR
7:30 - 10:30AM
3:30 - 8:30PM
OUT OF ZONE ENROLMENT INTERVIEWS

This date is for **OUT OF ZONE** enrolments only.
If your child has been **successful in the ballot**, we encourage you to book a time as these are an important part of our transition process.
Interviews are conducted by appointment and details can be found on our website closer to the time.





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When: Sessions will be held on Friday Afternoons: 12th and 19th of September, then 10th, 17th and 31st of October,
then 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th of November, then 5th December
Ages U6 - U8 grade in 2025: starts 4.15 pm - ends 5.15 pm
Ages U9 - U12 grade in 2025: starts 5.30 pm - ends 6.30 pm
from the 14th February - 4th April 2025
Where: At the Futsal courts at the Tennis Courts on Cresta Ave
Cost: \$50 for the 10 Sessions

Come join us and discover the joy of football.

Register Now: <https://birkenheadunited.org.nz/girls-and-womens-football/milo-fantails-programme>



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Spring Holidays 2025

Strap in these spring holidays at Holiday HQ Kids Fest!

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22 September – 3 October 2025



22nd September – 3rd October 2025

September		October	
Monday 22nd Medieval Magic Experiment with your own fizzy wizard potion, make dragon masks, create & go through an obstacle course to reach the dragon's lair!	Tuesday 23rd Be Active: Roll Out Mini Golf A great day to tee off with an indoor mini golf course. Decorate your own golf ball and lots of activities to finish this par-tee!	Wednesday 24th Trip: Adventure Alley Trampolines, hoops & climbing walls! What more can you ask for? Have a bouncing fun with your friends with us today! Fun continues on site.	Thursday 25th Fun Fair Market Day Build & run your own market stall. Be it games, craft, food or face painting, enjoy the day with your friends!
Monday 29th Fiesta of Colours Join us for a colourful Mexican fiesta! We'll dive into bright crafts, a nacho station then keep the fun going with lively games and activities!	Tuesday 30th TRIP: Megazone Silverdale Be ready for some laser tag & the Floor is Lava games at Megazone. More fun, treats & activities on site.	Wednesday 1st Soundwave: K-Pop Dance Workshop Wow everyone with a K-pop dance routine with our friends from Kinetic Studio! Practice, perform and have fun expressing yourself in various art forms!	Thursday 2nd Make & Create From craft to recipes, today is a hands-on day where we can let our creative juices flow. Parents beware: there may be no leftovers to take home today!
Friday 3rd Wheel Into Spring Bring your own wheels & helmets & let's go on a scavenger hunt! Make dirt pudding, plant a seed & enjoy pizza wheels.		Friday 3rd Pawsome Pals Join us for a paw-some pet themed day! With baking, craft projects, trivia and games, the day will surely be pet-tastic!	

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