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## Important School Diary Dates

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### 2016

| Jan    | 28     | Thurs     | Start Term 1 – 9.00 a.m. |
| Feb    | 17-19  | Wed-Fri   | Grades 3&4 Camp |
| Mar    | 5      | Sat       | NPS Fete 10.00 a.m.- 4.00 p.m. |
|        | 14     | Mon       | Labour Day Public Holiday |
|        | 15     | Tues      | School Photo Day |
|        | 24     | Thur      | End Term 1 – 2.30 p.m. finish |
|        | 25-28  |           | Easter |
| Apr    | 11     | Mon       | Start Term 2 |
|        | 13-15  | Wed-Fri   | Gr 5/6 Camp |
|        | 25     | Mon       | Anzac Day Public Holiday |
WORKING BEE – SENIOR CAMPUS
Saturday 14th November
1.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.
B.Y.O. Wheelbarrows, rakes, garden forks, shovels, gloves and get ready to plant!!!
Greetings ...

Our Ex-students achieving leadership positions at secondary school
Northcote High School run various leadership programs and experiences for their year 9 students. Some of these come with opportunities to be elected into associated leadership positions in the school.

We were very proud to hear that three of our ex-students, currently in year 8, have been selected to attend the Alpine School For Student Leadership through Northcote High for Term 1 in 2016. The news is even more impressive as there were only 6 places available (3 boys and 3 girls) for the entire year 8 cohort, and 3 of the 6 were our ex-students!
Congratulations Hamish Larkin, Pascale Larkin and Oliver Harris!
We were also proud to see that Oliver Harris has been elected as one of the 4 year 9 Sports Captains for 2016 and Josh Dulfer, Year 9 Music Captain.

Well done all of the elected captains, worthy of a big cheer from the Northcote Primary School Community!

End of year Picnic Tea gathering – Monday, December 7th
An important notice for your diaries, as they start to fill up towards the end of the year. As we have had our whole school musical this year, we won’t be putting on an end of year concert and Art walk. Instead, we invite you all to gather at the school to have our usual end of year picnic together. It is an opportunity for all of us to meet up with one another at the school, especially for those families leaving the school and reminisce on the school year (where did that go??!!).

How will it work?
Children are dismissed from school at 3.30pm to go home and gather up their picnic goodies and head back to school with their family. Gates open again at 5.30 so parents can get their picnic organised for the littlies dinner. Picnic will be in our traditional picnic area, Henry Street side of the school.

The evening will conclude by 7.00 p.m. so that everyone can wander off home and get a good night’s sleep for school the next day.

Program
Children dismissed from school to go home 3.30 p.m.
Picnic Tea 5.30 p.m. – 7.00 p.m.

When?
Wednesday, 16th December.

What to bring?
BYO yummy picnic food; drinks for the children; rugs & chairs.

Supervision
To assist with the safety of the evening, we ask that parents supervise their own children carefully. Children will be dismissed from school at the end of the day to go home and return with parents. Children will not be supervised in the yard from 3.45 p.m. by teachers and therefore should not be there without their parents.
Children are not permitted to attend without parents.

Children at Out of School Hours Program
If children are in the out of school hours program that evening, could parents please organise for their children to be picked up and brought over to the school for the concert start time by another family member or other parent? The coordinator will need a written note stipulating who will pick up your child from aftercare if it is different from the usual adult listed.

I hope to see you at the traditional end of year event and join together to celebrate our year.

A reminder - hats
It has been great to see so many children remembering to bring their hats for term 4. Sun hats are essential for outside play and PE lessons and should be brought to school every day. They can be kept in bag lockers at school. If children do not have sunhats protection with them at school, they will be directed to play in the shade at recess breaks and will have to sit out of PE lessons. Please support your child’s participation at school by ensuring their hat is in the bag or on their heads!
End of Year Student Reports and parent feedback
School reports for Semester 2 will be distributed towards the end of the year. Feedback from parents via the Education Sub-Committee of School Council has indicated that parents wanted more information about reports. The following explanation will help clarify when you read the semester 2 reports:

**Below standard** - means that your child is performing 6 months or more below the level expected for an average child in Grade 1 or Grade 2. There will be information in the report about what the school will do and what you can do at home to assist your child to improve.

**At standard** - This is a great result! It means your child is performing at the expected level for this time of the year.

**Above standard** - This means that your child has been taught and understood curriculum above their current year level and is performing 6 months (or more) above the expected level for this time of the year.

If you require any further information about reports or the reporting process, we encourage you to please make contact with your child’s home group teacher.

Warm regards,
Kerrie

Fundraising News
The Dressmaker film fundraiser was held on Tuesday night and thanks to all who attended the night. We raised almost $600 and one lucky person won the door prize of a dinner at Two By Two. Thanks to Ben and Jess for their ongoing support of school fundraising.

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Community

Bookings must be made by Friday 13th November to confirm your place.

Thanks Genevieve

Any questions, or if you need to pay cash instead of booking online, please contact Genevieve on 0429 330 019.
Need A Feed Drive at Northcote Primary School

Since 2013, Need A Feed has supported over 5,000 families in NSW and QLD with emergency food relief. Need a Feed Victoria commenced operations here in Darebin in 2015. We partner with local organisations providing emergency relief and food support.

This Christmas, Need A Feed and DIVRS (Darebin Information, Volunteer and Resource Services) aim to provide Christmas hampers to over 300 local families in need of some festive cheer.

**Need a Feed are seeking non-perishable Christmas treats to add to these hampers.**

Suggested donation items:

- Plum pudding or fruit cake
- Muesli bars
- Mint chocolate biscuits
- Tinned Ham
- Long life custard
- Jelly crystals
- Festive treats

Donation boxes will be placed in each classroom and at reception. Need A Feed will gratefully accept your donation.

We are proud and passionate about helping Darebin families in need and supporting a community response to local needs.

Hamper Packing - volunteers sought for December 10th, 10 -1pm in Preston. For further information, email food@needafeed.org or like us on facebook.

Nikki Shelton (Felix’s Mum in Grade 1)
0415 041 121

Need a Feed Victoria
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20th Nov
Preston (Darebin)
BLUE LIGHT
PRESTON TOWN HALL
274 GOWERS STREET, PRESTON
6.30-9 PM (8 TO 14 YRS) | COST: $7

CONTACT: JO PARISSIS 0418 144 446

f Preston (Darebin) Blue Light Disco
Ask your parents to like the page if you are under 13
West Ivanhoe Netball
Player Registration Day!

Sunday 15th November
2.00pm – 5.00pm
Seddon Reserve, Green St,
Ivanhoe 3079

Come and join US!!!
We are 100 Netball Members Strong and Growing...

Seeking new season players for February 2016:
• U9 (born 07/08) • U11 (born 05/06) • U13 (born 03/04) • U15 (born 01/02)

Matches Played Saturdays or Tuesdays
Banyule Indoor Stadium – Macleod (excl. School Holiday / Public Holiday Weekends)

The $230 Player Registration (plus $70 uniform) includes:
• Weekly Match Fee • Dedicated Match Day / Training Coaches
• Netball Insurance • Weekly Training in Ivanhoe
• Training Equipment • Scheduled Events and Presentation Day

For Enquiries: Email netball@westivanhoeportingclub.org.au or
Contact – Sara after 7pm or Diana 10am-12pm weekdays
Phone: (Sara) 0414 816 625 (Diana) 0488 113 233

NEW UNDER 16’S TEAM IN 2016

COME & TRY SOCCER DAY

DAREBIN WOMEN’S SPORTS CLUB

Sunday November 22nd
A.H.Capp Reserve, Halwyn Cres, Preston

9.30 – 11.00am

Darebin Falcons will run soccer for girls from 4 years old to Under 16s for the 2016 season.

Get active, make friends, have fun...try soccer!
As our world leaders meet in Paris for the UN climate summit, we will gather in Australian cities and walk alongside millions of people in hundreds of major cities around the world.

By coming together we are demonstrating that our political leaders are out of step with the Australian community and the rest of the world.

We are marching because we want our leaders to listen to our communities and help us build a brighter and fairer future for all.

We are marching because we want a just transition to 100% clean energy and an end to fossil fuels.

We are marching because...

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