NEWSLETTER
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### Important School Diary Dates

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### Important Aftercare News

Enrolments for 2016 Before and Aftercare must be received by 7th December 2015. Any enrolments received after this date will go on to the waiting list. Enrolment forms are available at The House and school office.
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. It is an opportunity to for 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 little’s 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? Monday 7th 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 picnic 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.
Achievement – School Evacuation Practice
Last week we had our regular term emergency practice with an evacuation practice. As we discussed with all students, we hope there is never a time where we have to use it, but by practising what to do and how to respond, it will reduce the level of panic response and allow us to keep everyone safe. Staff were very impressed with all students, who took direction from the teachers, to leave buildings calmly and proceed to the evacuation area as quickly as possible. Once all students were accounted for, we checked out timed response and were proud that we had come in quicker than the last practice. Well done all students.

Prep Zachary’s reflection on the Evacuation Practice
The Prep students went back to class and reflected on the evacuation practice in a discussion with their teachers. This is what Zachary thought:
‘I like doing the evacuation because it gives us the opportunity to be able to learn things for later in life when we need to keep ourselves safe. We might need to keep our own children safe because we’ll have children when we grow up and we’ll have to teach them the same things!’
A forward thinker is our Zachary!

Past students complete work experience at our school
We always love to see our past students and hear about their lives and stories as they drop into the school for a chat. This week, three of our past students, now in year 10, are doing work experience at their old primary school. They are: Caterina Lawrence; Jordan Panagiotidis; Rebecca Moustakas. They have bought a year 10 friend along, Patience Holmes, to do her work experience here as well. We encourage the students to participate as a teacher’s aide and learn about teaching and learning from ‘the other side’. It is great that they still feel that connection with their primary school and have great memories of their time here too. Thanks work experience students, for your help and enthusiasm this week, and who knows, we may see you teaching here one day!

Don’t forget to put our end of year picnic in your diaries/calendar!

Warm regards,

Kerrie
School Banking News

Thank you to all our school banking participants for remembering to bank as often as you have and contributing to this school fundraising activity. We have had an excellent first year of the program, finishing with well over 100 participants! As the end of the year approaches, we have some important reminders and dates to note.

- The last school banking for this year will be on **Monday 14th December**.
- We will be putting in our last order for reward items next week, but don’t worry, if you reach 10 bankings after next Monday you will still receive a reward early next year.
- Tokens are carried forward into next year, so you can start the new year closer to earning a new reward!
- The first school banking for 2016 will be held on Monday 1st February.
- New school banking participants are always welcome. We plan to hold an account opening session during Term 1, or you can simply visit your local Commonwealth Bank branch and open a dollarmite account for your child so they are ready to begin banking right away.

Remember, it is not how much you bank, but how often.

Earth Hour Friday 27th November

This weekend, cities across the country, and the globe, will be humming with live music acts, costumes, chants and colour. Together, hundreds of thousands of people will march to send a resounding message to world leaders gathering in Paris for the UN Climate Summit; **the time for action on climate change is now!**

[Click here to find an event near you, and let us know you’ll be there.](#)

Melbourne will get things started tomorrow, followed by a wave of activity across Australia - all culminating in Sydney on Sunday!

So warm up those vocal chords, invite your friends and break out the face paint, because you are not going to want to miss this history-making moment! [Oh, and don’t forget to RSVP to let us know you’ll be there.](#)

**Together, we can make this happen.**

Samantha Webb for the Earth Hour Team
Northcote High School seeks quality homestays from our local community, to help care for our young international students studying in year 10, 11 +12. They are mainly from Asian countries, such as China, Vietnam, Korea, Thailand and Cambodian and some International Students are from European countries such as Italy and Germany.

Hosting International Students can bring a rich cross cultural experience and opportunity for our families. Many local families are already on board with the Northcote High School Homestay Program and over the years have enjoyed and benefited from the diverse cultural and language exchange experience, especially when they have school age children at home. The reverse experience for our International Students is very much a part of their overseas study journey.

If you have a spare room and are willing to take care of a young international student please contact the International Student Office 9488 2334 or email wang.lixia.l@edumail.vic.gov.au for more information.

Full boarding homestay fees are $300 per week (tax free), which covers a fully furnished room, 3 healthy meals daily, laundry, household bills (including internet). Students are responsible for their own transport.

Jocelyn Hill
Assistant Principal
Northcote High School
Filmmaking Summer School,
5 January – 24 January, 2016

Learn all aspects of practical film production in this intensive summer school. Areas covered are screenwriting, acting and directing, cinematography (four days), production and sound design, editing, digital effects, film music, documentary filmmaking (two days) and the revolutionary two-day course in low-budget/no-budget filmmaking.

The summer school is open to people of all ages with little or no filmmaking experience, practising filmmakers wanting to upskill or change career direction, actors, media teachers and students, production companies wishing to train staff, photographers wanting to move to the moving image, and anyone wanting to understand and learn all the steps involved in great filmmaking.

Dancehouse, 150 Princes Street, Carlton North

Part of the public engagement program Screen Studies, the University of Melbourne

For enquiries and bookings, call 03 9347 5035 or 0402 359 047, or email summerfilmschool@me.com
People's Climate March

Melbourne

5.30pm Friday

27 November

State Library

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.

From here on in, we're all in.

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Christmas Trees

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Collingwood, Clifton Hill,
Fairfield, Northcote,
Nth Fitzroy, Thornbury,
and Richmond,

on the 5th of December

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BRUNSWICK EAST PRIMARY SCHOOL

Twilight Market

Friday 27 November, 3.30 – 8pm

Children’s rides • Lego play • Silent Disco
Homemade food, lemonade, cakes and gifts
2nd hand stall • Plants • Bar • Local craft beer

Corner of Nicholson St & Stewart St, Brunswick East

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Kris Kringle Night Market

This fun event features over 50 stall holders
each week offering individually handcrafted
and locally designed products including:

- Fashion, Jewellery, Kids items, Ceramics,
- Homewares and much more.

Thursday, 5.30pm-10pm
November 26
December 3, 10 & 17

Come and find that unique gift for Christmas.

Licensed bar on site and live free music.

Northcote Town Hall
50 High Street Northcote

Parade College

Presents

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Ages 7 - 16
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January 14th & 15th - 2016

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FRIDAY 27 NOVEMBER 2015  5 - 9PM

Gluhwein
Gingerbread Houses
Handmade Goods
Jumping Castle
Santa's Quest
Jewellery
Kids' Activities
Face Painting
German Beer & Food
Carols by Candlelight from 9pm

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