## NEWSLETTER
No. 32 – 27th October, 2016

### Important School Diary Dates

#### 2016

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<td>Mango Orders close (see Page 6)</td>
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<td><strong>Melbourne Cup Public Holiday – No School</strong></td>
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<td>Last Day of Term 4 <strong>School ends at 1.30p.m.</strong></td>
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<td>First Day of Term 1 for <strong>Students at 9am</strong></td>
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<td><strong>First day of Term 2 at 9am</strong></td>
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<td>Anzac Day – <strong>NO SCHOOL</strong></td>
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<td>Wed-Fri</td>
<td>26-28</td>
<td>Grade 5/6 Camp</td>
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#### 2017 Term Dates

| Term 1 - Tuesday 31st January | to       | Friday 31st March at 2.30 p.m. |
| Term 2 - Tuesday 18th April   | to       | Friday 30th June at 2.30 p.m.  |
| Term 3 - Monday 17th July     | to       | Friday 23rd September at 2.30 p.m. |
| Term 4 – Monday 9th October   | to       | Friday 22nd December at 1.30 p.m. |

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If you have information or ads for the newsletter, need to contact the school or want an email forwarded on to a teacher, please email it to northcote.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
Greetings ...

Student Achievement

**Congratulations Audrey K and Finn A-F year 6**

On Monday this week, 24th October, both Audrey and Finn competed in their key events, the 800 metres for Audrey and high jump for Finn, at the State Athletics finals. Audrey came 6th and Finn came 8th out of all the finalists across the State. An outstanding effort on both Audrey and Finn’s part and we are very proud of them both.

**Dancing With the Stars fun-draiser**

I have it on good information that it was a fun evening last Friday night, as our community were treated to amazing dance performances from the guest dancers. Parents, friends and staff then joined in the fun and learnt some new moves and dance steps and embraced the entertaining aspect of the evening and got to know each other a little better. I also heard, without mentioning names, that a certain School Councillor, suavely dressed in blue velvet, ripped up the dance floor with newly acquired cool moves. Impressed many of the audience with his fleet of foot and amazing rhythm.

Thank you to all of our community who stepped out on Friday night to support this new fundraiser. Special thanks to Belinda (Parent of Elijah from Laura’s Prep class) who organised it all and other members of School Council who took on key roles on the evening.

**Warm Regards,**

Kerrie
2017 Parent Payments - Essential Items and Non-Essential Items and Voluntary

Each year your children enjoy an extensive program of educational activities and services at Northcote Primary School. The school’s capacity to continue to provide excellent programs relies on us all contributing financially. At the School Council meeting last night, the Parent Payment schedule for 2017 was approved. School Council develops the budget and plans to meet the budget goals. The school is financially supported by the state government through the Department of Education and Training, by providing direct grants and payment of staff. The fee structure represents Department of Education and Training and our schools policy in parent payment charges. NPS Parent Payment Policy will be uploaded to the website shortly for you to access. In anticipation we thank you for your support.

The table below provides an overview of the contributions requested.

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<td>Essential Education Items</td>
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<td>Classroom Materials &amp; Consumables</td>
<td>This covers all classroom stationery; shared requisites used in the classroom such as paper, photocopying, resource sets</td>
<td>$150.00</td>
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<td>Information and Communication Technology (ICT)</td>
<td>Consumable materials such as cartridge costs, paper and equipment</td>
<td>$140.00</td>
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<td>Excursion Levy</td>
<td>Covers classroom excursions across the year but does not include camps &amp; swimming costs and some special events</td>
<td>$70.00</td>
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<td>Incursion Levy</td>
<td>Covers in-school cultural performances across the year</td>
<td>$30.00</td>
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<td>Tri-Skills Gymnastics Levy</td>
<td>Prep to Year 4 children only</td>
<td>$30.00</td>
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<td>Interschool Sport</td>
<td>Year 6 students only</td>
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<td>Year 5 students only</td>
<td>$34.00</td>
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<td><strong>Voluntary Levies</strong></td>
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<td>Curriculum Levy - voluntary</td>
<td>Resources to support other curriculum areas such as Physical Education; Arts; Languages; Student Engagement and Wellbeing;</td>
<td>$70.00</td>
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<td>Library Fund - voluntary</td>
<td>Purchase of library resources and equipment. Donations to this fund are tax deductible.</td>
<td>$50.00+</td>
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A Payment Summary Report will be sent home in late January/Early February. On the statement will be a BPAY Code unique to your family. This code can be used for any payments throughout the year.
Our Latin night was full of fun including amazing performances by professional guests and jam-packed group dance lessons. The sangria was incredibly popular too! The contestants did a wonderful job with their professional dance partners and Miles took the gold with his groovy Latino performance! Well done to all who participated!!

Special thanks goes out to Belinda (Prep mum) who organised the event and to her husband Simon as well. They did a fantastic job! Special thanks also to all the others who helped with the event, in so many ways (setup, pack up, donations, flyers, etc). The night was a huge fundraising success for our school. Thanks to all who helped and also to all who attended!! Approximately $1700 was raised on the night!

FOUND: Brown Suede Jacket and a Black Umbrella were left behind at the Dancing with the Latin Stars evening. If either item or both belong to you, they can be collected from the Office.

New Strain of Norovirus & Hand Hygiene Policy

The Department of Health and Human Services has identified a new strain of norovirus that may lead to gastroenteritis outbreaks.

Norovirus is characterised by acute onset of nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea. Other symptoms may include fever, headaches and muscle aches. Symptoms usually resolve after 48 hours, but if a parent is concerned about their child’s symptoms they should seek medical attention.

Throughout the year it is important to remind everyone of the importance of good hygiene at school and at home.

To help prevent the spread of norovirus, everyone, should:

- avoid attending work or school when experiencing gastroenteritis symptoms and advise the school of their illness
- stay away from school until they have been free of symptoms for 48 hours
- maintain strict hand hygiene procedures at all times. Hands must be washed with soap and water, especially after going to the toilet and before eating or preparing food
- if staff are required to help attend to students with gastroenteritis symptoms, use of personal protective equipment such as aprons or gloves is recommended.
Schools have a responsibility to provide soap and running water. If running water is temporarily not available, alcohol-based hand sanitiser should be provided until running water can be supplied.

Schools must provide soap, as soap and running water have been clinically shown to be more effective for preventing norovirus transmission than alcohol-based hand sanitisers.

Alcohol-based hand sanitisers are also not as effective in cleaning hands when hands are visibly dirty or soiled.

**Further information**

The Department of Health and Human Services has issued the following advice on managing the new strain of norovirus, see:

- [Health Victoria: New strain of norovirus detected in Victoria](#)

**Dr Jenny Proimos**
Principal Medical Advisor
Early Childhood and School Education Group

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**NPS FUNDRAISER**

**VISION PORTRAITS**

**Northcote Primary School**

$15 for 10" x 13" Photo and Frame
Outdoor Photo Shoot

Date: Sunday 9th November, 2016

Book online at: [www.trybooking.com/NFKS](http://www.trybooking.com/NFKS)

Booking Due by: Friday 20th October, 2016
Support our Annual Mango Fundraiser

If you love mangoes here’s your chance to indulge in fresh juicy Kensington Pride mangoes AND support our school’s annual fundraising drive at the same time.

We are having mangoes delivered direct from the farm to us.

It is some of freshest, most delicious fruit available!

The Mango Fundraiser picks and packs trays of fresh mangoes, during their premium harvest period, and delivers them directly to us, just in time for Christmas.

One tray of mangoes costs $25

The number of mangoes on each tray can and will vary, based on their size but each tray will contain between 14 – 20 mangoes.

Ordering is easy this year – simply order online at:
https://www.trybooking.com/229532

ORDERS MUST BE PLACED BY 28th OCTOBER.

Delivery of the Mangoes will be on the last week of November. The exact date will be confirmed and communicated via the newsletter. Don’t forget, all money raised goes directly to the school – so get involved and order your Mangoes today!

Everything you need to know about Mangoes!

Mangoes really are one of nature’s super foods as they are packed with nutritional goodness. Mangoes are an excellent source of vitamin C and one mango gives you your recommended daily intake of vitamin C.

There’s heaps of ways to enjoy your mangoes – eat them fresh, add them to a smoothie or salad. You can freeze or even dry them so you can enjoy them all year round.

Remember only put them in the refrigerator when they ripen. If you put a green mango in the refrigerator it will never ripen!
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**Join Be Taekwondo in Term 4**

**SPECIAL OFFER**

- 1 Free Trial Class
- $0 Joining Fee
- Free Taekwondo Uniform and Belt

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**BENEFITS OF TAEKWONDO**

- Bully Management
- Boost Confidence
- Increase Coordination and Motor Skills
- Create Safer Kids
- Learn Empowering Life Skills
- Encourage Positive Social Interaction

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9388 1934
DIWALI
The Festival of Lights

It’s time to celebrate Diwali one of the most significant and vibrant Hindu festivals.

It is a festival of splendor, brightness and happiness. A festival signifying the start of new beginnings and the victory of good over evil.

Come along, listen to music, watch Indian dancers perform and enjoy some delicious food as we learn about Diwali… this festival of joy!

BOOK NOW!

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Speak & Listen 1300 555 727 or relay.service.gov.au. Ph
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DAREBIN INTERCULTURAL CENTRE

59A Rosalba Avenue, Preston.
T 8470 8440
E intercultural@darebin.vic.gov.au

WHEN
Thursday 27 October 2016

TIME
6.30pm to 8.00pm

COST
Free. BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL.

WHERE
Darebin Intercultural Centre

BOOKINGS
Call us on 8470 8440 or email
intercultural@darebin.vic.gov.au
with your full name and contact number

COMMUNITY SPORTS CAMPS

SOCCER
Kew - Trinity Grammar
19th / 20th December, 2016
Malvern
21st / 22nd December, 2016
Balwyn
21st / 22nd December, 2016
Hawthorn
21st / 22nd December, 2016
Greenhough
18th / 19th January, 2017
Box Hill
11th / 12th January, 2017
Northcote
16th / 17th January, 2017

CRICKET
Kew - Trinity Grammar
19th / 20th December, 2016
Malvern
21st / 22nd December, 2016
Balwyn
21st / 22nd December, 2016
Hawthorn
21st / 22nd December, 2016
Greenhough
18th / 19th January, 2017
Box Hill
11th / 12th January, 2017
Northcote
16th / 17th January, 2017

NETBALL
Canterbury
Strathcona Girls School
21st / 22nd December, 2016
Victoria
16th / 17th January, 2017
Doncaster
18th / 19th January, 2017

BASKETBALL
Kew - Trinity Grammar
19th / 20th December, 2016
Canterbury
21st / 22nd December, 2016
Victoria
16th / 17th January, 2017
Doncaster
18th / 19th January, 2017

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Community News

BATMAN PARK KINDERGARTEN have limited vacancies for the 3 Year Old Pre-Kindergarten Program in 2017. Batman Park Kindergarten hold sessional Kindergarten and 3 Year Old Kinder is a great opportunity to see if sessional Kindergarten suits you and your child’s need. 3 Year Old Kinder is 3.5 hours a week. Please contact Batman Park Kindergarten on 9481 0237 for more information.