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### Important School Diary Dates

#### 2015

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<td>JSC + Grade 6 Graduation Photos</td>
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<td>Film Fundraising Night - Westgarth Cinema – 8.30 p.m. start</td>
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<td>Whole School Photo</td>
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<td>District Triathlon</td>
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<td>Fete Jam &amp; Preserves bottling morning</td>
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<td>NPS Fete 10.00 a.m.- 4.00 p.m.</td>
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<td>Anzac Day Public Holiday</td>
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The whole school photograph has been rescheduled for a later date (Thursday 12th November) due to the weather today! As a result you can still order a photo if you haven’t already done so.
Teacher Learning on Pupil Free Day
On our Pupil Free Day on Monday, 3rd November, teachers spent the first 2 hours investigating an online inquiry learning program – MAPPEN. It maps out units of inquiry from Foundation to year 6, and is compliant with the Australian Curriculum and taught across eight global concepts:
Community; Sustainability; Social Justice; Creativity; Identity; Change; Necessity; and Curiosity.
It is a developmental, concept based, curriculum with ideas built on and expanded as students move from level to level, ensuring that no content is repeated. It has a guided inquiry approach, with units providing teachers with different ways for students to generate questions for their own inquiries.

Teachers then spent the remainder of the day, meeting within teams and across teams, moderating teacher judgements on student samples of work to ensure judgement of student assessment is consistent across the school in readiness for student reports.

Class Organisation and Locations for 2016
In last week’s newsletter, we published a model for class organisation. This will be the one we will implement in 2016. Given the structure, both at staff level and at School Council level, we have discussed the likely and best locations for the classes next year, keeping in mind that we are trying to group same class structures of a team together to support the collaborative teaching and learning approach.
We had to think about where we could locate the 5 x 1/2 classes, needs of Preps (close proximity to indoor toilets) and the others and come up with the best arrangement for all student needs. The following are likely locations:

- 4 x 5/6s will be located on the Senior Campus in two double relocatables (we will receive another relocatable this year!)
- 4 x 3/4s located upstairs, and downstairs in the main building where current year 1/2ST class is.
- 5 x 1/2s all located in Junior School building.
- 3 x Prep classes located downstairs in Building B, where current 3/4s are located

Greetings ...

Warm regards,
Kerrie
Library News

Could some brilliant, generous, craft person please cover two library floor cushions? Preferably they would need to be covered with a cotton drill or cotton duck. They are in the corner of the Library behind my desk. For this you will earn our eternal gratitude 😊

I am also still looking for any old sheets and/or doona covers we can use for dust covers over the bookshelves. If you have any to donate, please leave them on the Library tables for me.

Thank you very much in advance,
Susi

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

Brisbane Anglican Maori Mission SSC Branch INC. Associate - IA2034
E: food@needafeed.org
FB: dayouneedafeed
www.needafeed.org
Due to popular demand for outdoor photos, we are working with Vision Portraits for more outdoor bookings - check the Trybooking website for the updated booking schedule.

If you had any thoughts about having family photos done or were wondering what to give the grandparents this Christmas, this is your chance to get some beautiful photos and support the school - your entire $15 booking fee goes to our school!

Don’t just think about it - sign up now! 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.
Support our Annual Mango Fundraiser

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:
http://www.trybooking.com/JLSO
ORDERS MUST BE PLACED BY 12th NOVEMBER.
Delivery of Mangoes will be in mid-December. 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!

To order your mangoes go to this link
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MOVIE FUNDRAISER

A new comedy from the creators of Upper Middle Bogan.

“Funny & edgy screw-ball comedy”
LA Times

“Funny, real, charming & uplifting”
Melissa Doyle
Seven News Presenter

“Absolutely loved it”
Layne Beachley
Seven Times World Champion Surfer

“a gem of a film”
Huffington Post

“Heartwarming, thought-provoking, intelligent and very funny - I highly recommend it!”
Julie Goodwin
Masterchef Winner

WATCH THE TRAILER
www.nowaddhoney.com

Have a great afternoon out whilst raising money to for Unicef Australia!

Date: Sunday 8th November
Time: 03:45pm
Venue: HOYTS Northland, 50 Murray Road Preston
Ticket Price: $20
Book Now: http://www.trybooking.com/JMVE