Fete Newsletter No.4
Only 3 weeks to go!

Dates to Remember

- Fete working Bee and weekend donations: Sun 1st March
- Last Day for Second Hand Donations: Fri 6th March
- Wristband pre-order closes: Tue 10th March
- Last day for Hamper Donations: Tue 10th March
- Grade 3/4 donations close: Wed 11th March
- Last day for produce donations: Thu 12th March
- Grades Prep, 1, 2, 5 & 6 donations close: Thu 12th March
- Early wristband and ticketing collections: Fri 13th March
- Evening set up and Fete Collective arrivals: Fri 13th March
- Fete!!!: Sat 14th March 10am to 4pm

Important Information

Volunteer Register - online
The online Volunteer register is still up and there are spaces to be filled. If you have not already, please put your name down next to an activity. It’s a fun day and a great way to meet new people. It’s also an easy way to participate in the fete which only takes 2 hours out of your day. Don’t forget to scroll all the way down to see which time slots and activities best suit you.

The link is again here, just follow this link: [Online NPS fete register](#)

Individual Classroom donations
Notes have gone home this week with your kids on how each year level can help. This year we have assigned year groups to the donating of particular items. If you did not receive a note or class email from your teacher detailing this, please contact them and ask for one.
Poster Competition
Did you all get your poster for our Poster Competition? Check your kid’s bag and the attached note for details on what to do and how to enter. This is a great way to get information out in the community about the school fete.

Happy Hamper
Notes for the happy hamper were sent home with the poster competition. Please consider donating for the hamper also as this has raised very good money for the fete in previous years. The more families we can get donating, the more hampers we will have on the day - which means an even bigger chance for you to win! Here are some ideas for you:

Prep - Beach and Outdoor Fun
- Beach umbrella, chairs, balls and towels, Frisbees, inflatables, boogie boards and kickboards, sunscreen, Any type of ball, Totem tennis, cricket/ badminton set

Year 1/2- Party Time and Games
- Party games and favours, bubbles, balloons, goodie bags, bunting and party decorations, Birthday cake cookbook and cake decorations/ toppers, card games, Jenga, board games, puzzles

Year 3/4 Picnics and Gardening
- BBQ tools, picnic rug, tablecloths and serviettes, melamine cups and plates, cooler bags, new and current lifestyle magazines, Gardening hand tools and secateurs, seeds and bulbs, garden ornaments, planter pots, potting mix

Year 5/6 Pampering and Foodie Delights
- Scented oils and candles, body lotions, hair treatments and bath bombs, Gourmet food items such as bottled relish, chutney and jam, ground coffee and herbal tea, savoury and sweet treats, flavoured olive oil, wooden serving board, recipe books

Wristband and Ticketing Information
This year we will be using “Try-booking” again for the online purchasing of wristbands. Notes will be sent home with all kids early next week and a link emailed through for ticket purchases. If you don’t have access for online ticketing you can still pre buy wristbands at the school office. Please check dates on Ticket information sheet as there are definite cut off dates and tickets bought on the day are more expensive.

Second Hand Donations
We will be collecting second hand donations at the school this weekend Sunday 22 February between 10am and 11am. Please enter the gates via Henry Street. If the gates are locked it means we have left already. Please do not leave donations outside the school grounds.

Second Hand Donations to the office area
We are still collecting donations at the school office area. Thank you to everyone for keeping the area as clear as possible. We will endeavor to clear away the donations twice weekly so as not to overcrowd the space.
** Can everyone please think carefully about what they donate. In past years, the school has spent a lot of money disposing of items that were donated but were not in a condition to be resold. This a fundraising event and defeats the purpose if the school then has to pay to have items removed.**

Craft Stall Donations
Calling all Crafty Types!!
The craft stall are looking for donations of handmade items for the craft stall at the fete. Just make what you love to do or if you need some inspiration here are a few ideas:
- Baby booties
- Scarves
- Hats
- Bags of any type
- Dress up costumes
- Card and gift tags; and
- Jewelry

Items can be left in the box outside the office. Contact stall coordinator Amanda O’Donnell Amanda.odonnell@gmail.com or phone 0448 895 440.

Plant Donations
Have you some rope / twine / cord at home that you don’t need? The plant stall needs some supplies of cord to make a display of macramé plant hangers, so if you have any spare please contact Laura on 0481 092 588. Any colours/thicknesses will be useful.

Mystery Bottle Donations
Parents, this one is for you. Check notices in kids bags attached to poster competition. All donations for this stall to be given directly to office staff for safe keepings or stall coordinator (Sue Lawson)

Helen’s Harvest Donations
Please donate any homemade jams, chutney’s, salsa’s etc to the clearly marked box in the office foyer.

Cake Stall Donations
Next week a paper plate, freezer bag, ingredients list and note will be sent home with all students. Please bake something and return to the school on the morning of the fete for selling. You can include whole cakes, biscuits, slices, muffins, or whatever you like to cook. Also please do not feel limited by the plate size provided, this is only a starting point for all the beginners and please feel free to present and package as you wish. Only must, is that you must include an ingredients list.

Crazy Hair and Nails Donations
If anyone has any old nail polish they no longer use, please consider donating it to the fete for this stall. Please leave in the office area in the marked box.

Treasure Island Donations
Do you have any old beaded necklaces, little treasures, fake gold coins, coloured stones? All of these can be used in the treasure island sand pit. Each year children spend hours scouring the sand pit for these hidden treasures, while the pirates watch on. You need to be quick before someone else gets to it
first. The more treasure we have the more fun the kids have. Look down bottom of your toy boxes where small things fall. Donations can be left in the office foyer marked Treasure Island.

**What to expect at this year’s fete!**

**Rides**

**Action Racer Inflatable Slide**
Put the pedal to the metal for a fast ride down the dual lane Action Racer Slide standing 9 meters high.

**Footy Challenge Obstacle Course**
If it’s a competition you are after, then the Footy Challenge is the ideal obstacle course. Climb and fight your way through the course and see who makes it out first.

**Abseiling Wall**
Abseiling wall/rock climbing wall is one of the most favoured interactive concepts around. If you like adrenalin, heart racing and sweaty palms then take the plunge.

**Chair-o-Plane**
One of the most sought after children attractions. Children sit in the suspended chairs, while the ride gently whirls them through the air. Sure to bring smiles on all faces.

**Beach jumping castle**
Beach themed castle, with a beach ball and board inside. Great for small kids from ages 3-10 years.

**Dunk Machine**
A 1000 liter dunk machine where volunteers sit on a plank waiting for you to hit the mark and then take a spill. Kids will love throwing tennis balls at the target and love even more dunking the fearful volunteer.

**Quiet activities**

**Reptile Petting Zoo**
Did you know we have reptiles visiting our fete this year? That’s right a classroom has been put aside for a visiting reptile group. Here you can see snakes, lizards and frogs while getting up close and personal with some of our visitors. Sessions for the reptile zoo will need to be pre booked prior to the fete. Details to come with ticketing information.

**Lego Construction**
Are you a kid who can get lost in lego for hours on end and come out with some amazing masterpieces? Well this year you will have the opportunity at the fete in a separated room away from all the hustle and bustle. You will be given a bag of lego to create something for our themed masterpiece. At the end of the day we hope to have something that many kids have contributed towards and can be shown off. Sessions for lego will need to be pre booked prior the fete with details to come with ticketing information.

**Creative Kids Space Project**
It has taken one year to collaborate resources and develop concepts with an aim that the children of Northcote Primary School enjoy a positive experience from visiting and exploring our stall at the fete.
Do you have a favourite affirmation or word you use to inspire or motivate you?

At the school fete this year we are creating an Affirmation Reflection display for everyone to contribute to. If you have some beautiful words of wisdom, or a favourite word or two to share please come and help us on the fete day on this community art installation. Other activities involve, Babushka doll making, sun catchers, children’s mandala’s and dinosaur cut outs.

The positive power or creating together building community.

**Stall Coordinators, Mandy and Maria**

*We have loads more to tell you that we will share in our next Fete Newsletter. So keep a look out and parents please share this information with your kids also.*

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