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

If you need to contact the Out of School Hours Program please call 0420 637 931. Thank you

Important School Diary Dates for 2015

| Oct | 16   | Fri  | Helen’s Harvest Preserves Session in Canteen |
|     | 19   | Mon  | Education Subcommittee Meeting – 7pm, Staffroom |
|     | 20   | Tues | Italian Day |
|     | 26   | Thurs | Cultural Performance at school |
| Nov | 2    | Mon  | Pupil Free Day – No School for Children |
|     | 3    | Tues | Melbourne Cup Day – Public Holiday |
|     | 10   | Tues | Film Fundraising Night - Westgarth Cinema |
| Dec | 18   | Fri  | End of Term 4 – 1.30 p.m. |

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

(Assembly item by Grades 12ST)

00L - Lenny T
00LW - Georgia M
00N - Hudson D
12DN - All Grades 1/2 Campers!
12J - All Grades 1/2 Campers!
12S - All Grades 1/2 Campers!
12T - All Grades 1/2 Campers!
34D - ??
34J - Tiahna T
34K - Elena K
34KL - Eena S
56C - Beda E
56M - Felix W
56N - Bailey F
56S - Ella O

Broad-Brimmed Hats

Broad brimmed school hats (Sunsmart endorsed) can be purchased from the office in Term 4, at $8.50 each. Please help us by bringing the correct money as we don’t often carry cash change. Reminder: all children must wear a Sunsmart hat for term 4.
Greetings ...
Student Achievement
Speech Final at Northcote High School:
Congratulations to Sabrina Nguyen and Felix Wong, both year 6, for being selected to represent Northcote PS in the speech competition at Northcote HS. Whilst they weren’t placed in the speech competition at Northcote High, it was a great learning experience for both students in developing confidence and expressing themselves with clarity to an audience about their topic. Well done Sabrina and Felix.

Well done all Year 1 and 2 campers
Our year 1 and 2s have just returned from a two-day and one-overnight camp at Mt Evelyn this week. We enjoyed beautiful weather, bush surrounds, lots of space and challenging and fun activities with some yummy food to help energy levels along. The children showed such enthusiasm and courage to spend a night away from home with their school friends, teachers and volunteer parents and participate in all the camp activities. We would like to congratulate all year 1/2 students and let them know how proud we are of them.

Thank you
A very big thank you to Dora Polidoras and Stephanie Griffiths, camp organisers; Tracy, Jennifer (1/2 teachers), Ross (Assistant Principal) and all the parent volunteers who came along to support the children and staff to make it such a successful camp.

Well done Regional aths
Our 7 students competed in the District athletics on Wednesday. Here are their results:

- Guy F 3rd in 800m and 4th or 5th in 100m
- Finn AF 3rd in High Jump
- Tom K 5th in shot put (18m)
- Xara B, Holly L, Audrey K & Ivy P 5th in the 4x100m relay

We acknowledge the great effort from all students to compete at such a high level of the competition. Well done all finalists!

Short period of leave
I will be taking a short period of leave as of Monday 19th October and will return on Wednesday 28th October. During that time, the Department of Education has approved Ross Bennie to be Acting Principal. I know the school will be in good hands during my leave and I thank Ross for stepping up into the Acting Principal position.

Planning for 2016
I am currently finalising enrolment numbers for 2016 which has a direct impact on how many classes, teachers and programs, we will need and be able to provide for 2016.

If you are moving location and considering leaving our school, could you please contact the office to let us know as soon as possible? It is vital that we have accurate student numbers to cater for adequate staffing and programs for the 2016 year and more importantly, secure your child’s school placement for the following year.

If you are aware of any families who are yet to enrol their child at school, could you please encourage them to make contact with us as soon as possible otherwise they may miss out on a place at our school in 2016.

School Organisation 2016
In a coming newsletter, I will show you all the student numbers we have for 2016 and invite you to give us your feedback on class/learning area organisation for 2016.

Warm regards, Kerrie
**Education subcommittee**
The Education subcommittee will meet on Monday 19th October at 7pm in the school staffroom. All parents are welcome. Please contact Scott Meaklim (Scott.Meaklim@gmail.com) if you plan to join us.

**School Banking News...**
Congratulations to two of our school banking participants, who were lucky winners in the Term 3 school banking competition. Audrey C and Peta V will both receive Booktopia Gift Certificates. Well done and happy reading!

We would also like to remind all our school banking participants that they will be entered in the prize draw for a trip to Disneyland if they have banked with us at least 25 times by the end of the school year, so keep up the good work.

We always welcome new school bankers, so if you would like to participate, simply open a Dollarmite account with the Commonwealth Bank and bring your deposit book to school each Monday.

Any questions? Just ask Tracey or Sue, your school banking co-ordinators.

**Northcote High School Speech Competition**
Last Tuesday, two grade 6 representatives from our school went to compete in the Northcote High School speech competition. The representatives were Felix Wong (5/6M) and Sabrina Nguyen (5/6N). They each brought three friends and family members to watch. Felix talked about completing life and Sabrina talked about people who have contributed to our community. It was a great experience, and in the end Francesca from Alphington came 1st. Well done Felix and Sabrina!

**Do you have any spare sheets / doona covers for the Library?**
During the summer school holidays, Susi likes to cover all the bookshelves with dust covers. Sheets and doona covers make for wonderful dust covers! If you have any spares or similar material, Susi would really appreciate your donations for the Library!

**Film Fundraising Night - Save the date!**
NPS will be having a fundraising night Tuesday the 10th November at Westgarth Cinemas.

“The Dressmaker” stars Kate Winslet and Liam Helmsworth and will be a fun night out and a chance to catch up with other parents. Details to follow next week. Thanks Fi Lang

**ITALIAN UPDATE**

*The Count Down Begins…. don’t forget that next Tuesday is Italian Day!*  
*The theme for our day will be: ‘Evviva L’Italiano!’*

The children are required to **come to school dressed in a character or famous Italian**. Ideas to consider could include: Pinocchio, Il Pappagallo, La Befana, Michelangelo, Da Vinci, soccer players etc. If this is too difficult, children may dress in neat casual attire representing the colours of the Italian flag which are: VERDE- Green BIANCO- White Rosso-Red.

**PLEASE DO NOT HIRE ANY COSTUMES. THIS IS NOT NECESSARY!**

- All children will need to wear comfortable shoes on our Italian Day. Shoes suitable for lots of movement. No soccer boots please.
Please remember to wear your hat for all outdoor activities.
Please keep the weather in mind for your costume and please do not allow your child to bring expensive/precious items to school.
If your child does not have the pizza lunch, they will need to bring their own lunch on the day.
All students will need to bring a snack and some play lunch for recess.
Students (especially the junior school) will need to bring either a plastic bag/canvas shopping bag to carry home any things that they make during the day.
The Italian Newspaper ‘Il Globo’ has been invited to our day as well as other media- So smile everyone!!

PARENT HELPERS:
A BIG GRAZIE to those parents who have volunteered to help us on Italian Day. If you have volunteered to assist us in either pizza or gelato distribution, please ensure you arrive at the school by the following times.

Morning help required between 10:30a.m. to 11:00 a.m. We will need a parent or two give the canteen bench tops a wipe down and the assist me to organise the canteen to ensure that we have a smooth distribution of all the pizzas to each class.

Pizza organisation and distribution: arrive by 12:00 p.m. sign in at the office and meet in the canteen.

Gelato organisation and distribution: arrive by 2:00 p.m. sign in at the office and meet in the canteen.

We will have over 310 small pizza boxes to distribute during the lunch break and over 320 gelato in a cup after lunch. The pizzas will start to arrive with the first load at 12:30 for the Preps and then every 15minutes or so to cater for each level.

GELATO news: Last week, as Signorina was going to place the gelato order, she found out that there IS NO GELATO CIOLCATO in the entire country! The Italian Student Committee needed to announce this at morning Assembly this week and they went around to each of the 96 students who order chocolate to change their flavour. Well done Committee members!

GELATO PICK UP: If there are any parents who are available next Monday any time before 3:30pm and are able to pick up our Gelato from IGA on High Street, this would be most appreciable. It is probably best to have two parents, pick up 30 small boxes and bring these straight to our large school freezer in the canteen. Please let me know as soon as possible or contact the school office.

Think this is all for now. Hopefully the sun will shine for us all next Tuesday!

Until time, GRAZIE MILLE FOR YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT,

Signorina Rosa, Italian Teacher and Coordinator

Save the date!
Vision Portraits $15.00 fundraiser will be coming to Northcote Primary School
Sunday 22nd November
A great Christmas gift idea!

More details to follow early in Term 4. In the meantime, check out Vision Portraits website at:
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Grade 4 to 6 girls are invited to

A Celebration Day for Girls

A workshop for 10-12 year old girls and their mums/carers to prepare for a positive start to puberty and periods. With fun craft activities and relaxed conversation, girls can learn and develop confidence in their body and self-care.

Women meet for an evening before the day to look at the program. Girls have a full day, where mums join us at lunchtime for the afternoon.

Mums Only: Thu 5 Nov 7.00—9.00 pm  Day for Girls: Sat 7 Nov 10.00—4.30 pm

Venue: Cnr Gilbert Rd & Cramer St, Preston West  Bookings limited.

For inquiries:
Janel Liddil
0408 664 919  email: contact.janel@gmail.com  stepintowomanhood.com

The Northcote Community Gardens

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SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2015

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SPAN OPEN DAY
Sunday 25 October 2015
64 Clyde Street Thornbury
1.30 – 6pm

FOOD
Stalls selling fresh
produce, seedlings, gifts,
pre-loved, Tibetan chubas,
paint, chalk, estate, a
lusty sausage sizzle,
a coffee cart
and more.

A celebration
to dedicate the
community garden
to Norma Hampton
will be held during
the afternoon.

TALKS
Mark Nash – Population,
Premonitions & Phantoms
How to be a Mindful Archer
11am – 12.30pm
Nature Awareness and
Bird Language.

ENTERTAINMENT
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The Compassion Voice
Choir, Tai Chi and bike
maintenance dumps,
buzzards, and more.

SPAN’s Open Day is on again!
Bring your family, friends,
and even your dog who may win
a prize in our cutest, friendliest
and funniest categories. Don’t miss it!

There will be
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