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### Important School Diary Dates

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| Oct  | Mon 17|       | Curriculum Day – No Students required at school |

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We had a great response from everyone with bottle tops thank you to all. The Grade 1/2's have created beautiful pieces with 1900 recycled bottle tops, beads and sparkly bits. They’re all being strung up in the round on hula hoops and will be hung in the 1/2 area. Great job 1/2's!
Greetings ...

Student Achievement
Well done to all Students
There was a quiet buzz and murmur across the school on Tuesday afternoon and evening, as students were engaged in the task of showing their parents the work in their portfolios prior to either the 3-way or 2-way conferences. Most of the students I spoke with yesterday and this morning were very happy with their reports and were very clearly able to articulate how they were going and what they could do to improve their results for the next semester.

Teachers enjoyed the opportunity to celebrate with you, the progress that your child made since the start of the year. They are also looking forward to working on the second semester goals that have been identified.

Thank you parents/carers
We were able to gather quite a bit of data around the student reports and 2 or 3 way conferences with the number of surveys parents filled out after seeing teachers. The School Council Education sub-committee will complete an analysis of the data and report back to School Council and ultimately to parents.
Thank you parents/carers, for taking the time to fill in the surveys.

Farewell to ...

Ruby Anstic Year 2
Ruby and her family are making a tree change and heading to the country for the next phase in their lives. That means that Ruby will be leaving Northcote Primary School with her last day being tomorrow, the last day of Term 2.
We wish Ruby and her family, all the best in their new home and new school for Ruby and thank for being part of the NPS community.

Sally Thomson
Sally has worked with us for the past 2 terms as an Integration Aide, providing support in the year 1/2 area. We would like to thank Sally for her commitment and work in that area and wish her all the best with her future endeavours.

Last day of term, Friday – 2.30pm dismissal
Please don’t forget that the children are dismissed from their classrooms at 2.30pm on Friday, the last day of term. Please remember to be at the school to pick the children up by 2.30pm.
We have had many tears at the office when children discover they are the last ones left at the end of the term. Please call us if you are delayed in any way.

A safe and happy holiday
I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very safe and happy holiday for the next two weeks. See you back in Term 3. If you are lucky to have your holidays with your children, have lots of rest, fun and relaxing times together with a few pyjama days thrown in!

Thank you all staff
I would like to thank all staff for their commitment and hard work for the first half of the year and wish them a restful and relaxing break over the holidays.

School Security over the holidays
Our school community and broader community play a vital role in keeping our school secure and safe over the holidays so that it is all ready for the children on their first day back at school. If you see any ‘unauthorised’ people on school property over the school break, please call Northcote Police on 9403 0200 or 000 and report it in. The local police have been very supportive in driving by the school, particularly at night, and attending the school when our community call in with a report.

Warm regards,
Kerrie
**Italian Update**

**Salve! What a busy and productive term!!**

**State-Wide Italian Competition News:**

Si, Si, Si! The annual Dante Alighieri poster competition has now closed! Our students have worked extremely hard the last few weeks on their posters to ensure that they complete their sentences and their art work. The standard was high.

I am pleased to announce that we have 53 students who voluntarily entered to represent Northcote in this state wide competition. Year 1 to Year 6 year levels have been represented which is fantastico!! We have 21 of our Year 6 students representing our school with some ottimo work!

Buona Fortuna (Good Luck) to our students.

Last year, our school received two state-wide winners (Year 1- George 3rd Place and Jonathan 3rd Place- our first sibling winners) and many Finalists and High Distinctions. Such a high level of achievement! We hope to do well again this year!

I wish all of our students all the very best. Any prize winners will be announced in early August and they will need to attend an Awards Ceremony at The University of Melbourne in September where each student will receive a trophy with their name engraved on it, a certificate and have their photo taken for the Italian newspaper ‘Il Globo’.

Stay tuned next term for some student feedback and some photos of the posters. We are so talented here at Northcote!

Buone vacanze (Happy Holidays),
Saluti, Signorina Rosa.

**Netball Interschool Sports**

**CONGRATULATIONS** to all the 5/6 students who played in the 2 netball teams this term. We have made it to the regionals – Girls team finishing the competition undefeated and the Mixed team finishing on the top of the Interschool ladder.

It was a collaborative experience with the players alternating positions and roles throughout the entire competition. The players were enthusiastic, supportive and respectful of the other teams. Our highlights came mostly from games that were very social, some which involved even mixing schools within the teams.

Regional games are being planned for next term, and we will keep you informed of our progress – though we are already SO HAPPY about how our Netball season went.

*Tracy Budin*

**5/6 Teacher**

**LOST**

Missing from the Bike shed two weeks ago – a small red and white BYK helmet. Was sitting with a red micro scooter. If found please call 0438 851 582 if you might accidentally have an extra one at your house or leave at the office. Thanks, Isabella 1/2DN.
At Northcote Primary School, we pride ourselves on being awesome readers! We are fortunate that we have a great library and helpful librarian, Susie. We also all share a LOVE FOR BOOKS! How many times have you seen our students sitting in the playground, choosing to read a book?

Our school is excited to announce the 2016 Victorian Premier’s Reading Challenge. It is simple to do!

Please email Griffiths.Stephanie.C@edumail.vic.gov.au

Subject : READ

Include: your child’s name, grade level and teacher

Thank you! Stephanie will then register your child.

Once you have registered, you just continue reading and make sure you record the books you have read.

The challenge finishes in September 2016.

You need to read the amount of books for your year level:

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The Challenge Book list includes many titles you will already have at home, or in our school library. There is a huge range of wonderful books to choose from.
SAVE THE DATE
NPS disco will be held on
Saturday July 30
Further details after the holidays
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And now on Saturdays 10.00 – 11.00 am

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Northcote

Bateman Park Kindergarten
Is Hosting a
Polling Booth on
Election Day
(Saturday 2nd July, from 8am)

Come along and vote at:

Batman Park Kindergarten
South Room
79 Elm Street, Northcote
(Next to Batman Park Playground)

We will have a
COFFEE CART
CAKE STALL &
SAUSAGE SIZZLE!

So vote with us, pick up some treats and help raise money for the kindergarten!

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Volunteers Needed
Can you spare an hour each week to visit a newly arrived refugee or migrant in the home and help them learn English and settle in Australia? We have isolated people in the Whittlesea, Darebin and Hume areas who are waiting for help. Northern AMEP is currently seeking volunteers. Free training and support provided. If you are interested in being part of our team, contact Rebecca on 9269 1085 or email namephometutor@melbournepolytechnic.edu.au. Please don’t hesitate to contact me on 9269 1085 if you have any further queries.

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