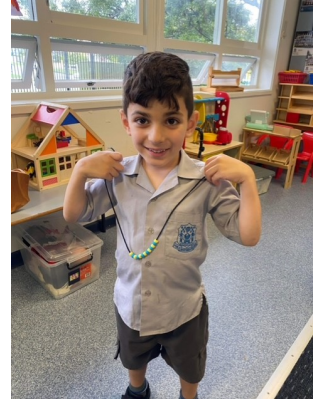




NORTHMEAD NEWSBREAK



Stage 2 Skipping Fun



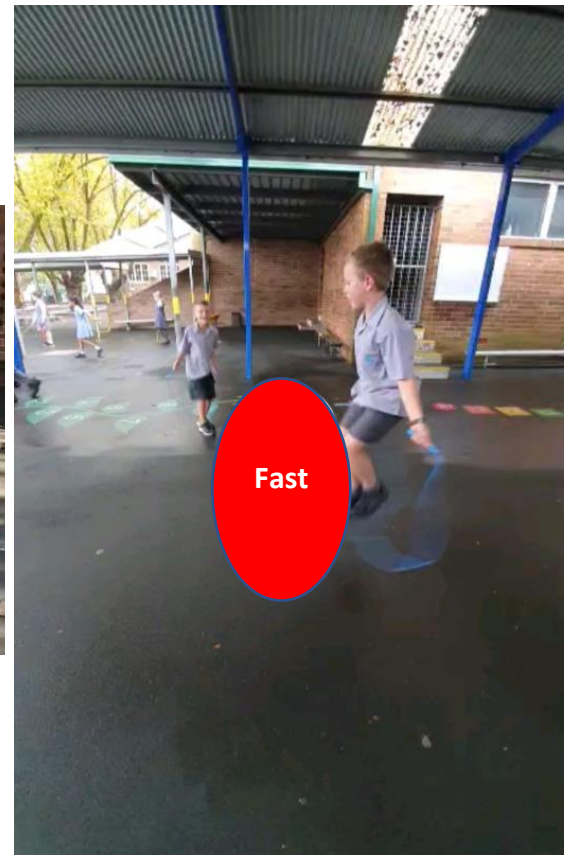
Jump



Cross
over



Speed
skating



Fast

Jump Rope for Heart
Getting healthy, having
fun and helping others!

Northmead Newsbreak ... Principal's Update



DEAR NORTHMEAD FAMILIES

Well, here we are already close to half-way through Term 2 with next week being Week 5! We have celebrated student achievements in their day-to-day learning and life experiences with students K-6 starting to review their goals in Literacy, Numeracy and of their own choice using the NPS **S•I•N•G** Learning Goals framework explained in the March 31 Newsletter **Students•Imagine•Next•Goal**. We held the SRC Induction Ceremony to turn up the volume on student voice in the school, students participated in the Zone Cross Country, representing their school with pride and skill and students in Years 3 and 5 have completed the 2022 NAPLAN assessment. We look forward to the Athletics Carnival at Gooden Reserve on 31 May (for students 3-6 and competitive students turning 8 this year). It's been wonderful to witness student enthusiasm and commitment to fitness through the Jump Rope for Heart program, with many students already demonstrating skill and absolutely enjoying their skipping practice individually and with friends.

2022 NATIONAL SORRY DAY 26 MAY NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK

On May 26, the school will recognise the annual **National Sorry Day** which acknowledges the strength of Stolen Generations Survivors and reflects on how we can all play a part in the healing process for our people and nation. The first National Sorry Day was held in 1998, one year after the *Bringing Them Home* report reviewing policies which caused children to be taken from their home and communities. The school will also recognise Reconciliation Week on Monday 30 May. Students' learning will focus on the 2022 theme **"Be Brave. Make Change."** and participate in learning centred around Indigenous cultures. On Monday 30 May, students may acknowledge this day by wearing clothing and/or accessories in the colours of the Aboriginal Flag: **black, red and yellow**.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR ARTIST FINALIST IN YOUNG ARCHIES - SHIVA 3F



Congratulations to Shiva in 3F who is a finalist in the 5-8 year old section of the junior Archibald art competition held annually. Shiva drew a portrait of his uncle as a wedding present, as his uncle had recently been married. Shiva's detailed and emotive drawing was chosen out of **2400** entries with only **70** selected as

finalists! A young art star in the making! Here is the link to the gallery where you can see the wonderful art produced by children including Shiva:
<https://www.artgallery.nsw.gov.au/prizes/young-archie/2022/>
Shiva, we are all very proud of your beautiful art and your amazing achievement. Shiva's parents were very grateful to all of Shiva's teachers, present and past, who have encouraged his art over the years. We look forward to seeing more wonderful pieces from you in the future.

PRINCIPAL'S "P.S."

It's always a great joy to walk around the school and hear the exciting and innovative learning happening across the school. I love when students bring me their work to my office that they and their teacher are so proud. What a treat it also is listening to students read as part of our intensive support programs, showing increasing skill and confidence in themselves. *Popping* into a class and hear students explain what they are learning, researching, talking or writing about always makes my day "smile!". I am always so proud of our students' efforts each day!

"A little progress each day, adds up to big results."

Satya Nani

I look forward to chatting with you in our next Northmead

Newsbreak ... Mrs Anne Ezzzy (Principal)

IMPORTANT TO KNOW WHAT'S AHEAD @NORTHMEAD



COVID UPDATE | CLOSE CONTACTS

I have updated families last Friday on recent COVID-19 cases in the school. It is important that we remain aware that COVID remains within our communities and as we head to the winter flu season, the importance of monitoring and acting on any symptoms. Close contacts must follow the guidelines below in addition to the [NSW Health guidelines](#):

- **must notify the school including outside of school hours care (NOOSH etc) if they are intending to return under these updated guidelines;**
- **take a daily rapid antigen test (RAT) and return a negative result each morning before attending school for 5 consecutive school days;**
- **no student of staff member identified as a close contact will be permitted to participate in overnight excursions, including school camps;**
- **it is recommended for primary school students who are household contacts to wear masks at school and staff who are household contacts must wear masks; and**
- **any visitor to a school site who is a close contact must advise the school that they are a close contact before they come on site. These visitors should conduct a daily RAT and return a negative result before attending. They must also wear a mask indoors at all times. Schools should consider if the visit can be conducted virtually.**

Please read the note sent home May 13 for full details on updated requirements around close/household contacts.

Any students who attend school who are unwell and show symptoms will be sent home to be tested.

NAPLAN ONLINE YEARS 3 AND 5 MAY10-20

Thursday 19/Friday 20 May – Catch up days

STUDENT LEAVE DURING A TERM

Families are encouraged to holiday or travel during school vacations. Holidays taken by students outside of school vacation periods are included as absences. Schools understand that particularly during COVID, many families were prevented from visiting family and friends overseas and also holidays were delayed.

Accepting or declining an application for leave is at the discretion of the principal. Section 14 of the Student Attendance procedures states, 'a principal should not accept a reason for travel during school term if it is not in the best interests of the student. This includes educational, social and participation reasons.'

Please note, if the period of absence is in excess of 50 days, the student may be eligible to enrol in Distance Education and a conversation around this should take place with everyone involved so options for continuity of education are considered.

NEXT UP AT NORTHMEAD

Check the N.P.S. "Next Up" Calendar and notes sent home to advise of upcoming events including:

- ✱ **10-20 May | NAPLAN dates**
- ✱ **Friday 20 May | Stage 3 \$50 Camp Deposit due**
- ✱ **Thursday 26 May | National Sorry Day**
- ✱ **Monday 30 May | Reconciliation Day @NPS (Black | Red | Yellow | themed Mufti – no coin donation)**
- ✱ **Friday 27 May-Friday 3 June National Reconciliation Week "Be Brave. Make Change."**
- ✱ **Tuesday 31 May | NPS Athletics Carnival**
- ✱ **Monday 27 June | Year 2 Rouse Hill excursion**
- ✱ **Tuesday 28 June | Year 1 Rouse Hill excursion**
- ✱ **Friday 1 July | Last day Term 2**



RECONCILIATION
AUSTRALIA

BE BRAVE! MAKE CHANGE.

**NATIONAL
RECONCILIATION
WEEK 2022**

27 MAY – 3 JUNE

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2022 schedule

Click Here: esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars

eSafety's free webinars provide parents and carers with the knowledge, skills and tools to support children to have safe, positive online experiences.

Our live webinars for parents and carers attracted record attendance numbers in 2021. To meet the growing demand, our education and training team is expanding the program in 2022 to include more dates and topics to support school communities.

Each month, we will present either a new webinar topic or a video with simple tips to keep young people safe online.

2022 Parent and carer education topic schedule

January Can't make it to a webinar? You can watch this short video on Cyberbullying and online drama . (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 11 to 18 years old).	February Webinar: Helping kids thrive online (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 5 to 12 years old). 8th February – Safer Internet Day 2022 #SID22	March Webinar: Cyberbullying and online drama (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 11 to 18 years old).
April Can't make it to a webinar? You can watch this short video on Online sexual harassment and image-based abuse . (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 13 to 18 years old).	May Webinar: Parental controls (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 4 to 13 years old).	June Webinar: Online gaming (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 13 to 18 years old).
July Can't make it to a webinar? You can watch this short video on Parental controls . (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 4 to 13 years old).	August Webinar: Popular apps (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 13 to 18 years old).	September Webinar: Online sexual harassment and image-based abuse (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 13 to 18 years old). National Child Protection Week #NCPW22
October Webinar: Digital technologies and mental health (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 10 to 18 years old).	November Webinar: Guide to the holidays (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 8 to 13 years old).	December It's December! You can check out our annual Gift Guide here.

Subscribe to [eSafetyNews](#) for dates and registration details or visit esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars.

P&C NEWSFLASH

Northmead Public School P&C Association



ELECTION DAY

The P&C Association will be running a BBQ and Cake Stall on Election day. Funds raised will go towards improvements and resources for our school and students.

Cake boxes and notes have been sent home from school and we are asking families to contribute to our cake stall if possible.

Please refer to the following page for additional information on volunteering on the day and donation of cakes for the stall.

Thank you for supporting our fundraising efforts.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Election Day BBQ and Cake Stall: Saturday 21st May 2022

Next P&C General Meeting: Wednesday 8th June 2022 7pm via ZOOM

CONTACT US

NPS P&C Association:
northmeadpublicschool@pandc
affiliate.org.au

The Clothing Shop
npsclothingshop1@gmail.com

Canteen
ourschoolcanteen@gmail.com

NPS Band
npsband@hotmail.com

ELECTION DAY BBQ AND CAKE STALL

Volunteers

If you are available to help by cooking and serving on Saturday 21st May we would love to hear from you.

Volunteers can sign up here:

<https://signup.zone/EgejxGXGPSoppPKrP>

or contact the P&C via email

northmeadpublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au to find out how you can help.

All volunteers must be double vaccinated.

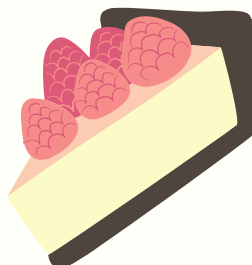
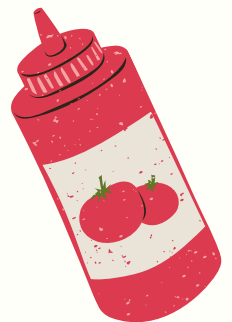
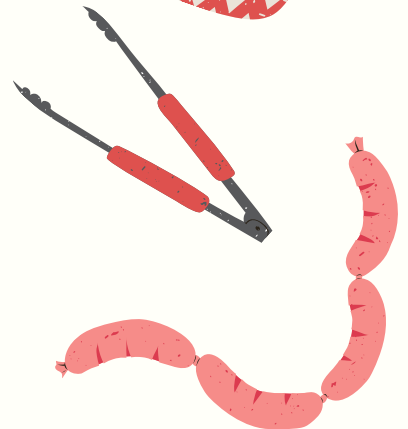
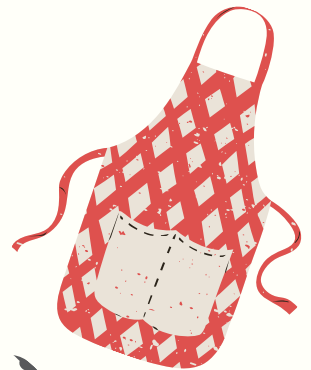
Cake Donations

Donations of whole cakes, slices, biscuits and other baked goods including gluten free options for us to sell would be greatly appreciated.

Please note that we are **unable to accept items that contain nuts.**

Please complete the form that has been sent home with the name of your baked goods and ingredients list and attach it to your cake box.

Donations can be **delivered to the canteen from 2.30pm Friday 20th May** or during the day on Saturday. Thank you for your help to make this event a success!



CLOTHING SHOP UPDATE

Stock Update

Due to supply chain and freighting issues some sizes in girls navy jazz pants remain out of stock. A small delivery of these pants in sizes 6 and 8 is expected to arrive this week. Priority will be given to delivering back orders. Further updates will be provided as information becomes available. We apologise for this inconvenience.

Online Orders

The Clothing Shop is continuing to operate online. Orders are currently being packed on Monday and Thursday mornings. **All purchases are to be made via Qkr!**

Please contact the Clothing Shop via email if you require assistance or if you would like to **arrange a time to visit the shop** - npsclothingshop1@gmail.com.

**GIRLS SHORT SLEEVE
WINTER BLOUSE**

**On
Sale**

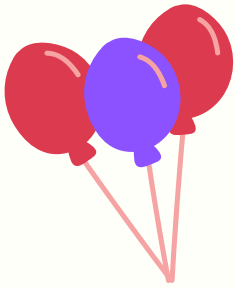
USUALLY \$24
SAVE \$9
**WHILE STOCKS
LAST**

\$15

Qkr!

The graphic features a light blue short-sleeved blouse with a chest pocket and buttons. A red price tag with a yellow string is attached to the blouse, displaying '\$15'. The background is a collage of geometric shapes in blue, yellow, and pink, with a pattern of small blue dots in the bottom right corner. A black circular logo with 'Qkr!' in white is positioned near the blouse.

CANTEEN UPDATE



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Birthday Treats

Happy Birthday to all those who have ordered birthday treats from Our School Canteen recently to celebrate your special day with your classmates!

We have had so many orders over the last term and want to thank you for supporting our canteen.

Cupcakes, brownies and icy fruit cups are freshly baked/made and decorated on site by Jo and our volunteers. This service is provided as an additional fundraising activity by Our School Canteen. Profits from the canteen go towards projects and resources for our school and students.

If you would like to order birthday treats for your child please order on the birthday menu in Qkr! at least 3 business days in advance and email Jo at ourschoolcanteen@gmail.com to confirm the details for delivery.

Thank you for supporting our canteen and school.



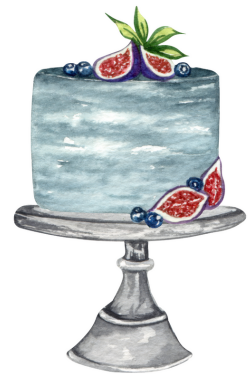


Northmead Public School P&C

Election Day



BBQ &



Cake Stall

Saturday, 21st May
8am-3pm

Sausage sizzle, drinks and cake stall.
All money raised will help our beautiful school.