











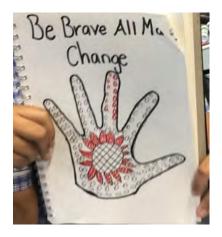




#NRW2022 Be Brave, Make Change





















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Northmead Newsbreak ... Principal's Update

At Northmead P.S. we acknowledge the Burramattagal peoples of the Darug nation who are the traditional custodians of the land of the Northmead/Parramatta area. We acknowledge their living cultures and the unique roles they have played in maintaining life here. Under the buildings, the concrete and asphalt of Northmead Public School, this land was, is and will always remain traditional Aboriginal land. We pay that respect also to all First Nations people who always have always been and remain the traditional custodians of their lands across the globe.



DEAR NORTHMEAD FAMILIES

How wonderful to hold our Athletics Carnival at Gooden Reserve last Tuesday and for students and families to have the opportunity to share this experience together again! Congratulations to all our student participants and particularly those students who will now move onto the Zone carnival. Despite the windy weather, the students were enthusiastic and keen to show their skills in the field and track events. A huge thank you to Mrs Smith, Ms Horvath and Mr Gorrie for their carnival organisation and all the support from staff and our parent volunteers who all made the day so successful. Thank you to our P&C and team of volunteers for your work on Election Day BBQ and Cake Stall which was very successful. Thank you to all our families who donated delicious treats to sell.

ARRIVING IN LINES BEFORE 9! THE IMPORTANCE OF ARRIVING ON TIME AT SCHOOL AND CLASS:

Above 95% is our expected student attendance. Currently we have many students who attended in Term 2 less than 90% of school days. Regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best. It is SO important that children arrive on time before their class is lining up so they start the day ready to learn. **Arriving on time before 9:**

- Ensures students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Gives students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom learning disruption
- Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents/carers.

Please support your child's learning by getting them to school on time. We thank you to our families who are keeping sick children at home until they are completely well. Let's all try to stay safe and healthy this Winter!

PRINCIPAL'S "P.S."

As we reach nearly the halfway mark for Term 2 *and* the 2022 school year, I encourage our students to make the most of every learning and life opportunity. We can all improve if we have the will and make that effort!

"You were not born a winner and you were not born a loser. You are what you make yourself to be." Author Unknown I look forward to chatting with you in our next Northmead

Newsbreak ... Mrs Anne Anne (Principal)

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IMPORTANT TO KNOW WHAT'S AHEAD @NORTHMEAD

SCHOOL PHOTOS TUESDAY SIBLING PHOTOS 8-9AM! WEAR SUMMER UNIFORM.

Please read all the details sent home this week about School Photos next Tuesday. To ensure a smooth day getting through the long schedule we have for classes and individual portraits, sibling photos are being held from 8-9am in the Hall. If your family are unable to make this earlier time, family photos will also be taken throughout the day. No family will miss out. Parents accompany their children to the Hall and are reminded that if their children's sibling photo finishes early, there is no teacher supervision in Area A until 8:30am.

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.



COVID UPDATE | CLOSE CONTACTS [CONTINUED]

- 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.

NEXT UP AT NORTHMEAD

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

- Friday 27 May-Friday 3 June National Reconciliation Week "Be Brave. Make Change."
- ✤ Tuesday 7 June School Photos see note
- * Monday 13 June Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
- * 14 & 16 June Synergy Dance Festival Penrith
- * Monday 27 June | Year 2 Rouse Hill excursion
- **★** Tuesday 28 June | Year 1 Rouse Hill excursion
- * Friday 1 July | Last day Term 2
- * Winter holidays: 6-15 July
- * Semester 1 Reports emailed Tuesday 19 July
- Education Week 1-5 August (Open Day and activities to be advised)

NSW PSSA AFL CHAMPIONSHIP

On 25 May to 27 May 2022 we represented Sydney West in the NSW PSSA Australian Football (AFL) Championship. Over the three days we played 5 games at Coffs Harbour International Stadium. Our first game against Barrier we lost 72-34. Riverina in the second game defeated us 75-0. We had a close game against Western which was 33-23. On the second day Sydney East beat us 55-0. In our last game for the day we played Hunter and went down 60-10. "I have learnt a lot about AFL over the last few weeks and it was a very fun experience making new friends and sticking together," said Leonard. Caleb stated, "I didn't realise how good the other teams would be. I found the championship challenging and also a good experience to see how good I am compared to others my age."



Leonard (5/6W) and Caleb (5/6E)

Next Up at Northmead



Term 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W6	30 May	31 May	1 June	2 June	3 June
	Pathways Program	3-6 Athletics Carnival	K-2 Gymnastics Girls Soccer Knockout	Rugby League Gala Day	Winter PSSA
W7	6 June	7 June	8 June	9 June	10 June
		School Photos Pathways Program	K-2 Gymnastics		Winter PSSA
W8	13 June	14 June	15 June	16 June	17 June
		Synergy Dance Festival Dress Rehearsal and Evening Performance	K-2 Gymnastics Sydney West Cross Country	Community Groups Morning Tea Synergy Dance Festival Evening Performance	Winter PSSA Band Workshop (TBC)
W9	20 June	21 June	22 June	23 June	24 June
	Dental Program	Dental Program	K-2 Gymnastics	Dental Program	Winter PSSA
W10	27 June	28 June	29 June	30 June	1 July
	Dental Program Year 2 Rouse Hill Farm Excursion	3-6 Science Show Year 1 Rouse Hill Farm Excursion	K-2 Gymnastics	Jump Rope for Heart Jump Day	Winter PSSA Stage 2 Northmead's Got Talent

Term 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W1	18 July	19 July	20 July	21 July	22 July
	Staff Development Day	Students Return	Y2-4 Tennis Program		
W2	25 July	26 July	27 July	28 July	29 July
	Stage 3 Interrelate Program		Y2-4 Tennis Program		Winter PSSA

Additional RATs

If you require any additional RATs, please contact the school and we can send it home with your child/ren.

RATs will continue to be available from the school office and are to be used to support close contact testing for students with no symptoms who are looking to return to school and ongoing symptomatic surveillance testing.

Thanks

Vicki Kennett

Administration Manager (Mon-Tues) | Business Manager (Wed-Fri)



Community Corner

Breakfast Club is up and running three days a week, Monday through to Wednesday. We start serving at 8.15am and conclude at about 8.45am. All Students are welcome to attend. Thank you to the families that donated picnic blankets for the children to sit on, it is lovely to see the children talking and enjoying breakfast together.

The school and wider community has been very supportive of Breakfast Club. We have received a generous donation of two four slice toasters, from Steve, Manager of Big W, Winston Hills. I would also like to acknowledge the parents who have dropped off donations to the school office, these include Milo, margarine and spreads. Thank you to all who donated.

Breakfast Club has been made possible by the support of the Northmead PS Staff. Also families who donated their fees in credit. We have also received wonderful donations from the following:

Big W Winston Hills The Rotary Club of the Hills - Kellyville Winston Hills Lions Club Northmead Public School P & C Woolworths Winston Hills Grilled Gourmet Food Truck Natalie Davis and family

Please support these organisations where possible.

Thank you kindly,

Mrs Anne Carmichael – NPS Community Engagement Officer

GRILLED GOURMET FOOD TRUCK

EVERY THURSDAY & FRIDAY 5-8pm

OLD WINDSOR RD/OAKES RD OLD TOONGABBIE

CLICK & COLLECT MENU & MENU LOG (available)

CHECK SOCIAL PAGES FOR FURTHER DETAILS

Selection of Gourmet Burgers, Hot Dogs, Buffalo Wings, Loaded Fries, and More... Menulog

P&C NEWSFLASH

Northmead Public School P&C Association



THANK YOU

The P&C Association would like to thank all those who were involved in making our Election Day BBQ and Cake Stall a huge success raising over \$4,000 for resources for our school.

Thanks must go to the P&C Executive Team for their efforts in planning and coordinating the event, to our school community for baking and donating cakes to be sold and to the amazing team of volunteers who worked tirelessly throughout the day. Thanks also to our amazing community who supported our fundraiser with their purchases on the day. Well done to all!

DATES FOR THE DIARY

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

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Canteen ourschoolcanteen@gmail.com

NPS Band npsband@hotmail.com

CLOTHING SHOP UPDATE WINTER SALE!

The Clothing Shop has been having a tidy up and have listed some items at **reduced prices** under the **Sale Items and Winter Uniform tab in Qkr!**

Items on sale include:

- Boys Grey Long Sleeve Shirts
- Girls Blue Short Sleeve Peter Pan Blouses
- Girls Blue Skivvies
- Grey Pinstriped Socks Buy 1 Get 1 Free
- Hair Accessories
- A limited number of boys and girls long sleeve shirts without original packaging and/or labels listed as seperate sale items.

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.



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