



NORTHMEAD NEWSBREAK





Northmead Newsbreak ... Principal's Update



Our school acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which Northmead Public School was built - the Burramattagal people of the Darug nation. We honour connection We pay our Elders past, emerging and respect to all and Torres Islander

their deep to Country. respects to present and extend that Aboriginal Strait people. We ask all people that walk, work and live on traditional Aboriginal lands to be respectful of culture and tradition of Country. We extend our acknowledgement of and respect to all First Nations people of the world.



DEAR NORTHMEAD FAMILIES

I had the BEST experience watching Junior and Senior Rugby teams do their VERY BEST in the Semi Finals last Friday. Congratulations to the Junior team who are in the Grand Final tomorrow. Whilst our Senior team did not win on the day, their game skills were phenomenal. Mr Hawkins and I were so proud of their determination. Students were SO excited for the ice-cream day yesterday to help send our Stage 1 Dance Group to the State event. ALSO...I can't wait to see all the Book Week costumes today. Who doesn't love a dress up of the book characters that have brought excitement and imagination to our world?! **My CONGRATULATIONS to Sophia B. in Year 6.** She has been accepted on be in the **STATE ORCHESTRA** Wind Section performing at the Town Hall and Opera House!! Photos to follow once she has performed!

CANTEEN UPDATE

We wish our wonderfully talented and dedicated Canteen Coordinator Jo, a happy "bon voyage" to enjoy a refreshing break and time with her family overseas for the rest of Term 3. **The Canteen is not open every day** and there is a reduced menu. Please see information to families. **Thank you to our wonderful volunteers keeping the Canteen running in Jo's absence!**



EDUCATION WEEK OPEN DAY YOUR VOICE | WE'RE LISTENING!

During the Education Week Open Day at Northmead on Tuesday 20 September you will see some amazing art installations around the school as well as "voting boxes" with QR Codes to lead you to a brief Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Parent Survey. For your entry a member of our Student Leadership Team will give you a raffle ticket to be in the running for some amazing prizes. Importantly for the school it gives us an insight to your opinion about learning and life at Northmead and how to journey towards "even better if...". Look out for the voting boxes and share your voice with us!

STAGE 3 CAMP | AWESOME!

Thank you to our amazing teachers who accompanied very excited Stage 3 students who FINALLY got to attend a Stage 3 Camp at the Great Aussie Bush Camp for three days 15-17 August. This was the first overnight Stage 3 (Year 5/6) excursion since 2019 because of COVID restrictions! Whilst very tired by Wednesday afternoon staff and students enjoyed the experience and the amazing outdoor challenges available at this wonderful facility. Many teachers have used the Camp to base post-Camp learning experiences around Maths and English for students to connect to more real-life learning. My sincere thanks to the teachers for being with our students for 2 nights away from their own family and commitments. Our School Team is Phenomenal! We look forward to a similar "positive report" from Year 4 attending the Sport and Recreation Camp at Narrabeen for 3 days from Monday 29 August!

PRINCIPAL'S "P.S."

Reflecting on student achievements and disappointments this week, this quote seems a great thought for all of us:

"Doing your best is more important than being the best."

Zig Ziglar

I look forward to chatting with you again in our next

Northmead Newsbreak ... Mrs Anne Eddy (Principal)

IMPORTANT TO KNOW WHAT'S AHEAD @NORTHMEAD



N.P.S. KINDERGARTEN

THE • PLACE • TO • BE • IN • 2023!

ONLINE ENROLMENT AVAILABLE

If you have a child eligible to start school in 2023 and you are in our Northmead school catchment area, please enrol them now. Our staffing numbers for 2023 are based on actual school enrolments and our 2023 Kindergarten numbers are below the usual size.

The Online Enrolment System is designed to provide flexibility for our parents to submit an enrolment application online and at the time that best suits you.

If you do not feel comfortable completing an application online, a paper copy will be available for collection from the front office or can be downloaded from the Department's [going to a public school site](#). Further information about online enrolment can be found on the Department's website [here](#).

COVID UPDATE

Please see the Term 3 update sent home to families and staff on 5 August. There remain recent positive cases of COVID-19 as well as household contacts in our school community.

Close contacts attending school

Students and staff who are identified as close contacts and have no symptoms can attend school (excluding schools for specific purposes (SSPs) and support units) if they follow certain guidelines agreed with [NSW Health](#) [External link](#) in addition to the [NSW Health guidelines](#) [External link](#):

- They must notify the school and/or early childhood education (ECE) service provider (including their outside of school hours care provider) if they are intending to return under this provision.



COVID UPDATE CONTINUED

- They should conduct a daily RAT and return a negative result each morning before attending school for 5 school days.
- No student or staff member identified as a close contact will be permitted to participate in overnight excursions, including school camps.

It is highly recommended for students K-6 who are household contacts but testing negative **that they wear a mask when indoors when at school**, except when eating or exercising. Teachers will ensure classrooms have windows open a little (due to cold weather) and fans on for cross ventilation. The NSW Health advice is by wearing a mask, particularly indoors or when we cannot practice social distancing, helps stop the spread of these air-borne viruses including COVID-19.

Staff and students cannot attend school if they are showing any symptoms of COVID-19.

These include fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, runny nose, loss of smell/taste, muscle/joint pains, diarrhoea, nausea/vomiting, extreme tiredness, unexplained chest pain or conjunctivitis (eye infection).

UNIFORM CHANGES AHEAD

We are so excited for the new uniform launch and we continue to post the artwork and information about the new Northmead academic and sports uniform to start 2023. It will be such an easy wear/comfortable option for our students.

NEXT UP AT NORTHMEAD

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

- ✳ **Book Week Celebration 25 August**
- ✳ **Stage 2 Camp 29-31 August**
- ✳ **P&C Meeting: 7pm | 31 August [by ZOOM]**
- ✳ **[SAVE • THE • DATE](#) Ed. Week Celebrations @NPS Tuesday 20 September – includes on-line surveys**

UNIFORM CHANGES AHEAD

Phase 1 – Academic Uniform

Academic Uniform – Unisex



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Academic Uniform



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Summer

- Short sleeve sublimated fabric polo shirt in navy blue with aboriginal inspired artwork (front and back) representing pathways and yarnning circles.
- Navy elastic drawstring waist shorts suitable for boys and girls.

Winter

- Long sleeve polo in the same design and colourway as the short sleeve shirt.
- Navy elastic drawstring waist trousers suitable for boys and girls.

Objective | Wellbeing

The purpose of these changes is to update and provide inclusive, modern, easy wear and easy wash uniform options that are comfortable for NPS students to learn and play in. It will simplify the number of uniform options we currently have. The new uniform will:

- ❖ encourage physical activity
- ❖ provide a non-gender specific uniform providing options for girls if they choose
- ❖ considers affordability and comfort for all body types and the variety of learning and play/sport activities they will be worn for
- ❖ provides cohesive mix and match options year-round as opposed to Summer vs Winter choices
- ❖ the change process will take up to 3 years and students may wear items from the current school uniform that will be discontinued if parent choose not to purchase new uniform items immediately
- ❖ the Sports shirt option will be "Phase 2"

Supply and Purchase

The storyboard artwork and samples presented have been provided by our current uniform supplier Reiji Uniforms. Reiji are a family owned; Sydney based business with whom the school/P&C Uniform Shop has had a long standing relationship.

New Uniform Shirt Fabric

All polo shirt options will be made from fully dye sublimated polyester micro-mesh fabric with moisture wicking and antibacterial technology. They have a smooth finish, and they are cool to wear.

The NPS uniform will be simplified to include:

- ❖ Navy short sleeve easy wear polo shirt
- ❖ Navy long sleeve easy wear polo shirt if students prefer a long sleeve option or for cooler weather
- ❖ Navy shorts or pants (unisex with elastic drawstring)
- ❖ Existing navy jazz pants will still be available
- ❖ Navy skort option for girls (Summer or Winter) and navy stockings or tights may be worn underneath. The skort has built-in stretch undershorts.
- ❖ Royal blue short sleeve sports polo shirt which includes house colours (Phase 2 – see next page)
- ❖ White socks for all

Phase 1 Academic Uniform January 2023

The new academic uniforms are planned to be introduced for our 2023 Kindergarten. However the uniform will be available in all sizes for families to purchase for students K-6 if they wish. Families can continue with the current uniform choices if they are not yet ready or in a position to purchase the new uniform items. Grey shorts and pants will be phased out from this year and navy options will be available to purchase.

Items to be discontinued:

- ❖ Girls summer and winter tunics
- ❖ Girls sky blue peter pan shirts
- ❖ Grey stockings/tights (not sold by Uniform shop)
- ❖ Boys grey shorts and pants
- ❖ Grey socks
- ❖ V-neck jumpers (once current stock is sold)

UNIFORM CHANGES AHEAD

Phase 2 – Sports Uniform

Sports Uniform



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Sports Uniform



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Summer

- Short sleeve sublimated fabric polo shirt in royal blue. Colours will be introduced to represent NPS sporting houses coming together for sports events.
- Existing unisex microfiber shorts.
- Existing girls stretch microfiber skort.

Winter

- Existing stretch microfiber long pants.
- Existing fleece jumper/zip jacket.

UNIFORM CHANGES AHEAD

Phase 2 – Sports Uniform

- ❖ A new royal blue sport polo shirt featuring house colours will be phased in over time while we manage the stock still available of the current sport shirt
- ❖ Sport shorts, skorts and pants will remain in royal blue. The colour provides a point of difference to the academic uniform.

Old and New Uniform Price Comparisons

Old Uniform Combinations	Price	New Uniform Combinations	New Price Estimate
Summer Tunic	\$58.00	New Short Sleeve Polo Shirt and Navy Shorts	\$61.00
		New Short Sleeve Polo Shirt and Navy Skort	\$82.00
Winter Tunic and Long Sleeve Peter Pan Shirt	\$87.00	Navy Skort and New Long Sleeve Polo Shirt	\$87.00
Long Sleeve Peter Pan Shirt and Navy Jazz Pants (4-14)	\$72.00	New Long Sleeve Polo Shirt and Jazz Pants (4-14)	\$84.00
		New Navy Elastic Drawstring Waist Pants and Long Sleeve Polo Shirt	\$77.00
		New Short Sleeve Polo Shirt and Navy Elastic Drawstring Waist Pants	\$72.00
		New Short Sleeve Polo Shirt and Navy Jazz Pants (4-14)	\$79.00
Old Sport Polo	\$33.00	New Short Sleeve Polo Shirt	\$36.00

UNIFORM CHANGES AHEAD

Price Comparison

- ❖ The mix and match nature of the new uniform allows for cheaper combinations
- ❖ The ability to wear short or long sleeve shirts year round may also provide a cost saving for families
- ❖ Unisex uniforms will allow families to utilise “hand- ons” between brothers and sisters for cost effectiveness

Other Information

- ❖ Royal blue fleece zip jackets and v-neck jumpers will remain until stock levels are sold
- ❖ The current v-neck fleece jumper will be sold down and phased out as it is not a popular item
- ❖ Navy fleece zip jacket or other lightweight zip jacket options will then be considered/introduced.
- ❖ School bags and library bags will change to navy.
- ❖ Navy hat options will be sourced/introduced once current royal blue stock levels are sold

- ❖ Items such as navy shorts and pants or royal blue sports shorts and pants can be sourced from department stores if families would prefer a cheaper generic option to go with the new shirts



Other Uniform Items

Shoes

- Academic uniform - black school shoes
- Sports uniform - sports runners/joggers



Socks

- White socks for all students



Tights/Stockings/Leggings

- Navy blue tights/stockings/leggings may be worn under the new navy skirt.



Hats

- Royal blue bucket hat/slouch hat with NPS crest. Colour change to Navy to be considered in future.



Consultation

The following proposal for changes to Northmead Public School's uniform has been provided in consultation with:

- The Principal, Mrs Anne Ezzy
- Members of the NPS P&C Executive and Uniform Committee
- Suppliers

Changes take into consideration feedback from surveys received by the school from:

- Students
- Parents/carers
- Staff

Uniform samples and designs have been sourced at the request of the Principal and have been approved unanimously by the school executive team.

Next Up at Northmead



Term 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W7	Stage 2 Camp	Stage 2 Camp	Stage 2 Camp	Zone Athletics Carnival	Jersey Day Father's Day Sport morning
W8	Year 6 Checkin	Todd Woodbridge Tennis Cup Year 6 Checkin	Stage 1 Dance State Festival Year 6 Checkin	Year 6 Checkin	Stage 1 Dance State Festival Year 6 Checkin
W9	Year 6 Checkin Year 4 Road and Bike Safety Day	Year 6 Checkin Year 4 Road and Bike Safety Day	Kindergarten Farm Excursion Year 6 Checkin	Year 6 Checkin	Year 6 Checkin
W10	Stage 1 Excursion Rouse Hill House and Farm	Education Day Open Classroom		Stage 1 Excursion Rouse Hill House and Farm	Sydney West Athletics Carnival



Northmead Public School

Education Week

2022

*OPEN
CLASSROOMS
11.45 – 12.45pm*

NEW DATE

**TUESDAY
20TH
SEPTEMBER**

**More information
regarding the day will
be sent out closer to
the event.**



EDUCATION WEEK 2022
Creating futures – education changes lives

**Northmead Public School invites you to
join our Education Week celebrations**

**Open Day- Tuesday 20th
September**

We encourage all parents, grandparents and family friends to join us for a special day of open classrooms, performances, art displays, a Book Fair and an opportunity for families to provide feedback on school priorities. The day will end with a picnic lunch where families can pre order a sausage sizzle. Please see BBQ note for more information.



On Friday 2 September, we are asking students to wear a jersey to school as part of **JERSEY DAY** ... *"Let's talk organ donation"*

Students can wear their sport pants/shorts with their Jersey of choice on the day.

There is no coin donation required for students to participate in this Awareness Day.

FATHER'S DAY FUN MORNING

To celebrate Father's Day we are inviting all dads or someone else special to come to school and have some fun on the back oval where you and your child/children can participate in a variety of sporting activities such as pass the footy.

When: Friday 2 September

Where: Back Oval (AREA D)

Time: 8.30 – 9.00am

P&C NEWSFLASH

Northmead Public School P&C Association



THANK YOU

It has been a busy term behind the scenes for the P&C with preparations underway for the implementation of our new uniform. Whilst priority has been given to Kindergarten 2023 please stay tuned for further information on its rollout to other grades very soon.

The P&C would like to thank our wonderful volunteers who have stepped up to run our canteen while Jo is away. Please join us in supporting the work they will be doing for the remainder of the term.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Next P&C General Meeting:
Wednesday 31st August 2022
7pm via ZOOM

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CANREEN UPDATE

From **Wednesday 24th August until the end of term 3** our canteen manager Jo, will be taking some well earned leave. Our dedicated team of volunteers will be working to keep the canteen running without her. The canteen will operate on **Wednesday, Thursday and Friday** with a reduced menu.



Please refer to the menu in Qkr! for any changes or additions to the menu during this time. Full menu options will resume in Term 4.

Further information is included below. We thank you for your support and understanding.



CLOTHING SHOP UPDATE

We are currently making preparations for the arrival of our new uniform for 2023. Items from the current uniform are being moved to accomodate this in our small space. Some items are also now limited in number as we run stock items down. Please contact the Clothing Shop via email if you are looking for a particular item and are unable to purchase it via Qkr! And we will do our best to help.

Second Hand

More second hand items have recently been added to Qkr!. If you are in need of items to help see out the remainder of the year please take a look.

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!**

SECOND HAND

Had a growth spurt?

Need a larger size to finish the year?

Waiting for our new uniform but need a spare in the mean time?



Look under
the Second
Hand Uniform
tab in Qkr!

Northmead Public School

CANTEEN UPDATE

Dear Northmead Families,

Our wonderful canteen manager Jo will be on leave from Wednesday **24th August 2022 (Week 6 Term 3)** and will not return until Week 1 Term 4.

During the remaining weeks of Term 3 our dedicated team of volunteers will be endeavouring to keep our beautiful canteen running. The canteen will be opening **3 days per week** on **Wednesday, Thursday and Friday** and will offer a reduced menu to ensure that the highest standard of healthy food preparation and service can be provided to NPS students and staff.

Please refer to the following menu for meal options that will be available. Adjustments may be made from week to week and menu items will be updated on Qkr! as necessary. **Orders are to be placed via Qkr! as normal.** The canteen email will not be checked daily. Please call the school office if you have an urgent matter to discuss.

Please note that we **will not** be able to accommodate birthday orders during this time. This service will resume in Term 4.

Please join us in wishing Jo safe and happy travels. Thank you for supporting our volunteers and understanding the adjustments we have had to make.

NPS P&C Executive



Term 3

Reduced Menu



Order online using Qkr!



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Recess

Recess Box - Banana bread, fruit and a selection of savoury options

Fruit salad

Pizza muffins

Banana bread

Snack pack - cheese, biscuits, cucumber, fruit

Lunch

Pizza Boxes (Meat or vegetable)

Penne pasta

Sandwiches and wraps

Fruit salad

Baked goods (when available)

Homemade sausage rolls (Friday only)

Meat Pie (Friday only)



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Creative and Performing Arts High School

Audition Information for Parents and Students

Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School.

CAPA Auditions Semester 2 – Apply online via School website.

Monday 12th – Friday 16th September 2022

AUDITIONS FOR YEAR 7, 2023 (AND FOR YEARS 8-11, 2022)

Talented students in Dance, Drama, Visual Arts, Music and Circus are encouraged to apply for positions in the 2023 specialised pathways in either Dance, Drama, Music, Visual Arts or Circus.

Local (In Area) students wanting to be part of our selective Creative and Performing Arts program **MUST** also audition.

Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School has a long tradition as a centre of excellence in the Creative and Performing Arts. An exciting opportunity is available for talented students to audition for placement in our outstanding CAPA programs.

Students in the specialised streams are afforded a wide range of opportunities to excel in their chosen field with extensive co-curricular programs and a whole school approach to fostering our gifted students' talents.

Auditions will be held for Dance, Drama, Music, Visual Arts and Circus. The cost of auditions is \$50.00.

Applications close and forms need to be submitted to NCAPAHS by Monday 5th September 2022

Please register your interest via our school website or contact Mrs Stepic on 9630 4116

Email june.stepic@det.nsw.edu.au

CAPA Audition applications are to be submitted with all documentation, portfolios and video submissions online. (Video submissions are for Circus and Visual Arts only)

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