



WISHING YOU A HAPPY CHRISTMAS SEASON December 2016

FROM NORTHCROSS INTERMEDIATE

LAST DAY 15 December 2016

School finishes at 12pm and buses will run at this earlier time.

Please note that there is a

FREE MUFTI DAY

PHOTO LINKS

Photos of some of our special end of year events can be viewed on Snapfish. See links below:

[Grad Dance Photos](#)

[Academic Prize Giving Photos](#)

[Sports Prize Giving Photos](#)

CLASSES 2017 & INTERVIEW DAY

An email was sent out on Tuesday 13 December regarding placements for 2017, how to set interview times for the first day of school 2017 and the process for buying stationery. Details and updates will also be on our school website.

END OF YEAR REPORTS 2016

This week an email was also sent to all parents and caregivers with details on how to access a child's End of Year Report. These can now be viewed via the Parent Portal www.atschool.co.nz. Please contact the school office if you did not receive the email.

Principal's Message

Dear Parents

I would like to congratulate all those students who received awards at our end of the year prize giving ceremonies. It certainly highlights the commitment our students have to both their learning and their co-curricular activities. Learning comes in many guises and more and more often outside of the classroom environment, we are very proud of all our students, who took up the challenge to learn no matter the situation presented.

A special acknowledgment to those students who constantly strive to do their best, who quietly work a long side their peers and with their teachers but may not be recognised publicly for their efforts.

Thank you to all our Year 8 students for their outstanding contribution to our school over 2016. One just has to look through the year book to see how our students have succeeded academically, socially and culturally. We wish you all the best for the future years and hope Northcross has both inspired you and equipped you for your next challenge in life.

Thank you to our very dedicated staff who continue to uphold the Middle School ethos, displaying a genuine understanding and care for the students you teach and work with. Your contribution often continues beyond the classroom, where many of you are involved in coaching or coordinating cultural and sporting events. This willingness to go that extra mile is certainly very much appreciated by our students and community.

I would like to acknowledge those staff who have contributed to the culture of our school but are leaving us at the end of the year. We farewell the following teachers; Mr Michael Wells, Associate Principal, Miss Hannah Treweek and Mr Bernard Horne, we wish you all the best for the future.

To our very committed Northcross families, thank you again for your ongoing support throughout the year. It is great to have parents and whanau so involved in activities at our Intermediate level; helping with class camps, coaching or managing sports teams, attending and supporting many school events. Your backing certainly allows us to provide a wide range of learning experiences.

Finally I would like to acknowledge Mr Richard Beechey (Board Chairman) and our Board of Trustees for their tireless work in the governance of our school. This dedicated group of parents work tirelessly behind the scenes ensuring our students receive an inclusive and balanced education. Your commitment is greatly appreciated

Wishing you a safe and happy holiday season.

Jonathon Tredray

Principal

Information and Notices

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2017

Tuesday 24 January

Uniform Sales in the PAC 3pm – 7pm

Monday 30 January

Auckland Anniversary Day

Wednesday 1 February

First day of School – 10 minute interview only.

Email sent Tuesday 13 December with details on Class placements and how to book interviews online.

Thursday 2 February

First full school day in the classroom

Monday 6 February

Waitangi Day Holiday

LIBRARY BOOKS— \$\$ REWARD

Please check your shelves at home, under beds and all rooms for ANY NX library books. YOU WILL BE REWARDED\$. There are a lot of books missing and we would love to have them back. If you find books over the holidays just pop them in the big silver letterbox when you are next passing.

BIG Thanks , Mrs Taylor

NX UNIFORM DONATIONS

We would be grateful to receive donations any items of uniform in good condition. We often loan out to students clothing in the case of an accident or help out families in need.

Uniform items can be left at our school office.

Thank you, Dianne Rose

YEARBOOKS 2016

Northcross Intermediate School would like to thank all families who have fully paid their child's school costs (donation not included) with the 2016 Yearbook as a free gift – your support has been most valuable in ensuring that the school has been able to offer an extensive range of learning opportunities throughout the year.

We appreciate that life is busy and that payments can be overlooked, and so to avoid disappointment an opportunity still remains to receive a free yearbook. Please check your account balance through the parent portal (see instructions below if you have yet to use this) to find out the outstanding amount required to be eligible. If you are yet to qualify, please note that only limited supplies of the yearbook will be available and will be issued in the order that families qualify. As the school office will be closed from Thursday afternoon, please make your payments via internet banking only into account number 12-3059-0287951-50 using your child's name as the reference.

NB. For logistical reasons, yearbooks will only be issued this week (on Thursday) to those families that are already eligible to receive their free gift. Yearbooks for those yet to qualify will be available for collection from the school office in the week commencing Monday 23 January 2017.

Thanks for all your support – best wishes for 2017.

Kevin Faulkner

Executive Officer

Year 8 Graduation Dance 2016

On Tuesday night we held our annual Graduation Dance for the Y8 students. It was a special night and it was great to see so many enjoying dancing the formal dances as well as getting down to the DJ's beats. All seemed very keen when joined by their parent/s for the last few dances. The students all looked stunning in their formal attire. Thanks to the many staff who worked hard to ensure the students enjoyed their evening. A special mention to Karin Fenton, Shannon Hale and Alison Oliver-Smith who contributed much time and effort to ensure it was a night to remember.



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