The Bushfires affect us all

Although we are an inner urban school, a number of members of our school community have been affected by the recent bushfires in central and eastern Victoria. Many of us have family and friends living in the affected areas, some of us have lost people we know and love. Others have family members working with the CFA and other emergency services. Saturday February 7th was an awful day, and we are not likely to forget it quickly. Our thoughts are with members of Victorian community who have suffered so much. The Education Department has reminded us that a number of schools have been completely destroyed in the fires; including Marysville PS, Strathewen PS and Middle Kinglake PS. Often a haven and a focus of community activity in smaller country towns, the loss of these schools is another devastating blow.

Contributions to Bushfire Relief;
Donations for Bushfire relief can be made through the Red Cross, on 1800 811 700, or through their website. (On Friday February 13, NHS students raised over $3,500 for Bushfire relief)

State Schools Relief fund will also support the primary schools that were destroyed. Their website is www.ssrc.net.au, where you can also make donations.

Yr 7 Camp Program postponed;
The School campsite at Boho is not in the fire area, however, until the situation with the fires becomes clear, the Yr 7 Boho camp program will be postponed. Year 7 students and parents will be updated on this situation each week. The school believes the site is well prepared for any emergency.

Heat;
Fortunately the hottest days this year have not fallen on school days. However, the Education Department have reminded us that there is no legal provision in Victoria for early dismissal or non attendance at school because of extreme heat. Northcote HS is unusual in that most teaching spaces are completely air-conditioned, and our school design provides considerable sun shelter during the day.

Keeping cool;
During hot days—we encourage students to drink lots of water, stay in the shade and avoid strenuous activity. Although teenagers are famous for not wanting to wear hats or sunscreen, we ask parents to encourage this as much as possible.

Tiger Snakes near our school

The very hot weather has seen more snakes in Melbourne, especially in parkland, near rivers and creeks. Part of our school runs very close to parklands, and last week a Tiger snake was sighted near C block. It’s important to remember most snakes are timid and will only become aggressive if cornered. If you see a snake near the school please stay away, but immediately report it. We contact NP&W service, who try to capture snakes in urban areas.

The bite of the Tiger snake can be fatal
World Challenge Vietnam Report

The World Challenge Expedition team that travelled to Vietnam for four weeks in November and December 2008 consisted of 12 students and one teacher, Mr Do, from Northcote High School and one leader from World Challenge, Sarah Delap. We left Melbourne on the 19th of November on flight MH 128 which departed at 1:45 am. After a full day in transit we arrived in Vietnam’s capital city Hanoi. Hanoi is a huge, busy, bustling city and was a great first destination where we were able to adjust to the culture of Vietnam. During the trip we spent ten days in Hanoi but we also travelled extensively through the central and north of Vietnam. We visited Hue then travelled to Bach Ma national park where we did a one-day hike in pouring rain. We moved on to Hoi An in central Vietnam where we were able to indulge in some shopping and have beautiful clothes made to measure. We travelled between cities by overnight train.

After exploring central Vietnam we began the community phase of our expedition, working in an orphanage just outside of Hanoi. We worked in the orphanage for five days. We all helped to clean, paint and decorate the buildings as well as interacting with the children and teaching some English. The English classes we ran contained about twenty students who ranged in age from five to seventeen years of age. In our classes we included songs like ‘Old McDonald Had a Farm’ ‘Heads and Shoulders, Knees and Toes’ and ‘The Hokey-Pokey’ to help teach English words to the children.

The final week of the trip included a three-day trek in the highlands of Vietnam’s north through a region called Sapa which is close to the Chinese border, then a few more days in Hanoi followed by a beautiful cruise around Halong Bay.

The expedition was a fantastic trip in a beautiful and friendly country. Getting to know all the girls on the team was great fun and being able to complete all the challenges that we were faced with as a group means that we have all come home with awesome memories and a huge sense of accomplishment.

Lily Potocnik, Yr 11

Hosting visitors from Chaoyang District

Last week, Northcote staff and students hosted 22 visiting secondary teachers from Chaoyang District, Beijing. The visitors toured the school and met with teachers. School captains Jack Dalton and Sophie Freeman talked to the visitors about their approach to study and their plans for the future.
Yr 7 Parents and Teachers BBQ

Every year our Parents Group—the Northcote Highlights, hosts the Yr 7 Parents, Students and Teachers BBQ. This year it is on Monday March 2, starting at 6 pm

We provide BBQ sausages, falafel and salad, you bring something to drink and any nibblies. Parents generally start off sitting with form groups, then branch off. Make sure you bring something to sit on, as we don’t have any grass left. We kick off near C Block. Musical entertainment is provided.

Friendly reminders from the Ed. Dept

The Education Department (DECCD) have asked us to remind you

PROPERTY INSURANCE

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development does not hold insurance nor does it accept responsibility for private property brought to school by students, staff and visitors. (This can include mobile phones, calculators, toys, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises.)

PERSONAL INSURANCE

The DECCD does not provide personal accident insurance for students. Parents and guardians are generally responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs.

Student accident insurance policies are available from the private insurance market. These cover a range of medical expenses not covered by Medicare.

AMBULANCE COVER

DEECD and the school very strongly recommends families have access to ambulance cover. Though serious accidents are rare, the school will call an ambulance when in doubt about student health. The minimum charge for an ambulance is around $500.

Bushfire Appeal day—Friday Feb 13

Bushfire Appeal day netted over $3500 for the Red Cross appeal—money was raised by donation and through the sale of iced chocolate and coffee.

Kicking off the Changing the World at lunchtime series of lectures was Jill Sanguinetti from Granton, who fought the fires successfully with the aid of her melted wheelybin (in the background). She is with Nellie Montague & Penny Rae.

Kwong Lee Dow Scholars for 2009

Northcote has another 5 students who have been selected as University of Melbourne Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars for 2009 - Rosie Wositzky-Jones, Nellie Montague, Michael Derkaez, Bianca Le and John Mitsios.
**Year 9 Camp 2009 – Roses Gap**

Our five day adventure activity camp is on again, from the 18th to 22nd May. Abseiling, archery, bushwalking, hut building, canoeing, low ropes course, flying fox, vertical playpen, pamper pole, giant swing and much more!

Where? Roses Gap Recreation Centre, near Halls Gap in the Grampians National Park, about three hours from Melbourne.

Why? Meet challenges, work in teams and problem solve through a common experience.

How much? $390.

Remember: A deposit of $200 needs to be paid by Friday 6th March 2009. The completed medical and permission form must be returned with the deposit. The remainder of the cost ($190) needs to be paid by Friday 3rd April 2009.

Failure to complete payment by this date will result in the place being forfeited.

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**“Pancake Tuesday” in aid of the Red Cross Bushfire Appeal**

24th February—Recess only

Pancakes available from our canteen—profits to Red Cross Bush Fire appeal

$2 each or $3 for two. Sugar, Honey Lemon and Golden Syrup available.

*Note—the canteen will only be selling pancakes at this time—nothing else at recess*

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**Seasonal Football Training**

The “Gialloblu” Football Club will be establishing new squads for the 2009 season. We are seeking interested junior players to attend pre-season training and join the Under 13, Under 14 or Under 15 squads.

Gialloblu will resume football training from Tuesday 3rd March. We provide a variety of training locations, times and facilities to suite all players and members.

The club family day will be held on

**Sunday the 15th of March,**

At the Furlan Club (1 Matisi St. Thornbury).

For further information, please contact George by:

- Email: gialloblu@bigpond.com,
- or Phone: 0433 102 847

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**Chinese Food Day in aid of the Red Cross Bushfire Appeal**

17th February—lunchtime only

Chinese Food Day will operate at lunchtime on Tuesday 17th Feb on the C block verandah—proceeds to the Red Cross Bush Fire appeal. Magnificent food available—organized by Ms. E. Wang and helpers.
Our Policy regarding Assessment and Reporting

Northcote High School has a Work Required Assessment policy. This means that:
• Each student must submit all required work to receive a “satisfactory” for each subject’s end of semester report.
• Each subject has determined a number of work requirements that cover the areas of study done in that subject.
• Even if only one piece of work for one work requirement is not submitted or completed, it may result in a ‘Not Satisfactory’ for the related work requirement and for the subject for the semester.

In addition particular pieces of work will be graded for level of achievement

All students should have received a work program and list of due date from their teachers.

As a parent / guardian you can use the due dates to monitor the work your child should be doing.

Important dates for semester one 2009
Year 7, 8 & 9
End of semester / formal assessment period date - Friday June 5th.
All student work for the semester must be submitted by this date.

Year 10
End of semester / formal assessment period date – Friday May 29th.
All student work for the semester must be submitted by this date.

Year 10 examination period from Monday June 1st to Friday June 5th

NHS Swimming Carnival– Feb 23rd

This is held on Monday 23rd Feb 2009.
Attendance is compulsory for all Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 students. The event “Program” is also included in this Newsletter on the next page.

1. The carnival is held at Northcote Pool in Victoria Rd.

2. It costs $8 if you meet at the pool at 9.15 or $8 if you meet at school gym at 9.00 am and go from school at 9.10-9.15am by hired buses. The cost is evened out to make it affordable for everyone coming. Year 7 students have had a separate $8 charge to cover an additional swimming day on 16/2/09

3. Individually named permission forms have been handed out to all Year 7-10 students. Any student who requires a new form must get a new personalized form printed off from the general office. Permission forms must be returned to the general office with the money by Friday 20th Feb - at the latest.

4. All parents/carers are most welcome to attend.

5. Roll call is at 9.15 – 9.30 outside the pool on large boards.

6. In all events you just turn up and enter on the day. Events include:
• Novelty events are held in a shallow pool (1 metre deep) from 10.00 a.m. to 12.30 pm. These include Kickboard race, Wading race, House Table tennis ball collection and a new House water polo competition.
• Bombing held at the deep end of the main pool at 12.30 pm.
• Traditional swimming events are held in the main pool from 10.00 am to 12.30 pm.
• House and year level Freestyle Relay races held from 1.40-2.20 pm
• Student versus Teachers Relay Race held at 1.00 pm

7. You must dress in loose, baggy clothing preferably in house colours. Sport captains are helping to run the houses and selecting the three best dressed students in their house. The best three students across the 4 Houses can also win prizes.

8. Sunscreen, regularly through the day. No bare chests - all day. SUNBURN can be a problem.

9. Wearing a hat and sunglasses is highly recommended. Bring a drink bottle and food. The canteen will be open.

10. You can win a new Northcote High place ribbon in all events.

11. At the end of the day house points will be added up and the results announced. Houses are used for all students attending. Year 7-12 students can view their house in the gym office.

12. At 2.20 we will have a major clean up then all students have to leave the Northcote Pool Site. Buses back to school leave at 2.40. Back at school by 3.00pm

13. Students walking home or being picked up can leave from the pool at 2.30 - 2.40 p.m.

Da Shen (Mr Price), Ms Young
# 2009 Swimming Carnival– Feb 23rd

NORTHCOTE HIGH SCHOOL ANNUAL SWIMMING CARNIVAL PROGRAM
MONDAY 23rd FEBRUARY 2009 - NORTHCOTE AQUATIC CENTRE IN VICTORIA RD.

## MAIN POOL EVENTS

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## Northcote High School Canteen Pricelist 2009

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### EXTRAS

- Sauce: Butter, Mayo, Swt Chilli, Mustard $0.20
- Spreads: Honey, Peanut Butter, Vegetalbe $0.50
- Tomato, Lettuce, Carrot, Cucumber $0.70
- Toasted $0.60
- Beetroot, Mushrooms $0.60
- Cheese, Avacado, Egg $1.00
- Ham, Chicken $1.20

### CAKES & SLICES

- Muffins - regular $3.00
- Scrolls - Coffee or Apple $2.70
- Jam Donut $2.00
- Cakes Slices $0.00
- Croissants - Cheese $3.00
- Croissants - Ham & Cheese $4.20
- Croissants - Plain $2.00
- Scrolls - Coffee or Apple $2.40
- Texan Muffins $3.50
- Slices $3.00

### HOT AND COLD DRINKS

- Flavoured Milk 300ml $2.00
- Flavoured Milk 600ml $3.00
- Plain Milk 1 litre $2.20
- Plain Milk 600ml $1.60
- Up & Go $2.00

### MILK

- Berri Juice $1.70
- Juice Box $1.00

### DRINKS

- Original Juice 300ml $2.00
- Original Juice 500ml $3.00

### JUICES

- Cans 375ml $2.00
- Bottles 500ml $3.00
- Fruit Juice Large $3.00
- Fruit Juice Regular $2.00
- Iced Tea $3.00
- Oak Juice $1.00
- Pump Juice $3.00
- Vitamin Water $3.50

### WRAPS, ROLLS & SANDWICHES

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Feedback & suggestions can be emailed to: canteen@nhs.vic.edu.au
**Parent involvement - Northcote Highlights**

Who are the Northcote Highlights? Do you want to be involved in the school and meet other parents? (No fundraising involved!!)

What sort of social events would you like to have? In the past we have run “Diversity in the Kitchen” (a parent sharing of cuisines), musical soirees etc. Join us on Monday February 23rd, and meet Acting Principal Kate Morris. At 5.00 pm in the staffroom.

**HIGHLIGHTS FORUM—MON FEB 23RD**

If you are interested but can’t attend send us your email and we’ll let you know about any events

Anne Thorogood [rickardthorogood@gmail.com]

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**FOR SALE**

Year 7 second hand books. Please contact Michelle on 90781554/0400433515/bammic@hotmail.com

**Fitzroy Juniors Footy 2009**

Registration 10am – 2pm, SUNDAY, 22 February, Community Rooms, Brunswick Street Oval

All new and current players wishing to play in 2009 must register before or on Registration Day as registrations after this date cannot be guaranteed a place in a team. Registration forms can be downloaded from www.fitzroyjuniorfc.com.au and either mailed to the Club or handed in on Registration Day.

New members must supply a photocopy of their birth certificate/extract or passport that can be kept on file. Teams begin at Under 10s (for players born in 1999 and 2000) and run to U17s.

Enquiries: Sophie Arnold 0421 214 334 or enquiries@fitzroyjuniorfc.com.au

**Platform Youth Theatre and Curious Legends**

- **Ages 13 to 15**
- **What:** Performance Workshops
- **Where:** Northcote Town Hall
- **When:** Mondays from February 8th, 4pm to 6pm
- **Details:** Term 1, Exploring Performance, February 8th to March 30th; Term 2, Group-devised Performance Project, April 20th to June 15th • Cost: $15 per class ($120 for term 1)

If you’d like to book in for classes, or want more information, please contact Curious Legends on 8682 8577, or go to: www.curiouslegends.com.au

FireUp continues again for 2009 in a series of fun and exciting new theatre workshops. Last year saw the start of these classes, culminating in a performance at the Northcote Town Hall Kris Kringle markets. The show was a success, with FireUp continuing again into 2009. If you’d like to book in for classes, or want more information, please contact Curious Legends on 8682 8577, or go to: www.curiouslegends.com.au

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**2009 China Trip Update**

Make sure you register interest in the 2009 China trip with Ms Bennett or Ms Delahunty. There is a small form to fill in. A meeting will be called soon to lay out final costs and payment schedule. September is not far away!

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**Uniform—Appropriate and safe footwear**

A reminder to students and parents regarding appropriate and safe school footwear at school.

Year 7 – 10 Students are required to wear plain black footwear with a covered in toe. Shoes with adornments e.g. stripes, whacky colours etc. are considered out of uniform.

If out of uniform, students are required to present note to their Year Level Coordinator prior to the start of the school day. In some cases, students out of uniform may be sent home to get changed.

Year Level Coordinators also have a shoe bank for students who do not have appropriate footwear.

VCE Students can wear closed toe shoes of their choice.