Welcome 2016!

I would like to welcome Northfield families to 2016. It is with great excitement that I will be working with you over the next 5 years. I am excited to be working with such dedicated staff. I am looking forward to contributing to all aspects of school life.

My first impressions of Northfield have been extremely positive. All staff worked hard in the weeks leading up to week 1 ensuring all learning environments were set up for success. Staff planned, participated in professional learning and professional conversations. All based around every student having a positive start to the year.

I have been impressed with the way students have settled in. I have felt welcomed by everyone. It is clear that the culture at Northfield is one of positive attitude and focussed on everyone being a peace maker.

I am looking forward to getting to know everyone over time. I would like to thank all of the families, students and staff for making my first few weeks so positive.

What a great school Northfield is.

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Be brave  Care for myself and others  Speaking kindly  Do the right thing
Resource Centre/Library

Hi Everyone,

Our Library is up and running for another year! A BIG Thank you to all who hunted and found the lost Library books over the holidays.

Premier’s Reading Challenge will begin soon and run until September. The books for the challenge will be displayed in the Library the same as in past years to make it easy to select your favourite. Don't forget to challenge yourself and try a book from a higher level.

Our Library is open at 8:30am Monday to Thursday mornings for you to borrow before school starts. You are welcome to return and borrow your books and to bring your parents/caregivers in for a visit.

Bye for now,

Jan Hegarty

Payment of Fees/School Card Applications for 2016

All parents should have received 2016 Materials and Services Charge invoices for their children. These are payable now.

However, if you believe that you are eligible for School Card support, please come into the office to fill out your application form as soon as possible. A new application form needs to be filled out each year.

Sandra Gursansky
Business Manager

CANTEEN NEWS

Well, the school holidays went very quickly for me. I trust that you all had a great break just like I did. Welcome, to all the new students at our great school and welcome back to all our other students. I hope that your time here will be filled with exciting learning and lots of fun.

A couple of things about the canteen. PLEASE ensure that you only bring Australian money to the canteen so that there is no disappointment when trying to buy something. We have some vegetarian options to choose and also some things that are halal. If any students have dietary requirements, please let me know. The menu is also available on the school web site. Throughout the year there will be ‘special event’ days. Notes will be sent home about these.

Any questions about the canteen?
Just call by to see me.
Cheers, Susan.

KIDS CORNER

Why did the Turkey cross the road?
To prove he wasn’t a chicken.

Jokes!
By Campbell
At Northfield Primary School we are learning to follow the ‘Pathways to Peace’ codes. You may like to use this ‘language’ at home.

E.g. “You are caring for yourself and others”.

“Are you caring for yourself and others”?

**Speak kindly by:**
- Showing good manners
- Giving compliments and praising others
- Using a peaceful or calm voice
- Using peaceful language

**Turn things around by:**
- Choosing to follow the Peace Code
- Planning to make things better and doing it
- Forgiving and forgetting

**Do the right thing by:**
- Following the Peace Code
- Being prepared
- Getting myself ready
- Tidying up my mess
- Having peaceful hands and peaceful feet

**Be a peace maker by:**
- Helping to solve problems in a peaceful way
- Listening to others
- Accepting responsibility for my behaviour

**Care for myself and others by:**
- Helping and assisting others
- Being neat and tidy
- Being active
- Accepting differences
- Looking after belongings

**Find help by:**
- Sharing my feelings with someone I trust
- Listening to advice
- Asking for help

**Be brave by:**
- Being honest with myself and others
- Speaking up
- Being myself
- Standing up for myself
- Accepting the consequences for my behaviour
- Being proud of my successes (and building on them)
SETTING UP FOR SUCCESS

Turn things around
Find help
Be a peacemaker