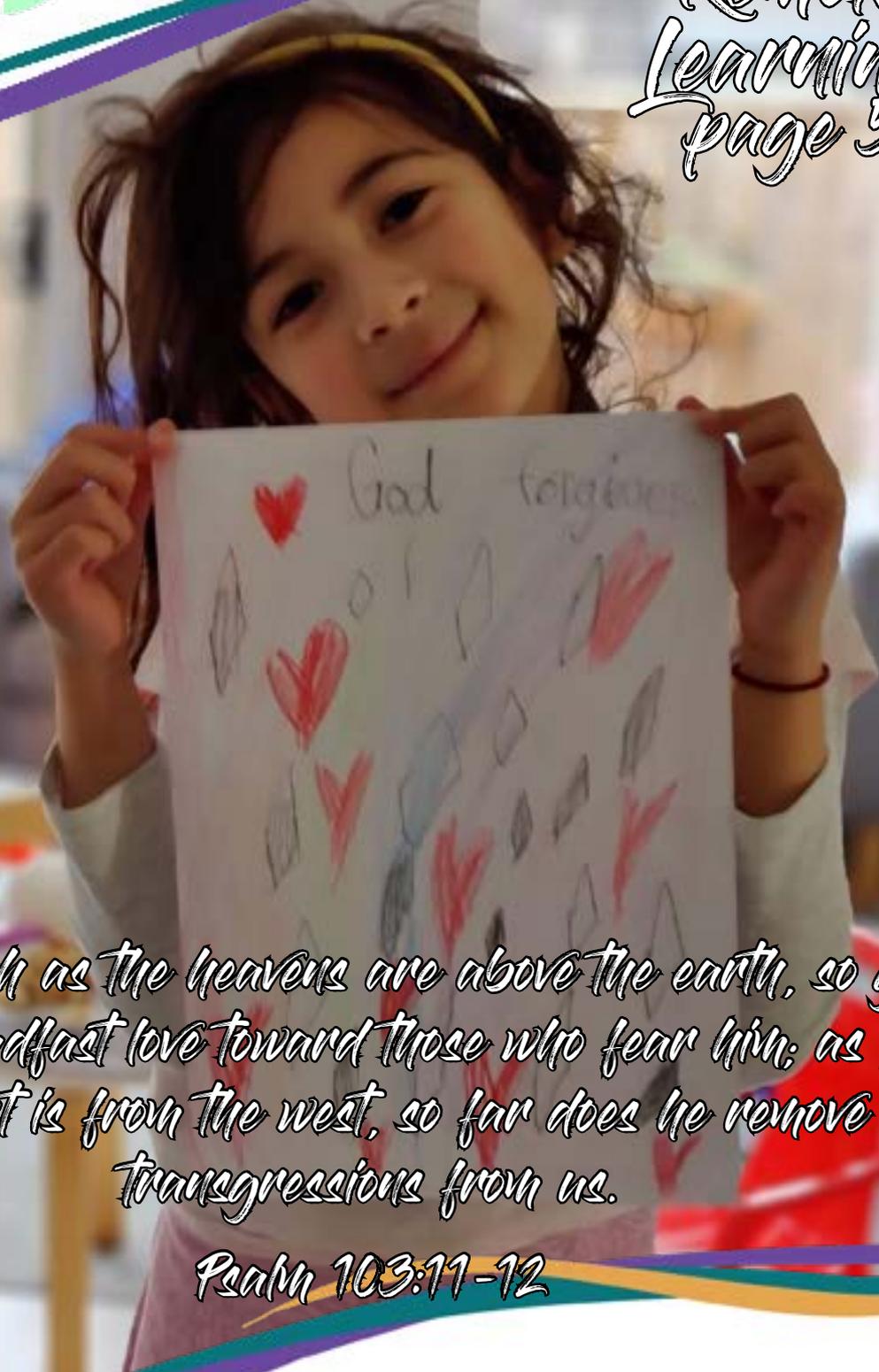


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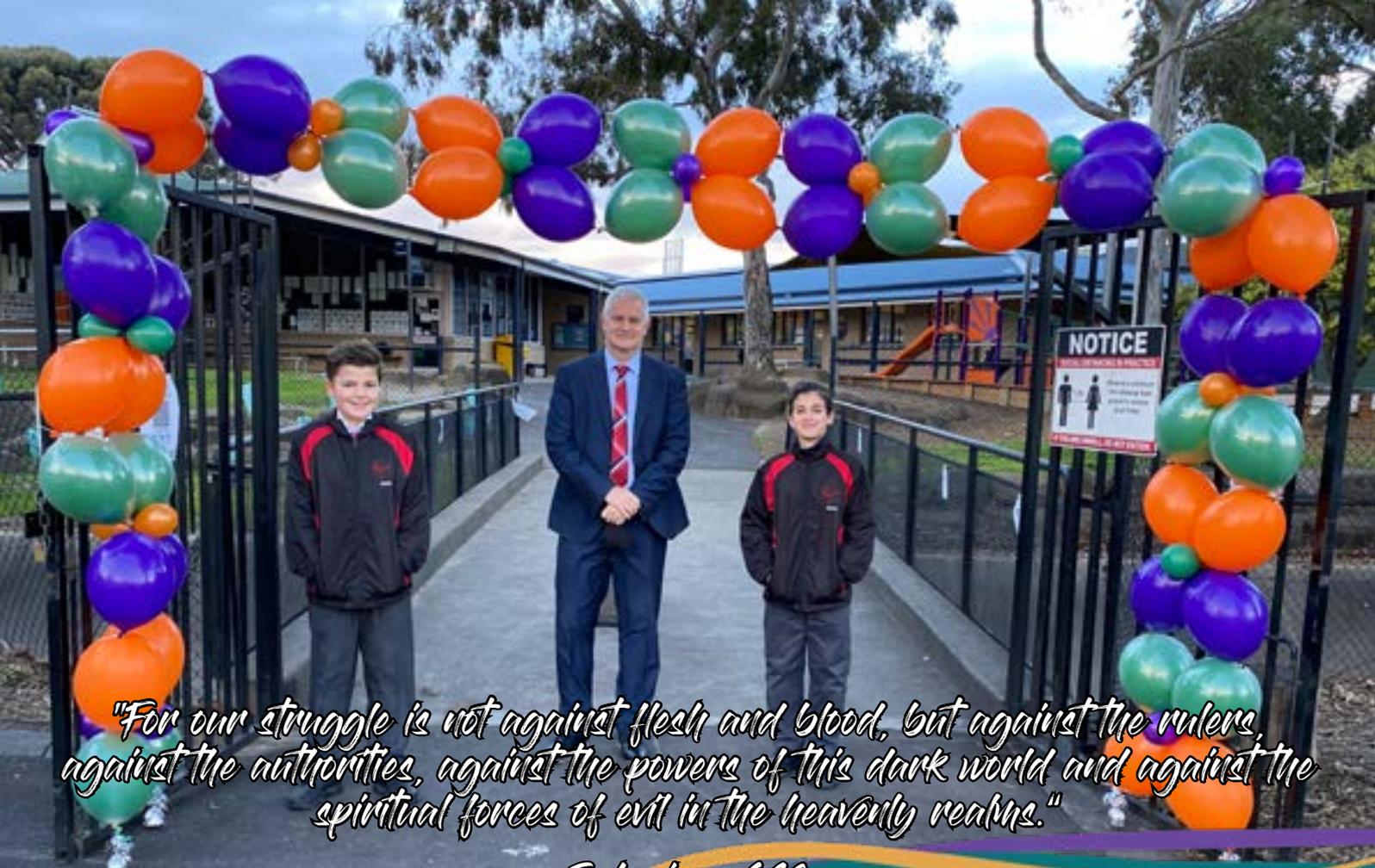
*For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.*

*Psalms 103:11-12*



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*"For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms."*

*Ephesians 6:12*

**Welcome!**

**Mr Damian Higgins, Principal**



We welcomed back students once again last week from another disruption to our ongoing learning at Northside. "Lockdown 5.0", as it came to be known in Victoria, was a frustration for us all but, as with every previous lockdown, it came to an end and we could enjoy the feeling of returning to the College campus again to continue our learning journey together.

With every return to school comes a sense of joy for most of us. These returning to school experiences can be a blessing as they keep reminding us how precious our shared life together can be. We can sometimes forget this in the continuing day to day repetition, but the disruptions we have experienced can give us that extra reminder.

As Christ followers, we sometimes need a reminder that Jesus Christ has rescued us. In the letter to the Ephesians, putting on the Helmet of Salvation is Paul's way of telling us that we need to remind ourselves and each other every day that this is true. Jesus has indeed found us when we were lost and in great peril and has reached out his mighty hand to us to rescue us. Jesus has saved us and we are His. But sometimes we can forget this. We can start our day without thinking about

the Good News of what He has done and we can make the mistake of going through our daily lives with our backs turned to God, too busy to acknowledge that He is with us, let alone that He has rescued us. That is why Paul makes such a big deal about putting on the armour of God. The helmet is the part that goes on our head, because our minds are where the remembering and forgetting takes place.

When we go out on a bike or go rock climbing, we always put on a protective helmet. The reason is obvious: these activities can be dangerous if we fall. Following the call of Jesus Christ is also a risky endeavor because we are making a STAND against the unseen things that can work against us. As Paul writes in Ephesians 6:12, *"For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms."* I don't know about you, but when I read this, I realise what a good idea it is to pick up that helmet of salvation and place it firmly over my head.

Grace & Peace

## 2021 Term Dates

### Term 3

Wednesday 14th July -  
Thursday 16th September

### Term 4

Monday 4th October -  
Tuesday 7th December

## Diary Dates

Thursday 5th August

100 Days of Prep

Thursday 5th - Saturday 7th  
August

Year 9 Community Challenge

Friday 6th August

Year 7 2022 Applications Close  
School Principals' Day

Thursday 12th August:

Parents & Friends Meeting

Prep - Year 9 Parent Student  
Teacher Interviews (PSTI)

Monday 16th-Friday 20th August  
Science Week

Tuesday 17th August:

Prep - Year 9 Parent Student  
Teacher Interviews (PSTI)

Wednesday 18th - Friday 20th  
August:

Year 5/6 City Camp

Monday 23rd - Friday 27th August  
Book Week

Friday 27th August

Book Week Dress Up Parade

Monday 30th August - Friday 3rd  
September

Teacher's Aide Appreciation  
Week

Thursday 2nd September:

Parents and Friends Meeting

Friday 3rd September:

Father's Day Stall

Thursday 9th September:

NCC Showcase and Art Festival

## Prep - Year 9 Parent Student Teacher Interviews

Prep - Year 9 Parent Student Teacher Interviews (PSTIs) are being held over two sessions:

~ By ZOOM on Thursday 12th August from 4-8pm, and

~ IN PERSON on Tuesday 17th August from 2-5pm.

Check SEQTA Engage for more information, including booking links.

Early dismissal 1:00pm on Tuesday 17th August in preparation for PSTIs.



## BOOK WEEK 2021

Restrictions permitting we are planning to hold our annual Book Week Dress Up Parade on Friday 27th August. This will hopefully be in the form of a Zoom assembly.

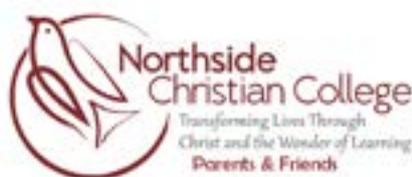
The theme of Book Week this year is 'Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds'. Students are welcome to create a costume related to the theme or a favourite book character.

There will also be COVID friendly activities for Primary classes during the day.

If you need help finding a book or thinking of a character you can dress up as, please pop into the library and check out the books we have on the shelves.



## DO YOU NEED PRAYER?



### Parents & Friends Prayer

If anyone would like to be involved in prayer for the College or has any prayer requests, please contact Jenny Masino on 0425 769 829.

# WELCOME BACK ... AGAIN!

It was wonderful to welcome our Northside Christian College students back to onsite classes after "Lockdown 5.0" and Remote Learning!

*"May your unfailing love be with us, Lord, even as we put our hope in you."*  
Psalm 33:22



## ART COMPETITION WINNERS

Miss Annie Paterno, Visual Arts Teacher

Congratulations to the talented entrants of the recent Art Competition! The theme for this competition was

# Stand

Category winners:

Drawing - Aneeqa (Year 6)

Photography - Hubert (Year 8)

Painting - Michael (Year 3)

Digital - Faith (Year 11)



Aneeqa (Year 6)



Hubert (Year 8)



Faith (Year 11)



Michael (Year 3)

# What we got up to during Remote Learning

## Ms Olivia Natoli, Prep Teacher

Once again we would like to extend our gratitude to our parent community for working hard to support your children through Remote Learning. While teachers worked to deliver content that would have been taught in class, we acknowledge the team effort that

was required to ensure that tasks were completed and submitted.

We are also so proud of the students for their diligence and engagement.

It has been so lovely to see the school filled with children again, we are so glad to be back!



Rudolf Hausner 'Yellow fool hat'



## Remote Learning Challenges

During Remote Learning, families joined in on a series of daily challenges and shared the results on the [NCC Remote Learning Community Page](#) for House points!

- ~ The Art Challenge: Recreate a famous artwork
- ~ The Pyjama Challenge: Wear your pyjamas for National Pyjama Day!
- ~ Sports Challenge: Which Olympic sport are you looking forward to watching?
- ~ Music Challenge: Jingle Bells in July
- ~ Science Challenge # 1: Surface Tension
- ~ The Science Challenge # 2: Density



Leonardo da Vinci 'The Last Supper'



# YEAR 9 CITY CHALLENGE

## Ms Jo Westland, Director of Middle School

This Year 9 City Challenge in Term 2 focussed on the ways that we could make Melbourne a more egalitarian place.

Embedded in the program was the perspective that every person is created in the image of God, equal in value and dignity. Melbourne has been celebrated as a city with many good qualities and recognised as being one of the world's most liveable cities; however, when investigating this claim, it was clear that not all Melbournians have equal rights, opportunities, and

access to health services. Due to COVID restrictions, this year the students participated in a 3-day virtual City Challenge. Sessions with the Collins Street Baptist's Intersection/Urban Learning Program helped students to gain more insight into the needs of the homeless in Melbourne. The City Challenge culminated in the students advocating for a demographic and presenting their recommendations for making Melbourne a more egalitarian city to an online audience of parents and staff.



## 2021 Premiers' Reading Challenge



Keep Reading - Ends 3rd September 2021!

What a wonderful week of reading we have had! Students from Prep to Year 6 have now read a total of 2762 books - a fantastic effort.

Public libraries, bookshops and our own College library are now open and operating again, so access to books is easier. If you can't access any of these, check out books being read on Youtube. These can be added to your records as well as reading a physical book or listening to an audible book.

The last day you will be able to add any titles to your record in 3rd September, so there is still plenty of time to get reading and earn your certificate from the Premier.

If you have any queries about the Challenge, please feel free to contact Mrs Marsh [cmarsh@ncc.vic.edu.au](mailto:cmarsh@ncc.vic.edu.au) or Miss Skerry [rskerry@ncc.vic.edu.au](mailto:rskerry@ncc.vic.edu.au)

# INSPIRE ~ *Our students can teach us so much!*

## Mrs Amy Horneman, INSPIRE (Talent Development) Coordinator

INSPIRE Global Citizenship classes run for invited students in Prep - Year 10, and focus on developing important skills for contributing the gifts and talents we have to our world: servant-hearted leadership attitudes, growth mindset, getting into the learning pit with confidence, thinking creatively about solving global issues, communication skills (active listening, public speaking, debating) and living out our values, to name a few.

This term, the Year 5/6 INSPIRE Global Citizenship class has been privileged to have a series of classes taught to them by their very own peer, Victor, who rationalised, prepared and delivered a mini-unit on understanding and recognising logical fallacies. He taught about and facilitated interactive activities that focused on the red herring, the straw man, loaded questions and the slippery

slope. Victor had as a goal as he was preparing, "to help my classmates understand and recognise fallacies, so that they can avoid using them or being convinced by them. I also want my classmates to think and to have fun!" Victor's burgeoning teaching skills were met with keen concentration and enthusiastic participation. Well done, Victor, and we look forward to developing the skills of more of our educators-in-the-making!



## Teamwork Makes the Dream Work!

### Mrs Matilda Holden, Primary Teacher

This term, in our wellbeing 'Friendly' program, the Year 1 students have been learning about teamwork. Students worked in teams to create giant marshmallow and spaghetti towers! Students found that the taller the tower, the less stable it was. In our classroom we have been talking about how, if we work together as a team, we can learn better and learn more about each other. Students also realised that by themselves they can only do some things but, when they work as a team, they have more ideas and are able to achieve higher towers!



# Celebrating Our Values

Mr Michael Bond, Deputy Principal

**“Three things will last forever—faith, hope, and love—and the greatest of these is love.”**

**1 Corinthians 13:13**

This semester, the College is recognising students who actively demonstrate the College's Core Values by presenting certificates at our fortnightly assemblies. As part of our commitment to maintaining a positive learning environment, teachers are actively looking for students who exhibit acts of Hope, Faith, Love, Community, Service, Grace, Humility, Perseverance, and Integrity. We anticipate that by celebrating authentic expressions of our Core Values, we will create a greater awareness of our values within our College community and continue to develop a school culture with shared values.

Our Mission at Northside is to “Transform lives through Christ and the wonder of learning.” Transformation is a process that takes time. These special certificates provide us with an opportunity to celebrate growth and valuable contributions of students in our College community. Our Vision Statement calls upon us “to be an inspirational Christian learning community.” We hope that recognising our students with these special awards, our students will be inspired to flourish as individuals.

The Bible encourages us in Philippians 4:8 to see the good in others.

*“Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.”*

We congratulate our inaugural recipients of these awards and look forward to recognising many students in the months ahead.

Congratulations:

*Adrian (Year 8) for showing Integrity in his whole approach to his learning and for his continual willingness to quietly help others.*

*Neriah (Year 5) for demonstrating Service to others during Remote Learning by helping younger students complete their learning tasks and supporting students in the play yard.*

*Katherine (Year 1) for demonstrating Service by going above and beyond in making new students feel welcome to the College and by supporting her peers when they are feeling upset.*



## Middle School Request for Art Supplies

The Art Room is in need of old newspapers and cardboard tubes (not toilet rolls). If you have any of these items to donate, please drop them at Reception or give to Ms Westland.



# WELLBEING ~ BUILDING RESILIENCY

## Mrs Heather Cootee, Head of Student Wellbeing



On 22nd June, Northside Christian College had the pleasure of hosting Youth with a Mission (YWAM) to conduct our Year 7 Resiliency Day.

The focus of the day was for our students to explore the areas of Purpose, Perseverance and Passion. Through engaging activities, our students were encouraged to explore what they are passionate about and how this could play out for them as they become young adults. Through various challenges and activities, they were encouraged to show resilience and work together to reach the required outcomes. The YWAM team beautifully demonstrated and articulated God's love for us and how He has a plan and purpose for each of our lives.

Please enjoy some of the resounding feelings and responses to what the students enjoyed and how they were impacted during the day.

### Students Enjoyed:

- ~ All the games and activities
- ~ Cooperating with our teams
- ~ The moment I was told I have a purpose
- ~ Talking in our small group with the leaders
- ~ Everything!
- ~ Sharing something nice about each

### Students Were Impacted By:

- ~ Stories of other Christians
- ~ The talk about purpose
- ~ Stories about how YWAM team members found God
- ~ Hearing how much God loves us
- ~ How the YWAM team are volunteers
- ~ How much the YWAM team loved to share the word of God



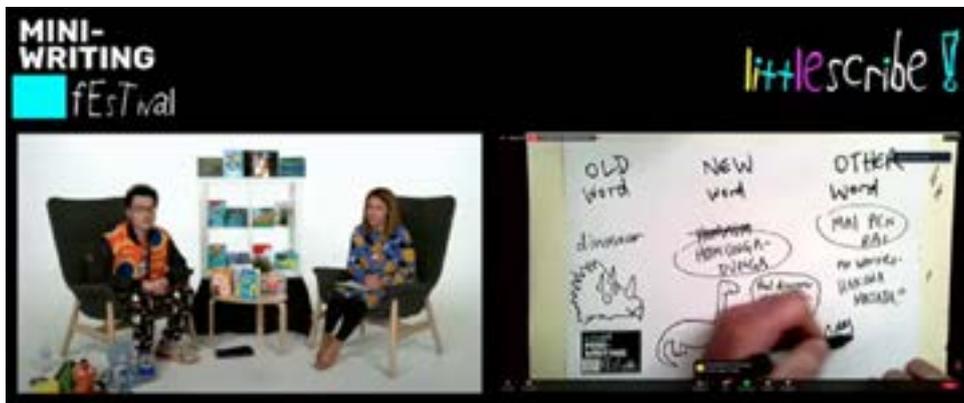
# The Little Scribe Writer's Festival

Mr John Longley, Primary Teacher

If you write with your right hand, is it called righting?

During Week 3 (through remote lessons and also face-to-face lessons) the Year 3/4 students met published authors and illustrators to get some inside information on writing brilliant narratives. We all took part in the Little Scribe Writing Festival, which included a Zoom session each day. In each session, we met a different author - with the talented James Foley (illustrator and author) drawing pictures to assist in the learning.

We met Jackie French, Wendy Orr, Oliver Phommavanh, James Foley, Lisa Nicol and Tristan Bancks. They gave us some terrific tips!



Mrs Sharon Simic, Primary Teacher

Wendy Orr told us that, when writing an adventure story, we must have lots of ups and downs. She likened it to jumping on a trampoline - "Oh No!", "Hooray!"

As a class we wrote the following:

Oh no! It's raining outside.

Hooray! I don't have to go outside.

Oh no! My toys are gone!

Hooray! They're in the suitcase.

Oh no! I have Remote Learning today.

Hooray! It's an easy learning day.

Oh no! My laptop's at school.

Hooray! I have an excuse not to do my school work.

Oh no! I can't play video games.

Hooray! I won't be on the screen too long.

Oh no! I'll probably fight with my brother.

Hooray! My brother's scared of me.

Oh no! There's no one to play with.

Hooray! My friends can come over.

Oh no! We're in LOCKDOWN



Creative Writing from Year 4K

**Yummy Pizza - Neva**

I have a delightful and amazing pizza, with sauce and cheese and olives. If you have mushrooms, it's delicious! The first piece is always the best for me. My pizza smells like cheese and all of the toppings you put on. Pizza is the best!

**Pizza - Rhys**

My pizza has tomato sauce and toppings - cheese baloney and mushrooms. My piece is in a triangle shape and really yum! You can get a large, medium or small. You can make pizza at home or order it from a restaurant. Pizza is one of my favourite foods and I hope you like it too. It smells like bread coming out of the oven with sauce and toppings. When I eat this meal, I want one thousand slices. Pizza makes me dance.

**Pizza - Charlize**

Right in front of my eyes was the pizza. The tomato sauce bubbled and the cheese stringed across the pizza. I watched my brother devour his pizza as I enjoyed mine. Steam rose as I took a bite from the bubbling pizza and the cheese stuck to the plate. My self control turned on me and I gobbled it up.



# Term 3 Enrolment Update

Ms Tina Montero, Enrolments Officer

## Prep 2023

Northside is currently accepting applications for Prep 2023. Families that have children due to commence Prep in 2023 are encouraged to submit their enrolment applications this year. Enrolment applications are available at the College Reception and via our website.

## Prep 2022

Applications for Prep 2022 have now closed and places have been filled. If any existing family has not submitted a Prep 2022 application, please contact the Enrolments Officer at [enrol@ncc.vic.edu.au](mailto:enrol@ncc.vic.edu.au). As Prep 2022 places have now been filled, existing families cannot be guaranteed a place for Prep next year.

## Leaving Northside?

Families are reminded that one term's notice must be given if your children are leaving Northside. Therefore, if your children are not returning to Northside in 2022, families must complete and submit the College Withdrawal Notice Form by Thursday 16th September (last day of Term 3). The Withdrawal Notice is available at the College Reception or by sending an email to [enrol@ncc.vic.edu.au](mailto:enrol@ncc.vic.edu.au). Families that do not submit the Withdrawal Notice Form by the end of Term 3 will be required to pay one term's fees.



## Students on Visas

If your child's VISA status has changed in the last 12 months, please provide a copy of their new VISA to our Reception team, in person or by email to [enrol@ncc.vic.edu.au](mailto:enrol@ncc.vic.edu.au).



## Second Hand Uniforms

College families have the opportunity to sell their second hand uniforms directly to other families via the Facebook group [NCC Second Hand Uniforms and Textbooks Buy, Swap Sell](#). Please ensure you read the group rules; only NCC uniforms and textbooks may be sold in this group. NCC provides the platform for the sale of second hand NCC uniforms and textbooks, but these sales and purchases are directly between families, not with NCC.

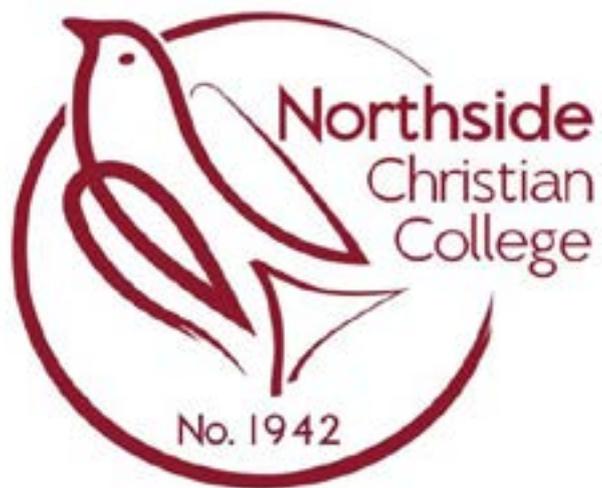


## Safe Devices - Student Electronic Devices

We strive to provide a safe College for all our staff and students. If your student brings a device onsite we ask that you assist by following these steps

- Whenever possible charge the device at home
- All devices must be in good working order at all times, free of cracked screens and free of damaged cords or charges.

If your students device is damaged, please get it repaired as soon as possible.



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