



NORTHLAKES PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Helping our students become 'Respectful Safe Learners'

Principals Message

Dear Families,

As we find ourselves well over halfway through Term 2, I am thrilled to take this opportunity to acknowledge the numerous examples of outstanding student achievement that have emerged throughout our school community. Our students have consistently demonstrated dedication, perseverance, and teamwork, both within the classroom and while representing our school in various extracurricular activities.

One of the most rewarding aspects of my role is the opportunity to visit our classrooms and witness firsthand the incredible learning taking place. It brings me immense joy to see the pride on our students' faces as they accomplish their goals, whether big or small. These moments of achievement not only reflect their hard work and dedication but also reinforce the supportive and nurturing environment that is created at Northlakes Public School. It is a privilege to celebrate these successes together and to encourage our students to continue reaching for their aspirations.

External Validation

I am delighted to share the exceptional outcomes of our recent external validation process, which serves as an important review of our school's performance and commitment to continuous improvement. During this thorough evaluation, our school was recognised as "Sustaining and Growing" in all areas, demonstrating our effective practices and dedication to providing a high quality education for our students. This process involved a comprehensive review of our achievements, programs, and strategies, allowing us to showcase the hard work and passion of our staff for our students, and community.

I am also proud to report that we received an "Excelling" rating in the area of educational leadership. This recognition highlights our strong vision and commitment to fostering an environment where teaching and learning can flourish. It reflects our high standards and the collaborative efforts of our staff in creating a high quality learning environment.

As staff, we are proud of our school and students. We aspire to be a school where both students and the broader community feel proud to be a part of, and together, we will continue to build a nurturing and inspiring atmosphere that encourages high expectations and success for all. Thank you for your ongoing support as we strive for continual improvement and excellence.

School Uniform

At Northlakes Public School we expect all students to wear full school uniform.

Wearing a school uniform is a symbol of our school identity and pride. When students wear their uniforms, they represent not only themselves but also our entire school community. Uniforms help foster a sense of belonging and unity, making it clear that we are all part of our amazing school community.

Having high expectations for uniform means setting standards that help our students develop a sense of responsibility. When students take pride in their uniform and adhere to the uniform guidelines, it reflects their commitment to our school values.

Thank you for your ongoing support in maintaining high expectations for our school uniform. Together, we can create an environment that reflects our values and fosters a sense of pride in our school community.

Attendance

Attending school consistently is essential not only for academic achievement but also for personal growth and social development.

Every day in the classroom provides students with the opportunity to engage with their teachers and peers, participate in discussions, and immerse themselves in a rich learning environment. When students miss school, they miss out on valuable lessons, activities, and interactions that contribute to their overall development. Each absence can create gaps in understanding, making it more challenging for students to keep up with their learning.

In addition to academic implications, regular attendance fosters important social skills. School is a place where students build relationships, learn teamwork, and develop communication skills. By attending school consistently, students have the chance to form connections with their classmates and teachers, which can lead to lasting friendships and a supportive school community.

We understand that there may be circumstances that lead to absences, such as illness or family commitments. However, we encourage families to prioritise school attendance as much as possible. If your child is struggling with attendance for any reason, please reach out to your child's teacher, Mrs Baverstock or Mrs Lindsay. We are here to support you and your child in finding solutions that promote regular attendance.

Let's work together to emphasise the importance of attending school every day. By ensuring our students attend regularly, we are setting them up for success and helping them make the most of their educational experience.

Thank you for your continued support in this important matter.



Mrs Megan Lindsay
Principal

SCHOOL NEWS

Congratulations Jeremiah

Congratulations to Jeremiah for being selected for the Sydney North Rugby Union squad. We are so incredibly proud of you!

Your hard work, dedication, and passion for the sport have truly paid off. This is a well-deserved achievement, and we know you will represent the team with honour and integrity.

Keep pushing yourself and striving for excellence, both on and off the field.

We can't wait to see all the great things you will accomplish in this exciting new chapter of your rugby journey. Go out there and show them what you're made of, Jeremiah!



Mariner's Kick Off Program at Northlakes

On Tuesday 13th May and Tuesday 20th May, 27 year 5 students participated in the Mariners kick off training program. We are so very fortunate that we were able to secure this free initiative again in Term 2.

The sessions provide students of all ability levels with drills and activities to control a soccer ball and evasive manoeuvres. The aim of the sessions is to build skills which can be used within a game.



Children's University

We would like to invite you to an information session about Children's University on Thursday, 12th June, at 8:30am, in Mr Jones room. Larissa Johnston from Newcastle University will be talking to Children's University students and their parents about what Children's University is, how it can benefit your child/ren, and allow time for you to ask any questions that you have. If your child/ren is no longer participating in Children's University, please advise the school.

We have looked at the additional school activities, that many of our Children's University students participate in, and several of them already have many hours to add to their passport. Larissa and Mrs Gardner will be going through student's passports with them on Thursday morning, please ensure that you child/ren brings their passport with them to school.

Please respond to the excursion details on the Sentral Parents Portal to let us know if your child/children are attending the On Campus Day excursion. We may have a few seats available, with other parents, for students to attend the excursion, should their parents be unable to provide transport.

What is Children's University?



Children's University Newcastle is an opportunity for primary school students to learn new skills outside of school, and explore new places in and around their local and regional communities.

All children that join receive a passport to log all their hours of learning. Children will work towards 30 hours of learning in their first CU year to be invited to a celebratory graduation ceremony held at the University of Newcastle.

There are certificate levels up to 1000 hours so children can keep moving through the different levels.



'You Can Sit With Me Day'

On Friday 13 June Northlakes PS are promoting, 'You can sit with me day'. All students are encouraged to wear something yellow to be a part of national day of kindness and inclusion.

Each class is contributing to a kindness walkway as they enter in our amazing school. Students can wear a splash of yellow or be covered from top to toe to support such a well needed initiative- Kindness is key!

This initiative is cost free and we are looking forward to seeing Northlakes painted in yellow. Feel free to contact your child's teacher for further clarification, if required.



Positive Behaviour for Learning

This term we have introduced Northlakes Non-Negotiables as part of our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) expectations. These non-negotiables are the overarching document which we use to guide our weekly focus areas and expectations for our lessons.

All focus areas stem from our whole school expectations of Respectful, Safe, Learner. All lessons are designed to be revisited, and we provide reminders just before each break. So far this term, we have focused on Respectful, Moving around the school, Assembly, Uniform and Attendance. Each focus area is displayed around the school, and it is posted on Facebook for our parents and community to be aware of.

This term we will again be using our Storkie tickets for house groups to work towards the end of term reward sessions. The winning house will get first choice of the activities being held on our end of term reward session.

This term we will be inviting selected students to have Morning or Afternoon tea with the Principal, Mrs Lindsay. To earn an invitation, students need to have consistently demonstrated all three expectations, Respectful, Safe, Learner. This is only offered to a limited number of students each term.

Northlakes Non–Negotiables For Students



Uniform and attendance

- We arrive to school on time.
- We wear the correct school uniform.
- We wear our school hat in the playground.
- We attend school every day unless we are unwell.

Entrance and Exit Routines

- We line up quietly and wait for our teacher's instructions.
- We enter the room quietly and sensibly with an adult.
- We wait for the teacher's cue to leave the classroom once our space is tidy.
- We leave the classroom quietly and sensibly.

Moving around the school

- We walk quietly and sensibly.
- We walk on the left of the walkways.
- Our class walks in 2 lines.
- We walk on the concrete areas and under the cola.

Assembly expectations

- We move into our class lines when the music plays.
- We follow teacher instructions - "Yes ok, straight away."
- We sit quietly and show whole body listening.
- We walk with our class, quietly and sensibly in two lines.
- We sit in two straight lines with no gaps.
- We remove our hats and hoods when indoors.
- We use respectful applause (clapping only).

Variation to routine

- We accept changes to our usual timetable.
- We follow the same expectations for all teachers, including casual teachers.
- We follow teacher instructions from all teachers - "Yes ok, straight away."
- We follow classroom expectations in the Library, hall, Tech Lab, APCI room, RFF room, split class and Buddy class.

Classroom expectations

- We follow teacher instructions - "Yes ok, straight away."
- We wait for our turn to speak, and we listen carefully.
- We show whole body listening.
- We help our peers and speak politely.
- We sit in our designated seat/spot in the classroom.
- We make sure our rubbish goes in the bin.
- We use kind words and appropriate language when we speak to others.
- We keep our hands and feet to ourselves.
- We remove our hats and hoods when indoors.
- We keep our belongings neat and tidy.
- We place our bags in the designated area and touch our own bag only.

Outdoor learning expectations

- We walk with our class, quietly and sensibly in two lines.
- We follow teacher instructions - "Yes ok, straight away."
- We wait for our turn to speak, and we listen carefully.
- We use kind words and appropriate language when we speak to others.
- We keep our hands and feet to ourselves.
- We wear our school hat in the playground.
- If we take our bags, we place our bags in the designated area and touch our own bag only.
- We follow the rules of the game.

Right place, right time

- We only leave the classroom with our teacher's permission and we go straight there and straight back quickly.
- We move to lines when the music starts playing.
- We are lined up before the bell rings.
- We use the toilets and bubblers in break times.

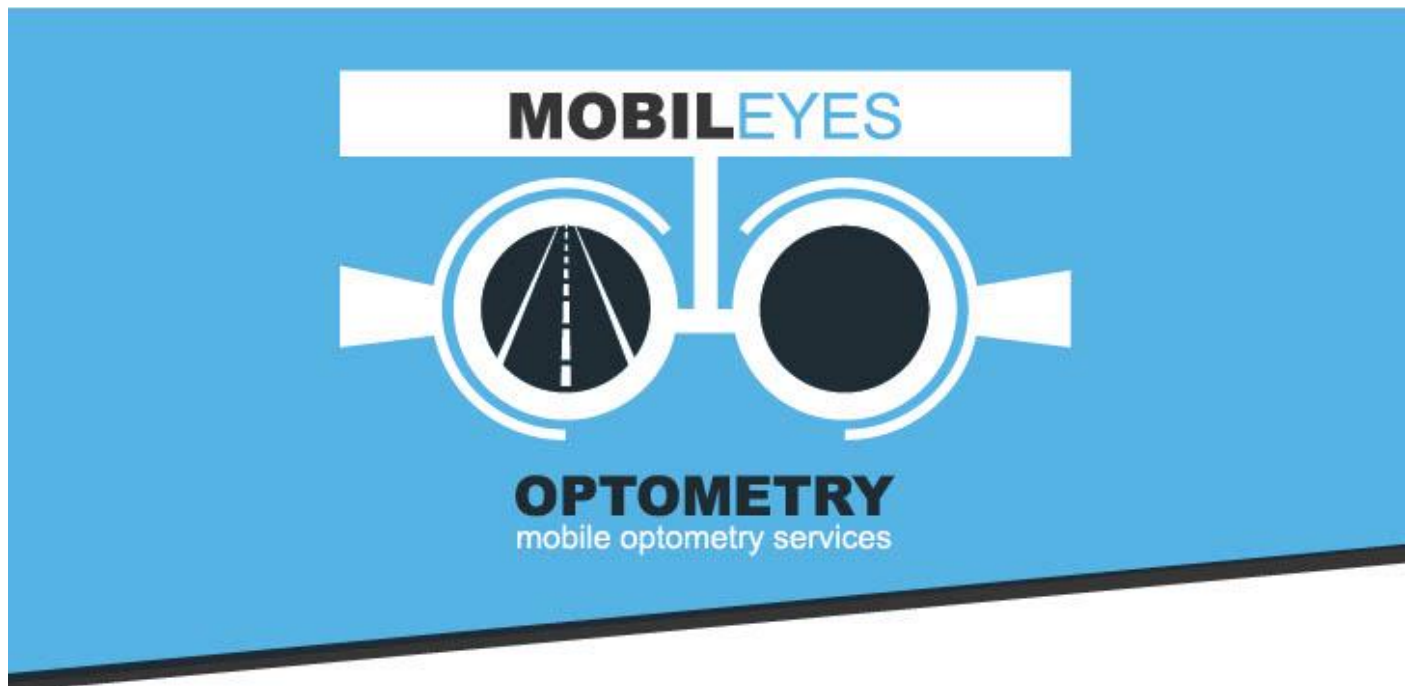
Playground expectations

- We follow teacher instructions - "Yes ok, straight away."
- We use kind words and appropriate language when we speak to others.
- We use school balls only and we play with big balls on the oval and basketball court.
- We sit on the silver seats in the cola to eat our food.
- We make sure our rubbish goes in the bin.
- We walk on concrete areas and under the cola.
- We keep our hands and feet to ourselves.
- We wear our school hat in the playground.
- We follow the rules of the game.
- We stay in bounds to remain safe.



Eye-Exams for Children at School

Mobileyes has partnered with us to bring its fully equipped Mobile Optometry Clinic and AHPRA registered optometrists to our school to conduct eye check-up. Permission slips will be coming home with students tomorrow. Please see our school website for further information.



FULLY BULK-BILLED MOBILE OPTOMETRY

MobilEyes Optometry comes to **you!**

Vision opens access to education.

Eye coordination and eye focusing disorders can cause struggles with reading despite learning intervention.

Children do not know how they are meant to see the world, so they may not complain.

They may show us that they have a problem through behaviour changes and poor school performance.

We offer full comprehensive eye examinations whilst school screenings may miss developmental visual issues such as eye coordination, tracking and focusing.

Does your child:

- get easily distracted
- not complete homework
- loses place while reading; skips lines or rereads lines
- rub their eyes
- blink excessively
- says that they do not like reading

We can help optimise the visual skills to promote learning.

For further information please call or email Andrea Eliastam info@mobileyes.com.au | 0468 610 123.

Please fill in the consent form found at www.mobileyes.com.au/consentform or scan the QR code above.

Please scan this QR code
to access the consent form



NSW Health Primary School Dental Program

NSW Health is working with the Department of Education and public primary schools to offer free dental check-ups and preventive care, to all students as part of a school-based mobile dental program. Our school has been selected to participate the program.

Many parents may not realise two important things about their children's teeth:

1. Good oral health is essential for children to successfully learn and participate at school, and
2. NSW Health offers free public dental health services to all children under 18 years of age.

Learning and behaviour difficulties at school can start with tooth and gum problems. That's because decay and gum disease can cause pain and difficulties in eating, sleeping, talking, concentrating, and learning, which can in turn affect a child's behaviour in class. A child with tooth decay may feel self-conscious about the way their teeth look and feel, making it harder for them to join in class and social activities.

Our school is participating in the program and offering students the opportunity to have free dental check-ups in a comfortable and familiar environment at school. With a parent/carers consent, students are able to have a free dental check-up and free preventive care.

The program is scheduled to visit our school from [Select Date] to [Select Date].

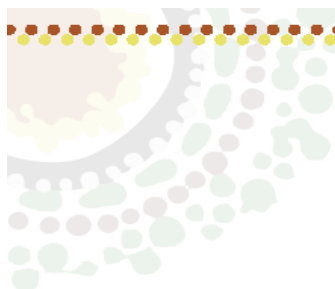
A Parent Information and Consent Pack will be sent home with each student, and includes information sheets, consent forms and the program privacy statement. Parents/carers who want their child to receive care are advised to:

1. Read all the information provided in the pack
2. Carefully complete all the fields of the consent forms
3. Return the consent forms to the school as soon as possible

More information about the program or how to access public dental clinics is available on the NSW Health website at:

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/oralhealth/primaryschool dental>
<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/oralhealth/Pages/default.aspx>

If you have any questions, please contact CCLHD Primary School Mobile Dental Program – Wyong Hospital on 4394 4842 or email CCLHD-MDC@health.nsw.gov.au



NSW Health Mobile Dental Program



Brush your teeth
morning and night



Eat more
fruit and veges



Choose water
as a drink



Have a regular
dental check-up

School Uniform

School uniforms are important because they promote a sense of unity and equality, reduce distractions, and can simplify morning routines. They also foster school spirit and a feeling of belonging, while potentially decreasing peer pressure and bullying related to clothing.

Uniforms can also be more cost-effective than a variety of casual clothes.

Here's a more detailed look at the importance of school uniforms:

Equality and Unity:

School uniforms help create a level playing field, minimizing socioeconomic differences and reducing social pressure related to clothing. This can lead to a more inclusive and unified school environment.

Reduced Distractions:

By eliminating the need to focus on fashion, students can concentrate more on their studies and the learning process.

School Spirit and Belonging:

Uniforms can foster a sense of pride and community, making students feel more connected to their school and each other.

Simplified Morning Routines:

Choosing an outfit can be a time-consuming task. Uniforms simplify morning routines, saving time and reducing stress for both students and parents.

Cost-Effective:

Uniforms can be a more affordable option than purchasing a wide variety of casual clothes.

Peer Pressure and Bullying:

Uniforms can help reduce peer pressure and bullying related to clothing, creating a safer and more comfortable learning environment.

Safety and Security:

Uniforms can make it easier for staff and teachers to identify students, which can be helpful in emergency situations.

Professionalism:

Uniforms can help students prepare for future workplace expectations by demonstrating a sense of professionalism.

Please ensure your student is wearing correct school uniform every day.

Please find the uniform shop price list attached on the following page. You can conveniently place online orders using the Flexischools app. If you need any financial assistance, feel free to reach out to our administration team.

Online ordering & payments through Flexischools app
Or email your orders to: uniformshop@nps-pandc.org.au



Price List as at 14.05.2025



Polo	Size Youth 2 to 16 Size Adult S to M	\$30.00
Hat	Sizes XS/S, S/M, M/L, L/XL	\$20.00
Hoodie	Size Youth 4 to 16 Size Adult S to M	\$36.00
Jacket - Fleece Zip	Size Youth 4 to 16 Size Adult S to M	\$34.00
Jacket - Microfibre	Size Youth 4 to 16 Size Adult S to M	\$47.00
Pants - Fleece	Size Youth 4 to 16	\$25.00
Pants - Microfibre	Size Youth 4 to 16	\$30.00
Shorts - Microfibre	Size Youth 4 to 16 Size Adult S to M	\$17.00
Shorts - Gaberdine	Size Youth 4 to 16	\$21.00
Skorts - Cotton	Size Youth 4 to 16	\$18.00
Skorts - Gaberdine	Size Youth 4 to 16	\$25.00



COMMUNITY NEWS

Jabiru Cottage Northlakes SaCC Term 2 - 2025

ccsacc.com

wendy.ballard@det.nsw.edu.au

Ph: 0409 800 821

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BABY MESSY PLAY

9.30 - 10.30 AM

PARENTS WITH BABIES BEFORE
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PH: 0409 800 821



TODDLER MESSY PLAY

10.30 - 11.30 AM

PARENTS WITH TODDLERS TO
6 YEARS - PH: 0409 800 821



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PLAYSTRONG PLAYGROUP

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PARENTS WITH CHILDREN BIRTH
TO 6 YEARS - PH: 0409 800 821



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123 MAGIC PARENTING

12.30 - 2.30 PM (3 SESSIONS)

PARENTS EMOTION COACHING

LIMITED FREE CHILD CARE

PH: 0409 800 821



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SUPPORTED PLAYGROUP

9.30 - 11.30 AM (UNITING)

PARENTS WITH CHILDREN BIRTH
TO 6 YEARS - PH: 1800 067 967



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35 Yambo St, Morisset NSW

0425 458 258

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Parties and groups welcome





Why MyTime?

Do you have concerns about your child's development or behaviour? Come along to a non-judgmental, safe space where children can play and parents can connect.

Unwind and share experiences with others who understand.

About the Group:

MyTime is a parenting support group for parents or carers of a child with a chronic illness or other additional needs including developmental delay, autism spectrum disorder, ADHD.

GROUP DETAILS:

Wednesday mornings 9.30am to 11am

Starts 7th May 2025 to 25th June 2025



Dolphin Cottage, Blue Haven
Community Centre, Corner of Apsley Ct and Colorado Drive, Blue Haven 2262

CONTACT DETAILS:

Karen Fox - kfox@uniting.org

4305 6200 or 0435 319 184



mytime.net.au

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Proudly presented by the Northern Lakes
Neighbourhood Centre, Youth Health (CCLHD)
and Uniting-Reconnecting Adolescent &
Parenting Team (RAPT)

How to talk to your kids about Puberty

A workshop for Parents/Carers of children aged 8-13 years

Light supper provided

Parent only session

Topics will include:

- How to start the conversation
- What kids need to know
- Safety, consent & protective behaviours
- Useful resources
- The body's changing, the brain's re-wiring - let's talk about it?
- Puberty & the brain - how to talk about both?

Venue:

The Northern Lakes
Neighbourhood Centre
1 Colongra Bay Road
Lake Munmorah

Tuesday 1st July

6.30pm to 8.30pm

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We welcome all people.



For Bookings,
please call Cathy on:
4358 3148 or 0408 654 843





UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT
Monday 9 th June 2025	Public Holiday
Wednesday 11 th June 2025	Spelling Bee School Finals SRC Meeting
Thursday 12 th June 2025	Boccia Competition (Selected Support Students) Gymnastics – Stage 2
Friday 13 th June 2025	Sydney North Cross Country Carnival K-2 Assembly (1:30pm – 2:00pm)
Monday 16 th June 2025	Dhinewan Mentoring K-6M
Thursday 19 th June 2025	Gymnastics – Stage 2 Netball Gala Day
Friday 20 th June 2025	The Rocks Walking Tour Excursion – Stage 2 Didge Group at Northlakes High School Year 3-6 Assembly (1:30pm – 2:00pm)
Wednesday 25 th June 2025	SRC Meeting
Thursday 26 th June 2025	Debating vs Budgewoi Public School Gymnastics – Stage 2
Friday 27 th June 2025	K-2 Assembly (1:30pm – 2:00pm)
Wednesday 2 nd July 2025	Muru Bulbu Cup
Thursday 3 rd July 2025	P & C Fundraiser – Movie Night Gymnastics – Stage 2
Friday 4 th July 2025	End of Term Reward Session Didge Group at Northlakes High School Year 3-6 Assembly (1:30pm – 2:00pm)
Saturday 5 th July 2025 – Sunday 20 th June 2025	School Holidays
Monday 21 st June 2025	School Development Day
Tuesday 22 nd July 2025	Students Return for Term 3
Wednesday 23 rd July 2025	SRC Meeting
Friday 25 th July 2025	NAIDOC Whole School Celebrations
Monday 28 th July 2025	Optical Van Visit
Wednesday 30 th July 2025	Kindergarten 100 Days Celebration

*Please note: Since the creation of this Newsletter event dates are subject to change.
Please check our Facebook, School Website or Sentral Calendar for more accurate information.*



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Principal	Mrs Megan Lindsay
Deputy Principal	Mrs Brooke Baverstock
Street Address	69 Goorاما Avenue, San Remo NSW 2262
School Email	northlake-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Website	https://northlake-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/
Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/NorthlakesPublicSchool
Phone	02 4399 2071
Office Hours	8:15am – 3:00pm

SMS Text Messaging

Daily attendance of your child is sent to your family mobile number. This can also be used for important information regarding parent teacher meetings, issue of reports etc. You CANNOT phone this number. You may respond to the text message at any time to this number to explain your student's absences.

Sentral

<https://www.sentral.com.au/parents>

The Sentral parent portal contains all your students school information. This includes attendance, school reports, assessment tasks and behaviour information. Families can see the whole family at a glance with your private login.

Uniform Shop

<https://flexischools.com.au/>

Our P&C are currently operating the Uniform Shop via Flexischools.

Appointments and to contact the uniform shop please email: uniformshop@nps-pandc.org.au

School Canteen

<https://flexischools.com.au/>

Orders can be made via Flexischools App or before 8.30am at the Canteen.

Before & After School Care and Vacation Care at Northlakes Public School

Enrolments are now open for before and after school care and vacation care operated by PCYC.

Email: northlakesoosh@pcycnsw.org.au

Phone: 0434 819 758