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Dear Parents,

Help us upgrade the Library

Our library is our greatest community asset and has many functions for us including:

- Students use it to: study, as a place to shelter and remain warm in winter, as social space, as a silent space, and as a venue for co-curricular groups to meet and work
- Multiple classes use it at the same time
- Year level assemblies
- Parent workshops, community information nights, exhibitions and presentations of student work

As we grow as a school community the demand for space increases. As those of you who have attended recent parent information nights may know, our current library often struggles to accommodate our students and families.

We would like to renovate the library to increase the space available, and to make it a more modern and welcoming environment. Our plans include the creation of a community presentation area with tiered seating, small study nooks and quiet as well as social spaces. We have had concept plans and costings drawn up, and now have a target to work towards.

If we include the previously raised money in our Northcote Thrive - Inspire fund (\$150,000), and our predicted fundraising from the Comedy Night in September (\$20,000), there is a \$95,000 shortfall to complete the structural component.

The School Council is seeking the generous support of our Community to help raise the \$95,000 to bring these plans to fruition, just as we have done in the Design and Art spaces in 2017. Whilst we are advocating for the funding of the Master Plan, there are six stages within it, and it will be a slow process bringing it to life. The need for a larger community space is right now, and we have the capacity as a community to take action.

Whilst the target of \$95,000 appears large, it is achievable - **it equates to \$75 per family**. All amounts donated to the Inspire fund are tax deductible.

Please consider donating to support our students' learning and experiences.

It can be done in 5 easy steps:

1. Go to our website: [Northcote Thrive Fund](#)
2. Scroll down to the bottom of the page, to the donate buttons.



3. Locate Inspire and click on the amount you wish to donate
4. Fill in your credit card and other details
5. Click on **Process**

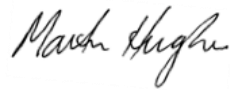
A copy of a tax-deductible receipt will be emailed to you.

Thank you so much for your ongoing commitment to Northcote High School. Our collective efforts ensure the best possible educational outcomes for students.

Yours sincerely,



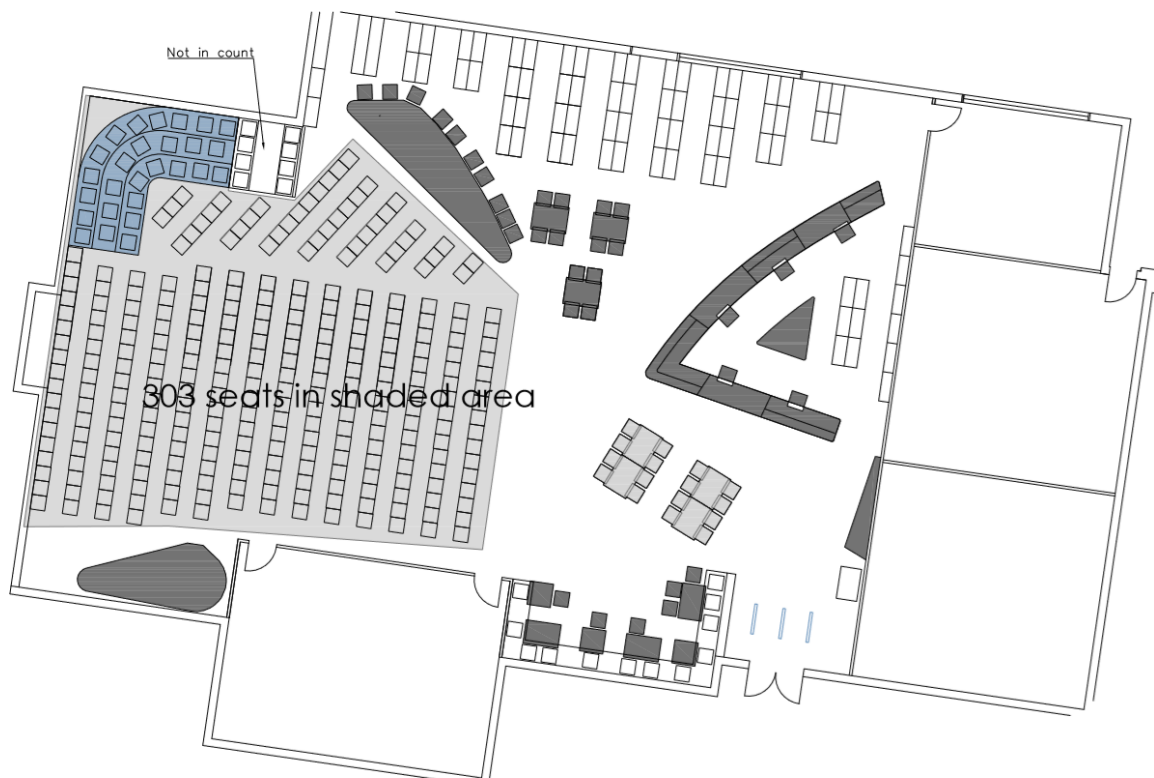
Sue Harrap
Principal



Martin Hughes
School Council President

Concept Plans: The wall to the foyer and staff office is removed to create more space.

Presentation configuration:



Daily Use Configuration:



Student Congestion in the Library Foyer

