



NEWSLETTER

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday 25th April	ANZAC Day Public Holiday
Thursday 26th April	Cross Country, selected students 3-6
Wednesday 2nd May	Grip Leadership Conference, 5-6 students
Monday 7th May - Friday 11th May	Meals on Wheels

Communicating with School

As Caroline will be away until May 4 it might take us longer to answer the phone. Please leave a message or continue to ring until we pick it up. Alternatively send a text message to Melissa!!

ANZAC DAY Parade

ANZAC Day is on Wednesday this year and is a public holiday. The school will be represented at the parade by the School Captains to lay a wreath. All children are invited to march if they wish. We will meet you at the café at 10.15am. Children are to wear school uniform.

The march finishes at the Soldier's Memorial Hall. Attending the following memorial service is optional.

Pie Warmer

During term 2 and 3 the children can bring food to put in the pie warmer. The pie warmer will be used every day.

Please think carefully before packing the food -

- It needs to be flat enough to fit on the tray
- It needs to be well covered in foil so food does not spill out
- It needs to have the child's name on it so we can give it to them at lunch time (a bit of masking tape does the trick)
- It needs to have the type of food enclosed written on the tape so we can put it on the right tray

The children put their pie warmer food in the basket when they get to school. The year 5 and 6s take the food to the pie warmer and make sure it is turned on at 11.00am. They give the food out at lunch time.

Coles Vouchers

The vouchers program from Coles has finished but we have until this Friday to collect any outstanding vouchers. We will then send them off to be weighed. We have a wish list which we are sharing with the kinder and will have the opportunity to make our selection once we know how many points we can spend. Thank you for your support.

Natimuk Primary School is a RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS Partner School

Term 2. Focus for 2 weeks: Friendship. What makes a good friend?

There are many explanations as to why we need a friend most of all we need someone we can trust.

We will examine words of friendship and what things can help you to make friends.

Natimuk Primary School is committed to being a Child Safe school

Cross Country

The cross country will be held at the City Oval on Thursday April 26. Notices to selected students have been distributed. I will be going and can take students but if anyone else is going to the cross country please let me know as we need more than one car. We will be leaving the school at 10.00am. Children to wear a white singlet or t shirt. We have been asked to provide a marshal as well if anyone can stand at a checkpoint during the x-country please let me know.

Athletic Sports

Two sensational days. For our first time combining with Haven to form the Rural Schools team I would consider it a success. As the days progressed all students across all schools integrated extremely well.

Natimuk students said they made new friends and caught up with old ones. Even though the groups were large they were easily able to get through their events. There were a few non traditional activities such as the tug of war but that made for an interesting day. The P-2s had novelty events, which they enjoyed.

I was excited to be asked to read out the scores for the senior sports because I was able to announce the Rural Schools as the winners on the day followed by Baillie. The Rural Schools team was also successful, winning the Junior sports.

I would like to thank Horsham West for the invitation. I encourage parent and student feedback so we can determine if this will be an ongoing event.

Golf Clinic

The 3 -6s will participate in a golf clinic on Monday morning, April 30. 9.15—10.00am with Tony Collier.

Ingrid Clarkson
Principal



Year 7 - 2019

INFORMATION EVENING

**including information about our
Select Entry Accelerated Learning Programs (SEALP)**

**Monday APRIL 23rd 2018
7.00pm**

S building – enter from High Street South

**Enquiries to Ms. Megan Woolford, Assistant Principal – Middle Years
on 5381 7100**

facebook.com/horshamcollege



Voucher have now finished at Coles. If you have any at home, can they please be returned to school by this Friday so they can be sent for counting.
Thanks to everyone for their support.



School Banking

There will be no school banking until Monday 7th May as Mrs Cameron is away.

Miss Blake

Welcome back everyone to a long and busy term 2. The students were very excited to be back and were eager to share their holiday stories. They were also happy with our new fish additions and new lego table.

In Literacy this term, we have started using Café reading. Students have learnt the 3 ways to read a book; read the pictures, read the words and retell the story. We have learnt about *Read to Self* and how we can increase our reading stamina using these strategies.

In Maths this week the focus for all students has been numbers to 99. The Preps have been focusing on the numbers to 10 and the Ones have been working with numbers to 50. The Twos have been revising vertical addition.

In Health this week students focused on getting along with others. We talked about what this looked like in the classroom and at home.

In Integrated Studies for the next 2 weeks, Students will be looking at ANZAC Day. We will be doing some poppy drawing, listening to stories and making ANZAC biscuits.

Mrs Buckman

A huge welcome back to everyone. This week's spelling words are all contractions eg. couldn't, you've. Our class will be focussing on reading with enthusiasm and expression and the children will write a recount of their holidays.

In Mathematics we will revise the 2, 3, 10 and 11 times tables as well as be involved in some mind-stretching games and quizzes. The main focus this week is equivalent fractions, recognising these and being able to identify if fractions are equal or not equal, less or greater than.

Our Integrated Studies topic this term is Natural Disasters. We will begin this topic by listing natural disasters and comparing these to man-made disasters. Throughout the term we will be adding words to a vocabulary list.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

This term we are focusing on '*Getting Along*' with others.

They will be working on being tolerant of others, thinking first and playing by the rules.

Mrs Clarkson

This week in literacy we will be introducing the Persuasive writing genre. There are two types of persuasive writing, exposition and discussion. Our focus is exposition where we have to put forward a one sided argument. The first topic was, Should the Natimuk skate park be closed? I posed the statement that the skate park was to be closed because it was unsafe. We will now determine our position on the statement and come up with some arguments.

In Maths we are using football statistics to understand the terms mean, median, range and mode. These terms are used mostly when data or statistics are involved. We will also review adding and subtracting fractions ensuring our denominators are the same size.

Science:

Years P—2 - Earth and Space Science - Earth's resources are used in a variety of ways. What are the Earth's resources - water, soil and minerals. The children learned some interesting facts about the amount of useable fresh water that is available for us to use—1% of all of the Earth's water!

Years 3—6 - Earth and Space Science - Sudden geological changes and extreme weather events can affect Earth's Surface. The children will investigate Earthquakes to see what changes are caused to the Earth's surface. As well they will find out how earthquakes are caused.

Bucket Fillers and Bucket Dippers

This week's act of kindness:

Give someone a compliment every day.



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Bright Sparks PROGRAM

Are you gifted, talented or highly interested in a particular area? Check out the free workshops below to see if you can be extended and challenged in an area of interest to you.



JUNIOR CHEFS

Based around menu planning and food preparation, you will cook (and eat or take home) a range of dishes from a different part of the menu - from appetisers to desserts.



BUDDING ACTORS

In this workshop you will learn the basics of drama, performance and develop your improvisation and storytelling skills.



FUN WITH FILM

Become familiar with the use of a 'green screen' and create your own short film masterpiece! There's plenty of fun to be had with film!



CREATIVE WRITING

Develop your creative writing skills, diving into the wonderful world of words. Have you got a way with words? You will have by the end of this workshop!



SPORTING SUPERSTARS

Challenge your endurance and sporting skills in a team environment through a variety of exciting sporting activities.



iROBOT

Investigate the world of robotics and programming by challenging your critical and creative thinking.



THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Learn about the great outdoors through a series of activities such as orienteering, camp cooking and creating shelters 'Bear Grylls' style!



WEIRD SCIENCE

Explore the weird and wacky world of science! Be prepared to have your mind blown by the wonderful things that the science world can offer.



ARTISTIC FLAIR

Hone your creativity skills through the creation of a collagraph print. Using textured materials you will create a self-portrait, construct a collagraph and learn print making techniques.

The Bright Sparks Program is open to all Wimmera students in Grade 5/6 and Year 7 and will run on Wednesday afternoons, 3.45pm - 5.00pm, from 2nd - 30th May 2018. Students will be provided with drinks and a fruit snack prior to each workshop.

To take part in these exciting free workshops, please go to www.stbc.vic.edu.au, click on the Bright Sparks button and complete the expression of interest form online. Apply now as spaces are limited.



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Earn and Learn Program

Yesterday we finally received our Earn and Learn program order that we had been waiting for. We got lots of new resources to use in the classrooms which was selected via an online catalogue. It was hard to choose things for the amount of points that we earned.

A big thank you to all the people that helped collect stickers from Woolworths last year.

