



# NEWSLETTER

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

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| Wednesday 2nd May                           | Grip Leadership Conference, 5-6 students          |
| Thursday 3rd May                            | Book Club due                                     |
| Monday 7th May - Friday 11th May            | Meals on Wheels                                   |
| Thursday 10th May                           | HCPSSA Athletic sports for selected students      |
| Friday 11th May                             | Mothers Day Stall                                 |
| Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday May 15 - 17 | NAPLAN testing for Years 3 and 5                  |
| Wednesday 23rd May                          | Maths Olympics                                    |
| Wednesday 23rd May                          | Parents Association meeting, 7.30pm Natimuk Hotel |

### Mothers Day Stall

The Parents Association is running a Mothers Day Stall on Friday 11th May. Families are asked to donate a small gift(s) to the value of \$5 each for each child towards the stall. Gifts are to be placed in the basket located in the Staff Room by no later than Wednesday 9th May. Parents will be needed on the day from 9am to set up the stall and to wrap gifts.

### Cross Country

Cody, Bailey, Jed, Ben, Phoebe and Freya did very well at the cross country. They all competed admirably and did their very best. Bailey was excited that he almost made the top 6 which was a fantastic effort. They showed great sportsmanship on the day.

### GRIP Leadership Conference

The 5/6s are off to an early start to get to Ballarat by 8.45. The theme for the conference is Transformers. The first session will focus on Leaders as Transformers, the second session is Lead Like a Strawberry not like a Watermelon along with ideas that transform, the last session is Making a Positive Change. It should be a great day with lots of speakers and activities.

### **Natimuk Primary School is a RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS Partner School**

**Term 2. Focus for 2 weeks:** Attitudes to School Survey

The Attitudes to School survey is an annual survey that provides data to support student wellbeing, engagement, school improvement and planning in schools.

*Natimuk Primary School is committed to being a Child Safe school*

### 3-6 Golf Clinic

On Monday the 3-6 students participated in a golf clinic ran by Tony Collier from Golf Victoria. The students learnt how to hold a club properly and how to stand when hitting the ball. They also learnt about safety when people are getting ready to hit the ball off the tee. It was a great morning and it was great to see all the students being able to hit the ball well.

Ingrid Clarkson  
Principal



### MARC News

*Reading is dreaming with open eyes*

In the last week of Term 1, I attended our annual MARC conference where I was introduced to a new sort of book... 'barrington stoke'. Barrington Stoke is a publisher who specialises in printing books for people with dyslexia. Of course these books can be read by everyone! There is a tub in the van where I have put all of these books. Other new books on the shelf lately include, Ella Diaries, Dork Diaries, Captain Underpants, Thea Stilton, Tom Gates and Zac Power. I have also added a lot of new Non Fiction books.

Sally McKenzie  
MARC Librarian

## Miss Blake

This week the students are learning the letter m. The Yr 2 students are focusing on contractions such as you'll and I'm. It was a challenge for them to work out what two words made up the contraction.

In writing, students have been working together to complete an exposition. They had to decide whether they were for or against for having a healthy breakfast. They came up with some really great ideas about why it is important to have a healthy breakfast in the morning.

This week we are starting our Integrated Studies unit on People Who Help Us. We are looking forward to learning about different people in our community that can help us.

In PE this term students have been focusing on the fine motor skills of leap and vertical jump. They have been completing a range of activities that involve these skills.

## Mrs Buckman

This week in Literacy our spelling words all have the short 'ea' sound e.g. as in bread. We will continue to practise using apostrophes to show ownership and the children will complete an exposition with the topic 'A pet in every household?'

We are still focussing on fractions in our maths sessions. This week we will look at improper fractions and convert them to mixed numerals. Our times table for the week is the 6s. It is pleasing to note an improvement in the children's automatic recall of the times tables. Keep on quizzing them at home :-)

In Music all the children (P-6) have been learning to recognise musical signs, note names and note values. They have been using our new rhythm sticks to play games involving rhythm patterns.

Our focus in Integrated Studies this week will be Volcanoes.



### BOOK CLUB

Due back on  
Thursday 3rd May .

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

- ★ Freya Jones - for always being willing to participate and for working well with her learning partner; showing responsibility at all times. Well done!
- ★ Riley Hateley - for working well with others in the classroom, helping students to get their rainbows finished.

## Mrs Clarkson

This week in literacy we create a class persuasive writing piece - Bicycles are a great form of transport. We will develop our reasons why and elaborate with evidence. In our Literacy Circle we will find a connection between the book we are reading and our own personal experiences as well as create an illustration that helps to show some understanding of the text.

In Maths we defined the difference between a polygon and prism as either a 2D shape or 3D shape and tried to make them. We are confirming our understanding of fractions and their relationship to the time tables as well as finding factors from our time tables. We will consolidate our 5 digit subtraction and compare the fraction to its decimal and percentage. Lots to do!

### 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 Earth's water. The last 3% is fresh water. Of this last 3%, 2% is ice and snow at the poles which leaves only 1% useable fresh water. We have to be more responsible about our use of this small amount of water.

Years 3—6 - Earth and Space Science - Sudden geological changes and extreme weather events can affect Earth's Surface. The students created a story board which explains an earthquake. They will contribute to their learning by completing a What I know and What I want to know chart which will then indicate what they will learn in science.

### *Bucket Fillers and Bucket Dippers*

**This week's act of kindness:**

*To let someone go ahead of you in the line.*



Join in Our



# Junior Squash Comp

TRY, REGISTER & GRADING NIGHT

TUES 1<sup>ST</sup> MAY 5.30-6.30PM

ENTRIES CLOSE FRID 4<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2018

Yes, I/we will play the 7 week competition.

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PHONE/MOBILE:.....

E-MAIL.....

PARENTS/CARER NAME.....

PHOTO CONSENT: YES /NO (read photo consent info)

Parents/Carer Signature:..... Date:.....

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AGES: 5-16

### 7 Week Comp:

Tues 8<sup>th</sup> May

Tues 15<sup>th</sup> May

Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> May

Tues 29<sup>th</sup> May

Tues 5<sup>th</sup> June

Tues 12<sup>th</sup> June

Tues 19<sup>th</sup> June

STARTS: 4.15pm - 5.45pm

Arrive by 4.05pm

**COST-\$45 per player**

(Family discount available-  
3+family members, enquire further)

**Equipment supplied**

Squash is Fun & a good way to keep active!