



NEWSLETTER

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 8th February	Mt Arapiles Year 6
Friday 8th February	Working Bee & BBQ 3.30pm
Wednesday 13th February	3-6 Swimming, Goroke Pool
Wednesday 13th February	PA Meeting National Hotel 7.30pm
Tuesday 19th February	School Council, 7.30pm

Welcome back!

Welcome to the 2019 school year and a very special welcome to our new families and students:

Nut and Allergens Policy

Reminder that we have students with nut allergies.

It is our policy to not have nut products at school, to have the children supervised during eating and to wash hands after eating.

Assembly is on every Monday morning at 9.00 in the multi-purpose room where awards and certificates are given out, birthdays are celebrated and achievements acknowledged.

Hats

Miss Blake washed the school hats over the holidays. Hats must be worn during terms 1, 2 and 4. Some children bring sunscreen to school but we also have sunscreen available at school.

Uniforms

It is lovely to see the girls in dresses. It is strongly recommended that the girls wear shorts under their dresses, however, to make it easier for them to play without being too worried when they play upside down on the monkey bars. Children also sit on the floor with their legs crossed. Also be mindful when the girls choose to wear shorts with their school shirts that they are not too tight or too short which can also inhibit how they play. Whether it be uniform or free dress it is very important to consider what we wear and to ensure it is suitable for school activities. It is not just for the comfort of your child but also for the comfort of those they sit with or play with.

Natimuk Primary School is a RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS Partner School

Term 1. Focus for 2 weeks: Welcome.

How to make others feel welcome and that they belong. Use gestures such as eye contact, shaking hands, verbal greetings, body language and acknowledgement.

Natimuk Primary School is committed to being a Child Safe school

Printing School Logos

I am collecting shirts, jumpers and jackets to take to Hip Pocket Work Wear for screen printing the school logo. Please put your name on the item and place it in a bag and put your name on the bag as well. Place your bag in the clothes basket near the staff room door. I will take them in on Friday 15th February.

PE Mondays

All the children have Physical Education on Mondays so wearing sports clothing and runners is very appropriate. PE is in a morning timeslot for the cooler time of the day.

Swimming (extra-curricula)

The years 3 – 6 are participating in the swimming program at the Goroke pool this term on Wednesdays between 11.30am and 2.30pm. There has been an inquiry about wearing wetsuits as some children get very cold. It is always preferable to wear bathers and a rashy but if it keeps your child in the pool and learning to swim it is acceptable. We also try to have the children swim without goggles but understand that some children need them.

Money and forms should be at school. We request that if you have any issues in regard to payment please contact the office as soon as possible. No payment will indicate you do not wish your child to go swimming. Children who are not swimming will remain at school.

Welcome BBQ and Working Bee

We are having a working bee on Friday Feb 8th and hope many of you will come. We will be clearing dead plants and weeds from the garden, a never ending task. The leaf litter around the grounds will have to be gathered and put on the bonfire as well as we have too much for the garden to cope with.

Whipper snippers for edging and blower vacs are great for easy cleaning. We will also need chainsaws as some trees or limbs will have to be removed. If you want wood for your fire consider bringing a trailer.

Please return the slip attached for catering for the Working Bee. The only payment required is your participation in the Working Bee.

Start of School

The first school bell goes at 8.55am. This is a warning bell for children to finish organizing their belongings, grab their hat and head outside for fitness. The school day begins at 9.00am. Staff are not expecting children to arrive at school before 8.40am or 8.45am unless a prior arrangement has been made. Staff arrive at school early and utilize their time to ensure they are well prepared for the day's lessons.

Absences and Same-Day Notification of Unexplained Absences

We are trying a new electronic roll marking system.

Parents and carers are responsible for notifying the school of their child's absence as soon as possible on the day of the absence.

It is mandatory for the school to now send a notification to parents or carers as soon as possible on the day of an unexplained absence. This is to protect the safety and wellbeing of children especially as some ride bikes or walk to school without supervision.

You will receive a text between 9.15 and 9.30 in the morning if your child is not at school and we have not received a message from you. This is to prompt you to let us know why your child is not at school.

Ingrid Clarkson

NATIMUK PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENT ASSOCIATION

2019 PARENTS ASSOCIATION POSITIONS

President	Tanya Glascott
Vice President	Danielle Fleay
Secretary	Kelly Klowss
Treasurer	Sharon Sudholz
Newsletter	vacant
School Council Representative	vacant
Meals on Wheels Co-ordinator	Kelly Klowss
Recycle Cans Co-ordinator	vacant
Catering Co-ordinator	Tanya Glascott
Uniform Co-ordinator	vacant

**Our first meeting in 2019
will be held on
Wednesday 13th February
7.30pm at the National Hotel.
Everyone welcome!!
We would love to see some new faces.
Come along for tea if you wish.**



For families paying invoices over internet banking BPay is our preferred payment method. The funds go directly to your account in our software. Direct deposits do not give any notification of a payment or reference number; so please use BPay instead.



ABSENCE NOTE

NAME:

This student was absent on

REASONS (please tick one)

Illness/injury

Medical/Dental Appointment

Extended Family Holiday

Parent Choice

Other (please explain)

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