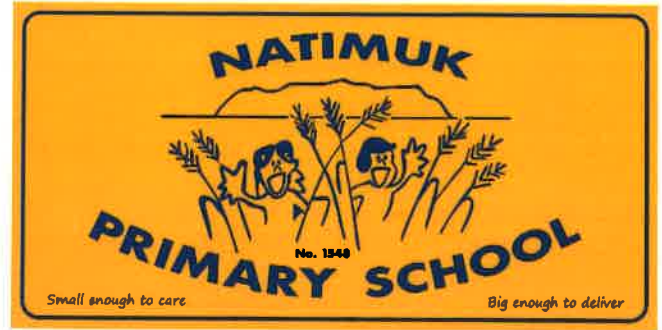


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7th October, 2020

### DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 15 October	Book Club orders completed
Tuesday 20 October	School Council Meeting, 7.30pm
Wednesday 21 October	Book Week Dress Up Day
Friday 23 October	AFL Grand Final Public Holiday

Welcome back to term 4. It is fantastic to have everyone at school everyday. Keep fingers crossed it stays that way for the rest of the year.

#### Photos

We had our school photos taken on Monday. As the envelopes went out the same day there is a different way to order your packages.

Please use the online method that is printed on your envelope, your 'shootkey' is on the envelope as well. If you had family photos you will need to use the information on the family envelope.

If you have any difficulties please ring them, they will be able to assist you.

The school is not expecting to have any envelopes returned.

#### School Council

We have two School Council Meetings left. Our October meeting will be on Tuesday October 20. We will be discussing the draft budget for next year and parent payments.

#### Book Week

On Wednesday October 21 we will be having our dress up for Book Week day. The children need to think of a book character to dress up as. On the day they will also need to either bring the book or have a photo copy of the front cover.

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

Term 4. Focus for 2 weeks: Bullystopper (Education Dept program)

I 'm not a victim - Even friends don't treat each other well all the time.

(Information for adults available online - [education.vic.gov.au](http://education.vic.gov.au) bullystoppers)

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

## AFL Public Holiday

All of Victoria get the Grand Final Public Holiday. This day is Friday October 23rd.

## Parent Association Fundraiser

Bec White has put together a huge jar of lollies. The fundraiser is to guess the number of lollies in the jar. If you are the closest guess you win the lot; just in time for Halloween.

It is \$1 per guess. You can guess at school or other venues in town.

The winner of the competition will be announced on 2nd November.

Ingrid Clarkson



**The Parent's Association are running a special Halloween fundraiser.**

**Guess how many lollies are in a giant Jar of lollies.**

**The closest guess wins.**

**It's a \$1.00 a guess.**

**The Jar will be on display in the foyer of the school for the next 2 weeks.**

**GOOD LUCK EVERYONE !**

## BOOK CLUB



Issue 7 is out today. The brochures are being provided for ease of browsing but please order via LOOP. ***We will not be accepting any payments at school as part of our Covid-19 safety procedures.***

Orders completed by Thursday 22nd October please.

## **Mrs Clarkson**

We will be reading 2 books this term, both contain stories relating to folktales, myths and legends. *The Call of the Selkie and Mythical Horses* are our texts. Our writing genre is Exposition. During Covid-19 there has been an expectation to use anything but cash for fear of spreading the disease via the handling of money. We are using this topic to decide if going cashless is a good idea or not. Articles from BTN have been very useful in presenting both sides of the argument let alone the children having their own points of view; they are not allowed to have credit cards so what will they use?

Procedure Writing - the years 5 and 6s will be putting their reading of procedure text to good use by cooking a morning tea during this term. They have a selected week when they are to bring in morning tea. The children are to read and make the morning tea with supervision.

In Numeracy this week our focus is problem solving. We have some doozy problems that need a lot of thinking to work out. Our strategy this week is to work backwards through the problem.

## **Miss Blake**

Welcome back to a hopefully normal term 4! What a busy term we have this term, getting ready for the end of the year and lots of assessments to complete. Students are very happy to be back as am I, the classroom is certainly a lot louder now.

In Literacy, students are learning how to write procedures. We started this week off by writing a procedure on how to make a bowl of cereal. It was interesting to see how much cereal was added to bowls. Our word of the week is thumb, with the Preps learning two sentences which they are excited about. The Ones and Twos are focusing on words that have 'th' as in thumb.

In Maths, we have started our maths rotation groups again with each group spending time with me. When students are working with me, we are learning new concepts and extending our knowledge on number facts.

In Integrated Studies, our theme for this term is Under the Sea. We are going to be learning about different sea animals, levels of the ocean and beach safety and more. Students started off the unit writing an A to Z list of what you can find under the sea.

A sidenote of recent footy results, how good were my Lions against the Tigers!!! Go Lions!!

## **Mr Holt**

I had a strange day yesterday when I experienced a mysterious allergic reaction and my face, lips and eyes all swelled up. By the time I got to school I was looking a bit like the Michelin Man and Mrs Clarkson suggested I go to the hospital and get it checked out. While I looked worse than normal I had no pain or other symptoms. I spent the day in the hospital getting all sorts of tests and treatments before being allowed to go home, with a course of steroids and antihistamines to take. Thank you to Mrs Clarkson who looked after the Yr 3-4s for the day and reported that they were very good, and showed a lot of concern for my welfare which is lovely to hear. I'm still puffy around the eyes, (perhaps compounded by the after-effects of Geelong's loss to Port in the first final?).

Science was a bit disrupted by school photos on Monday but the Yr 3-6s will have another week of "It's Electrifying" while the Yr P-2s will be looking at things growing in the life cycle. I will send home a note asking the children to bring in a copy of a photo of them as a baby.

In class this week we will continue writing discussion texts on the topic of "Is x fruit better than y fruit?" with a fruit salad of choices being suggested. Our spelling words are plurals for words ending in y such as ponies, plays and journeys, which shows it's not always straight-forward. In reading we will continue the class novel "Sick Bay" which deals with a sensitive subject around growing up.

In maths the students are all up to date with Mathsplus and have achieved at or above standard results in their diagnostics, well done to everyone. I am preparing to teach a series of lessons on problem-solving strategies as part of my teacher registration inquiry question so there will be a few different and extra topics covered in the process.

Go Cats against the Magpies on Saturday night!