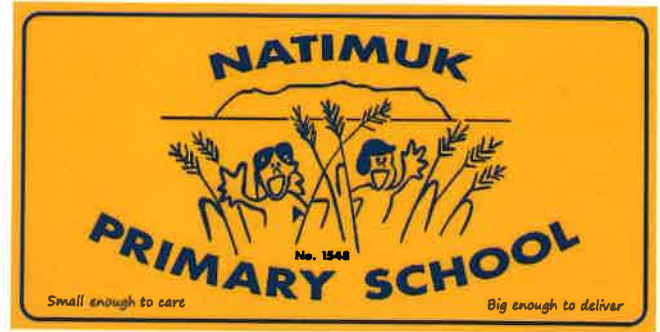


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11 November 2020

### DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday 17th November	School Council meeting, 5.30pm National Hotel
Friday 13th November	Parent Opinion Survey closes
Thursday 19th November	Book Club due

#### Emma Kealy Christmas Card Design

Not many permission forms have been returned. If you have a form at home can it be returned as soon as possible please.

#### Concreting the Lizard

We will be finishing the concreting next week and will be looking for volunteers to help with assembling the mosaics the following week. If you are interested in helping let us know and we can contact you when we are about to start.

#### Parent Opinion Survey

A letter was sent via email to all families with a link to the survey. The survey is to be completed by this Friday. I am hoping you will find time to participate in it and have resent the link. Thank you to those who have completed it to date. The data is extremely valuable to us to determine any changes or improvements we can make to our school curriculum and environment.

#### Gardener

We are well aware that our school surrounds are looking a bit scraggly and untidy so have employed Lyndon to spruce it up. He is very keen to have the school looking great again and so are we.

#### Year 6 Transition

Heather Deayton and Bonita O'Brien from Horsham College came on Monday to chat to the students about going to the College. It gave all students a chance to ask questions and put some fears to rest. The state transition day is Tuesday December 8.

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

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

**Student Modules - I 'm not a bully, I'm not a victim, Words don't hurt, I didn't mean it**  
(Information for adults available online - [education.vic.gov.au](http://education.vic.gov.au) bullystoppers)

## Rock Climbing

The Year 5 and 6s will be rock climbing on Monday November 30 from 9.00am to 1.00pm. We will need parent helpers to make this event possible. If you can help please contact the school. You do not need a student in Year 5 or 6 to help.

Ingrid Clarkson

## Mrs Clarkson

This week in Numeracy and Literacy the students have been undergoing quite a few end of year tests. Even though they hate tests they have been quite fantastic about it. We have explained the purpose of testing and they do them obligingly. The results have been very uplifting considering they have spent quite some time away from the school setting.

Questions in the test have led to teaching moments as algebra seemed to pop up regularly. A number of other more advanced mathematical equations have been explained but it was decided to leave that until high school!



### BOOK CLUB

Brochures for issue 8 out today. Please order online via LOOP.

No orders will be accepted at school.

Ordering closes on Thursday 19th November.

### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Freya Jones—for displaying great confidence and working independently. You have developed great skills to keep you learning forever.



Larry Ellis—for always using his past knowledge to complete tasks to a high standard, demonstrating confidence in his abilities.

## Miss Blake

Yesterday we had the new Preps come to school as part of their transition and what a busy day we had! They worked with this years Preps to learn all about school. They made a fish in Reading Groups and ordered fish from smallest to largest in Maths. The older students taught the Preps how to play some maths games as well. The new Preps are very excited to be coming back in a couple of weeks.

In the afternoon for Wellbeing, we had a crafty lesson about Pete Cromer. He is an artist from Colac who makes great layered pictures of Australian animals. The 3-6 students tried their hand at making one of the animals by cutting and pasting different colours and shapes onto an animal outline. The P-2 students focused their time on colouring a native bird, using only 4 colours to complete. They then painted a watercolour background. The final products will hang on our WOW wall.

Our assessments are drawing to a close, 3 done with 2 reading assessments to come. It has been wonderful to see the progress the students have made despite having spent less time at school. That is a credit to all involved for all the hard work done at school and at home during remote learning.

In PE, the Yr 6 students have taken charge, selecting our warm ups and main activities for each lesson. They have chosen some favourites and some games that they would like to spend more time playing. The P-2 students have been mastering the 2 hand arm strike by playing cricket. Now that we have the hang of which way to hold the bat and how to bowl, there will be some fun times ahead chasing down big scores when we play a match.

## Mr Holt

After the short week last week, it was back to normal routine on Monday, starting with Science. The 3-6s conducted another experiment to test the best conditions for yeast to grow, with impressive results. The P-2s updated their mealworm observations then matched eggs to the animals that laid them.

In Literacy our spelling words contain the graphs eigh and a-e to make the a sound in words like eight and tape. We are continuing to work on exposition texts and together we wrote a convincing argument why people should keep wearing masks until it is safe.

The students have completed several assessments over the last two weeks, in reading, spelling and maths, with some great results being achieved.

In Maths this week we are working on the 'guess and check' strategy in problem solving, fractions, reading maps and subtraction. Our motto when struggling in maths is "I can't do it YET".

One student each day is presenting an interesting fact for "What Day is it?" on Amazing Monday, Dudeday Tuesday, Weird Wednesday or Earthday Thursday. Isla told us that JK Rowling was rejected twenty times before getting her first Harry Potter book published.

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MEMBER FOR LOWAN

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## 2020 Christmas card design – Authorisation form

Student name: .....

School: .....

Year level: .....

Contact person (consenting legal guardian): .....

Contact phone number: .....

Contact email address: .....

I have read and accept the Conditions of Entry below: please tick

Signature: .....

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**Description of image** (25 words or less):

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