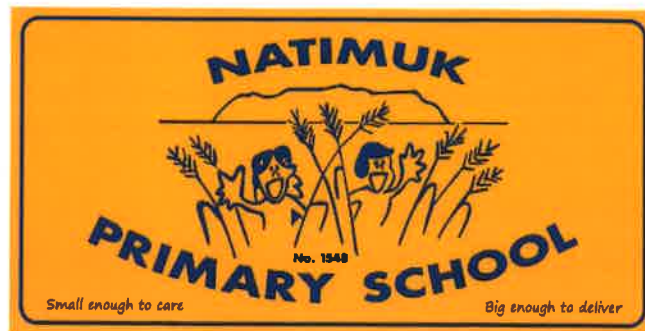


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DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 1 April	Last day of term, 2.30pm dismissal
Monday 19 April	First day of term 2
Wednesday 21 April	Cross Country, 3-6s

Last day of term is Thursday April 1 with a 2.30 finish.

School resumes for Term 2 on Monday April 19

P.A. Easter Egg Raffle

The raffle will be drawn at 2.00pm on Thursday (tomorrow).

Athletic Sports

The juniors had their sports yesterday and had a great win. We had good fortune with the weather and fantastic participation from all the students. Congratulations, well done!

Lizard Mosaic Working Bee

Thank you soooo much to everyone who has helped mosaic the lizard. We had an enormous day last Saturday, which worked in well with the Show. There is still a little more to go but we can definitely see the end. It is an amazing achievement. There will be more working bees next term, ideally I hope this will be finished by the end of term 2.

School Improvement and Modernisation Funding

Our architects Michael and Henry walked around the school last Friday taking measurements. Our next step is to have a workshop, which is in the process of being organised for the week just after Easter. It is important to thrash out ideas especially if the school is to be used by the community. When I have more of an idea of a day and time, all parents and community members will be invited to take part. We will post the day and time on Facebook.

Natimuk Primary School is a RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS Partner School

Term 1. 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

All year 3-6s will go to Haven on Wednesday April 21, to take part in the Cross Country trials. We will spend the day there. Those who qualify will then take part in the HCPSSA Cross Country event the following Tuesday.

HCPSSA Athletic Sports

Those who qualify after this weeks athletic sports will participate in the next level event on Thursday May 6th. Parents will be required to take their children and be responsible for them on the day as they might only be in 1 or 2 events.

Leadership Day

The Year 5 and 6s have been invited to a Leadership Day with Horsham West. The presenter is Lorin Nicholson. It will be held at the **Horsham Church of Christ located at 91 River Road on Tuesday May 4.** This will be a great opportunity for our leaders.

Long Service Leave

I will be on Long Service Leave for two weeks starting on Monday April 26 to Friday May 7. I will be going to Uluru, fingers crossed.

Miss Blake will be Acting Principal while I am away.

Ingrid Clarkson

Mrs Clarkson

We have completed our book and film study on *Storm Boy*. We had mixed reactions to whether or not the film or book was better but could see value in both. It was easier to get emotion across to the audience in the film by choosing music that set the scene and made it sad and by being able to see people's faces and body language. The book also had great description. There were parts put into the film that were not in the book and didn't add any value to the story, that was disappointing. It was a great discussion. The children have entered a *write4fun* competition. The entries close this week. They were very excited to write their stories and did a very good job. They were up at the Show for all to read.

In Maths we have been solving multiplication of large numbers by using the lattice method. The grid has to be drawn first and numbers put around the outside. Once the multiplications are done the numbers on the diagonal are added and there is your answer; simple! Once they got the hang of it, it was very easy.

They have all earned a rest over the holidays. Thanks for a great first term.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Amelia Rasmussen—for being extremely well organised in the mornings with her diary and books and being prepared for her lessons.



Tilley Mathieson—for being well organised in the mornings with all her jobs, always completing her homework and reading every night!

Miss Blake

The last week of the term has arrived and what a busy week it has been so far! Yesterday the junior students participated in the Athletics Sports. All had a great day, made some new friends and we even came away with a win for the Rural team which was an added bonus. There will be some tired little people at school today I imagine!

We have done a number of Easter activities in the classroom, ranging from Easter baskets to lacing to colouring in a bunny. It has been a good way to finish off the term and have some quiet time in the classroom. Students are excited to see if the Easter bunny visits them before the end of term.

Students should be congratulated on a great first term at school and now it is time for them to enjoy the holidays, recharging for a long and busy term 2. Hope that you all have a great break!



Mr Holt

Wow, first term is almost over, time flies when you're having fun but I'm sure we're all looking forward to the holidays. Talking of which, this week we discussed the history and meaning of Easter, including the insight that the word holiday derives from the phrase "holy day" and that the eggs we all enjoy are symbolic of new life.

The 3-4s are all at the senior sports day in Horsham today, I wish them all the best of luck in their events and look forward to hearing about their exploits when they return.

In Science the 3-6s saw first-hand evidence that fire needs oxygen to burn and that CO₂ is very effective in extinguishing fire. The P-2s finished the term by investigating ink and finding out which types break down when absorbed on filter paper.

In Literacy the students are finishing their narrative writing. Amber and Amelia have been particularly enthusiastic, with their stories running to several pages. Our spelling words this week feature 'l' as in lovely and development.

In Maths students are working hard to get their units finished and complete the first diagnostic. A small group who've completed the term's work have been stretched this week with a puzzle based on football scores and multiplication. Congratulations to Riley, Jo, Amber and Larry who cracked the puzzle after two days of solid effort. A reward awaits.

Also up for grabs are Easter eggs for any student who gets 100% in their 6x table test tomorrow. I hope they are as motivated in their learning as they are in hunting African animals hidden around the classroom!

Thanks for a great term kids and I hope you have a happy, safe and blessed Easter.