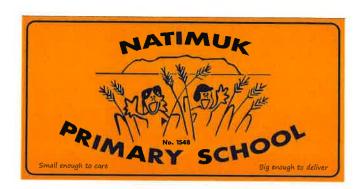
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DATES TO REMEMBER	
Monday 15 November	School Photos
Tuesday 16 November	School Council Meeting, 6.30pm at Nati Pub
Thursday 18 November	P-2 Sleepover
Tuesday 7 December	One Up Day
Wednesday 15 December	School Concert

# **Reminder: School Photos on Monday**

Mrs Clarkson is away today assisting with a School Review in Cavendish.

Please note the school concert will be held outside at school. Anyone attending needs to be double vaccinated for covid-19 and will need to show their certificate upon entry (unless already on file at school). These are requirements of the Victorian Government and Department of Education and we need to comply.

## **AUDIENCE NEEDED**

Black Hole Theatre, together with film maker Tracey Rigney and our very own Dave Jones, Jillian Pearce and ex Natimuk PS student Pearl, have been in creative development, working on a beautiful puppet performance featuring some of the unique local wildlife.

On Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 3pm, we need an audience of people between 5 and 8 years old or thereabouts, to experience the performance we have developed and give us some feedback on parts of the play you love, bits that you think should be changed, or any other ideas.

If you can come to this free performance (about 35 minutes) at the Soldiers Memorial Hall, please RSVP by sending Mrs French a text on 0434343229.

# Natimuk Primary School is a Respectful Relationships Partner School

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

I 'm not a bully - It is important to be careful that what is "joking" to you is not hurtful to someone else

(Information for adults available online - education.vic.gov.au bullystoppers)

### Mr Holt

This week has been all about assessments. The 3-4s have completed a range of maths and literacy tests including spelling, reading, language and word knowledge. Some of the assessments have been online, others have been on paper and so far most of the results have been quite encouraging. It can be a stressful time and some kids have made it clear they haven't enjoyed the process while others have relished the experience. With the end of the school year rapidly approaching the assessments are essential in order to write their reports.

In Science the 3-6s examined different fruits and learnt about the transition from flowers to fruit in the life cycle of plants. The P-2s went on an ant hunt and spent time observing their behaviour as they follow trails, interact and communicate with one another and work tirelessly to gather food for the colony.

Apart from doing literacy tests we have been learning about poetry and considering different types of poems. It has allowed the students to express their creativity and imagination and we've held a couple of poetry slams at the end of lessons so that they can share their writing. Hutch won the vote with a poem written in a rap style while Amber has produced a number of excellent pieces that showcase her use of rhyme and her sense of humour.

In Maths students are working hard to complete the Mathsplus syllabus and do their final diagnostics. This week they will do some hands-on measuring of mass and volume with a couple of big bags of oranges I picked from a neighbour's tree. They'll calculate the price per kilo in a fluctuating market and then try and measure the amount of liquid they contain as we juice them and finish the week with chilled freshly squeezed orange juice.

#### Miss Blake

The last two weeks have been a hive of activity in the classroom with the students completing a number of assessments. The Year 2 students have worked particularly hard, completing a number of new assessments. All students have done extremely well and it has been great to see so much growth from the start of the year.

In Spelling this week, the Preps are learning the word swan. They made a paper plate swan and we watched *The Ugly Duckling* by Walt Disney on the whiteboard. They thought this was very funny to watch. The Ones and Twos are focusing on words that have 'a' as in banana and after.

Students have completed their procedure writing unit and now we are moving onto narratives. This is always an exciting time as students can write about whatever they like and there are some interesting stories for sure.

In Wellbeing, students continued their author study on Stephen Michael King. Yesterday we looked at the books, *Atticus Van Tasticus* and *Snail and Turtle are Friends*.

#### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

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Eva Stamer—for showing great confidence in completing work independently. Great results in recent testing.



Elliott Heard—for his great confidence when completing new tests for the first time, using his past knowledge to help him complete them. Well done!

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