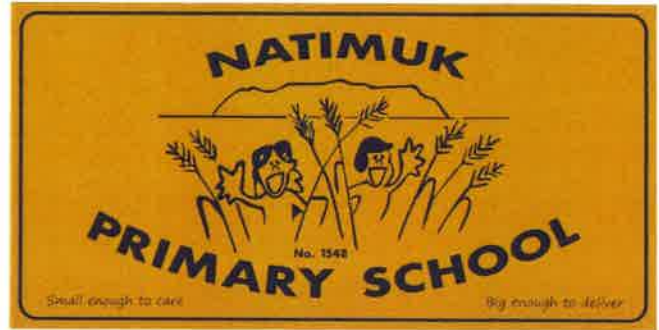


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DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 17 November	Naracoorte Caves Excursion
Tuesday 22 November	Final School Council Meeting Pub 6.30pm
Thursday 24 November	Junklandia Excursion, 3-6
Thursday 24 November	Bookclub Due

Excursion to Naracoorte

Please be on time tomorrow for our excursion as the bus will leave at 9.00am so we can be on time in S.A. for our activities. Be mindful of the weather and bring a jacket. (food, water and snacks too)

Assessments

The assessments are going extremely well. The children are actually quite excited about doing them.

School Review

We had the first day of our review yesterday. While it was a full on day it was very productive. The reviewers watched the teachers teach and had a chat to the children to ask about their learning. The 3 - 6s had a group chat with the reviewers about the school in general which was very positive.

The last day of our review is on Monday next week. I will invite parents in for a chat with the reviewers.

Transition Program

The Prep 1/2s visited the kinder on Monday as part of the kinder transition program. The children also love visiting the kinder as it reminds them of when they were there. The 5/6s will visit the kinder a bit later in the year.

Uniform

The weather at the moment isn't helpful when deciding what to wear for the day. On some of our warmer days we had more children wearing shorts or skorts. It might be a good time to check if the clothing is the right size as we like to see the children comfortable when they play and especially when they sit on the floor. Clothing that is too tight or too small is not only uncomfortable for the wearer but can be uncomfortable for those who have to sit alongside or opposite them.

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Term 4. 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 bullystoppers)

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Mrs Clarkson

In Literacy we have discussed and completed a number of questions about the text, *Follow That Spy*. The children have shown they have a great memory for detail about the characters and the events that took place. We have learnt that it is easier to join in discussions if you have read the book. Next we will summarise which means we will have to find the main events in the story. Our writing genre this month is poetry. We are looking at structured and unstructured poems. As it was thundering last week we chose that as the theme for our poems.

Comments the class made during the storm made for a great little poem:

I hear the rain pounding on the roof
I see the lightning flashing through the window
There will be no play outside today

Zarnie

Another flash from the lightning
The lightning was very frightening
The thunder was very loud
There were dark clouds

Riley

I saw another flash.
I heard another clash.
I saw the rain.
Splashing on the pane.

In Maths we revisited how to do percentages and multiplying decimals. Percentages are very easy when you are asking for 10%, 20% etc... when the number ends in a zero. For other numbers like 25% or 75% we have to work with fractions. When we multiplied the decimals we remembered to just multiply the numbers first then add the decimal back in to the answer at the end.

In Integrated Studies the 3 – 6s having been looking at how the dinosaurs have adapted to their environment. The children have been making their dinosaur in Art and have been transforming their shoe box into an environment for their dinosaur. When complete they will have a diorama showing how their dinosaur adapted to its environment. Thanks Mrs. French.

Miss Blake

This week the Preps are learning the word *hair* and the sentence 'My friend sat in the chair for a hair cut'. The Ones and Twos have a week of revision words and words commonly spelt wrong in their writing. Our poetry unit will see us write alliterations on Friday. An alliteration is a sentence where all the words start with the same letter. It is going to be a bit of a challenge.

In Maths this week students are focusing on addition and subtraction, equal or not equal and number patterns. In a few weeks students will be completing a week long unit on place value, working on hundreds, tens and ones. It is so great to how much they have all grown since the start of the year, from the amount of numbers they can read to what they can count up to.

In Wellbeing it was all about cooking. We made a vanilla tray cake which was very light and fluffy. It was great to follow the procedure of making a cake after all the procedure writing we have been doing in class. There were a lot of steps for us to follow with making the cake and icing as well.

No Integrated Studies this week because of MARC Van and our excursion. Our next lesson will be about making a rocket that shoots into the sky using film canisters and alka seltzer tablets. It should be a very exciting lesson!

