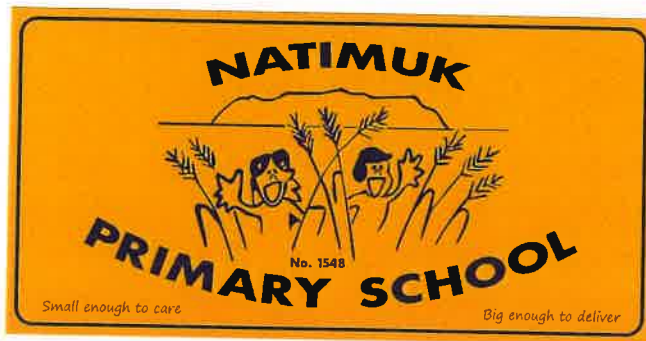


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DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 2 March	3-6 Swimming
Wednesday 8 March	Kowree Swim Sports
Monday 13 March	Public Holiday
Thursday 16 March	Parent Teacher Interviews

School Council Elections

We Need You!

The process for establishing a School Council has begun. New members are definitely needed to ensure we have the numbers on the council to do our work effectively. Nomination forms are available at the office if you are interested in becoming a member of the council. We have 8 meetings a year; 2 per term. It is not an arduous task and you do not have to know anything about policies or finance.

The March School Council meeting we will be an AGM to announce Office Bearers then followed by a general meeting. If you are a new member you will not take on an office bearer position.

Fundraising for Year 6 Art - skateboards

Last week we reported that the Year 6s did some fundraising but fell a little short of their target but thanks to a generous donation the children have made their target. Thank you so much for your contribution.

Working With Children Check

If you are intending to perform any type of voluntary work at the school you will need a working with children check. The protection of children from sexual or physical harm is the paramount consideration for requiring the check. A copy of the WWCC needs to be held at the school.

To apply, log on to the 'Apply for a Check' website and follow the instructions. The check is valid for five years, if you currently have one and it is due to expire it is necessary to apply for a new one before the expiry date.

If you have any other inquiries please contact us or the working with children check support line - 1300 852 879.

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Term 1. Respect

Knowing our rights and responsibilities. Care enough to think about others feelings before you act.

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Kowree Swimming Sports

The sports for selected students will be held on Wednesday March 8th at the Goroke swimming pool. As the events start at 10.30am precisely the children should be at Goroke swimming pool by 10.00am so we can set up and ensure they are ready to swim. As I will be the only teacher and have to give out the place tags can I ask if the parents who are attending can help get the children to the end of the pool for their events please. A program will be available soon. We have done our best to give each child as many swims as we can.

Please let me know what your travel plans will be on the day. If parents are able to drive other children can you meet at school by 9.00am to leave school by 9.15am please, let me know who is going with you. I appreciate your support on this day.

Permission forms have been sent home today.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on Thursday 16 March. An appointment schedule will be sent home today. Return your forms promptly, they will be processed as they arrive.

Ingrid Clarkson


Mrs Clarkson

We have finished our first reading text, First Light and as we are heading towards an important date, April 25th, we will be reading information about WW1. For our recounts this week we wrote letters to an important person in the students lives which I hope they gave them or posted to them. I will be interested to hear if they got a response.


The Year 6s were responsible for making pancakes and milo on Tuesday and they did a great job, no complaints. Pancakes are always very tasty and the money raised will go towards their fundraising project at the end of the year.

In Maths our focus this week is multiplication. This is a very complex operation which needs constant focus as simple mistakes are often made. To be successful the children came up with a number of ideas but remembering to put the zeroes in to show you are multiplying by tens and hundreds is often forgotten. Times tables are also needing constant work so they come more naturally when working on equations.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Elliott—for listening hard to instructions to ensure he understands each task thoroughly and persisting when faced with challenges.



Elvira Laing-Smith—for settling into a new classroom and school well, making new friends along the way.

Miss Blake

It's hard to believe that we are half way through first term already! This week all students have been revising words from the past 4 weeks of work. The Preps have been working hard with learning to write and learning some sight words. The Ones and Twos have been building on what they already know. Our unit on recounts is finished and next we will move onto narratives.

Maths this week has us playing Towers as a warm up game. The Preps have been learning which numbers are rolled more often, finding out that it's not good to have towers on 2 or 12 as they are hard to roll because there is only one way to make them on the dice. The Ones and Twos are working on skip counting, addition and 2D shapes while the Preps are revising the numbers to 5.

In Wellbeing students finished their page for our class book based on the story that we read, *Stanley*. The next book that we will be focusing on is *Accidentally Kelly St*, which is based on the 90s song. We will also be doing some Easter cooking closer to the end of term.

Mrs Hausler

In Literacy this week, we have continued with reading group tasks and have pushed ourselves to extend our levels of independence with these. We have added a couple of new activities to grade four rotations; Mrs Wordsmith, where we learn new words and Kids News, an online news page with interactive quizzes and comprehension questions. We continue to build reading stamina in independent reading. Our class reading goals are to get started immediately and use all allocated time to practise reading skills. We are completing our final "My Life Highlights" recount text this week. This topic has allowed all of us to engage with the task, as we have been able to draw on any past experiences we may have had to recount.

In Numeracy, we are using the week to delve deeper into Place Value to give us further opportunities to refine our rounding skills, expand numbers, order numbers, write numbers in words, model numbers with MABs and determine the value of digits. We have been playing Numberle as a warm-up and are becoming so good that Mrs Hausler cannot beat us.

In Science, the P-2 class completed a 'Silly Eggs' lesson. We observed eggs cooked in various ways, such as hard-boiled, scrambled, poached, etc., and compared these with raw eggs. We used our senses of smell and sight to determine whether the changes were reversible. We also looked at pictures of eggs in 'silly scenarios', e.g. being cooked with a candle or in the fridge and had to correct the problem part of the pictures. The 3-6 class finalised our experiment on what happens to various liquids when we remove heat. We discovered that each liquid froze at different points, and learnt the term *viscosity*.





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Dear Parents

On Thursday 16th March, we will be holding parent/ teacher interviews. This will be a normal school day for the children.

Interviews will be of 10 minutes duration. If you require more time with the teacher please schedule another interview.

Please select a time that is appropriate for you and we will endeavour to timetable your interviews within the times you have selected. First in first served.

Please return the form by Tuesday 14 March.

A schedule of appointments will be sent home.

Yours faithfully,

Ingrid Clarkson
Principal

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Student Names

Teacher/s (circle teacher)

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Mrs. Clarkson, Miss Blake, Mrs Hausler

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Mrs. Clarkson, Miss Blake, Mrs Hausler

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Mrs. Clarkson, Miss Blake, Mrs Hausler

Times (Please circle)

3.00pm – 3.45pm (Mrs Hausler)

4.00pm – 6.00pm (Miss Blake, Mrs Hausler &/or Mrs Clarkson)

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