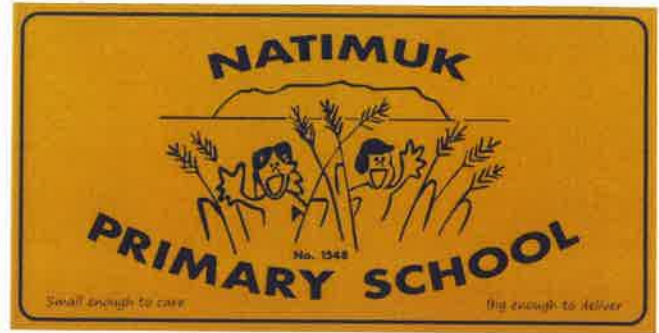


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DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 2 November	P-2 Sleepover
Monday & Tuesday 6-7 November	Melbourne Cup long weekend

No Newsletter next week due to it being a short week

World Teacher's Day

Thank you Zarnie and Amelia for making a lovely gift on behalf of all the students for the teachers in recognition of World Teacher's Day. The personalised jigsaw puzzle was a novel way to deliver the children's thoughts about the teachers. Thank you teachers for the wonderful work you do.

3 - 6 Camp

The camp was fantastic. All of the children attended the camp and participated in all of the activities. We did have 'rest and relax' on the itinerary, which the children asked for, but it didn't happen; there was far too much to do. The camp was at Cave Hill Creek, Horsham side of Beaufort and was a very stunning venue. Qualified teachers took us for the high risk events and it was fully catered. The glamping tents were very comfortable but probably a bit chilly especially overnight. Some of the activities the children did were - map reading, which took them all over the camping grounds, possum gliding, where they were in harnesses and were pulled 14metres in the air, they could swing if they chose, (it took a lot of courage but they all challenged themselves), archery and crate stacking, which again saw them in a harness as they had to stack crates on top of each other and climb up as they went. This highest stack was 10 crates by Joe and Tilley.

As if they hadn't had enough aerial activities the next one was the giant ladder. Ten slippery pine poles were lashed about 60cms apart and the children had to climb to the top. It took all of their strength and resolve as fear and tired or jelly legs became their biggest hurdle. It was impressive to see most of the children climb to top or even climb one pole more than they thought they could. Bouldering was something they were very familiar with.

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Term 4. 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)

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On our last day we built huts using the biggest limbs available and finished with canoeing. After telling everyone to be extremely careful and not tip the boats it was me that nearly ended up in the water. Our evening activities of a disco and games night really tired everyone and they slept very well. Thanks to Bryce and Mrs. Hausler for all of their help and support during the camp.

Prep/1/2 Sleepover

The Prep/1/2s will have their sleepover tomorrow night. They have been talking about it for weeks and are very excited. Miss Blake has activities planned for them, they should have a lot of fun.

Natimuk Nursing Home

A special afternoon was planned with the residents on Tuesday afternoon. Pictures and story will be in the next newsletter.

Pupil Free Monday and Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday

It is a pupil free day on Monday as well so enjoy your 4 day weekend.

Ingrid Clarkson



Mrs Clarkson

In Literacy, we will continue reading *Deltora Quest*, we started the second half. A lot of excitement is building as we anxiously wait to find out what happens next. There are a number of gems that need to be found so we will find out what significance each gem has and what the importance of that gem is to the story. The story has been so enthralling we have managed to read 2 chapters per day.

In Mathematics we are learning about mean, mode, median and range. These concepts are often spoken about and used in general conversations about the weather and sport but what do they mean. We looked at 'mean' first, it means 'average'. We used gymnastics as our first example where a number of judges give a score but it is averaged out to give you one score, also the number of goals you kicked in a footy season divided by the number of games played will give you an average number of goals per game. We don't often use the term 'mean' but we still have to know what to do when we read it in our maths problems.

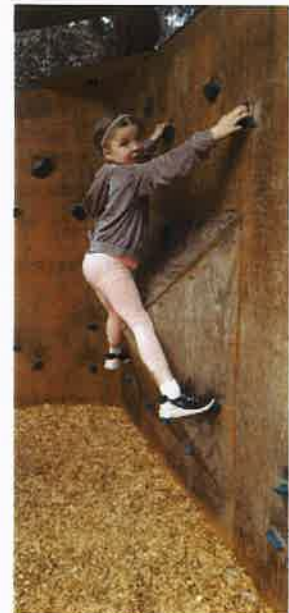
Miss Blake

The week of the sleepover has finally arrived! Students are very excited about our event tomorrow night. A few nerves are around as some students are having their first night away from home. It is going to be a great night complete with a BBQ dinner and movie.

The Preps are learning the word *swan* and the sentences 'Where can I see a swan? what do they look like?'. The Ones and Twos are focusing on words that have a as in banana. Students have completed their fairy bread writing and will now write about how to make humble pie like in our novel *Runt*.

In Maths we have been playing Spingo along with the Pevan and Sarah videos. We have sung songs about months of the year and skip counting. Students are getting closer to finishing their set work for the year. We will then complete a week long unit on Place Value.

In PE the 3-6 students have wrapped up their unit on Tennis. The Yr 6 students now have the opportunity to plan and deliver a PE lesson for the rest of the class. They need to select a warm up game and 2 activities to complete during the time. The P-2 students will have a couple more weeks learning the fundamentals of Tennis, working on their racquet control and hitting the ball over the net.



Mrs Hausler

After a fantastic week at camp, we are back to our busy schedule. This time of year can be quite hectic, but we are using our most effective work habits to make progress whenever we can.

We've resumed our novel study of '*Runt*.' This week, we discussed the meaning of the word 'humble' and completed a vocabulary exercise related to it. This led us to our writing task, where we're creating our own humble pie recipes similar to those featured in the book.

In Numeracy, we've revisited the concept of time, covering both digital and analogue time-keeping, as well as timetables. Grade four students have learned how to multiply by ten and one hundred, both with whole and decimal numbers. Later in the week, both year levels will continue to explore multiplication and division.

In Science, grade 3-6 students focused on animal classification and were introduced to a branching key for grouping. The P-2 students observed the development of their seedlings. Results were varied, with soil choice seeming to be a significant factor. Next week, we'll discuss variables that may lead to better success and give it another try.

COUNTRY BUSES – ESPECIALLY YEARS 7 & FOUNDATION

Bus application for Term 1 2024 are now open for year 7s & Foundation students, also anyone else changing schools or addresses. Please go to the Student Transport Assistance portal – if your student already travels by bus login and make an application for 2024; if you are new user register first, then once you receive a login by email you can make an application for 2024.

These applications will all be assessed on **November 15** so it is important to have this completed before this date. Applications made after this date will still be assessed but buses may be full and you may have to be wait-listed for a seat.

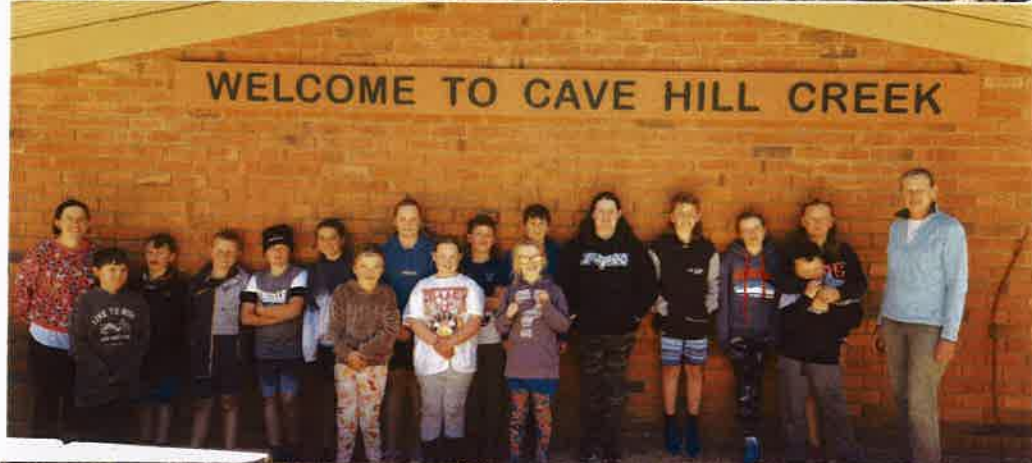
Current users who are not making any changes to school or address next year do not need to do anything yet.

Please address any questions to your school office or the Horsham College Bus Coordinator: buses@horsham-horsham.vic.edu.au or 53817151 Tuesdays & Fridays or to School Bus Administration: School-Bus@education.vic.gov.au



Caroline Cameron

Horsham College Bus Coordinator



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Friday 17th November 12-4pm