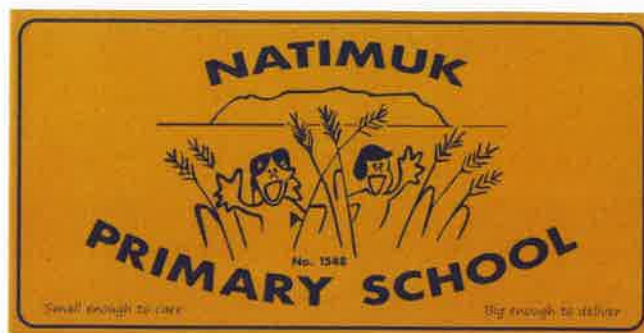


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DATES TO REMEMBER

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| Wednesday 25-Friday 27 October | 3-6 Camp |
| Thursday 2 November | P-2 Sleepover |
| Monday & Tuesday 6-7 November | Melbourne Cup long weekend |

Year 3—6 Camp

We are off today. Everyone is very excited. See you Friday.

Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday

The Monday before the cup day holiday will also be a pupil free day giving you a very long 4 day weekend.

World Teacher's Day

This Friday is World Teacher's Day. I would like to thank and acknowledge the great work our teachers at Natimuk do.

Mrs. French teaches Art and the work the children produce is absolutely outstanding. We value her expertise and enthusiasm to try new things. It is also fantastic that she involves the children in community events.

Yoko Sensai teaches the children Japanese. We are very fortunate to have a fluent Japanese speaker who can guide and support the children in learning a new language. We enjoy that she brings her family experiences in Japan and shares that with all of us. We also love the cooking.

Natimuk Primary School is a Respectful Relationships Partner School

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)

Natimuk Primary School is committed to being a Child Safe school

Mrs. Hausler, whilst relatively new to the team, has brought a wealth of experience and knowledge to the school. She is extremely supportive to staff and students and brings fun and enjoyment to learning.

Miss Blake has been with us for 12 years and has brightened the school with great displays and fancy clothes and earrings. It is always a treat for the children to try and guess if she has a theme going on or not. We appreciate her organisation of school activities and sports and a plethora of other events. Miss Blake loves to bake which she willingly shares with the children on a Tuesday and staff for birthdays and special events.

Mrs Clarkson. Thank you all for your well wishes and thoughts on my receiving my 35 years of service award. I have enjoyed every minute of those years and have had some exciting adventures. Seeing the children grow up and being part of their lives from the time they were born to when they have their own families is very special. I appreciate that everyone keeps in touch and lets me know what they are doing.

Ingrid Clarkson



Mrs Clarkson

In Literacy, we are thoroughly absorbed in our class reading novel, *The Forest of Silence*. We have finished part 1 and will start part 2 when we return from camp but they can't stand the suspense. We have profiled the characters to determine who is the villain, the plus one and who is the antagonist. The children had to determine from the information they have, how they think the story will progress from here. We have had 3 morning teas so far, the children made them on their own with adult supervision and did a fantastic job. The morning teas have been very tasty.

In Mathematics we have dabbled in algebra. The examples have been showing how you replace numbers with letters. They also noticed that BODMAS might also be a factor when working out equations. We completed a variety of number patterns.

Miss Blake

Another week has passed us by and with it, a lot more learning and fun! This week the Preps are learning the word *queen* and the sentence 'The queen had so much fun on her holiday'. They made a picture of the queen going to a famous landmark on her holiday. The Ones and Twos are focusing on words with u as in bull. We are really enjoying our class novel *Runt*, students have been taking notes about the main characters as we go. This is helping to gain a deeper understanding of the text.

Maths at the moment is focused on number patterns and counting on from a selected number. Students have been playing a game called *Race to 100* which is helping with counting on. We have been working hard on mental maths, completing this every day to help with our quick recall of number facts.

In PE all students have been playing tennis. The P-2 students are learning different skills such as holding a racquet and hitting a ball with a partner. The 3-6 students are working on ball control during rallies and playing continuous tennis as a warm up.

In Technology students made yoyo biscuits. They were very easy to make and definitely a crowd pleaser. Only downside to them, is that they were very crumbly!



Mrs Hausler

Our Literacy class has been working on improving the clarity of our procedures. Although the revision process took slightly longer than expected, it taught us the importance of including the correct details in our instructions to ensure our readers can easily comprehend them.

In Numeracy, we reviewed addition, subtraction, and balanced equations before moving on to measurement. We started with measurement number talks to warm up, which helped us think more critically.

Inspired by recent observations in Horsham, where teachers used cold calls to encourage active participation, we are implementing this approach in our classroom. This method ensures equal opportunities for everyone to engage and participate enthusiastically.

In Science class, students in grades 3-6 learned about the differences between plants and animals. Meanwhile, P-2 students were delighted to see that the seeds we had planted a week ago had germinated and were ready to be transplanted into different soil types.

Excitement is in the air as we embark on our shared 'glamping' experience for the remainder of the week.



Holiday Camps

2024

DATES

Malmsbury Camp: Monday 8th - Friday 12th January
City Camp - Monday 15th - Friday 19th January

MALMSBURY

Located in an idyllic bush setting in Central Victoria

- High Ropes Activities
- Canoeing & Swimming
- Archery & Orienteering
- Night Walk, Movie Night, Trivia

CITY

Located in the heart of the Melbourne CBD

- Big Bash & Aus Open
- Pool & Beach
- Melbourne Zoo & Museum
- Eureka Skydeck, Movie Night, Trivia



TRANSPORT

Malmsbury: Doxa facilitated bus transport provided from Melbourne & Bendigo

City: Doxa facilitated bus transport provided from Traralgon / Pakenham & Bendigo

COST

Our holiday camps are FREE.

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