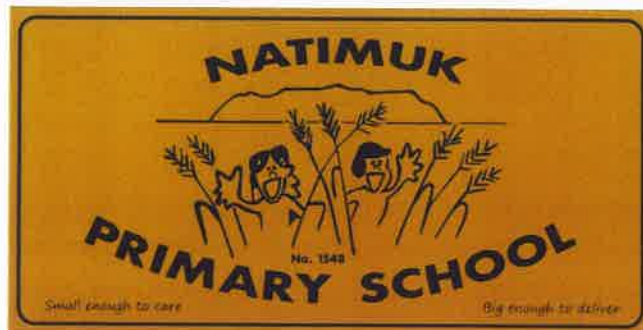


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DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday 19 November	Student Free Day due to building & power
Tuesday 26 November	Last School Council Meeting
Friday 29 November	School Excursion - Halls Gap

Nursing Home Visit

On Tuesday the students had their last visit with the residents from the Nursing Home at the Historical Society. We have had a great year being part of the Intergenerational Program. We were part of a film making process which highlighted the benefits of the interactions between the younger generation with the older generation. The residents thoroughly enjoyed our visits, they looked forward to the children coming and would give them hugs and waves as we said goodbye. The laughter and conversation was at times hilarious as they shared stories. It didn't matter that the residents couldn't hear, couldn't speak or didn't quite understand, the children kept the conversation going by writing on a white board, doing sign language of sorts or gestures, anything to get their message across. Even yelling was appropriate.

I would like to thank Ellen Cowling for her dedication to the residents and the effort she has put into creating the program and the opportunities for the students and the residents. Everyone has had a great time. We can reflect on the animal visits, baby goats, bowling, music, games, reading, creating, the Historical Society and just having a laugh.

We will view the film when it is ready, and look back on a fabulous year of fun and frivolity.

Pupil Free Day

This is a reminder that Tuesday 19, will be a pupil free day due to there being no services available on the day as the switchboard is being changed over.

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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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Miss Blake

This week the Preps are learning the word watch and the sentence 'She looked at her watch before she got into bed'. The Ones and Twos are focusing on words that have the trigraph 'tch' as in watch. We have finished our procedure writing unit and will finish off the year with some narrative writing before diving into Christmas activities when December rolls around.

In PE all students have enjoyed playing tennis the last couple of weeks. We have one more tennis session before the Year 6 students take over and teach a lesson each with a partner. Students have enjoyed learning different skills through games and hitting the ball with a partner. We have lost many a tennis ball though, over the fence into the construction area.

Yesterday we had a big day our visiting places in the community. Firstly, we went to Kinder and spent some time with the students who will be joining us in Prep next year. It is great for everyone to get to know each other. Then we were off to spend some time with our resident buddies from the Nursing Home in our last visit of the year. Students love spending time with their buddies and sharing stories of their lives with each other.



Mrs Hausler

This week, during our study of *Ivan* we learned the word "agitated." With the babies' arrival, we have reached the most exciting part of the story. We completed comprehension activities based on the text and nonfiction exercises about gorillas in captivity. In the coming weeks, we will conduct several assessments to evaluate our progress over the semester.

In Maths, we are finishing our core learning and focusing on division, which is a challenging topic for some students. Our goal is to ensure a solid understanding of all operations by the end of the year. Additionally, we practised balancing equations using the equals sign, as well as the "does not equal," "greater than," and "less than" symbols.

In Science, the older students experimented to determine the best temperature for yeast activity. We discovered that yeast produces carbon dioxide and alcohol under the right conditions, which inflated our balloons. Meanwhile, the younger students studied worms and are preparing to create a mini worm farm using soft-drink bottles next week.



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