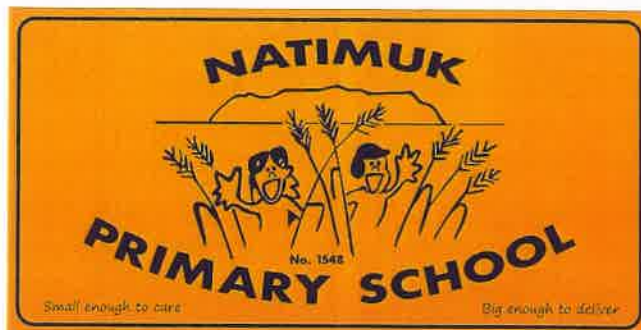


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DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 21 February	Welcome BBQ
Thursday 27 February	3-6 swimming
Monday 3 March	5-6 Leadership Day
Tuesday 4 March	Kowree Swimming Sports
Monday 10 March	Public Holiday

Welcome BBQ

The welcome BBQ is on this Friday night. Thank you to those who have returned your notes, it looks like we will have a lovely evening. Return notes by Thursday please so I can do the catering

Parent Information Night

The night will not go ahead but those who have expressed an interest will be contacted to arrange a time to meet. We endeavour to provide you with as much information as possible via newsletters, Facebook, diary notes and forms that go home. Please contact us anytime to ensure you know what is happening.

School Council Elections

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. New members are most welcome.

At the March School Council meeting we will hold an AGM to announce Office Bearers then follow that with a general meeting.

We are looking for more members to join our school council. It is not an arduous task and you do not have to know anything about policies or finance.

Natimuk Primary School is a Respectful Relationships Partner School

Term 1. Rules! Rules! Rules!

Through games and real life scenarios, the children will be introduced to the concept of rules and why they are needed. The children will be involved in developing rules for our school and their class to create a happy and supportive learning environment.

Natimuk Primary School is committed to being a Child Safe school

Professional Development

The Education Department have a mental health initiative which our school is engaging in. At times the classes will have a replacement teacher so the staff can complete the modules of learning that are required. We will endeavour to complete all the modules with as little disruption as possible.

Year 5 and 6 Leadership Day - Climb Your Own Mountain

Year 5 and 6 students have been invited to attend a Leadership day put on by Horsham West Primary School on Monday March 3. The day will have 4 components - a motivational performance by the presenter Lorin Nicholson, who has his own challenges to overcome, Keys for personal leadership, interactive leadership and team building activities and a Climb Your Own Mountain workshop.

Printing School Logos

The printing has been done, very promptly by Schmid-tees. The children received them on Monday and invoices were sent home via the class rooms.

Kowree Swimming Sports

Kowree swimming sports will be held at the Goroke pool on Tuesday March 4. Notes will go home closer to the date. Children in years 3—6 are eligible for these sports but must be able to swim confidently and without stopping for 25m. We are assisting our swimmers to achieve that goal so they can participate. The children can enter either 50m or 25m but not both. Parents will need to drive their children on the day and can stay and support them.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Tahlia Hateley—for being well organised right from the start enabling her to settle quickly to task.



Willow Hateley—for her great start to Year One, being organised in the mornings and helping with the Preps.



Miss Blake

Another big week of learning in our classroom. The Preps are learning the word *tin* and the sentence 'It is in the big tin'. The Ones and Twos are focusing on words that have the i as in tin sound. The Preps are very excited to be learning how to read new words each week and how to write new letters for handwriting.

In Maths this week we have been completing daily review PowerPoints. They have been about same or different and number and colour patterns. The Preps are making their way through the numbers, learning about the number 3. The Ones and Twos are working on skip counting patterns, addition to 20 and place value.

In Technology the older students finished their birds of encouragement and completed a sheet on what goals they would like to achieve in the classroom this year. The younger students wrote about what they would like to learn this year. They are very excited about being about to finally cook in the new staffroom next week.

We are looking forward to our annual Teddy Bear's picnic tomorrow at playtime! Teddies are being carefully chosen for the day and special food is being made.

Mrs Hausler

It has been a fantastic week in our classroom!

This week, our reading tasks focused on developing background knowledge about the underlying themes in "Uncle Xbox." We worked in mixed-ability groups to research various texts that introduce the topic of British colonization of Australia, specifically its effects on First Nations Australians. We will continue this research later in the week, which will help us connect with the text on a deeper level.

In writing, we are busy drafting our recount texts about the "worst day ever." We have some excellent pieces taking shape, incorporating exaggeration, embellishments, and additional details!

In Maths, we have hit the ground running with multiplication. Our focus for the rest of the term will be on the times tables for twos, threes, fives, and tens. We will work on memorising these tables and using various thinking and problem-solving strategies to tackle more challenging problems.

In Science, the 3-6 students explored the concept of melting. They conducted an experiment to determine the fastest way to melt an ice cube. Students had fun testing various theories, such as placing the ice cube in their mouths, using hot water, applying friction with their hands, and wrapping the cube in cloth. This experiment will continue next Monday. Meanwhile, the P-2 students revisited the objects they explored in the schoolyard and created a map showing the main parts of that area.

Mrs Clarkson

In Maths our focus this week is percentages. The children work out the percentage of work correct on their Maths pages. They use a calculator as it gets the job done quickly but we are also learning how to manually work out percentage. We are looking at short cuts to calculate percentage of a number if they both end in zeroes, such as 20% of 40. It is great that the Year 6s have remembered a lot of what they learnt last year. Every day the children do a times table quiz and will determine which times table needs more attention. This is part of their goal setting.

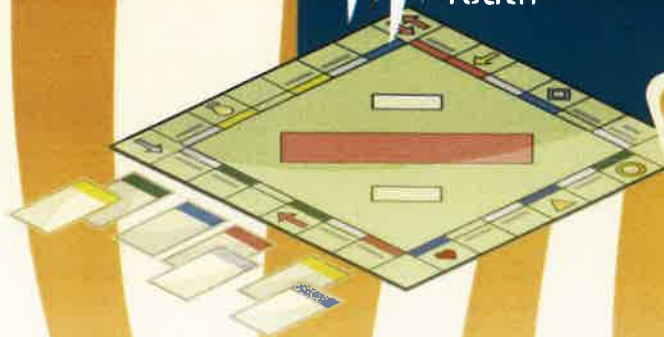
Open House

The Station will be open to come and hangout every Thursday for all young people (10 - 25) during the school term from 4pm - 6pm

Come chill in our big comfy beanbags on your own or with your friends, watching a movie or listening to music.

Snacks and other activities also available

'The Station' - 16 Pynsent Street Horsham



YOUTH NATURE CREW IS BACK FOR 2025!



Thursday February 27th
Horsham Angling Club
4.30pm - 6.00pm



Register Here

Help us celebrate 'Clean up Australia Day' and have a say on the activities you would like to see in 2025



Youth nature crew is a nature and outdoors group for young people aged 10 to 18

