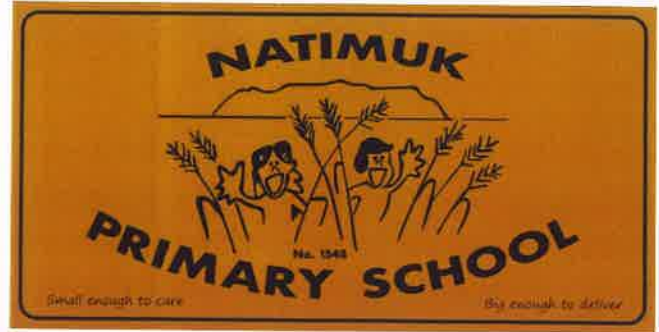


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DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 2 May	Free Dress Friday, 50c
Wednesday 7 May	Athletics, selected students
Wednesday 7 May	Maths Olympics, Year 5 & 6
Thursday 8 May	Book Club orders due
Friday 9 May	Mothers Day Pamper Session 2pm

Welcome back to term 2.

Welcome to term 2 after our long break; school holidays punctuated with a short school week and then a long weekend. It was a great time to recharge the batteries. We are looking forward to a hard working term.

School Council

We held our Annual General Meeting last term and elected our Office Bearers. Congratulations to Bryce Hateley who is our School Council President and welcome to Aaron Emmerson as a council member.

Junior School Council

The Junior School Council ran a free dress day at the end of last term to raise funds for the Royal Children's Hospital Appeal. Thank you to everyone for your donations, the Junior School Council raised \$58.00.

ANZAC Day

Thank you to all those who came to the ANZAC Day service. It was a great representation of Natimuk Primary School with the Year 6 students feeling proud to lay the wreaths.

Natimuk Primary School is a Respectful Relationships Partner School

Term 2 Decision making - stay or go

After establishing the rules of the game if it is still being played unfairly decide whether to stay or go. Can you make a change?

Natimuk Primary School is committed to being a Child Safe school

Mother's Day Pamper Afternoon

The students have taken home invitations to invite their mum, grandma or other special person to enjoy a pamper afternoon on Friday May 9th for a special Mother's Day celebration. Please reply if you are able to come.

Year 3 - 6 Camp

The Year 3 - 6 students will be going to Sovereign Hill, Ballarat, for the school camp this year. The dates for the camp are June 18 - 20 (Wednesday to Friday). Details of cost will be sent home soon keeping in mind that this will be an expensive camp. We will be staying on site and will be participating in as many activities as we can. It is a fantastic experience and links perfectly to our Integration Studies theme of Gold.

Athletic Sports

All the children enjoyed the athletic sports with Horsham West and Haven. It was a great opportunity to compete against other students and enjoy the social side of the event. The next inter-school sports day is on Wednesday May 7 for selected students only. Logan, Isabel, Tahlia, Ava and Elliott will be going to the inter-school sports.

Cross Country

The cross country event has snuck up on us very quickly leaving us little time for practise. We are going across to the oval to get in a few laps. Logan, Elliott, Ava, Isabel and Tahlia will be competing in Horsham on Wednesday.

Maths Olympics

The year 5 and 6s will be going to Horsham to compete in the Maths Olympics on Wednesday May 7. We will have 2 teams, although they won't be complete for the entire day, which will make the day more challenging. The students are really keen to give it their best shot.

Ingrid Clarkson



Mrs Clarkson

In Maths we needed to get reacquainted with our times tables and general addition and subtraction facts. We also looked at the various ways division is presented. There are different styles and strategies for solving division equations so we explored as many as we could. Finding the average often appears in our problem solving and takes us by surprise so we looked at how that is a form of division when you have a lot of information.



Mrs. Hausler

We've had a fantastic start to the week, with everyone back on board and ready for a full week of learning!

In **Literacy**, we've begun exploring *the art of persuasion*. Students have started brainstorming ideas for a major piece of persuasive writing, and we're looking forward to seeing where their creativity takes them. This term, reading will be done in smaller groups, with Mrs. Clarkson supporting some of the older students. Yesterday, we discussed how to read effectively in a group and created a class anchor chart to remind us of the key strategies.

In **Maths**, we've kicked off the term by revisiting subtraction, multiplication, and statistics. We're continuing to review number concepts to help students distinguish between operations and strengthen their overall understanding.

This term in **Science**, we're diving into *Earth and Space Sciences*. The older students will be focusing on the concept of *night and day*, while the younger students will explore *weather* and how it affects our daily lives.

Every Day Counts

The importance of regular school attendance.

At **Natimuk Primary School**, we prioritise regular school attendance. We will work with families to ensure students are in class with their peers and teachers and enjoying all the benefits that brings.

Attending school every day means experiencing what counts – the learning, friendship, fun and opportunities that can shape your child's future.

We understand that there are times when your child will need to miss school but to ensure minimal disruption to their education, please consider scheduling family holidays or medical/dental appointments outside of school time. If your child is well enough to attend but is worried about friendships, schoolwork or exams, please encourage them to come to school. Avoiding school can make these feelings worse and can create a negative pattern of behaviour.

If your child is having difficulty attending school, talk to their teacher about getting support.

We know that parents and carers can be juggling challenges daily to get your children to school. If your child must miss school, notify us as soon as possible via text or email] so we can work together to support them.

For more information about the importance of everyday attendance, see [Attendance and Missing School](#).

Remember, **Every Day Counts**.



INGRID CLARKSON

Principal