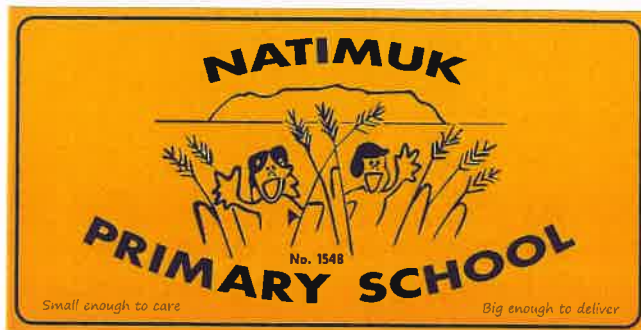


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DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 11 October	Whole School Excursion 'Runt'
Friday 11 October	Samaritans Purse gifts due
Thursday 17 October	Book Club due
Tuesday 22 October	School Council meeting 7.30pm

Samaritan's Purse

Thank you to those who have brought their gifts in already. Miss Blake has organised a girls gift box and a boys gift box for the Prep/1/2 class, the 3/4 class and for the teachers. The children have taken home information about the boxes and what type of gift each child is contributing to the box. The box is the size of a shoebox and up to 7 little gifts have to fit into one box. You will need to be mindful of the size of the gift.

Can all gifts be in by this Friday, please contact Mel if you need help.

Whole School Excursion

This Friday the whole school will go to Horsham Cinema for a well deserved excursion away from school to see *Runt*, the new movie. We are all very excited and can't wait to see it. Most children have read the book and are keen to see the movie.

Japanese

It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to Yoko who has been with us for 9 years, teaching the children the Japanese language, culture and food. She has been studying to teach in Australia and will finish her course at the end of the year. She has a teaching job which prevents her from being able to come out to us. We congratulate her on her achievements and also the great work she has done with our children. The children always looked forward to Japanese and will miss Yoko and the classes. We wish her well on her next venture.

Natimuk Primary School is a Respectful Relationships Partner School

Term 4. Bullystopper (Education Dept program)

I 'm not a victim - Even friends don't treat each other well all the time.

(Information for adults available online - education.vic.gov.au bullystoppers)

Natimuk Primary School is committed to being a Child Safe school

School Council Meeting

The meeting will be held on Tuesday October 22, 7.30pm in our beautiful new staff room.

School Calendar

Keep an eye on the calendar this term as it is usually quite busy.

Ingrid Clarkson

Mrs Clarkson

In Literacy we have started our new text for the term, *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*. The children are very excited about the book as some have already read it or seen the film. We will be doing a book and film study which is always fun to compare the two. We will continue to finish our Information Reports but procedure is our writing genre for the term. Instead of writing a procedural text the children are to follow a procedure by making something for morning tea. The children will be rostered each week to give them time to organise and make a sweet or savoury to share with our class.

In Mathematics we investigated adding and subtracting using positive and negative numbers. It was straight forward enough until you needed to subtract a negative number from a negative number but an easy visual clue got that sorted.

Miss Blake

It's hard to believe that term 4 has finally arrived. It has been a great start for us as we are back in our new classroom. The students were very excited to see where everything is and what it finally looks like. Still a work in progress with a few more things needing to find homes.

This week the Preps are learning the word *thumb* and the sentences 'One hand has one thumb. Two hands have two thumbs.' The Ones and Twos are focusing on the th digraph as in thumb. We will start our unit on procedure writing this week, writing instructions on how to play the maths game Cops and Robbers.

Students are very much looking forward to our Friday excursion to see Runt. We may need to take some tissues as it has a sad part towards the end. Some students are looking forward to the popcorn and soft drink as much as the movie!

In Technology, students will look at the book *The Truck Cat*. We will spend a couple of weeks deep diving into the text before moving on to cooking in the lovely new staffroom. In PE, students will focus on a couple more skills before the Yr 6 students take a lesson each with a partner.

Mrs Hausler

We have had a great start to the term, thanks to a fantastic team effort to set ourselves up in the music room for the next few weeks. We are thrilled that the renovations have reached our classroom, and we can see the end in sight.

In Literacy this term, we will begin with procedural writing and continue to follow Ivan's journey by reading the sequel, "The One and Only Family." We are excited to discover how Ivan spends the next chapter of his life.

In Maths, we started with a review of 2D shapes, symmetry, and tessellations. We will continue to work through individualised essential assessment tasks as needed.

Both groups will be studying biological sciences this term. The older students will develop an understanding of the role of microorganisms in food and medicine by investigating the conditions microorganisms need to grow, learning about yeast and the bread-making process, and researching the development of penicillin. The P-2 students will focus more on living things, such as their external features and the places where their needs are met.