REMINDERS
Winter Sport - Friday, May 22nd
   St Josephs V’s Nathalia (Numurkah)
   - Friday, May 29th
   Nathalia V’s Strathmerton
Queens Birthday - Public Holiday - Monday, June 8th
Parents’ Club Meeting - Monday, June 15th, 9.30am
School Council Meeting - Tuesday, June 16th, 7.00pm

Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund
The Victorian Government have unveiled a new $148 million initiative to ensure all Victorian students can take part in school trips and sporting activities. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) will run over four years and provide payments for eligible students to attend camps, sports and excursions. Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply. $125 per year will be paid for eligible primary school students, with $225 per year paid for eligible secondary school students. Payments will go directly to the school and be tied to the student. It is expected that more than 222,000 Victorian school students will directly benefit from the Fund. Application forms for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund have been distributed to all families this week.

Student Family Occupation Index
Attached to this newsletter is a form asking for family details regarding occupation. The information gathered determines the school’s student family occupation (SFO) index which factors into the term grant. The level of funding the school receives is directly linked to the SFO. I ask that all families complete the form and return it to the school so that we receive all of the funding to which we are entitled.

Sharman Stone Visit
Dr Sharman Stone, the federal member for Murray, visited our school on Wednesday. Dr Stone spoke with the children in grade 4 /5 about federation, the parliamentary system and the first Australians. Dr Stone presented the school with new Australian and Aboriginal flags and discussed the history and symbolism of both flags. The children in the grade were excellent listeners and asked some great questions.

The School Choir
On Tuesday the school choir performed for the community at the Bendigo Bank in the main street. Despite the rain the children were brilliant and represented the school with distinction. Well Done!

May 21st, 2015
Nathalia Kids Are Friendly Kids
“Respecting Girls - Respecting Boys”

Last week’s Winners
F/1 W Ethan
1/2 B Rory
3/4 J Ewan
4/5 I Natasha
5/6 R Alex

Congratulations to our weekly winners.

This week’s theme is: “Respecting Differences”

PLEASE NOTE:
THERE WILL BE NO LUNCH ORDERS AVAILABLE ON TUESDAY, MAY 26TH
TUCKER DAY
Alex, Bailey and Daniel enjoying the benefits of the Youth Mentoring Program.

The School Choir with Mrs King-Jones performing at the Bendigo Bank.

Kaleb, Emily, Allie and Colin being presented with the flags by Dr Sharman Stone.
Certificates of Immunisation & Birth Certificates

All families are reminded that, by law, a copy of your child’s Birth Certificate and the “Certificate of Immunisation Status for Primary School Enrolment” must be presented to the school office for inclusion with your child’s Enrolment Forms.

There are a number of families who have not as yet provided proof of Immunisation. These families will be notified via a letter.

The Immunisation Status Certificate may be obtained from:
- Phone 1800 653 809
- Email acir@medicareaustralia.gov.au
- Www.medicareaustralia.gov.au/online
- Visit your local Medicare Office

All UP Fees and Camp Payments

For those who have yet to pay their child’s All Up Fee or who still have outstanding camp payments the following payment options are available.

1. Payment Plan – please contact Ruth at the office.
2. Centrepay – this payment option is now available through Nathalia PS.

Centrepay is a voluntary bill-paying service which is free for Centrelink customers. Use Centrepay to arrange regular deductions from your Centrelink payment. You can start or change a deduction at any time. The quickest way to do it is through your Centrelink account online.

Centrepay deduction forms are also available from the school office.

Parents’ Club

TUCKER DAY

Tuesday, May 26th, 2015

Steamed Dim Sims

Steamed Dim Sims - 3 for $2.00
Or
- 1 for a $1.00

Orders need to be returned by Monday, May 25th.

PLEASE NOTE:

THERE WILL BE NO LUNCH ORDERS AVAILABLE ON THIS DAY.

Nathalia 3/4 & 5/6 Football Results

3/4’s -
Nathalia went down to Shep. East. 4 to 13
No goal kickers
Best on - Charlie Sheehan, Oliver Sheehan, Gus Bramwell, Max Frostick, Damian Kerr and Connor Peachey.

5/6’s -
Nathalia defeated the Northerners 105 to 15
Goal kickers -
Darcy Backway 5
Jack Myers 2
Gus Bramwell 1 Oliver Sheehan 1
Cooper Bloodworth 1 Max Frostick 1
Billy Brinsdon 1 Charlie Dietrich 1
Kaleb Kopsidas 1 Mak Hindmarsh 1
Charlie Sheehan 1

Best on -
Darcy Backway, Will Sheehan, Gus Bramwell, Max Frostick, Jack Myers, Charlie Dietrich

Certificate III

Early Childhood Learning

Would you be interested in a career working with young children?
If the answer is yes, please contact Christine on 0403 545 650 for more information on enrolling in this course.

Government funding may be available.
The Course will be held at the Nathalia Community House if sufficient numbers are met.
Financial Assistance
Information for Parents

Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund will ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities.

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions, or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student will be:
- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students.

How to Apply
Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Closing Date
You should lodge a CSEF application form at the school by 26 June 2015.

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef
# 2015 School Calendar Events

## May
- 27th - School Photographs
- 29th - Winter Sport V’s Strathmerton (Home)

## June
- 5th - Winter Sport V’s St. Francis
- 8th - Queens Birthday Public Holiday
- 15th - Parents’ Club Meeting
- 16th - School Council Meeting
- 17th - Region Cross Country - (Broadford)
- 18th - Visiting Arts Performance (Hercules)
- 24th - Reports & Learning Journals sent home
- 26th - Term Two concludes

## July
- 13th - Term Three commences
- 16th - State Cross Country
- 20th - Parents’ Club Meeting
- 21st - School Council Meeting
- 24th - Division Football/Netball/Soccer/Teeball Championships
  - Winter Sport V’s Numurkah (Numurkah)
- 31st - Lightning Premiership (Yarrawonga)

## August
- 7th - Regional Football/Netball/Soccer/Teeball Championships
- 17th - Parents’ Club meeting
- 18th - School Council meeting

## September
- 6th - Fathers Day
- 10th - School Concert
- 14th - Division Golf Championship
- 18th - Term Three concludes

## October
- 5th - Term Four commences
- 9th - Inter-School Athletic Sports
- 12th - Division Athletics Carnival - (Shepp)
- 16th - Region Athletic Championship (Shepp)
- 23rd - State Athletics Championships
- 19th - Parents’ Club Meeting
- 20th - School Council Meeting

## November
- 2nd - Pupil Free Day
- 3rd - Melbourne Cup Day
- 6th - Region Basketball & Softball (Shepp)
- 11th - Remembrance Day
- 16th - Region Golf Championships (Benalla)
- 16th - Parents’ Club meeting
- 17th - School Council meeting
- 18th - Division Hot Shots (Shepparton)
- 26th - Region Hot Shots (Wangaratta)

## December
- 8th - School Council Meeting
- Parents’ Club Meeting
- 18th - Term Four concludes

**TBA** - Grade Six Graduation
- Water Safety Program
- Pool Day
- Infant Camp & Activity Day

**January 2016**
- January 26th - Staff Resume
- January 28th - Term One commences
YOUR GUIDE TO THE SCHOOL DENTAL PROGRAM AT GOULBURN VALLEY DENTAL SERVICE.

WHO CAN USE THE SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE (SDS)?
• All primary school children in grades prep to six
• All children enrolled in Special or Special Development Schools
• Children in years seven to twelve whose parents hold a current Concession or Health Care Card
• All children aged 2-17 years of age eligible for the Child Dental Benefit Schedule (Funded by Medicare)

WHAT TYPE OF CARE IS OFFERED?
• Examinations (check ups)
• Treatment, including:
  o Dental sealants to prevent decay
  o Application of fluoride
  o Fillings
  o X-rays
  o Extractions

WHO PROVIDES THE TREATMENT?
• All general treatment is provided by Dental Therapists
• More complex care is performed by Dentists

HOW OFTEN CAN I USE THE SDS?
Once enrolled, your child will receive a notice of offer every 12 or 24 Months according to their identified risk status.
Low Risk:
  - Children at low-risk of dental disease will be contacted every 24 months
High Risk:
  - Children at high-risk will be contacted every 12 months

WHAT DOES IT COST?
The service is free as well as Medicare Bulk Billing

HOW TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT FOR YOUR CHILD?
Please have your P.C.C/H.C.C (if applicable) and your Medicare card available and contact Goulburn Valley Dental Service on telephone 58 323 006 between 8.30. and 5.pm,Monday to Friday.
Your child will not be placed on a waiting list for dental care.