



# Nathalia Primary School Newsletter

Friday 31st, October, 2025

## Principal's Message - Mr Troy Woolley

### WORLD TEACHERS DAY

Today is World Teachers Day, I would like to acknowledge the amazing teaching staff that we have at Nathalia PS. Our staff are highly dedicated, committed to their roles and the improvement of their teaching practice.

Our teachers do an amazing job with all of our students on a daily basis, teaching is a difficult job with many competing demands. If you happen to see our teachers in the next few days I'm sure that they would love to be acknowledged for their work by the parents of their students.

From myself, I appreciate working with our amazing staff each day and I am privileged to work with such dedicated professionals.

### MELBOURNE CUP WEEKEND

This weekend we have a 4 day break from school as teachers have a report writing day on Monday. We hope you get a well deserved break in and hopefully the weather is kind to us all to do the things that we enjoy doing.

### FOUNDATION TRANSITION

On Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> we start our transition days for our incoming foundation students.

We are very excited that they are coming to start school and I am sure they are equally if not more excited to be starting.

I'm sure that some of our young people will be anxious and probably some of our parents will be as well. Your children will have a great start to school and in no time at all it will be common routine. We encourage you all to be part of the journey.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

**Monday 3rd November:** STUDENT FREE DAY - Student Report Writing Day

**Tuesday 4th November:** *PUBLIC HOLIDAY Melbourne Cup*

**Wednesday 5th November:** First Day of Prep Transition for our 2026 Prep students  
Transition program will take place each Wednesday in November from 9am to 11am.

**Monday 17th November:** School Council Meeting

**Monday 1st December - Wednesday 3rd December:** Grade 5/6 Camp to Sovereign Hill

**Wednesday 3rd December - Thursday 4th December:** Grade 3/4 Camp to Billabong Ranch

**Monday 8th December:** School Council Meeting

**Tuesday 9th December:** Victorian Statewide School Transition Day

**Thursday 18th December:** Last Day of School for 2025 for our *students*

**Friday 19th December:** Last Day of School for 2025 for our *staff*

# WELL DONE TO OUR AWARD WINNERS!



## TERM 4: SCHOOL VALUES

# KINDNESS, RESPECT, LEARNING

Last term we were highlighting the school value of **KINDNESS**.

This includes being respectful and caring towards others, using kind words, offering help when needed, including everyone, and showing empathy. We encourage all students to embrace a positive attitude toward building a caring and supportive school community.

In **TERM 4**, our school values of **LEARNING, RESPECT & KINDNESS** will continue to be reinforced and encouraged within our school community.





# Staff V Grade 6 Students Netball Match

Last Friday, the Grade 6 students organised an exciting netball match against the teachers.

The game started off evenly, with the score tied at 2–all at the end of the first quarter. However, the teachers soon found their rhythm (and their hidden netball skills!) and pulled ahead to take the win. It was a fantastic game filled with energy, teamwork, and plenty of laughs. A big thank you to our Grade 6 students for organising and the Nathalia Secondary students who umpired the game, such a fun event for everyone to enjoy!









# DOES ANYONE REMEMBER THIS COOKBOOK?

Nathalia Primary School

Recipe Book 2000



Cover by Emma Peterson  
Prep/1 - Hill

The Nathalia Primary School Parent's Club is looking to publish a 25 Year Anniversary Edition of the last School Cookbook in time for Christmas this year.

As well as the recipes from the original edition, the Parent's Club would like current families to send in their favourite recipes so we can add them into this edition.

Please either send your recipes in to the school with your child or email copies to [Leanne.Halden@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Leanne.Halden@education.vic.gov.au) to collate and create the cookbook.



*Thank you  
everyone*

Nathalia Primary School

**STUDENT FREE DAY**

**MONDAY 3RD NOVEMBER 2025**

**REPORT WRITING DAY**

**PUBLIC HOLIDAY**

**TUESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 2025**

**MELBOURNE CUP DAY**



School will be closed to students on  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November for a report writing day and  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November for the Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

**BACK TO SCHOOL WEDNESDAY 5th NOVEMBER 2025**



**REMINDER: NATHALIA PRIMARY SCHOOL IS A NUT FREE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT**

A reminder to families that in 2024 we made the decision to make Nathalia Primary School a **nut free** school. This decision was made in the interest of safety for staff and students who have nut allergies.

In the past, we tried to manage this at an individual class level, however, we had instances where this was not successful.

We understand that this may be frustrating for some families, although, the safety of everyone at school is something we take seriously.





NATHALIA PRIMARY SCHOOL  
2026 PREP ENROLMENTS

# TRANSITION PROGRAM

## begins **NOVEMBER 5th**

**Wednesday mornings  
from 9am to 11am**

5th November, 12th November,  
19th November & 26th November

**ENDING WITH THE STATEWIDE  
TRANSITION DAY**

Tuesday 9th December

*Nathalia Primary School  
values family engagement,  
fosters community connection  
and nurtures children to thrive,  
learn and grow*



KINDNESS

LEARNING

RESPECT

**FOR A 2026 ENROLMENT PACK PLEASE DROP IN TO THE SCHOOL OR PHONE 5866 2677**

[www.nathaliaps.vic.edu.au](http://www.nathaliaps.vic.edu.au)

[nathalia.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:nathalia.ps@education.vic.gov.au)

**Student enrolments for 2026 at Nathalia Primary School  
remain open for all year levels.**

*Please note:* to attend the Prep Transition Program students need to be enrolled at the school.



# Learning

I am on time, organised and ready to be taught

I am in the right place at the right time

I try my best and have a go

I take pride in my achievements and celebrate progress

I bring the materials I need and have a positive attitude

I listen carefully and follow instructions

I stay focused and avoid distractions

I take responsibility for my belongings and schoolwork I

ask questions and stay curious

I work well with others and share my ideas

I learn from my mistakes and keep improving

I ask for help

I am attentive to learning



# Respect

I consider people's personal space

I use equipment and resources appropriately

I allow teachers to teach and students to learn

I raise my hand when I wish to speak

I move safely and responsibly around the school

I wear my school hat when I'm supposed to

I play and interact in a physically appropriate and safe manner

I sit to eat in the eating areas

I put rubbish in the bin

I am respectful



# NATHALIA PRIMARY SCHOOL'S VALUES

# Kindness

I offer help to my peers who may be struggling

I use kind words and encourage others

I can empathise and understand different perspectives

I help friends who are feeling upset or feeling left out

I listen carefully and show interest in others' thoughts and feelings

I include others in games and conversations

I can show patience and understanding in difficult situations

I am willing to stand up for friends and classmates in need

I can share and take turns during activities

I am welcoming to new students and adults

I apologise sincerely when needed

I am kind





## Speechie Library Talks

Do you have a child between 0 – 5 years old? Would you like to help develop their language and literacy skills? Come along to one of our free Speechie Library Talks at Goulburn Valley Libraries this November.

Each year Speech Pathology Australia, in collaboration with the Australian Library Information Association, connects libraries and their communities with their local speech pathologist (Speechie). Speech pathologists work with children and families to help build the foundations on which literacy skills develop and help support a healthy transition into literacy.

The Speechie Library Talks are free presentations that offer an opportunity to speak with a local speech pathologist as well as exploring programs and services that your local library service has available for children and adults.

These talks are child friendly events and will include a demonstrated reading of one of the winning picture books from the Speech Pathology Australia Book of the Year Awards. There will be bookmarks and handouts for families and carers to take home. Our libraries have all the shortlisted SPA Book of the Year books available to borrow. There are five categories that are suitable for children from birth all the way up to 10 years of age. Pick up a book list from any Goulburn Valley Library or download it from our website at [www.gvlibraries.com.au/kidspage](http://www.gvlibraries.com.au/kidspage).

Goulburn Valley Libraries will be hosting Speechie Library Talks at:

Numurkah Library on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 9:30am [numurkah@gvlibraries.com.au](mailto:numurkah@gvlibraries.com.au)

Shepparton Library on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November at 11:00am [shepparton@gvlibraries.com.au](mailto:shepparton@gvlibraries.com.au)

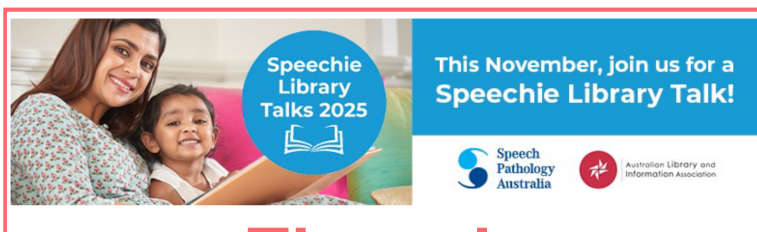
Nathalia Library on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 11:00am [nathalia@gvlibraries.com.au](mailto:nathalia@gvlibraries.com.au)

Mooroopna Library on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 10:30am [mooroopna@gvlibraries.com.au](mailto:mooroopna@gvlibraries.com.au)

Anyone interested in making a booking can phone 1300 374 765 or email the branch they would like to attend.

### For more information:

Emma Kennedy  
Children's & Youth Services Librarian,  
Goulburn Valley Libraries  
Tel: 1300 374 765  
Email: [emmak@gvlibraries.com.au](mailto:emmak@gvlibraries.com.au)



## Nathalia Library Speechie Library Talk



# Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November 11:00am

Meet and chat to a local speech pathologist.  
Find out more about how you can support your child's  
language and literacy development at home.  
Enjoy a reading of one of the winning books from  
Speech Pathology Australia's Book of the Year 2025.

**For more information or to make a booking**  
**Phone 1300 374 765**  
**or email [nathalia@gvlibraries.com.au](mailto:nathalia@gvlibraries.com.au)**



**Numurkah Singers Theatre Inc. Presents**

# LITTLE WOMEN

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broadway  
musical



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**JASON HOWLAND**

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**Numurkah Town Hall**

**November 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>**

**December 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Tickets @trybooking.com/DGPOG**