



# Nathalia Primary School Newsletter

Friday 21st November, 2025

## Principal's Message - Mr Troy Woolley

### FOUNDATION TRANSITION

It has been an exciting 4 weeks of Wednesday morning transition for our 2026 Foundation students. All of the staff have been impressed by how well all of the children are settling in, learning where things are in the school and developing their confidence to start school for next year.

We are currently finalising our class lists which will be sent out in the next couple of weeks.

We look forward to our new Foundation students joining us in 2026.

### BUILDING PROJECT

Our current update on our building project with framing works, plumbing all completed. Plaster has been delivered and will be hung over the next 2 weeks. The project is still on track to be completed for the start of the 2026 school year.

### NEW TEACHER

We would like to congratulate Miss Rachael Slattery on her successful appointment as a grade 5/6 teacher joining our teaching team next year.

We are providing three classes of 5/6 next year.

### OZZY'S PROGRESS REPORT

This week Ozzy had his first training for this accreditation to become a therapy dog. Some new rules we are working on are to not touch Ozzy on the head only below his collar, not encouraging him to jump up or to mouth. We are also reducing the amount of time that students are in control of Ozzy to not confuse him with the range of things that he does with them.

His main handlers are Mr Woolley, Miss Willcock and Chris who are all completing the training with Ozzy. He is starting to grow out of some of his puppy behaviours such as chew shoe laces and mouthing.

# WELL DONE TO OUR AWARD WINNERS!



## TERM 4: SCHOOL VALUES

# RESPECT, KINDNESS, LEARNING TOGETHER WE GROW!

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





# Author visit to school: **SUSEA SPRAY**

Our school recently had the wonderful opportunity to welcome children's author **Susea** to visit and meet with our students. Susea and her husband have written a series of engaging children's books inspired by their real-life adventures sailing across the oceans and seas around Australia and beyond.

During her visit, Susea shared stories from her travels and captivated students with tales of life aboard a sailing boat. She also read one of her books aloud and guided students through a range of creative activities designed to spark imagination and curiosity.

Students from Prep to Grade 6 were highly engaged throughout the session, thoroughly enjoying her storytelling and the chance to learn about her exciting adventures.





# PREPS EMERGENCY SERVICES VISIT

On Monday, our Prep students had the exciting opportunity to meet some special community helpers. Volunteers from the Fire Brigade and the SES visited the school to share the important work they do in keeping our community safe.

Students were able to explore the vehicles, equipment and tools, learning how each one is used during emergencies. It was a hands-on and engaging experience that helped the Preps better understand the vital roles these volunteers play in our community.





Nathalia Primary School is proud to be hosting players from

# RICHMOND FOOTBALL CLUB



This week we are hosting a visit from some of your favourite Richmond AFL footy players!

There will be time to meet, question, grab tips and maybe even have a kick with the players.

Students can wear their favourite footy fan clothes to school on the day!



**Tuesday November 25**  
**10.30 AM - 11.15 AM**





## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

**Tuesday 25th November:** Richmond Football Club School visit 10.30am - 11.15am

**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

**Saturday 6th December:** Nathalia Christmas Market - Parents Club selling Cherries and the reimagined Recipe Book

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

**Monday 8th December - Friday 12th December:** School Swimming and Water Safety Program commences at the Nathalia Pool for all students.

**Tuesday 9th December:** VICTORIAN STATEWIDE SCHOOL TRANSITION DAY

**Thursday 11th December:** Community Carols 6pm at St Mary of the Angels Secondary

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

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



**A MESSAGE FROM  
MRS FLANNER**

Could families  
please check at  
home for any  
library books and  
return them  
by Monday 1<sup>st</sup>  
December 2025

*Thank you*



## 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.





# 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY RECIPE BOOK: **CALL OUT FOR RECIPE DONATIONS PLEASE?**

Nathalia Primary School

Recipe Book 2000



Cover by Emma Petersen  
Prep/1 - Hill

The Nathalia Primary School Parent's Club is publishing a 25th Anniversary updated edition of the 2000 School Recipe Book just in time for Christmas this year.

As well as the original recipes, the Parent's Club would like current families to send in their favourite recipes to publish.

Could families please send recipe copies to school in an envelope with your child or email **Leanne.Halden@education.vic.gov.au**

**by Wednesday 26th November**  
to collate and create the cookbook.



*Thank you  
everyone*



**NATHALIA PRIMARY SCHOOL**



**\$12kg or  
2kg for \$20**



# **CHERRY STALL**

**at the Nathalia Christmas Market**

**SATURDAY DECEMBER 6**

**THE PLANTATION, NATHALIA**

**9 AM TO 1 PM**

**[OR UNTIL SOLD OUT]**

**On the day we may have a selection of other  
in-season fruits available for sale  
along with copies of our 2025 School Recipe Book**

*Cash & EFTPOS payments accepted*

**Cherry pre-orders accepted** - please watch our posts on Facebook for a link to the order form or contact the school on 58662677 to arrange your pre-order





NATHALIA PRIMARY SCHOOL  
2026 PREP ENROLMENTS

# TRANSITION PROGRAM

## begins **NOVEMBER 5th**

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

5th November, 12<sup>th</sup> November,  
19<sup>th</sup> November & 26<sup>th</sup> November

**ENDING WITH THE STATEWIDE  
TRANSITION DAY**

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> 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







NATHALIA  
COMMUNITY  
*Carols*

ST MARY OF THE ANGELS SECONDARY  
COLLEGE, EAST QUAD.

**Featuring:** The Nathalia Community Choir, Local  
Artists, Local Students and Special Guests.

DECEMBER

THURSDAY

11

AT 6 PM

2025

BBQ & DRINK STALLS  
BYO CHAIRS AND FOOD  
STRICTLY NO ALCOHOL



**Numurkah Singers Theatre Inc. Presents**

# LITTLE WOMEN

the  
broadway  
musical



**Book by**

**ALLAN KNEE**

**Music by**

**JASON HOWLAND**

**Lyrics by**

**MINDI DICKSTEIN**

**Based on the novel by Louisa May Alcott**

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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**