



Nathalia Primary School

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'Learning for Life'

Holders of Nathalia's educational history since 1878

REMINDERS

2015 Foundation Transition - Thursday, October 30th
- 10.00 - 11.00am

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday - Tuesday, November 4th

Remembrance Day - Tuesday, November 11th

Fair Committee Meeting - Tuesday, November 11th - 6.00pm

School Council Meeting - Tuesday, October 18th - 7.00pm

October 30th, 2014



Dear Families and School Community,

I have been in the principal position a week now and have learnt much about the primary system. The staff have been wonderfully supportive.

Offensive Language

The focus on no swearing has been very successful with student getting the message that it is not appropriate to use this language in the school. I have spoken to a number of students about respect and they are all able to tell me what it looks like and sounds like. I ask that we continue to have conversations with our children about respect. I ask the students to put their words into actions.

This week's focus will be on "Good Listening" as well as remembering to use appropriate language.

Nathalia Learning Community

Last Friday Rachael White, Deb Inglis and I attended the Nathalia Learning Community meeting. The four schools work closely with each other to deliver the best learning outcomes for the students. Some of the activities that are being done across the cluster are visiting classrooms and sharing professional development.

An outcome from this meeting was that we need to look at how we can ensure every student believes that it is worth them investing in their own education. There will be a focus area covering the early years, middle years and senior years of schooling to address this priority.

School Leaders' Luncheon

On Monday I had lunch with the school leaders. Apart from lunch been very nice, we chatted about the school and the things that they liked and where they believed some improvements could be made.

On Friday Aaron Johnson and I are off to Bendigo to look at the school ICT plan. This will involve looking at what we want to use technology for in our classrooms. The net result will be to develop an ICT plan that will assist with future planning needs.

As always in both sector the weeks are busy. My next task is to look at planning for next year, classes, staffing, curriculum, calendars, budgets and ICT.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Week Ending
24.10.2014

P/W	River
BUT	Derryn
HIL	Cassie
JOH	Beth
RIN	Jaz (Absent)

Congratulations

CANTEEN NEWS PLEASE NOTE:

**There will be no
lunch orders
available on**

**Monday,
November 3rd**

and

**Friday,
November 28th**

2015 Foundation Student Transition Program

The next sessions will be on:

November 6th (from 10am - 12.30pm)

November 13th (from 10am - 1.30pm)

November 20th (from 10am - 1.30pm)

November 27th (from 9.15am - 1.30pm)

December 4th ((from 9.15am - 2.20pm)

- Parent Information Session at 9.30am

Tuesday, December 9th (from 8.50am - 3.20pm).

SunSmart Hats

A reminder that from September and all of Term 4 sunsmart hats are compulsory.

Any child without a hat will be unable to participate in yard play due to the state-wide policy of "No hat no play".

Hats are available from the school office at a cost of \$10.00.

2015 Enrolment

**Enrolments are now
being taken for
Foundation students
for the year 2015.**

**Enrolment forms and
school information can
be collected from the
school office.**

Helen Ginnivan,
Acting Principal.

STAR OF THE WEEK Week ending 24.10.2014



CONGRATULATIONS

Ryan

*"For showing respect to everyone
inside the classroom & in the yard."*

Questacon

The students who attended the Questacon Science Show on Monday have received a free pass to the hands on Questacon Science Circus in Shepparton on Saturday or Echuca on Sunday. There will be lots of displays and hands on activities for the children to do. All the information is on the ticket, including the cost for other family members.

Some students have written down their impressions, these have been included on page 4 of this Newsletter.

Debbie Inglis.

Nathalia School Fair

As the date is fast approaching we are seeking your assistance with donations of any used/unwanted articles, in good condition, of baby clothing, books or toys.

We are also seeking any plants, cuttings and /or empty plastic pots for our garden stall

If you are able to provide any of the above please contact the school office.

Debbie Inglis.

Mathletics Awards



Bronze: Jack Silver: Vanessa Bronze: Zoe



Outstanding Achievement Awards: Zoe, Tianey & Ethan

A Soup Kitchen in Nathalia

Members of the Nathalia community including St. Mary of the Angels and Nathalia Secondary College, in conjunction with "People Supporting People", Shepparton, would like to begin a soup kitchen in Nathalia. The soup kitchen would take place on a Wednesday evening, down by the creek across from the Bridge Hotel. We are looking for people who would like to volunteer themselves for a roster.

Those on the roster will be responsible for collecting the BBQ (has wheels) from Home Timber and Hardware, setting up the BBQ, collecting the food from the IGA and butcher, cooking the sausages, serving, socialising with the people there, and cleaning up at the end and returning the BBQ. The time commitment will run from approximately 5pm to 7pm.

If you are interested in helping to deliver this service, please contact Michael Ross during school hours on:

5866 2222

or email: mr@smotanathalia.catholic.edu.au



Questacon

Today we had to watch a science show called Questacon at school. The people made a little can fly in the room. You can punch goo but if you slowly punch it your hand will go through. **By Nic**

On Monday the 27/10/14 we had some girls named Sarah and Eddie come to talk to us and show us about liquids. In the first experiment Eddie pumped up a balloon until it popped. In the second experiment Sarah had a jug with a bit of bicarb soda in the bottom of it then she tipped vinegar in it. She had some candles and without tipping it on the candles they went out because of the gasses.

By Evie

Today we went to the Questacon show. The show was great. First Eddie told us about liquids. She lit 3 candles then got a jug with bicarb soda in it and poured in vinegar. Once she did that it bubbled up and then all the bubbles disappeared she poured the gas onto the candles. Then they went out. It was a great experience.

By Beth

At school today we went to the Questacon Science Show. It was really interesting. The girl's names were Sarah and Eddie. The part that I liked the most was when Eddie got Brock to go up and punch the slime fast but not hard then he had to do it in slow motion. When he did it fast it didn't go on his hand but when he did it in slow motion it was all over his hand. Then Miss Inglis had to go up and sit on the chair with nails under her. Then straight after that we were making rockets and Allie and Archie had to go up and Sarah put a fizzy tablet in the water and it exploded and flew up.

By Georgia.

The show was great. They had popping balloons, water and slime experiments, gasses and energy. The two people that were here hosting the show were two ladies called Eddie and Sarah. I forgot about the friction heat energy where Sarah chose Gavin to help. She got these two metal balls that she banged against a piece of cardboard and it made a big hole. I rank it 8/10.

By Matthew

Questacon was fun and I learnt lots of stuff about gases and liquids. Miss Inglis sat on a seat of nails. They put out candles with carbon dioxide and made little rockets.

By Izaak

Today we went to a thing called Questacon and at the start they popped a balloon and one of the teachers sat on nails. They showed us where the energy goes when a ball bounces. They showed us stuff about fluids. I think it was awesome.

By Jayden

WOW! That was fun. The rockets were the best part of the show. Allie's took a bit of time but it was good. The ball things were good and I liked the part where Brock punched the goo.

By Maizie



School Fair
Friday, November 14th
1 .30pm - 6.00pm



Entertainment:

- Stalls
- Pony Rides
- Arts & Crafts
- Face painting
- Cakes & Sweets
- Showbags
- Jumping Castles
- Miniature Train rides
- Entertainment
- And much, much more.

As the planning continues we are asking for donations of any unwanted items for our various stalls:

- ⇒ **Books and Toys in good condition**
 - ⇒ **Baby clothes**
 - ⇒ **Plants or cuttings**
 - ⇒ **Empty potting containers**
- Please contact the school*



Nathalia Canoe Club

Family Night every Tuesday 5pm
Weir Street

BBQ dinner available

Enquiries phone Bron 58663085

**All ages welcome.
 No experience necessary.
 All equipment supplied.**



The Portsea Camp is on again in January 2015. Children aged 9 to 12 years of age are eligible to attend the camp.

It is a 7 day camp and will be held from Monday 19th to Sunday 25th January 2015 at a cost of \$321.

If you are at all interested in this wonderful experience for your child, application forms are available at the school office. A \$50.00 deposit is required by Friday, October 31st.

If you would like more information regarding the camp, please contact Glenda Harding on 0468908842 or in the evening on 58691273. You can also visit the camp website www.theportseacamp.com.au

2014 School Concert DVD

DVDs are now available from the school office at a cost of \$5.00
 Please complete the order form below and return to school along with payment.

I _____ would like to order _____ Copy/ies

Of the Concert DVD @ \$5.00 \$ _____

Student Name: _____ Grade _____

2014 SCHOOL CALENDAR EVENTS

School Leaders - 2014



Keep This Date Free :
School Fair
Friday, November 14th
1 .30pm - 6.00pm



OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
<p>27th - State Athletics Championships</p> <p>30th - Initial 2015 Foundation Transition (10.00am - 11.00am)</p>	<p>4th - Melbourne Cup Day</p> <p>6th - 2015 Foundation Transition (10.00am - 12.30pm)</p> <p>7th- Region Basketball & Softball (Shepp)</p> <p>11th - Remembrance Day</p> <p>12th - Amanda Reed (Autism Aust) visit</p> <p>13th - 2015 Foundation Transition (10.00am - 1.30pm)</p> <p>14th - Milo T20 Blast - Gr 5 & 6 - School Fair - 1.30pm - 6.00pm</p> <p>17th - Region Golf Championships (Benalla)</p> <p>18th - School Council meeting - Parents ' Club meeting</p> <p>20th - 23rd - RACV Energy Breakthrough - 2015 Foundation Transition (10.00am - 1.30pm)</p> <p>27th - 2015 Foundation Transition (9.15am - 1.30pm)</p> <p>28th - No Lunch Orders available</p>	<p>4th - 2015 Foundation Transition (9.15am - 2.20pm) - Grade 2 Sleepover</p> <p>5th - Environment Activity Day , Grades P - 3</p> <p>9th - 2015 Foundation Transition (8.50am - 3.20pm)</p> <p>10th - Grade 6 Graduation</p> <p>12th - Carols By Candlelight - 6pm</p> <p>16th - School Council Meeting - Parents ' Club Meeting</p> <p>19th- Term Four concludes</p> <p>TBA - Water Safety Program - Pool Day</p> <p>January 2015 - Term One commences</p> <p>January 28th - Staff</p> <p>January 29th - Students</p>