

Napoleons Primary School Newsletter #10



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Stars of the Week

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Calendar

22nd April – School Photo Day + Cross Country

22nd April – ANZAC Day (No school)

29th April – Divisional Cross Country (Eureka) at Fed Uni

3rd May – Yr 6 GRIP Leadership Conference at Fed Uni

6th May – Student Free Day

10th May – Winter Sports + Mother's Day Breakfast

13th May – School Council Meeting

24th May – Winter Sports

31st May – Winter Sports (Back up)

Year F/1

Nate M.

For amazing effort in writing!

Year 1/2/3

Hollie S.

For demonstrating her understanding of 'counting on' in Maths!

Year 4/5

Michael H.

For attention to details when reading and using evidence from text to support answers to questions

Year 5/6

Xavier F.

For displaying fantastic knowledge of units of measurement

Welcome to Term 2, 2024



It has been delightful to be back at school and see all our lovely students again. I've had many kind messages enquiring about my health, after my time away and I am pleased to say that I am fit and well and ready for a new term. Thank you to Judy Hutt for her role as Acting Principal while I was away and to our tremendous staff for all their support to ensure our school could continue to operate as usual.

I saw that there were many successful events in Term 1, that included swimming for our senior students, 3-way conferences, NAPLAN for students in Years 3 and 5, the LDSSA Athletics Day, welcoming in our new School Council for 2024 and the amazing FoodBank Food Fight on the last day of Term. Thank you to all our students, parents and staff for an amazing term.

Additional thanks to the Hackett family for taking care of the chickens during the holidays and also to the Nowak family for taking care of Rapha the turtle.

We have some new families and students to welcome this term. I would like to extend a special welcome to Hannah, Tiki, and Bella and their families to Napoleons Primary School. We are delighted that you have chosen to attend our school.

Term 2 events

We have many exciting things happening this term, together with our usual learning timetable.

We have begun Music as part of the Arts Specialist learning this term – this has been great fun, already with many students strumming it out on our recently borrowed ukuleles (many thanks to Trentham District Primary School for loaning us their class set of ukuleles). Our younger students will be developing their rhythm through percussion, songs and games.



We have our **school photos next Monday** so we look forward to seeing everyone with fresh faces, full school uniform and huge smiles 😊.

Next Monday is also our LDSSA Cross Country day for students in Years 4,5 and 6. We will host this day and welcome students from all Woody Yallock PS campuses, Linton PS and Cape Clear PS to Napoleons Primary School. Students who will be 11 or 12 (or older) by the end of the year will run a 3km course starting behind the school and stretching up past Nelson's Waterhole and back. Students who are 10 by the end of the year will run a 2km course starting behind the school and including part



of the Napoleons Recreation Reserve. Our visitors will arrive at 11am so we hope all the photos have been taken by then, at least for staff and senior students. Students who run fast times may be selected to participate in the District Cross Country, the following Monday (29th April) at Federation University.

Due to our photo day, can I please ask all students in the cross country to wear their regular and full school uniform on this day. Thank you.



School Review Term 3

As I wrote in Term 1, this year is our 4-year School Review. This will occur in Term 3 and will include a panel of people – a Reviewer, the Senior Education Improvement Leader from the Region (Department of Education), two Principals from other schools, our School Council President, myself as Principal and our Leadership team.

This term we have a lot of the preparation work to complete in preparation for the onsite Review days (where people come and discuss our progress, visit classes and speak with parents, students and staff about our school). We will be inviting people to consult with us about our policies and procedures as part of this process. If you have a keen interest in supporting this process, please let either myself or our School Council President, Kristy Gainger know and we will organise dates to meet. There will also be opportunities for broader school community consultation throughout this term and we look forward to everyone having the opportunity to have a say.

The School Review focuses on the last four years of learning and wellbeing at our school and what we discover and learn, with pave the way for a new Strategic Plan which we will begin in 2025.

There will be opportunities for students, staff and families to have input to the discussions about what we do well and what we can improve. We would love everyone's feedback, to be truly representative of all that is happening at Napoleons Primary School. Please respond when we send out information or short surveys.

Pupil Free Day May 6th – All staff at Napoleons Primary School will be involved in a Professional Learning Day on May 6th and so this day will be a pupil free day for students. School will begin on **Tuesday 7th May** that week (Week 4).

Winter Sports (LDSSA – Linton District Schools Sports Association)

Winter sports will begin for Students in Years 4, 5 and 6 on **Friday 10th May** and again on **Friday 24th May** at Smythesdale Recreation Reserve. We have a back up day marked in for 31st May, just in case the weather means one of the scheduled days cannot occur.

ANZAC Day April 25th

There will be a public holiday for ANZAC Day on Thursday of next week. School Captains and representatives will attend the service at **Buninyong RSL Memorial Park at 10:15am** on ANZAC Day (Thursday morning). All families and school community members are welcome to attend. Usually the service lasts for about an hour.

Music Lessons



Genesis Music School will begin again on Thursdays from 1:15pm,

Have a great week and stay warm now we are very much into cooler weather 😊

Sue Izard
Principal



Playgroup News

Playgroup will be held off site on Tuesday 23rd April at Barkley Square.

Toys will be borrowed and will meet near the book nook from 9.30am

If you are unsure were to meet go to the café and someone will find you.

JELLY BEAN
GUESSING
GAME IS 20c
A GUESS

JELLY BEAN DAY

IF YOU COME TO
SCHOOL IN COLOURFUL
CLOTHES YOU WILL
HAVE TO DONATE A
GOLD COIN.

ON TUESDAY THE
23RD OF APRIL WE
WILL BE
CELEBRATING JELLY
BEAN DAY!

THE MONEY
RAISED WILL BE
TOWARDS THE
SCHOOL.

Congratulations!

For 25 Nights Reading

Anna M.

For 50 Nights Reading

Hollie S.

Lily B.

Alex D.

Sarah G.

Anna M.

Hunter R.

For 75 Nights Reading

Emily-Jane J.

Alex D.

Sarah G.

Anna M.

For 100 Nights Reading

Adaline K.



Class News

Term 2 Week 1

Student leaders - This week as part of Leadership with Ms Izard and Mrs Jones, students in years 5 and 6 have been completing Leadership posters (Year 6) and small writing pieces to share in the newsletter from our senior students from both our senior classes (5 and 6). Here are two for this week.

Arthur

Hi my name is Arthur and I am the School Captain for 2024. I enjoy playing basketball and AFL. I play basketball for Phoenix and AFL for Rokewood. I'm the captain of the Rokewood Under 12s. I think a good leader is trustworthy. This is what we think trustworthy is:

We agree to be truthful and honest, doing what we say we'll do so others will know we can be trusted. This is the beginning of respect. Others will respect us when they believe we are trustworthy.

Milla

Hi. My name is Milla. I am a Grade five. My hobbies include trying to ride a massive mountain bike, watching TV and eating cake or ice cream. So not very active activities but oh well. My favourite shows are brain games and face shows really. My favourite food is home made sausage rolls and cookies n cream donuts. I think a good leader means being trustworthy, kind and doing what's best.

We have also been working on our assembly birthday song - this was created by our students in Term 1. We have been practising and hope you will enjoy this at assembly tomorrow.



Friday 8th November 2024

Napoleons Primary School Fete

Dear Prospective Stallholder,

We would like to give you the opportunity to have a stall at our School Fete, which is being organised by the Napoleons Primary School Parents and Friends Association (PFA). The Napoleons Primary School is hosting their fete on Friday 8th November 2024 from 4pm to 7pm at the school 4721 Ballarat-Colac Road, Napoleons.

We have indoor and outdoor stalls available for \$30 and are seeking a wide range of stallholders.

If you are interested to be a stallholder at our School Fete, please email us at napoleons.ps.pfa@gmail.com and we will send you an application form to fill in and return to our email address.

The fundraising efforts of the Fete will directly benefit our school in learning opportunities and equipment for the students of Napoleons Primary School.

Thank you for your time and if you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards,

Tanya Putt
PFA President
Napoleons Primary School.

Market Stalls

Food/Drinks

Raffles

Fun Games

Kids Activities

**Amusement
Area**

and much more

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