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# NILMA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## THANK YOU STAFF

Thank you to Mrs Amanda Buckler for acting principal in my absence. It has been lovely to recoup after my operation knowing how the school is in good hands and the quality student welfare and educational programs have continued. Thanks to all staff for also putting in that little bit extra (as always), with the extra time at camps and willingness to step up to fulfil other roles also in Belinda's absence. Our staff at Nilma are multi-skilled! We are so lucky to have such a dedicated team to support the students. Thanks to Judi Collins for working for the past 4 weeks too. Thanks to the students and families who showed resilience and flexibility during both Belinda's and my absence. Sometimes things don't always pan out like we would want but I always think to myself, "Is it really going to matter in 5 years time?" Sometimes this reflection lets me put into perspective what is truly important in challenging times. Thanks to the Nilma Village!

## WALK TO SCHOOL—THANK YOU PARENTS

Thank you to all the parents and staff for your support of the 'Walk to School' campaign! It was wonderful to see the community come together to participate in the event, we had on average 20 students walk to school every day! Our tallies will be entered on the portal for a chance to win a voucher, stay tuned for updates!

## GRANDPARENT AFTERNOON - Friday 8th NOVEMBER

Ask 'Gran not Google' is a project that encourages children to seek the wisdom and life experience of a senior before searching the internet for answers. By doing so, children gain insight into the valuable role seniors can play in their lives and society. To celebrate, we are inviting grandparent/s to an 'open classroom' session on **Friday 8th November from 2pm**. This is an opportunity for students to share their learning, engage in discussions and participate in activities with their grandparent/s.



## REMEMBRANCE DAY—Monday 11th November

Our Year 6 students will represent Nilma PS at the Remembrance Day Service at the Warragul Cenotaph. Students will be accompanied by Ms Sutherland. Students must be in full school uniform and return permission forms by **Friday 8th November TOMORROW!**

**POPPIES ARE  
AVAILABLE FOR SALE  
20C EACH**



*We will also hold reflection a one minute silence at school at 11.00am. Poppies are available to purchase at 20c each. Our Year 5 students will lead a small service too. **Let We Forget.***

## COWS CREATE CAREERS MAXCARE COMPETITION

Congratulations Nilma! We were successful in winning the MaxCare competition on Facebook! The school will receive the \$1000 prize shortly! Thank you to the community for your votes! A big THANK YOU also to Mrs Buckler and Vicki for their work with the students in the Cows Create Careers program.



## REVIEW OF ROAD SAFETY OF SCHOOLS IN THE BAW BAW SHIRE PARENT QUESTIONAIRE

HDS Australia has been appointed to review road safety for schools in the Baw Baw Shire. Attached to the newsletter is a survey for parents to complete, this would be fitting to give feedback to the shire after the walk to school campaign, so we can hopefully make the pathway to Nilma PS a safer journey for students. Please complete the survey and return to school by Monday 11th November. **Your responses will be anonymous and used to create a safer community for our students and school. Thank you in anticipation of your responses.**



**SWIMMING  
DON'T FORGET SWIMMING  
STARTS MONDAY!  
REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR  
BATHERS, TOWEL AND A BAG FOR  
WET ITEMS!**

**STUDENTS ARE TO BE COLLECTED FROM THE  
LEISURE CENTRE FROM 3PM.  
AFTER SCHOOL CARE CHILDREN WILL BE  
BROUGHT BACK TO SCHOOL WITH STAFF.  
DATES ARE 11/11, 12/11, 18/11, 19/11, 26/11.**

**THANKS TO OUR STUDENT  
DIARY SPONSOR!**

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# R.E.A.L STUDENTS @ NILMA

## Learner of the Week

### RED HOMEGROUP

*Charlotte*

*For the consistent effort you make with your learning. It has been lovely to see your personal and academic achievements.*



*Tori*

*For the commitment you demonstrate towards learning. It is lovely to read your writing and to see your efforts in Maths.*



### GREEN HOMEGROUP

*Kaleb*

*For being brave and challenging yourself on camp. Great effort KJ!*



*Blake*

*For showing persistence in his handwriting to produce a lovely piece of work. Keep it up Blake!*



### BLUE HOMEGROUP

*Nick*

*For putting a huge effort into your learning this week. You have been 'on task' and determined to achieve. Keep it up!*



*Lewis*

*For showing such a positive attitude to all aspects of your learning and always considering and respecting your fellow students.*



### YELLOW HOMEGROUP

*Deklan*

*You have received Learner of the week for your enthusiasm and engagement within literacy sessions, contributing to discussions with reference to the text to support your thinking.*



*Oliver*

*You have received Learner of the Week for your engagement within the role of forensic investigator. Recording observations accurately and sharing evidence to support your hypothesis.*



## L.A.U.G.H Program

Learning Activities Under Guidance of Home  
**NIGHTLY READING**

### 100 NIGHTS

TY TYSON

### 125 NIGHTS

ASHA EMMA  
SHYLA MATILDA

### 150 NIGHTS

THOMAS KANE

### 175 NIGHTS

ERIKA KURTIS

### 200 NIGHTS

OLIVER

### 250 NIGHTS

CHARLOTTE (Y4)

### 275 NIGHTS

OLIVIA

## PLAYGROUND AWARDS



**No  
Playground Awards this  
Newsletter as there was  
no Assembly last week  
due to camp!**



## Happy Birthday

# Amelia

# HAPPENINGS IN OUR HOMEGROUPS!



In Maths we have been investigating making groups of, arrays and skip counting (multiplication) as well as sharing (division).

**Home Group**  
- 1/F -  
Ruby



Last week both the grade twos and threes participated in their camping programs. The grade threes spending the night at Forest Edge and the Grade Twos spending the night at school. Everyone had a great time. Well done to the students on their fantastic behaviour and a huge thanks to all the staff for their time and effort!



**Home Group**  
- 3/2 -  
Emerald  
Green



## Camp Recount



Yay, I can't wait for camp. Nick look there is camp!  
I hop off the bus. We all went to the auditorium and one of the staff at Forest Edge called Jimmy got up on stage and talked. First my group did bush walk. We did red track. It was steep, I mean really steep. I found a walking stick and it is a good one too.

**Home Group**  
- 4 -  
Aqua  
Blue

Then we entered our rooms. I got the top bunk. We went to our groups and then we went hut building. I got drenched and then Ms. Campbell said lets go down to the river and get drenched. All of us went yeah! Then we did tramps/oval games. I stayed at the tramp and wait in line. It was really fun. Then we did scavenger hunt. It was fun finding things. I was in a group with KJ and Jai M. We did a lot of walking then we went to Archery. I was the only one in my group to get it in the yellow. My dad said if you be very quiet you could hear the crushers at the Neerim North quarry in Archery. Nick and I looked at each other we heard the crushers! Then we had free time and duty group had to put the cups out then we had dinner. For dinner I had a chicken schnitzel with gravy and a roll then we had super for super we had hot chocolate and jelly.  
By Alex

Students had a fabulous opportunity to attend the Gene Technology Access Centre to explore the forensic scenario of a run-away dog, Alfie, whose owner has retrieved him from the pound. Students took on the role of forensic investigator, analysing trace evidence samples using stereo and compound microscopes. A record of observations was used to determine the escape mechanism used by Alfie and the path he follows during his escapes. Students provided suggestions to Alfie's owner on how to stop him from escaping.

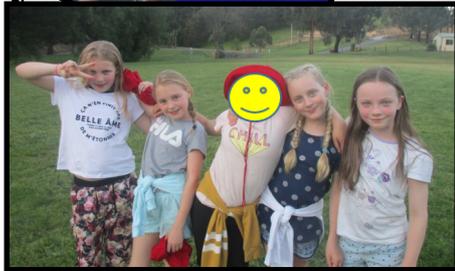


**Home Group**  
- 6/5 -  
Lemon  
Yellow



Students were engaged in the program with great student feedback received.

# YEAR 4/3 CAMP!



# YEAR 2 SLEEPOVER



# FROM THE OFFICE.....



I would like to take this opportunity to the staff that supported the Office in my absence, and thank you to the parents and students for their assistance also.

Family Statements will be sent home tomorrow. It would be appreciated if all outstanding monies be paid in full, or a payment arrangement in place, by the 29th November. Please speak to myself in the Office for any further queries in regards to this.

**OSHC Statements will be sent to families each fortnight. For any payment queries please speak to Belinda in the Office. For CCS queries please speak to Centrelink directly.**

## DONATIONS PLEASE!

The OSHC program is on the look out for any donations of age appropriate toys, games, puzzles and art and craft activities. If you have any items that you would like to donate, please leave them at the Office.

## NILMA NEWS KEEP UP TO DATE WITH SCHOOL HAPPENINGS!

### SWIMMING PROGRAM

The Swimming Program will run for 5 sessions in term 4. The days and dates are; Monday 11th, Tuesday 12th, Monday 18th, Tuesday 19th and Tuesday 26th November. The cost will be \$30 per child which includes entry, lessons and travel costs. Please notify the school ASAP if your child will not be participating in the swimming program. Students not participating will need to be collected from Nilma by 12pm on the day of swimming. Students are to be collected from the Leisure Centre from 3pm on swimming days. **Please return all permission and car travel forms (if applicable) by Friday 8th (TOMORROW).** Payments must also be made by this date. CSEF can be used towards swimming.



**Don't forget your bathers, towel and a plastic bag (for wet items)!**

### TRADIE FOR A DAY

Our Year 6 students will participate in 'Tradie For A Day' on **Wednesday 13th November** with other students from the West Gippsland area. Students will be transported to and from the West Gippsland Trades Training Centre on Wills St Warragul by Mrs Buckler or Ms Sutherland. They require their lunch, drinks and snacks for the day. Students will experience a range of activities

based on the trades offered at the centre. Permission and Car Travel Forms are attached to the newsletter and must be returned by **Tuesday 12th November**. The cost for this activity is \$6 per student.

**Nilma Primary School Learning Community Agreements / Expectations**

### Respect & Responsibility

We show how to be respectful and responsible through what we say, think, do and how we act.

**It:**

- are able to work independently when necessary.
- accept responsibility for our behaviour choices.
- show self-control in challenging situations.
- listen to instructions and follow them.
- listen to others and respond positively.
- look after and show kindness towards others.
- use our manners and we are polite to others.
- look after and consider the needs of others.
- work collaboratively in group situations.
- feel very proud about being student at this school.
- are understanders to behaviours that are not acceptable at our school.
- try our best at school.

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### Environment

We show how to be achievement focused through what we say, think, do and how we act.

**It:**

- care for our own and others' belongings.
- keep the classroom and school clean and tidy.
- care for our school property.
- recycle and reuse for the environment
- limit our rubbish we use.
- put rubbish in the appropriate bins.
- compost our food scraps.
- work collaboratively to grow and harvest plants in the garden.
- are open to learning how to taste and cook different foods.

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### Achievement

We show how to be achievement focused through what we say, think, do and how we act.

**It:**

- set and achieve individual goals.
- always try to do our best.
- are prepared to take on new challenges.
- concentrate on learning.
- collaborate with others as needed
- are open to challenge with new learning.
- practise new things without giving up.
- show persistence.
- are proud of our learning and celebrate our achievements.

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### Learning

We show how to be achievement focused through what we say, think, do and how we act.

**It:**

- have the opportunity to participate in decision making.
- actively share our learning, ideas and opinions in class.
- ask questions and seek assistance when needed.
- complete given tasks in a given time.
- discuss ideas about what we are learning.
- display initiatives and offer help to others.
- learn from our prior experiences.
- manage our home learning responsibilities.
- are organised and willing to learn.
- try hard and not give up—persist with tasks.
- think about what we are learning.
- understand that mistakes are part of learning.

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# SUSTAINABILITY – SAKGP

## Volunteers Needed for the Sustainability and Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program!



We are looking for some helpers in all grades to come and have some fun with the students in our Sustainability program on a Thursday in Term 2. If you are able to help out can you please come and see Kristy Uren on a Thursday or leave a message with Belinda at the office for her to contact you. The sessions are as follows;

**Year 3/2 (Green) 9am – 10am**      **Year 1/F (Red) 10am – 11am**  
**Year 4 (Blue) 11.30am-1pm**      **Year 6/5 (Yellow) 1.45pm-2.45pm**

All helpers are also required to have a voluntary Working with Children Check which needs to be sighted and copied by Belinda at the office. If you have not got one, they are free and you can apply for one online at <http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au>. If you need any help with this please come and see us. We particularly need helpers with our Year 4 cooking class held every second week from 11.30am – 1pm. If you are able to help us on any of the following dates can you please add your name to the date(s) that suit and hand this form back into the office. We would love to have 3 helpers for each session to allow for smaller cooking groups.

### SAKGP VOLUNTEER ROSTER - TERM 4

14th November Gardening	Tanya Humphrey		Red
21st November Cooking	Tanya Humphrey Elise Ly	10-11:00 am	Green Red
28th November Gardening			
5th December Cooking			
12th December Gardening	Elise Ly	10-11:00 am	Red

## PARENT CLUB SCHOOL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

### HOT LUNCH ROSTER—TERM 4

DATE	DROP OFF Wednesday 9.30am	DATE	PICK UP Friday 12.45pm
13/11	Briohny Young	15/11	
20/11	Briohny Young	22/11	Tanya Humphrey
27/11	Briohny Young	29/11	
4/12	Briohny Young	6/12	Tanya Humphrey
11/12	Briohny Young	13/12	

Keep the calendar on your fridge or board at home to stay up to date with the events at Nilma

# NILMA PRIMARY SCHOOL CALENDAR

## NOVEMBER 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sa	Su
4 <b>STUDENT FREE DAY</b>	5 <b>MELBOURNE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>	6 Year 6/5 GTAC Excursion <b>Breakfast Club</b> School Council Meeting	7 MARC NEWSLETTER	8 <b>Grandparents Afternoon 2pm</b> School Banking Assembly 2.50pm	9	10
11 Remembrance Day Swimming <b>Breakfast Club</b>	12 Swimming 'ACTIVE CLUB'	13 Year 6 'Tradie For A Day' <b>Breakfast Club</b>	14 MARC	15 Year 6 Graduation Photo School Banking Assembly 2.50pm	16	17
18 2020 Foundation Transition Day 9am-11am Swimming <b>Breakfast Club</b>	19 Swimming 'ACTIVE CLUB'	20 <b>Breakfast Club</b>	21 MARC NEWSLETTER	22 School Banking Assembly 2.50pm	23	24
25 <b>Breakfast Club</b>	26 Swimming 'ACTIVE CLUB'	27 <b>Breakfast Club</b>	28 2020 Foundation Transition Day 9am-11.30am MARC	29 School Banking Assembly 2.50pm	30	

## DECEMBER 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sa	Su
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2 School Council Meeting #8 6.30pm Finance 7pm School Council <b>Breakfast Club</b>	3 'ACTIVE CLUB'	4 2020 Foundation Transition Day 9am-1pm <b>Breakfast Club</b>	5 MARC NEWSLETTER	6 School Banking Assembly 2.50pm	7	8
9 <b>Breakfast Club</b>	10 STATEWIDE TRANSITION DAY 'ACTIVE CLUB'	11 Year 6 End of Year Activity <b>Breakfast Club</b>	12 MARC	13 School Banking Assembly 2.50pm	14	15
16 <b>Breakfast Club</b>	17 Year 6 Graduation & School Picnic 'ACTIVE CLUB'	18 Year 6 Graduation Activity <b>Breakfast Club</b>	19 MARC NEWSLETTER	20 <b>Last Day School 2019!</b> 1.15pm Finish	21	22
23	24 <b>CHRISTMAS EVE</b>	25 <b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b>	26 <b>BOXING DAY</b>	27	28	29
30	31					

### 2020 FOUNDATION TRANSITION DAYS

**MONDAY 18th NOVEMBER**

**9AM - 11AM**

**THURSDAY 28th NOVEMBER**

**9AM - 11.30AM**

**WEDNESDAY 4th DECEMBER**

**9AM - 1PM**

**TUESDAY 10th DECEMBER**

**9AM - 3.15PM**