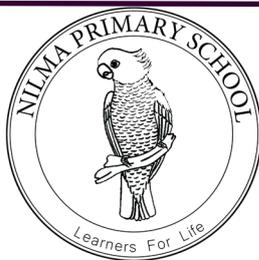


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# NILMA PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Principal Notes

# NEWSLETTER

Thursday 21st September 2017  
 Issue 30 - 2017

**Principal**  
 Ms Annette Sutherland

**Business Manager**  
 Mrs Belinda Smythe

**School Council  
 President**  
 Mrs Nicki Kimm

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#### HOLIDAY TIME

This year, as you all know, has been a winter with lots of sickness in the community. The holidays will provide an opportunity for families to slow down and have a break. We wish you all a happy, restful and sickness free holiday. Thanks to all in the community for another fabulous term. Let's hope the sun will shine over the holidays so we can all get out and enjoy some family time.

#### SCHOOL REVIEW

Today was the second, and final day, of our school review. The review gives us time to reflect upon what Nilma has already achieved and allows us to collaborate together and goal set for the future. Today the panel had the opportunity to talk to parents and students to gather ideas to incorporate into our future Strategic Plan.

Thank you to the whole school community for your input into the review and support with developing goals to help our students to be equipped with the knowledge, skills and confidence to become life long learners.

#### STAFF CHANGES

I will be on leave for 2 weeks of Term 4— Amanda Buckler will be Acting Principal in my absence. Monica Berkelmans will also be on Long Service Leave.

#### CYBER SAFETY SESSION—Community Invite

The Drouin Secondary College is hosting a **Cyber Safety Session for Parents** at 7pm on Tuesday October 17<sup>th</sup> (Week 2, Term 4).

The College is charging a small fee of \$5 per head and bookings can be made through the 'flyer link' on the attached flyer (page 6).

The presenter is Susan McLean who is one of (if not "the") best authority on Cyber Safety in the country. Please think about attending, this issue was raised in the feedback to our school. We will have some staff from Nilma attend the session too.

STUDENT  
 ENROLMENTS  
 DUE

#### EARN AND LEARN AT WOOLWORTHS

From the **26th of July to September 19th** we have been collecting Earn and Learn stickers from Woolworths.

Earn and Learn has now finished. The stickers will help the school to gain new educational resources and we look forward to their arrival in Term4. Thank you to

Monica Berkelmans who has co-ordinated Earn and Learn and to all the families who have been collecting stickers for the school.



#### SCIENCE—CHICKENS

Many thanks to Mrs Hodge and Mrs Evans who have been looking after our chickens at school and coming in to feed them over the weekends. A thank you to Brian and Paula from the farm who will be caring for our chickens over the holiday period.



#### GARDENING - PAINT

Any donations of bright coloured exterior paint would be very appreciated as we are planning to paint a large artwork for our garden. Thank you.

#### SUSTAINABILITY TIP OF THE WEEK

Only use a dishwasher or washing machine if it is full.

#### HATS

A reminder to parents and students that hats must be worn at recess and lunchtime during Term 4. Parents may purchase hats from Hip Pocket Work Wear in Warragul. Could students

**LAST DAY OF TERM  
 FRIDAY 22ND  
 SEPTEMBER  
 1.15PM FINISH**

please ensure that their hats are well named.

# STUDENT LEARNING @ NILMA



## R.E.A.L STUDENTS @ NILMA

### Learner of the Week Recognitions

#### **Homegroup 1/F Red** **Issac Deane**

For your persistence and dedication to your reading. You have been working hard to use your reading strategies when working through new texts. We are enjoying listening to your growing expression and character voices when reading. Keep challenging yourself and well done Isaac.

#### **Homegroup 2 Green** **Thomas Buckler**

For the enthusiasm you show towards your writing. You have been eager to write and determined to incorporate all elements of VCOP. Well done Thomas!

#### **Homegroup 4/3 Blue** **Piper Bundle**

For the conscientious way in which you approach all areas of your learning. You are always prepared to challenge yourself to do your best and your positive approach sets a fine example for your fellow students. Congratulations Piper!

#### **Homegroup 6/5/4 Yellow** **Isabella Salisbury-Challons**

For the hard work and dedication you are showing towards the Nude Food Project at our school. You have sacrificed a lot of your own play time to get the displays and information for all of us at Nilma Primary School. Thank you!

L.A.U.G.H Program  
Learning Activities Under  
Guidance of Home  
NIGHTLY READING



#### **100 Nights**

Piper Bundle  
Shila Bundle

#### **150 Nights**

Ashlee Cooke

#### **175 Nights**

James Taylor

#### **200 Nights**

Natasha Salabury-Challons

#### **225 Nights**

Will Cane  
Olivia Addison

## PLAYGROUND AWARDS

### Winners



- Jesse Matthews-playing well with others
- Mikayla Lott - being nice to others
- Jasmine Tyrell - being nice to others
- Finn Young—being respectful and kind

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Will Cane  
Tyson Wilmont  
Sheree Casey-Wilson  
Dylan Bradshaw

Have a Safe and Happy  
holiday everyone.

# HOMEGROUP HAPPENINGS!



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

Last Friday we had footy colours day at Nilma PS. Students got to dress up in their favourite footy team colours and had the opportunity to enjoy a yummy hot dog at lunchtime. Ruby Red students were super excited turning up to school in their different team colours.

Students collected data during maths time about a footy question of their choice.

Some of the questions were; 'What is your favourite footy team?' 'Which footy team has your favourite colours?' and 'Which team do you think will win the Grand final?' The two most popular teams in our grade were Essendon and Western Bulldogs. We also had a student who had a favourite rugby team instead of footy which was good for students to learn about the two different games.

Students had a great day integrating footy into their learning. Thank you to parents/guardians for helping your children get ready for the day.



**Home Group**  
- 2 -  
Emerald Green

Student in the Green HG have continued to build on and strengthen their use of VCOP. This week students have had an individual goal for *vocabulary*, *connectives*, *openers* and *punctuation*.

On the amazing day I went to my Nana Kay's house. When we were half way I said to Dad "When are we going to get there?" "In a minute," said Dad. By Jesse

On Sunday I went to the shopping centre. We went to Big W, Toy World, Kmart and Target. On the way out my mum got her eyebrows done. I got a Hot Wheels changing colour car from Kmart. By Thomas

Dad and I went to the football ground and Dad helped me do snappers. It was fun. I am good at kicking. By Jai M

On the weekend I got a new AFL game for a week from the video store. Then I went for a bike ride. I grazed my knee then I saw toilets that looked like a cylinder. By Ty



**Home Group**  
- 4/3 -  
Aqua Blue

Last Thursday we were cooking in the Kitchen Garden. Our menu included; Potato Skins, Kale Chips, Potato Salad, Leek and Silverbeet Pizza, Ham and Cheese Pizza and Apple Crumble. Yum!



Students have been working hard to prepare their team display booklet for their Biological Science project (on biofilm growth). It was fascinating to see the results of the experiment, student thoughts linked back with their predictions and the way they are building a hypothesis about what effects biofilm growth and why.



**Home Group**  
- 6/5/4 -  
Lemon Yellow



# CURRICULUM CORNER

## RACV STREET SCENE INCURSION—Second day back

On Tuesday 10th October students will participate in an RACV Street Scene Incursion. Students will learn about being 'street smart' with presenters from the RACV discussing traffic, pedestrian and road safety. Each homegroup will participate in a 45 minute session.

## SCIENCE PRESENTATION EVENING

Families are invited to come along to the school on Wednesday 18th October between 6pm - 7pm to view students presentations on their science work from Term 3. Students have been busy investigating biological science, from incubating and hatching chickens to studying the anatomy of plants and seeds.

Last years presentation evening was well received by students, families and staff.

We look forward to showcasing the students work, efforts and growth within the science curriculum.



## FIRST AID IN SCHOOLS CLUSTER DAY

Students from Ellinbank PS will join with Nilma PS on Friday 27th October for a cluster day for the 'First Aid in Schools Program'. Students will be grouped in year levels and participate in 45 minute sessions with a presenter from St Johns Victoria.

Further information about the cluster day will be in the newsletter next term.



## BOOK FAIR

Nilma PS will be hosting our annual Scholastic Book Fair from Monday 23rd to Monday 30th October. Students and parents will be able to browse the Book Fair before school - 8.45am-9am and after school - 3.15pm-3.30pm for the week.

Please note that it is a **cash only** stall.

Money raised from the Book Fair goes towards purchasing new library books. The fair will be coordinated by Mr Williams with the assistance of the senior students.



## SWIMMING

In Term 4 our swimming program will commence for 5 sessions in November. The dates are - 14th, 17th, 21st, 24th and 28th (Tuesdays and Fridays). The cost for the program will be \$40 per student. The cost for this program has been heavily subsidised by the Parent Club, through the Pie Drive, Mothers & Fathers Day stalls and the Movie Night fundraisers. Parents are able to start making payments towards this program. Please speak to the Office staff for more information.

Students will be transported to the Warragul Leisure Centre on these days by a combination of bus and car travel. Students will need to be picked up at the Warragul Leisure Centre at the completion of the day -3.15pm. It is expected that all students attend swimming lessons.

Notices and permission forms will be distributed in the first week back.



# SCHOOL ORGANISATION

## YEAR 4/3 CAMP—FOREST EDGE

Students in Year 4/3 will participate in the Forest Edge camp on **Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd November 2017**. Students will attend the camp with students from the Mt Worth Cluster schools - Darnum, Ellinbank and Bona Vista. Staff attending will be Kerry Williams and Annette Sutherland. Another staff member will also be attending and will be confirmed closer to the camp.

Students were given notes regarding the camp earlier this week with confirmation and deposit due back to school by **Thursday 21st September (deposits are due on Friday 22nd)**.

The full cost of the camp is \$130, with full payment due by **Friday 27th October**. A payment arrangement is attached to the newsletter. Please speak to the Office staff for more information in regards to payments. At the beginning of Term 4 students will be given further information about the camp including clothing lists, permission and medical forms, itineraries etc. We will also notify you of the drop off and pick up points and times. Please notify the Office as soon as possible in regards to dietary requirements so we can communicate this with the camp. If parents require any information about the camp then please speak to the Office staff or teachers that are attending.

## EARN AND LEARN AT WOOLWORTHS

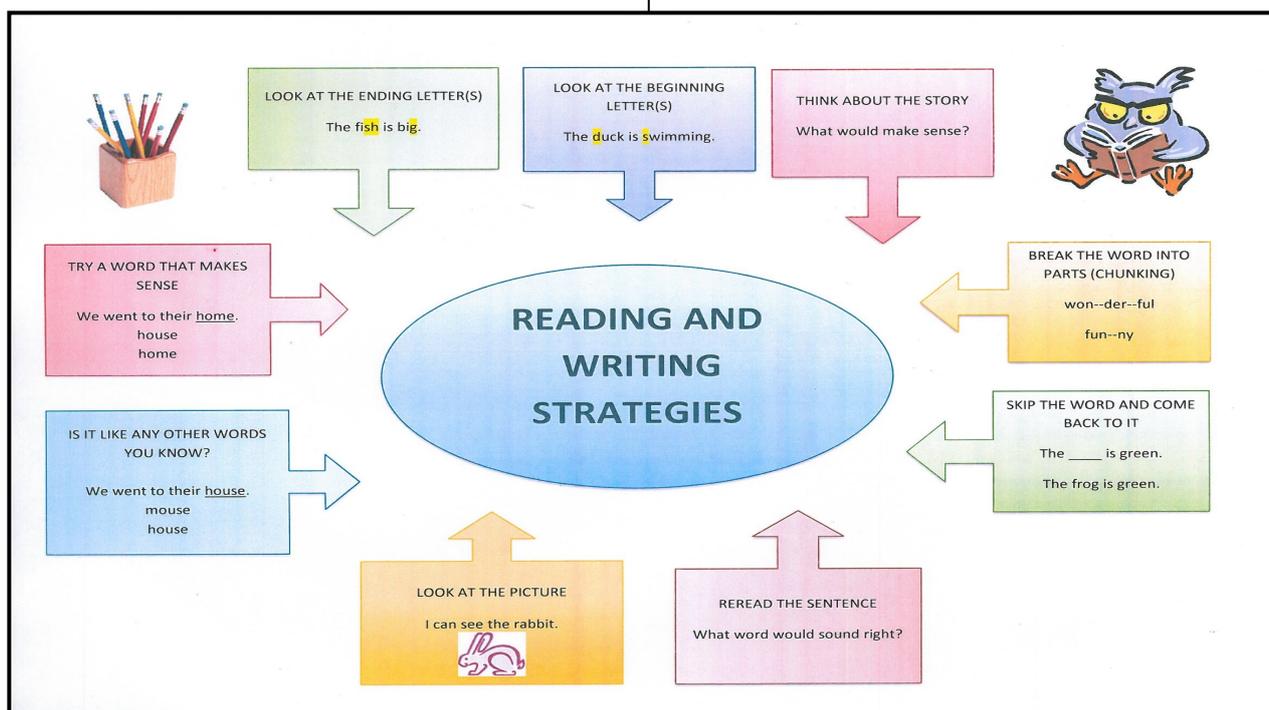
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## FRIDAY—NO HOT LUNCHE\$ THIS WEEK

Term 4— First week hot lunches will remain same—we will then look at changes to the menu for the change in weather.

## NUDE FOOD DAY

**GUESS WHAT!** On Thursday 19th October we will be having a whole school Nude Food Day! Nude Food is when you have **NO WRAPPERS** on your food. Having no wrappers will protect the flora (plants) and Fauna (animals) around the school grounds and make our school a cleaner, healthier place. On the day we will have a quiz for the 3-6s and a word search for the F-2s. The leaders of the school, the grade 5s and 6s, will run the day and count the wrappers for each class. The class with the least wrappers will get to watch a movie and have popcorn. If you have no wrappers on the day you will get a certificate and if you get 100% on the quiz you will get a prize.



# COMMUNITY NOTICES

cybersafetysolutions

For Parents & Guardians

**ATTENTION ALL PARENTS OF SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN – NOT TO BE MISSED**

**TUESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2017**

7.00pm – 9.00pm at Drouin Secondary College - Auditorium

Only \$5 per parent – Tickets at Trybooking.com link – <https://www.trybooking.com/317792>  
or scan the QR Code to your Mobile Phone



## Growing up Online:

An informative & entertaining session for Parents and carers is delivered with Susan's famous 'no nonsense' approach & will cover the positive benefits of technology as well as what parents need to be aware of:-

- ❖ What are kids doing online – The popular social networking sites and apps such as KiK, Musical.ly and Instagram & Yellow. What they are, what are the legal ages to use them & why these rules should be obeyed? The difference between an 'online friend' and a 'stranger'.
- ❖ Online Grooming – What is it and when/how does it occur? What are the warning signs & what to do if you suspect this is happening to your child.
- ❖ Cyberbullying - What it is, where it happens, what it looks like, how to prevent and what to do if it occurs. Also the legal consequences and the possible criminal charges.
- ❖ 'Sexting' – the taking and sending of explicit images...what are the REAL consequences. (Primary school kids to).
- ❖ Potential dangers and safety tips – how to assist the children in your care to stay safe online via parental controls and restriction passcodes
- ❖ Problematic Internet use and gaming issues.
- ❖ Office of the eSafety Commissioner – Role, Resources & Reporting.
- ❖ Be confident in setting rules and boundaries around Internet use in the home. It's OK to say NO!
- ❖ The session will conclude with time for Questions.

*What Susan doesn't know about Cybersafety is not worth knowing! She is absolutely brilliant and her presentations are dynamic and entertaining. She has the unique ability to connect with each audience from young people to adults.  
(Dr Michael Carr-Gregg Adolescent Psychologist)*



*Susan Mclean is Australia's foremost expert in the area of Cybersafety and young people. She is a mother of three and was the first Victorian Police Officer appointed to a position involving Cybersafety and young people. She took her first report of cyberbullying in 1994 and since then she has conducted extensive research and has completed advanced training in this area in both the USA and UK and is a sought after presenter and advisor to Schools, elite sporting bodies such as the AFL, GP's, and both State and Federal Governments. She has authored resources for the Victorian DET, writes and reviews school Policy, provides crisis management/advice to schools and is afforded 'expert' status on the Safer Internet Programme Data Base. She is also a member of the Australian Government's Cybersafety working group and a published author. Her book 'Sext's Texts & Selfies', is the definitive parents' guide to helping their children stay safe online.*

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**For further information, please contact**

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# NILMA PRIMARY SCHOOL CALENDAR OCTOBER 2017

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sa	Su
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b>FIRST DAY TERM 4</b> <b>Breakfast Club</b> 9	10 RACV Street Scene Incursion	<b>Breakfast Club</b> 11	<b>MARC VAN</b> 12	13 School Banking	14	15
<b>Breakfast Club</b> 16	17	<b>Breakfast Club</b> 18 Science Presentation Evening	<b>Nude Food Day</b> 19	20 School Banking	21	22
23 School council 6:30-8:30pm <b>Book Fair</b> <b>Breakfast Club</b>	24 WRC Parent Information Evening <b>Book Fair</b>	25 <b>Book Fair</b> <b>Breakfast Club</b>	26 <b>Book Fair</b> <b>MARC VAN</b>	27 School Banking <b>Book Fair</b> <b>First Aid In Schools</b> <b>Cluster Day</b>	28	29
30 <b>Book Fair</b> <b>Breakfast Club</b>	31					

## NOVEMBER 2017

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sa	Su
		1 <b>Breakfast Club</b>	2 Year 4/3 Camp	School Banking 3 Year 4/3 Camp	4	5
6 <b>Breakfast Club</b>	7 <b>MELBOURNE CUP</b> <b>PUBLIC</b> <b>HOLIDAY</b>	8 <b>Breakfast Club</b>	9 Year 2 Sleepover Foundation Transition Morning 9:00 -11:00pm <b>MARC VAN</b>	10 School Banking	11	12
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27 School council 6:30-8:30pm <b>Breakfast Club</b>	28 SWIMMING	29 Foundation Transition Half Day <b>Breakfast Club</b>	30			

## DECEMBER 2017

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sa	Su
				1 Yr 6 Summit Camp School Banking	2	3
4 <b>Breakfast Club</b>	5 State wide Transition Day WRC Parent Orientation evening	6 <b>Breakfast Club</b>	7 <b>MARC VAN</b>	8 School Banking	9	10
11 <b>Breakfast Club</b>	12	13 <b>Breakfast Club</b>	14 Yr6 Graduation & School BBQ	15 School Banking	16	17
18 Yr6 Graduation dinner	19	20	21	22 Last day Early Finish	23	24

# SCHOOL COMMUNITY COMMUNICATION

## BECOME A PARTNER IN YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION



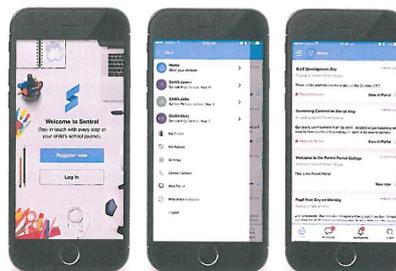
Our school has an exciting new Parent Portal and Parent App available now.

The Portal and App key can be obtained from our school's administration department.



## Our school's new parent portal and app empowers all parents.

Keep fully updated, manage and control everything related to your child's education. Communicate with the school seamlessly through push notifications, instant messaging, payment gateways and much more all at the power of your fingertips.



### With the new parent portal and app, now parents can:

- Better informed**  
Receive push notifications about everything that's important for your child.
  - At your fingertips**  
Information that's most relevant and needs your attention appears clearly on your mobile device.
  - Communicate easily**  
With our instant messaging feature, have conversations with the school staff and get the feedback you want.
  - Instant payments**  
Pay for excursions, school fees and so much more. Right away with your credit card and record / track your bills.
  - Track homework**  
Know exactly what your child needs to complete at home.
  - Permit instantly**  
No more notices to sign or papers given to your child for carrying back. Approve instantly on your parent app.
- All your children across multiple schools in one app\***  
**Manage all your children's education progression on one platform**  
\* Schools must still be users of Sentral

Portal and App key can be obtained from our school's administration department.

Download the App today  
For IOS [www.applestore.com](http://www.applestore.com) or Android [www.playgoogle.com](http://www.playgoogle.com)



## SENTRAL APP

Parents can now access Sentral's Parent Portal via an app on a smartphone or tablet! Download the app onto your device and follow the instructions to log on. Access keys are attached to the newsletter for families to log on. If you have any questions please contact the school. This is a great way to keep up to date with your child's education and school information.

## TEAM APP

Parents can also access information and be informed of school happenings via Team App. Download the app onto your device and sign up to Nilma Primary School. News, events and documents will be advertised on the app, allowing the school and community to communicate and interact.

## NILMA PRIMARY SCHOOL NOW HAS ITS OWN APP



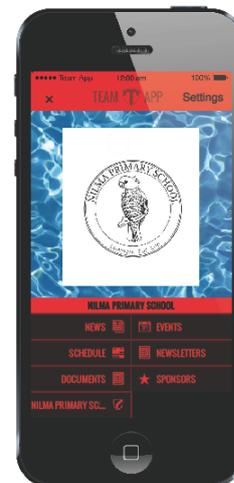
Download our awesome new app now and stay up to date with all the latest information!

Install the Nilma Primary School App on your smartphone or tablet now!

Follow these steps:  
1. Download Team App from the Apple or Google Play app store.



2. Sign up to Team App. You will be sent an email to confirm your registration.
3. Log into the App and search for "Nilma Primary School".
4. Choose your applicable access group(s).
5. If you don't have a smartphone go to [nilma.ps.teamapp.com](http://nilma.ps.teamapp.com) to sign up and view this App online.



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