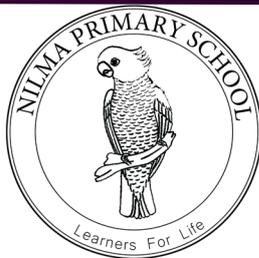


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# NILMA PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Principal Notes

# NEWSLETTER

Thursday 12th October 2017  
 Issue 31 - 2017

**Acting Principal**  
 Mrs Amanda Buckler

**Business Manager**  
 Mrs Belinda Smythe

**School Council  
 President**  
 Mrs Nicki Kimm

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### WELCOME BACK!

Term 4 is upon us and a productive term it will be, with many exciting learning experiences available to students.

We have had a fabulous start to the term with students able to enjoy some sunshine.

On Tuesday students attended an RACV session presented by Louise, learning about traffic safety, pedestrian and car park safety. Our carpark can be a busy place and requires all to be aware of others, putting into practice care when crossing roads and safety measures taken such as using the crossing. Parents and staff of Nilma are models to the students in this area.

Our swimming program will run this term along with the 3/4 camp and grade 2 sleep over. Please ensure that permission forms and money are returned to aid us with the organisation of such activities.

Please don't hesitate to contact the office with any questions or queries.

Ms Sutherland is still enjoying her time away and will return on Monday 23rd October. Miss B will also return on Thursday 19th and Mrs Evans is on leave from today until Tuesday 17th.

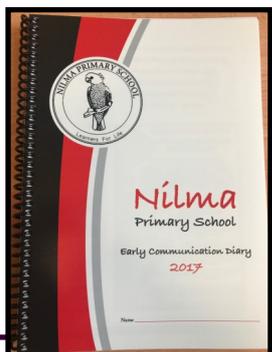
We would also like to announce that Mrs Sheriff will be continuing to work in the Blue HG for term 4.

### THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

A big thank you to our Sponsors for the 2017 School Diaries. We are very appreciative of the support we receive and would like to acknowledge those businesses who sponsored our diaries this year;

- 'Not Just Steam Cleaning'
- 'Office Choice'
- 'Warragul Forest & Garden'
- 'Curves & Kisses'
- 'Andrew Black Plastering Services'

Planning ahead for 2018 we would like to extend an invitation to our School Community for Sponsors. Please contact the Office you are interested in being a 2018 Nilma Primary School Diary Sponsor.



### NUDE FOOD DAY

Next Thursday 19th October we will be a Nude Food Day! Nude Food is when you have NO WRAPPERS on your food.



Thank you to Isobella & Matilda for their organisational skills and the initiative shown in planning and running the day.

### 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 please ensure that their hats are well named.

### WELCOME AND THANK YOU

Welcome to **Jack Fraser** from Marist Sion College who has been on work experience placement this week. Thank you for your positive contributions to our learning community here at Nilma. Jack has spent time in all home groups, interacting with and supporting students.

### OPEN MORNING - TUESDAY 17th OCTOBER FOUNDATION ENROLMENTS FOR 2018

Nilma Primary School will be hosting another Open Morning for prospective parents to attend. We invite families, old and new, to take a walk through our wonderful school and have the opportunity to ask questions about teaching & learning. Enrolments for 2018 are open and can be handed in to the Office. Please see the Office for an enrolment form or for any queries or further information. Letters outlining our transition program will be sent out to families later this month.

### FOUNDATION ENROLMENTS

Open School  
 Open Morning @ Nilma 9am-11am  
 Tuesday 17th October 2017



Personal Tours available  
 ENROLMENTS OPEN NOW!

## NILMA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Our Learning  
 Community  
 encourages  
 children to be;

- Respectful and Responsible
- Environmentally aware
- Achievement focused
- Life long Learners

**REAL @ NILMA**

Enquiries or School Tours - Please contact Annette Sutherland (03) 5623 2963  
 Bloomfield Road, Nilma (3.5km from Warragul) [nilma.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:nilma.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au)

# STUDENT LEARNING @ NILMA



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

### Learner of the Week Recognitions

#### Homegroup 1/F Red **Levi Farmer**

For your fantastic effort during our Warm Write piece on Tuesday. Your task was to have a go at independently writing a letter to someone. You persisted and worked hard to sound out words and write down your sentence. Well done Levi, keep up the great effort!

#### Homegroup 2 Green **Alex Chesterfield**

For a fantastic start to Term 4. You have been on-task and have completed all learning tasks. Even with the struggles a fractured foot brings! Well done Alex.

#### Homegroup 4/3 Blue **Charlotte Wright**

For the great way you have settled into your new class and school at Nilma Primary. Welcome aboard Charlotte!

#### Homegroup 6/5/4 Yellow **Matilda Dent**

For the support and computer processing expertise you have used to produce all of the Nude Food Day posters and information. It was wonderful seeing you working in partnership with Bella to have this ready for our whole school. Well done!

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



- 25 Nights:** Jasmine Terrill
  - 75 Nights:** James Taylor
  - 100 Nights:** Jessie McCabe
  - 125 Nights:** Dylan Bradshaw
  - 150 Nights:** Shyla Quigley
  - 175 Nights:** Emma Brown
  - 200 Nights:** Tyson Wilmot
  - 225 Nights:** Lewis Devlin
  - 250 Nights:** Cohen Cogo
  - 275 Nights:** Sheree Casey-Wilson
- Thomas Buckler  
Taleah Hammond  
Blake Hanmer  
Charlotte Goodchild  
Natasha Salsbury-Challons  
Isobella Salsbury-Challons  
Olivia Addison

## **PLAYGROUND AWARDS** Winners



- Charlotte Goodchild
- Levi Farmer
- Amelia Scanlon
- Teylah Lott

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

### **Meg Devlin** **Dylan Bradshaw**

Welcome to our new students Jasmine Terrill (end of term 3) and Charlotte Wright. Both students have settled in beautifully, making new friends and displaying positive attitudes towards their learning.



# HOMEGROUP HAPPENINGS!



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

Welcome back to term 4 everyone. We hope you had a lovely holiday and that you and your student/s are ready for a busy term 4! On Tuesday we had Louise Varsaci come to visit Nilma and educate the students on road safety.

Year 1/F's program involved a social story and learning about traffic safety, signs, safe practises and places to cross a road. We had a big part of our session focusing on zebra crossings and why they are important. Students were also involved in an activity on about how to be a 'safe' passenger in a travelling vehicle. Ruby Red students were fantastic, listening and actively involving themselves in the session by sharing their knowledge, asking questions and joining in the different tasks and games Louise presented to the students. It was a valuable session, thank you to the RACV.



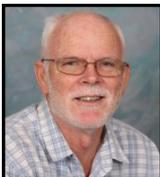
**Home Group**  
- 2 -  
Emerald Green

Throughout the year students in the Green HG have enjoyed books such as Isabella's Garden and All Through the



Year. We have had many discussions and completed many tasks relating these books to the four seasons and our individual

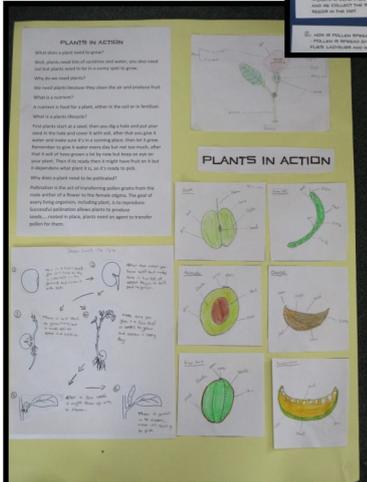
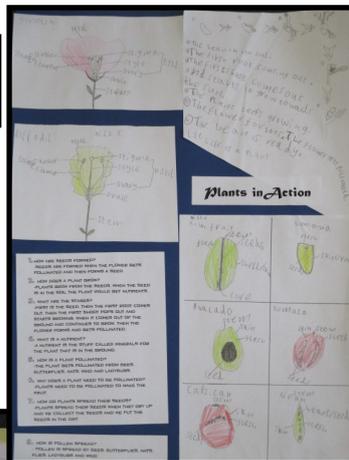
experiences. This week students completed a craft activity that involved blowing paint through a straw and making 'buds' with tissue paper, creating a Spring blossom tree. These are on display in our classroom window.



**Will Cane**

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

**Alice-Ann Simon**



In 4/3 Blue in our unit "Plants in Action" students have prepared posters based on their investigations of plants.

We have all had a great return to school after a two week break! To start our brains, we all revised our understanding of the four parts of speech (nouns, verb, adjectives, adverbs), and use a VCOP activity, called "Adverb Doodling" to highlight the four parts. Students wrote a basic sentence, then up-levelled them. Here are three examples:



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

**Cheeky Jet ran frantically...  
At the park, cheeky Jet ran frantically during his walk. by Zaic**

**The grumpy mum was cleaning frantically... In the afternoon, the grumpy mum was cleaning frantically because the Queen was coming for tea and scones. By Emma**

**Crazy fit rabbits running frantically...  
Crazy, little, fit baby rabbits running and playing frantically at lunch time in the paddock. By Ashton**

# CURRICULUM CORNER

## SCIENCE PRESENTATION EVENING

*Don't forget to pencil this one into your diaries!*

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.



## 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. This is a great opportunity for families to purchase quality books. Please note that it is a **cash only** stall. The books will be on display in the Art room.



The school receives commission on books sold, with money raised from the Book Fair goes towards purchasing new library books. Student will have the opportunity to look at the books and write down a wish list. 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 will participate in the swimming lessons. Please speak to the Office for more information.

## MARC VAN

Hello everyone,

This term our MARC Library theme is sustainability.

All our stories were about frogs and their environments. The Red and Green groups listened to Lester and Clyde by James H. Reece. The Red group coloured a cut and complete frog picture and the Green group made a pop-up frog card. The Blue and Yellow Groups both learnt about the plight of the Corroboree frog from the Kosciusko National Park. The Blue group listened to Charlie the Corroboree Frog by Lara Diffey, William Flahive, Rory Hamilton and Olivia Maquire and Yellow group heard the story The Little Corroboree Frog by Tracey Holton-Ramirez. Both groups then drew their own frogs using a variety of step by step instructions.

Don't forget to have a look online for a book you might like at: <http://bookmark.central.sa.edu.au/taragomarc.htm>. You can email me with any requests.

Kind regards, Helen Collins.

# 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 last term, with confirmation and payment plan.

The full cost of the camp is \$130, with full payment due by **Friday 27th October**.

Please speak to the Office staff for more information in regards to payments.

Over the next few weeks 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.

## **YEAR 2 SLEEPOVER**

The Year 2 sleepover will be held on **Thursday 9th and Friday 10th November**. Students will go home as usual on Thursday afternoon and then return to school at 6pm for the fun to begin! A BBQ tea will be provided, along with a yummy dessert! Students will also be provided with breakfast and lunch on Friday. Students will need to bring with them a sleeping bag, pillow, mattress, pyjamas, toothbrush and casual clothes to wear on Friday. Permission forms are attached to the newsletter. The cost for the sleepover is \$15 per student, which covers the cost of the meals (BBQ Tea, Dessert, Breakfast and Lunch).

Miss Matarczyk will be coordinating the sleepover along with Mr Williams and Mrs Hodge.

## **NUDE FOOD DAY**

Next 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 3-6's and a word search for the F-2's. The leaders of the school, the year 5's and 6's, 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!

## **ATTENDANCE**

Attached to the newsletter are absence letters for last term. Could parents please fill out and sign these forms and return at your earliest convenience. Absence slips are attached to the newsletter also, more are available from the office.

## **FAMILY STATEMENTS**

Family statements have been sent home this week. We would appreciate payment of outstanding monies by the end of November. Payments can be made by cash, cheque or bank deposit/direct debit. Please speak to the Office staff for more information or concerns. Swimming charges have not yet been added to family statements but can be paid prior to the swimming program commencing, the cost for swimming is \$40 per student.

## **RACV STREET SCENE INCURSION**

On **Tuesday 10th October** students participated in an RACV Street Scene Incursion. Students learnt about being 'street smart' with Louise from the RACV. They discussed traffic, pedestrian and road safety. Each homegroup participated in a 45 minute session. Thank you to Louise from the RACV for presenting the sessions.

## **BREAKFAST CLUB**

Don't forget that Breakfast Club is held every Monday and Wednesday mornings at Nilma, between 8.30am and 8.50am. This is a free program and it is open to ALL students at NPS. Students must attend before 8.45am to participate. This gives students time to eat breakfast and do their dishes before the bell!

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

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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

Issue 31- 12/10/2017

## OCTOBER 2017

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sa	Su
16 <b>Breakfast Club</b>	17 Open Morning @ Nilma	18 <b>Breakfast Club</b> Science Presentation Evening	19 <b>Nude Food Day</b>	20 School Banking	21	22
23 Book Fair <b>Breakfast Club</b> School Council 6:30-8:30pm	24 Book Fair WRC Parent Information Evening	25 Book Fair <b>Breakfast Club</b>	26 Book Fair <b>MARC VAN</b>	27 Book Fair <b>First Aid in Schools Cluster Day</b> School Banking	28	29
30 Book Fair <b>Breakfast Club</b>	31					

## NOVEMBER 2017

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sa	Su
		1 <b>Breakfast Club</b>	2 Year 4/3 Camp	3 School Banking Year 4/3 Camp	4	5
6 <b>Curriculum Day NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL</b>	7 <b>MELBOURNE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>	8 <b>Breakfast Club</b>	9 Year 2 Sleepover Foundation Transition 9am - 11am <b>MARC VAN</b>	10 School Banking	11	12
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27 <b>Breakfast Club</b> School Council 6:30-8:30pm	28 SWIMMING	29 Foundation Transition 9am -1pm <b>Breakfast Club</b>	30			

## DECEMBER 2017

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sa	Su
				1 School Banking	2	3
4 <b>Breakfast Club</b>	5 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 State-wide Transition Day	13 <b>Breakfast Club</b>	14 Yr6 Graduation & School BBQ	15 School Banking	16	17

# SCHOOL COMMUNITY COMMUNICATION

## BECOME A PARTNER IN YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION



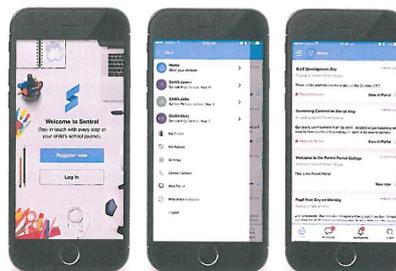
Our school has an exciting new Parent Portal and Parent App available now.

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



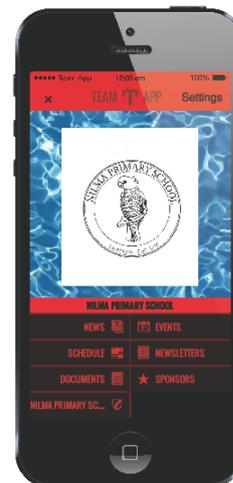
Download our awesome new app now and stay up to date with all the latest information!

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.
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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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