



NILMA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter #15
7th of December 2023

REAL News

We are a Respectful Relationships School

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Celebrating REAL Learners @ Nilma!



Keep Wednesday 13th December 2023 free for our final gathering for the year.

The 'Family Pizza' night will be a lovely time for our community to celebrate the end of the year. All families are invited

to recognise and celebrate our graduating students. Come along to a Pizza night: \$1 slices & \$1 Drinks available. If you have not already done so, please return the slip distributed previously to help with numbers attending and catering.

Next week will be busy with swimming and the state wide transition day too. We will distribute student reports next Wednesday.

As this is the final newsletter for 2023, I would like to thank our community for a fantastic year.

Our students should be congratulated on their year of learning and growth, upholding our school values and being REAL learners at Nilma. It has been evident that students are also developing their social and emotional skills along with their academic learning. We wish Year 6 graduates all the best for 2024 and beyond! Can't wait to celebrate and recognise their achievements next Wednesday!

We are so fortunate to have such a wonderful and collaborative staff at Nilma. Thank you to the teachers and Education Support staff who work tirelessly and professionally to provide individual attention and care, catering for both student learning and wellbeing! Special mention to the leadership of Amanda Buckler and Kirsti Farr!

We will say goodbye to staff members; Nicholas Sparkes, Saige Birrell and Jane O'Brien. We thank them for their dedication and service to the school and for being part of our Nilma Family. We will recognise these staff members at the Family Celebration next week. We wish them all the best for the future.

We will farewell the Brown, Pendlebury, Salisbury-Challons, Farmer and Taylor/Elliott family, being the final year of primary school education for the youngest family member. Thank you to the families for your contributions and support over the years. To all families, thank you for your commitment to our school.

Whole School Family Celebration & Year 6 Graduation 2023

Families and Friends

You are invited to come and join our community to celebrate the end of the year, catch up with all our graduating Year 6 Leaders and say farewell to departing staff and families!

Family 'Pizza night' Celebration
- 5.00 pm onwards

Wednesday 13th December 2023

At Nilma Primary School

Year 6 GRADUATION and School Presentation 6.00 pm



We look forward to continuing to build the partnership with parents as active participants in our school next year.

Wishing you all have a lovely Christmas and a relaxing and safe holiday period.

2024 Staffing

Mrs Kirsti Farr will be Acting Principal for Term 1 while I am on Long Service Leave.

Homegroup Teachers

Yellow Homegroup Teacher - Fiona Morrison
Blue Homegroup Teacher— Georgia Gardiner
Green Homegroup Teacher— Meg De Jong
Red Homegroup Teacher— Helen Brown

Specialist Teachers

PASE - Sporting Schools Funded.
Arts - Emily Matarczyk
Sustainability—Kristy Uren and Leanne Hodge.
MARC VAN—Kim James
OSHC Coordinator/Admin - Peta Watson
Amanda Buckler - / Disability Inclusion / Tutor/ Mentor
Business Manager - TBC Advertised
Wellbeing Officer—TBC Advertised—2 days week
Education Support - Vicki Commadeur, Leanne Hodge, Sharon Faulds, Kristen Pennicuik, Jess Tatchell, Sue Archipow, 2 ES positions advertised.

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New Staff to Nilma in 2023

Fiona Morrison will commence in Yellow Homegroup in 2024, she has been at school planning with the other teachers today. Miss Morrison comes from Churchill North PS and is looking forward to starting at Nilma. She will be back next week to the State wide Transition day to work on building relationships within our school.

We also have the Business Manager and two Education Support staff positions advertised at present.



Whole School Transition Programs

Our whole school transition program has been very successful. We have one more full day, next Tuesday 12th December.

This transition experience allows the Foundation students to experience a full day of school before the holiday period, so students will be less anxious about coming to school next year. We will also send home some activities and information on this last day to our new families to support a successful start to school next year. Best wishes to all the Year 6 students heading off to their respective secondary schools too!

Lunch Orders

With the end of the school year fast approaching, we just wanted to touch base with you regarding some lunch order information for the end of the 2023 year and the beginning of the 2024 year.

The **final day** of lunch orders will be **Tuesday, 12th December 2023**.

School Council

Our final School Council Meeting was held on Tuesday 8th December, signing off on financial and many maintenance items for 2023. *(Please see next page for list)* It will be exciting to return in 2024 with all the grounds plans completed.

We were able to celebrate another successful year as a team under the guidance and leadership of our School Council President, Shannon Gibbons. The team members consisting of three DET members and six parent members being; Annette Sutherland (Principal), Shannon Gibbons (President), Jane O'Brien, Helen Brown, Kate Campbell, Sam Cross, Cathryn Kelly, Angela Tumino and Laura Gorenko.

We would also like to thank outgoing School Councillors for 2023, who have contributed to the decision making in the school community and provided invaluable support to our wonderful school. We have been fortunate to have many parents interested in being a part of our community and school council. This year we will be saying good-bye to Jane O'Brien and Laura Gorenko who have been valued members of council. We thank both for their commitment to Nilma PS.

Nilma Primary School acknowledges the traditional custodians of the lands on which we work and learn, the Gunai Kurnai Nation. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.



**RETURN ALL LIBRARY BOOKS
BY WEDNESDAY 13TH DECEMBER PLEASE!**

Thank you Mrs Vagg




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MAINTENANCE AROUND THE SCHOOL

Over the coming weeks and into the school holidays in January there will be a number of works taking place around the school.

1. Mulch movers - Remulching of the front area.
 2. O'Brien Plumbing – roof and spouting works including all buildings – also netting for the main building to stop the birds nesting ! All gutters and spouting to be cleaned out. (Fire safety).
 3. Meggetto Asphaltting – planned maintenance around the front of the school – This will occur in the school holidays.
 4. Meggetto Asphaltting – staff car park area to be maintained and goal posts to be moved.
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5. Repair & Painting of the Brown Hut.
 6. STEAM Room – internal walls and ceiling – patching up – will need painting.
 7. Tree Audit – Make safe request to remove one tree and clean branches up. (Also in holidays)
 8. Shade sail over sandpit near BER Building – has been ordered and waiting for installation.
 9. Gardens – plants bought and have been planted around the school. (Thanks to Kristy and Leanne and the students)
 10. Concreting—Concrete the hothouse floor (so hothouse can be erected), Concrete Chicken coop floor, Repair the concrete spoon drain at front car park and Install a fold down bollard – near staff carpark to stop people driving on the oval.
- Repair the path near the Open learning Area doorway where the BER building has moved and caused the pathways to cracks.

Thanks to all the services for keeping our school looking great!

I'm sure the school will look even better in 2024!!



PARENT HELP NEEDED PLEASE

Ms Puss and Watering Roster

Summer Holidays 2023/24

Cat- Pouch and dry food in filing cabinet near boot racket.

Watering – tap handle is under the big tub near tap. Make sure all arrows are pointing towards 'on' where hoses all join and turn on for as long as needed.

Thursday 21 st & Friday 22 nd December	Tatchell Family
Saturday 23 rd - Sunday 24 th December	Leanne Hodge
Tuesday 26 th —Wednesday 27 th December	Leanne Hodge
Thursday 28 th – Friday 29 th December	Tatchell Family
Saturday 30 th – Sunday 31 st December	Amanda Buckler
Monday 1 st – Friday 5 th January	Kristy Uren
Saturday 6 th & Sunday 7 th January	?
Monday 8 th – Friday 12 th January	?
Saturday 13 th & Sunday 14 th January	?
Monday 15 th – Friday 19 th January	?
Saturday 20 th & Sunday 21 st January	?
Monday 22 nd – Friday 26 th January	Meg DeJong / Annette Sutherland
Saturday 27 th & Sunday 28 th January	Helen Brown



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Bushfire At-Risk Register

Each year, to prepare for bushfires and grassfires, schools and early childhood services complete a range of activities. The Department of Education runs an annual fire risk assessment of schools and early childhood services. They are allocated a category of risk (categories 0 to 4) and are published on the Bushfire At-Risk Register (BARR). All schools and early childhood services listed on the BARR and Category 4 list will also close when a Catastrophic fire danger rating day is forecast in their fire weather district.



When the Bureau of Meteorology provides public fire danger rating forecasts or fire weather warnings, they use fire weather district areas. In Victoria, there are 9 fire weather districts, which are based on Local Government Area boundaries. Our school is in the **West and South Gippsland fire weather district**.

As part of preparing our school for the fire season, we have updated and completed our Emergency Management Plan and have completed maintenance works that may assist in preparing for the threat of fire and cleared our facility's grounds and gutters.

Our school has been identified as being at risk of bushfire or grassfire and is a Category 4 school.

Our school will **close** on a day forecasted as **Catastrophic fire danger rating** in **West and South Gippsland fire weather district**.

The department's [Bushfire and Grassfire Preparedness Policy](#) requires all schools and early childhood services on the BARR and the Category 4 list to close when a Catastrophic fire danger rating day is forecast in their fire weather district.

Our school will close on a day forecasted as Catastrophic fire danger rating in West and South Gippsland fire weather district.

Closure of the school due to a forecast Catastrophic day will be confirmed on the day prior and we will provide you with advice before the end of the school day. Any information regarding potential or confirmed Catastrophic fire danger days will be communicated to you by **SENTRAL email message and SMS message to families contact 1**.

Once confirmed, the decision to close will not change, even if the weather forecast changes. This is to avoid confusion and help your family plan alternative care arrangements for your child. It is also important to be aware that: No one will be on site on days where the school is closed due to a forecast Catastrophic day, Out-of-school-hours care will also be cancelled on these days, School camps will be cancelled if a Catastrophic fire danger rating day is forecast for fire weather district in which the camp is located, or if the travel involves passing through areas that have Catastrophic fire danger.

You can find more information on emergencies, warnings and preparedness actions here:

VicEmergency app – that can be downloaded on your android and iOS mobile devices

VicEmergency Hotline (1800 226 226)

Website <https://emergency.vic.gov.au>

Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/vicemergency>)

Twitter (<https://twitter.com/vicemergency>)

ABC local radio, Sky News and other emergency broadcasters

Ensure we have your current contact details, including your mobile phone numbers.



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**Junior School Council
Semester 2 Members**



Tomorrow, Friday the 8th of December, **students are invited to dress in bright, colours** and come along to a special '**Sweet Frozen Treat**' stand. Students were to pre-order their preferred **frozen treat, each being \$1**.
Our regular 50c icy-poles will also be available as per usual.

Thank you to Junior School Council for organising a fun frozen treat!

Victorian Fisheries Authority – Little Angler Kits

Welcome to the Victorian Government's Little Anglers Initiative. At the 2022 State election, the Victorian Government committed to providing Little Angler Kits to students via schools.



Grade 5 students received the kits based on the Victorian Curriculum area of focus, movement and motor development and safety considerations. The kits were for students to take home. The kits included a fishing rod, reel with line, tackle box with some hooks, sinkers, swivels and a lure, as well as a [Kids Guide to Fishing](#) – all FREE!

These Kits were distributed at one of our school Assemblies.

For more information Victoria Fisheries have created a [kid-friendly web hub](#) with lots of useful information and videos.





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Red Homegroup—Highlights in 2023

LEARNERS OF THE WEEK



Mrs Brown

Highlights of the year were...

"I like doing Respectful Relationships" – Bobby

"I liked the pet session, when the dog smelt my hand" – Beau

"I liked seeing the dog" – Noah B

"I like the dancing monkey at Maths time" – Eddie

"I liked patting the happy dog" – Tye

"I liked learning my Camera Words" – Tayte

"I like it when I move up in Camera Words" – Noah M

"I like being with Mrs Brown and my class" – Olivia S

"I like playing with the tubs" – Maddie

"I like learning about numbers in Maths" – Hudson

"I like it when I move up in my Camera Words" – Riley

Term 4– Week 7

Beau



You have received Learner of the week for being respectful, responsible and resilient. Well done on looking after and showing kindness towards others.

Term 4 – Week 8

Bobby B



You have received Learner of the week for always being prepared to take on a challenge and sharing your thoughts and opinions with others. Great work Bobby!

Term 4 -Week 9

Hudson



You have received Learner of the week for the excellent work you have been producing in writing lessons. Keep up the great work Hudson!



What a fantastic year of learning we have had in Red Homegroup. It has been wonderful to see the growth students have made this year as they have been immersed in school life at Nilma Primary School. Students have enjoyed a range of different activities this year and as you can see by their comments, the Responsible Pet Ownership session this week was a highlight. We would like to thank all students and their families for an enjoyable 2023 and wish you all a relaxing and fun filled summer break. Mrs Brown





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Miss De Jong

Green Homegroup

LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Term 4- Week 7

Ted



You have received Learner of the week for having the confidence to share how you are feeling. It can be scary. Good job!

Term 4 – Week 8

Arlo



You have received Learner of the week for your positive and determined approach towards all of your learning. Well done!

Term 4 -Week 9

Aubrey



You have received Learner of the week for your kindness and inclusivity when welcoming visitors into our classroom. Keep it up!

Highlights of the year were...

Camp and laptops! – Mikey

Playing soccer and having a soccer sports clinic. – Charlie

Gumbuya World is going to be my favourite. – Arlo

Swimming will be my favourite. – Aubrey

The Grade 2 Extended Day was my favourite because we made a campfire. – Darcee

When Adam Wallace came to visit. – Madison

The school production. – Jase

Getting to meet Adam Wallace. – Sebastian

Getting to play Beat the Bucket in PASE. – Sonny

Recess, lunch and maths. – Bobby

The Grade 2 Extended Day. – Alexis

Swimming is going to be the best! - Wyatt

Learning maths this year and going swimming soon. - Lacey

Meeting Adam Wallace because he was funny. – David

The Grade 2 Extended Day because we had lots of sweet food! - Sienna

The AFL clinics because I liked getting to kick the footy. – Ted

Adam Wallace teaching us how to draw different things. – Mason

The soccer clinic that came to school. – Blair

The Grade 2 Extended Day because we had Steam Boats. – Brooke

Everything! – Aydin



It has been a great year in Green Home Group with lots of fun and exciting activities and opportunities for the students. Miss De Jong



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Miss Gardiner

Highlights of the year were...

The best part of school is reading, playtime and getting to draw! I also loved Hoop time! - **Jai W**

My highlight of the year is doing art! -

Amelia B

The best thing from 2023 was school camp because we got to play cage soccer. The food and the cabins were good too! - **Lucy**

The best part of the year was Thursdays and Hoop time. I like Hoop time because I got to play basketball and I got to verse other teams and that made it fun. I also liked camp because of the zipline and archery. - **Charlotte G**

My highlights of the year were hotshot tennis, netball and Hoop time because they were both all active and I had to do a lot of running. It was very fun at school this year. — **Lincoln**

The best part of the year was school camp because I got to go on the zipline with Miss Gardiner. I am looking forward to swimming next week! - **Tanner**

The highlight of my year was being in a class with my friends. - **Ruby**

The highlight of my year was making pasta in cooking. I am looking forward to Gumbuya World! - **Amelia HG**

The highlight of my year was hooptime, sport and camp because they were very fun and active. - **Willow**

My highlight of the year was doing learning with my friends and going to the Twits performance at the Art Centre. I am excited for Gumbuya World! - **Kendal**

I enjoyed the AFL clinic! – **Devin**

Blue Homegroup— Highlights of 2023

LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Term 4– Week 7

Koby



You have received Learner of the week for the effort you have put into your reading this week. You have applied your reading strategies to read a range of texts including non-fiction texts. Well done, Koby!

Term 4 – Week 8

Landon



You have received Learner of the week for your excellent reading. You applied your reading strategies and made connections to the text. Well done, Landon!

Term 4--Week 9

Ellie



You have received Learner of the week for the effort you have put into your reading this week. You have applied your reading strategies to read a range of texts including non-fiction texts. Well done, Ellie!

My highlight of the year was Forest Edge Camp because of the zipline and archery. I also enjoyed writing an animal report about a numbat. - **Ellie**

My highlight of the year was school camp because I liked the zipline. I also enjoyed learning prefixes and suffixes this year. — **Annie**

My favourite part of the year was when I did the school play and I had to be Gretel. I also liked hotshot tennis. - **Lahna**

Math was my favourite subject this year because I love learning addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. I also love learning about money because it is interesting. — **Rhishaya**.

I enjoyed the soccer clinic and learning new skills! - **Landon**

I really enjoyed playing soccer and netball with my friends this year! - **Henry**

My highlight of the year was school camp because of the zipline. - **Erika**

I enjoyed the school camp because of the bush walk! - **Koby**

The highlight of my year was making pasta in cooking. I am looking forward to Gumbuya World! - **Amelia HG**

With the end of the year fast approaching, students in Blue homegroup have begun reflecting on our year together. We have had many fun times together both in class and on excursions. Students have identified a highlight of the year which we would like to share!



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Yellow Homegroup - Highlights of LEARNERS OF THE WEEK 2023



Mrs Farr &
Miss B

My Highlights of the year were...

... Urban Camp, the I really liked the boat cruise and visiting the Eureka Tower observation deck. - **James**

...Kanga Cricket, The Twits excursion and the Golf excursion because they were actually fun. Another highlight was the special days like wear coloured shirt day. - **Layla**

...Kanga Cricket, Golf, and The Twits excursion because they were fun and sporty. - **Makkie**

...The Twits excursion because going around town is really fun. I also enjoyed Hot Shots Tennis because I was really good at it and I went through to district. - **Luci**

...Urban Camp because I made new friends and met new teachers. I also liked Kanga Cricket because I learnt how to play Cricket. - **Felicity**

...Cross Country because it was my birthday and I beat my goal. I also enjoyed the Whole School Production even though mistakes were made. - **Tori**

...Golf because I went with my friends and my second favourite was Kanga Cricket because we were so good. - **Nate**

...Kanga Cricket because we were too good and the Golf excursion because I hit it in the forest. - **Caleb**

...The Twits excursion because it was fun (but the fog was burning my eyes) and we went around Warragul doing a scavenger hunt. I also liked the author visit with Adam Wallace who was really kind. I enjoyed his stories as they made me laugh. - **Tilly**

...the Whole School Production because I faced my fears and I learnt how to act. My second favourite highlight was cross country. - **Hannah**

...The Twits excursion and the scavenger hunt afterwards because the show was so good and the actors performed so well, then also the scavenger hunt was planned very well by the teachers. My actual favourite was going in the ambulance from school when my brother pushed me. I loved it. - **Kenzie**

Term 4- Week 7

Ada



You have received Learner of the week for persistence in Numeracy. You are a Mathematician!

Term 4- Week 8

Layla



You have received Learner of the week for the outstanding growth you have achieved in all areas of the curriculum. Well done Layla!

Term 4-Week 9

Caleb



You have received Learner of the week for incorporating descriptive language in your writing about the monkey.

... Visiting the MCG and seeing where the players go. We had the whole place to ourselves and there is usually 80,000 people there! I also like the Eureka Tower - **Levi**

...Kanga 8s because we were good and we won every game except one by 100 runs. I also would have liked cross country but I couldn't because I broke my finger and I missed the tryouts. - **Zach**

...Kanga Cricket because I got to do it with my friends and Lincoln was bowling funny. The other highlight was Hoop Time because it was really funny. - **Tyson**

...Kanga Cricket because we were so good and this kid pretended to be swimming. I also liked the icy poles at lunch time. - **Jaxon**

...Kanga Cricket because it was fun and also the Golf excursion. - **Kane**

...Hot Shots Tennis and Hoop Time. When we did Hot Shots I just really enjoyed it. Hoop Time was fun playing basketball. - **Ada**

...the Whole School Production and Hoop Time, especially because we won 3 out of 4 games, which was really good. - **Jenni**

My highlights for this year include working with the wonderful students of Yellow Homegroup. Everyday was filled with conversations and laughter whilst we tackled many learning experiences together. I am so proud of everything that Year 6/5 has achieved this year and wish them all the best for a safe and happy holiday. Thank you to the wonderful and supportive parents. —Mrs Farr



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Congratulations on your Reading Nights!

NIGHTLY READING

100 Nights

Noah B Beau

125 Nights

Bobby B

175 Nights

Cooper Noah M

200 Nights

Hudson Olivia G Tayte

NIGHTLY READING

25 Nights

Aydin Alexis

125 Nights

Mason Lacey Madison

150 Nights

Ted

175 Nights

Blair Ted

225 Nights

Sienna

NIGHTLY READING

75 Nights

Lincoln

100 Nights

Devin

125 Nights

Ruby

150 Nights

Kendal Charlotte

Lahna

175 Nights

Koby

225 Nights

Annie

275 Nights

Erika Charlotte

300 Nights

Charlotte

NIGHTLY READING

100 Nights

Zach

200 Nights

Ada Mackenzie Luci

275 Nights

Matilda Jenni

300 Nights

Tori



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SUSTAINABILITY



		Making White Moths	Planting Peas	Harvesting Produce		
Preparing Garden Beds for planting	Sieving Composted Soil				Mini Quiches	Apple Cinnamon Muffins
Compost Maintenance	Planting Spring Onions				Poached Rhubarb	Tidying up garden beds



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Students in PASE have continued the Sporting School's focus of Cricket, focusing on skills in batting and striking, fielding, and bowling. Blue and Yellow Homegroup have done such a great job participating in partner drills such as 'Cricket Crossfire', which aimed to strengthen their skills in bowling a ball with the goal of hitting the wickets. Modified team games such as 'Cricket Rounders' and 'Beat the Bucket' have also been enjoyed, which saw students work in their two teams to communicate and develop strategies with a goal to gain the highest number of runs.

Students in Green and Red Homegroup have also been enjoying cricket-themed activities, beginning lessons with various versions of tag to practise fair play and the following of game rules. 'Collect the Treasure' has been a popular warm up game to strengthen gross motor skills including hand-eye coordination, followed by modified Cricket games of 'Beat the Bucket'. Students began with initially hitting a ball off a tee and then were introduced to the position of a bowler to practise hitting a moving ball.

Students have demonstrated such fantastic sportsmanship throughout term 4, embracing the new sports and encouraging others to always have a go! A big thank you to the students for their trust and patience as I took on this new experience teaching PASE this term!

P.A.S.E PROGRAM





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From the Office

**Student Reports will be distributed on
Wednesday the 13th of December 2023.**

PARENT PAYMENT CONTRIBUTIONS 2024

At recent School Council meeting the decision was made to maintain the parent payment contribution for 2024 at \$225 per student.

Student packs will be available early next year.

We will distribute more information soon.

2024 Student Permission Booklets

These will be sent out in preparation for commencing 2024 school year. It is essential that these booklets are completed and returned.

2023 Statewide Transition Day Including 2024 Foundation Students

Statewide Orientation Day

**All students will be in their new home
groups for 2024 on this day**

Tuesday 12th December

*** 9am - 3.15pm**

Whole School Swimming

commences on Monday the 11th December 2023

**F-2 will be swimming in first session 1.30-2.15pm
Year 3-6 will be in the second session 2.15pm-
3.00pm**

**Student pick up from the Leisure Centre at
3.00pm—3.15pm**

**Students who are not swimming are to be
collected from school on these days at 12:30pm
as the school is closed for these afternoons.**

Gumbuya World Excursion

Monday the 18th December

We are fortunate to have received

Whole School Wellbeing Boost Funding.

We have decided to celebrate and have a whole school shared experience at end of the school year.

Permission forms are due tomorrow, Friday 8th

December for your child to attend the

Gumbuya World excursion.

*This is a **free** excursion possible through the grant.*

Formal Classes Finish

Friday the 15th of December

Staff Professional Practice Day

Tuesday the 19th of December

School Closure no students

Last day of Term

Wednesday the 20th December

School Office closes at 1pm.

Student pick up at 1.15pm.

Happy Birthday

Ellie

Sharon F

Peta W

Kirsti F



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MARC LIBRARY NEWS



Adam Wallace visits Nilma Primary

So many laughs and giggles could be heard when author/illustrator Adam Wallace visited Nilma. Adam is a Melbourne based, international published author/illustrator of over 150 books, he has been publishing for over 20 years. He shared how he produces his very wacky but engaging stories; students helped him create some hilarious stories following his good/bad/good formula.

Adam read from his creative drawing books, he directed students to create their own masterpieces, we had hideous hounds, strange stickmen and dancing dinos! A lot of fun, insight into the life of a 'real' author and

inspiration for all. All students were also given one of Adam's books to keep as a gift from the MARC program. If you would like to find out more about Adam. Feel free to visit his website www.adam-wallace-books.com/.



Friendly Reminder
Please Return
MARC Van Books



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OSHC

Outside School Hours Care

The weather has continued to challenge our program over the past couple of weeks with us being forced inside due to the constant rain. This has resulted in great flexibility in our program. Whilst outside we have continued to utilise the playground, shot hoops on the basketball court, played volley ball, tiggy and engaged in an awesome game of Dodgeball involving all 15 children in one of the sessions.

Inside has seen the creativity continue with painting and colouring a constant popular activity. We have created solar systems, paper stars that have challenged the children's persistence and are now embarking on Xmas craft. We hope to have a very festive STEAM room in the next few days.

Just a reminder that all families are entitled to the Child Care Rebate regardless of your family income. If you are not currently claiming the rebate please jump on your Mygov account and apply.

Finally, if you plan on continuing with OSHC next year or think you might like your children to attend please let me know.

Cheers Peta





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NEWS



Nilma Primary School has been selected to participate in the CYMHS And Schools Early Action (CASEA) Program!

The CASEA Program works with schools, children and parents. **We help children to develop skills in making friends, getting along with others, solving problems, and to understand & manage feelings and behaviours with a focus on health and wellbeing.** We know that with these skills students will be happier and have better learning outcomes.

We will arrange an **information session early term 1 to meet parents** over a cuppa to talk about how CASEA can support parents to develop understanding and skills to support their child's development.

CASEA Clinician will be spending a bit of time in the school to get to know the staff and students. If you would like more information about the CASEA program, please talk with the Principal Annett Sutherland, Kirsti Farr or contact Leanne Chancellor CASEA on 51280100.

We look forward to better getting to know you and your school community in 2024!



JOIN US ON THE SOCCER FIELD IN 2024

CHAT TO YOUR LOCAL CLUB TO FIND OUT HOW TO GET INVOLVED

gippslandsoccer.com.au





Express your interest here for the 2024 season







<https://raisingchildren.net.au/>

Your complete and trusted online parenting resource

At raisingchildren.net.au, you will find **free, reliable, up-to-date and independent information** to help your family grow and thrive together. Funded by the Australian Government, reviewed by experts and non-commercial.

Designed for busy families and full of tips and tricks for you to try, the content is easy to find and easy to digest. Answers to hundreds of parenting questions, where and when you need them.

Articles, videos and interactive resources are available, tailored to different ages and stages, from nurturing a newborn to raising a confident, resilient teen – and helping you to look after yourself as a parent too.

raisingchildren.net.au

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What's On @ Nilma!

DECEMBER

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
4	5 School Lunch Orders SCHOOL COUNCIL	6 Breakfast Club	7 MARC Newsletter	8 Breakfast Club JSC - Free Dress & Sweet Frozen Treat
11 SWIMMING 1-3pm	12 Final School Lunch Orders – for 2023 Statewide Transition for all Foundation 9-3:15pm	13 Breakfast Club SWIMMING 1-3pm STUDENT REPORTS DISTRIBUTED Year 6 Graduation/ End of year Celebration 5.00pm	14 MARC SWIMMING 1-3pm	15 Breakfast Club SWIMMING 1-3pm
18 Gumbuya World Whole School Celebration	19 Student Free Day— Professional Practice	20 End of Term Finish 1:15pm		

Term 1 2024

JANUARY

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
29 Term 1 Start Curriculum Day First Aid Training Student Free	30 Curriculum Day Planning & Professional Develop- ment Student Free	31 Students Yr1-6 Start Foundation Students REST DAY Individual Time Assessments Scheduled		

FEBRUARY

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1 MARC Newsletter	2 Breakfast Club
5	6 First School Lunch Orders—for 2024	7 Breakfast Club Foundation Students REST DAY Individual Time Assessments Scheduled	8 MARC	9 Breakfast Club
12	13 School Lunch Orders	14 Breakfast Club Foundation Students REST DAY	15 MARC	16 Breakfast Club