School Council Elections

Attached to this newsletter you will find information regarding the forthcoming election for School Council. School Council is the school’s governing body and plays a significant role in the efficient operation of the school.

The Council members who have reached the end of their term are Julie Lindsay, Melissa Bell, Dianne Bell, Sharona Stone, Edwina Fieldman, Cindy Sheahan, Genevieve Bloodworth, Rachael White and Alana Zammit. Current parents and school staff are eligible to renominate for School Council in 2016.

The members who remain on Council until 2017 are Jane Hando, Karen Edwards, Amy Kopsidas, Karen King-Jones and Leanne Butler.

A nomination form for School Council is attached to this newsletter. If you wish to nominate for School Council please complete the form and lodge it at the school by 4.00pm on the 3rd of March.

Being on School Council is a great way to be part of the operation and decision making process at our school. Your contribution will be appreciated.

Grade 5 and 6 School Camp

Information regarding the 2016 Grade 5 and 6 school camp to Melbourne was sent home with the children on Monday. Please return the response note to the school by Friday of this week.

Red Balloon Day

This Friday is Red Balloon Day and the children are encouraged to wear something red to acknowledge the wonderful efforts of the local firefighters in our community.

The Swimming Program

The swimming program has now concluded and it was a fantastic success. The children who completed the program really improved their ability, having developed their water safety awareness and swimming skills. Thank you to the parents and friends who assisted with the program. They are Jo Caldwell, Vicki Watson and Aaron. Your assistance made the groups workable and the program a success.

Students of the Week

“Playing Together”

Shakiah James, Ashleigh Goodie, Elgin Stone, Ewan Congues and Samantha Townshend.

Dates to Remember:

February
26th - Red Balloon Day

March
1st - Parents’ Club Meeting & M/Tea at 9.30am
- Bulla Ice Cream @ $1.00
8th - Salad Roll & Prima @ $5.00
NO LUNCH ORDERS ON THIS DAY
14th - Labour Day (Public Holiday)
Parents Club

Nathalia Primary School Parents Club welcomes all families to our school. We would love some new faces and new ideas to join us.

Throughout the year Parents Club run Tucker Days. These are simple, low cost treats that we offer students. A note is sent home with each student concerning Tucker Day requesting it to be filled out and returned by the due date with money attached. Tucker Day food varies depending on the climate. During summer it's normally a Zooper Dooper or maybe an ice-cream. When the weather gets cooler it may be hot dogs, party pies, dim sims, soup, salad rolls or sausage in bread and a prima drink. We also celebrate special occasion days such as Easter with hot cross buns.

Other fundraising activities include an Easter raffle where we ask each family to donate an Easter egg or chocolate. Then in summer we have our food hamper raffle which is drawn at our School Concert where we also ask for donations of food items. Both of these raffles have been very well supported previously.

On our school sports and interschool sports days we run a small canteen and provide Zooper Doopers, ice-creams, chips, chocolates and primas.

The previous couple of years we have changed our Mother’s Day event to provide a lovely morning tea for all the students’ mothers, grandmothers and special friends. Father’s Day is celebrated with an early morning barbecue breakfast and these two special days will continue during 2016.

At different times throughout the year Parents Club organise morning tea for prospective parents and a light lunch for the pre-school children’s transition program.

In 2015 the Parents Club purchased two stock pots for the kitchen, contributed towards new tables and chairs for students in the classroom and $2000 went towards shade sails over the playground.

Anyone who would like to become involved in Parents Club during 2016 would be most welcome to attend our meetings. Please come along to our first get-together, morning tea/meeting on the 1st of March at 9.30am in the staffroom.

Upcoming meetings or Tucker Days are always advertised in the school’s weekly newsletter. Any queries please contact the school office on 58662677.

Old Uniforms

The school was left with a significant amount of obsolete green uniform when we made the transition to the new blue and gold uniform. Rest assured the old uniform has not gone to waste. The green shirts, jumpers and hats have been boxed up and are being shipped to Fiji to help children who are in need of clothing. A big thanks to Cindy and Peter Sheahan for organising the transport of the clothes to Fiji. After the cyclone on the weekend and the devastation it caused, I’m sure there will be a lot of appreciative families that we have helped.

Nathalia Community Tennis Tournament

The teachers at Nathalia Primary School have entered a team in the Tennis Tournament and we’re looking forward to having a huge night on the court. We are also helping out with the barbecue on the night so we are looking for donations of time for people to cook or money to help cover the cost of the sausages and bread. Please contact Ruth at the school if you are interested in helping out or donating money to this worthy cause. In addition to the tennis there is a fun run being held on the Friday and a community bike ride at 9.00am on Sunday starting at the roundabout in town.

Prep Photographs

On Tuesday, March 1st, a reporter from the Shepparton News will visit the school to take photographs of our new 2016 Prep students. We ask that all prep students wear their full school uniform.

The school community will be advised of the date the photographs are to be published.
Mathletics champions Josh, Brandon, Damien and Adam. Well done boys!

MOIRA HARMONY FESTIVAL

Sunday 20 March 2016

St Joseph's Primary School

Cobram

11am - 3pm

Celebrate the diversity and richness of our cultures.

Multicultural Foods, Kids Activities
Live Performances and Music plus
Emergency Services Displays by Police, CFA and SES

Alcohol & drug-free event
BYO chairs and picnic rugs

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Nathalia Community Fundraiser for the
PETER MACCALLUM CANCER CENTRE

FRIDAY MARCH 4TH from 5.30PM

Ella Wilson, daughter of Anthony and Di, is currently receiving treatment at the Peter MacCallum Centre in Melbourne. As a community we take pride in our efforts to support each other in difficult times. We invite you to a fun evening of social tennis to support Ella and other Nathalia patients to raise funds for the Peter Mac Centre.

* Enter a tennis team of 4 (adults/secondary students) -$40.

* Junior 2km Fun Run organised by Yalca Social Committee.

* BBQ tea, Raffle, Dessert/Cake stall, Bar.

Even if tennis is not your thing COME ALONG and enjoy a BBQ and social evening.

- To enter a team contact Sue Vaughan 0409091856 or Helen Ginnivan 0409691320
- For catering purposes RSVP by email tennisnathalia@gmail.com or facebook Nathalia Lawn Tennis club