REMINDERS

4/5/6 Water Safety Program - December 1st & 2nd
2.00pm - 3.00pm

2015 Foundation Transition - Thursday,
December 4th - 9.15am - 2.20pm

NO LUNCH ORDERS - Tomorrow -
Friday, November 28th

Grade 2 Sleepover - Thursday, December 4th

Grade Prep - 3 - Environment Day - Friday,
December 5th

P/1/2/3 - Water Safety Program - December 11th &
12th 2.00pm - 3.00pm

Grade 6 Graduation - Monday, December 15th

WOW!!!

The RACV result is outstanding- runners up. Brilliant effort by all involved especially the students.

Our school team of Beth, Annie, Maddy, Charli, Daniel, Woody, Aiden, Adam and Jason displayed what it means to be a team. They completed worked together, supported, cheered and encouraged each other.

I was extremely proud of how they displayed our school value of TEAMWORK.

An event like this takes effort and I would like to thank Jeanette Hill for her passion and effort to get the team ready. Also thank you to the parents who put in many hours getting bits and pieces organised as well as a two night camping experience.

Yoga Relaxation Sessions
On Tuesday Nicole Reynolds came back and to do some relaxation work with the grade P - 3. Over the next two weeks we will have one more session with each group. Ask your child to demonstrate the tree or aeroplane.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
Week Ending
21.11.2014

P/W Dylan
BUT Lil
HIL Ethan
ING Cody
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RIN Toby

CANTEEN NEWS
PLEASE NOTE:

There will be no lunch orders available tomorrow
Friday, November 28th

We have a Facebook page! Visit: www.facebook.com/nathaliaprimarystchool
or search for Nathalia Primary School while logged in to facebook and Like our page.

Keep up to date and see some of the work your children are working on and learning throughout the week.
**Shining Stars**
I am continuing to challenge students to make sure that their “star is shining”. I have to say that the majority of students are stepping up and making more of an effort with their attitude and general behaviour.

**2015 Planning**
On Friday we will have a disrupted morning. I have set aside time for the staff to do some work around what 2015 will look like. Marian Lawless our Regional Network Leader and I will be leading this session. This will be the preliminary work we need to do to set up the strategic plan for 2015.

We have replacement teachers coming in to cover Ms White’s, Mr Johnson’s and Ms Inglis’ classes.

In 2015 we will have 5 grades. Mrs Hill will be taking long service leave and we are advertising for a replacement teacher.

**Water Safety Program**
On Monday and Tuesday next week, December 1st & 2nd, we start our water awareness program for grades 4, 5, 6 this will run from 2pm – 3pm. Lunch times will be altered to cater for this.

I am hoping for hot weather, as I will be one of the instructors, I hold a current Auswim certificate.

**End of Year Pool Day**
We will celebrate the end of the year with a day at the pool on Thursday, 18th December.

**Student Reports**
Student Reports will be handed out on Thursday, December 18th.

If you have concerns about your child progress make sure that you are in contact with their classroom teacher/s.

Helen Ginnivan,  
Acting Principal.

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**STAR OF THE WEEK**  
Week ending 21.11.2014

**CONGRATULATIONS**  
Beth  
“For being a team player and an excellent leader.”

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**Parents’ Club**

**Tucker Day, Monday, December 1st**

Bulla Ice cream @ $1.00

Orders have been sent home with students this week and need to be returned by Friday, November 28th.

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**INVITATION TO PARENTS**

**RACV Energy Breakthrough**

**Push Cart Demonstration**

11.30am  
Monday, December 1st

This demonstration will be followed by a  
Thank You Morning Tea
For  
RACV Sponsors and Team only.
Months of planning, designing, writing letters for sponsorship, practising and training has all paid off. Our RACV Energy Breakthrough Pushcart team – Purple Punks – raced and presented at Maryborough last weekend with great enthusiasm. On Saturday afternoon it was announced that we were the overall runners-up in our PC1 section (schools under 150 students). This was a fantastic effort. There were 18 pushcarts in our section and 60 pushcarts overall.

There are 3 track events – obstacle; where 2 pairs race around the cones on different surfaces to show the manoeuvrability of their cart.

Endurance time trial; all 4 pairs of students race on the road taking turns to drive and push about 200mts. Sprint heats; students race about 70mts up the track, turn the cart around, swap driver and pusher and race back to the start for the next pair to take over, bit like a relay.

We had the second fastest obstacle race time out of the 60 carts, maybe going around the corners on 2 carts helps! We were the third fastest in Endurance Time Trial for our section managing to pass 4 carts on our way to the finish line. We were only 1 second behind Lockington, but we managed to turn the table as we beat Lockington’s time by 1 second in the sprint heats giving us third fastest time.

The students also had to perform a 10 minute Display and Presentation to the judges about their cart and what they had learnt as well as be able to rebuild their cart and show the judges their knowledge about out how the cart works in Design and constructions. The students obviously impressed the judges as the scored got 25.79 for Design & Construction and 25.49 for Display & Presentation, both being marked out of 30 possible points.

The students looked great in their purple uniforms and our ‘punk’ hairdos on our helmet covers received lots of comments and attention!

The Purple Punks were Adam Zammit, Beth McLeod, Aiden Lindsay, Charli Dorrity, Madelon Lindsay, Daniel Thorn, Woody Guthrie, Annie Holt and Jason McKenna.

We would like to thank all our sponsors who made it possible for us to compete at Maryborough.

North Vic Bait co  
Nathalia Motel & Family Holiday Park  
K & A Kopsidas Tyres  
Nathalia Newsagents  
Picola Hotel  
Remote Control Club Barmah  
Casual Step  
Barmah Social Club  
Yalca Fruit Trees

G E & M Rendell  
Nathalia Post Office  
Midland Mufflers  
Nathalia District Welfare  
Minchin’s Mechanics  
Jason Lummiss  
Bendigo Bank  
Lions Club

Thank you to the parents who supported the students in being able to attend this great event.

There will be a display of racing and presentation at school on Monday 1st December at 11.30am for our sponsors, students and anyone else who is interested in attending.
**2014 SCHOOL CALENDAR EVENTS**

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**Free Yoga classes in Nathalia**

*Thursday evenings 7:00 to 8:00
at the Senior Citizens Club rooms. Every body welcome!*  
*A U3A activity.*

Classes started at the beginning of the 4th school term and will continue until term ends. While they have been well supported there may be other people interested as well.

Contact: Rod James  
0419 133 441
Your child’s most important teacher

You are your child’s most important teacher

What your child learns from you and other family members will stay with them throughout their lives.

It doesn’t matter what your family looks like – you could be a single parent or belong to an extended family, your child learns through the relationships they have within your family.

Most importantly, learning that they are valued and their world is safe and secure becomes the foundation for all the new behaviours, attitudes and skills your child will later learn.

Whenever you spend time with your child, you are teaching

Your child watches and copies what you do and say. This means you are teaching even when you’re unaware of it.

As your child’s most powerful and important teacher you will also take on different roles at different times. You will ask questions and offer ideas. You will demonstrate how to do things and also be a coach (encouraging and motivating your child). You will be a source of knowledge about the world and how it works. You might also learn and discover new things alongside your child.

Learning is a social experience that can happen anywhere and at any time – at home, at the park, in the community, as well as in formal settings. The trick is noticing when it is happening (or could happen) and making the most of those opportunities.

What does this mean for me?

⇒ Value what you know about your child and don’t underestimate your importance and knowledge. Your knowledge is important to share with early childhood educators, practitioners and school.

⇒ Your child learns from your behaviour, conversations and actions. If you want your child to be compassionate, how do you model being kind? If you want your child to respect the environment, what do they see you doing? If you want your child to listen, first listen closely to them.

⇒ Don’t try to be a formal ‘teacher’. Your child will have plenty of them as they grow older. Love your child and enjoy being a parent or carer or grandparent or uncle. Your child’s learning will happen without flash cards, and fancy ‘educational’ toys. Often the most valuable lessons are when you share time and experiences together.

⇒ Spend time with your child – without hovering over them. Include them in what you are doing and thinking. Give them lots of time to play. Play with them.

⇒ Have conversations with them where you ask an open question and listen to their response and then respond.

⇒ Show your child the world outside your home. Visit the library, museum, art gallery or go to a playground. Take a trip on a train or bus – just for the sake of seeing the world. Go for walks in the bush or play at the beach. Being out and about in the world not only builds that important sense of belonging to a community, it gives your child the chance to explore, to experiment and to create.

⇒ Above all, have fun and enjoy learning along with your child.
Goulburn Murray AFL Vic country are pleased to announce that Nathalia Secondary college with the support of St. Marys of the Angels are launching a new u/18’s girls football team for the upcoming 2015 season.

NORTHERN ANGELS:
is calling for expressions of interest from potential players aged from 13yrs to 18yrs.
Expressions of interest can be lodged by contacting; Nathalia Secondary College on 58662331.
The team will be training at school during the Wednesday lunch break during the season which will commence approximately the 2nd week of the new school year.
Games will be played on a Sunday against the four other girls teams being Shepparton Notre Dame, Echuca, Kyabram and Mooroolbark.
Our home games will be at the Nathalia ground and times are still to be confirmed.

Membership Fees will be advised.
A football jumper will be included as part of initial membership.
Football Boots will be accessible through AFL Goulburn Murray at low cost.

We are planning an information night before the end of term the date will be advised.