



**NATTE YALLOCK PS 1347**  
**Education for Life**

# Natte News

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## From the Principal...

### Parent Opinion Survey

Thank you very much to the parents who have been able to find the time to complete the Department Parent Survey. It does take a significant amount of time and your efforts are much appreciated.

### Interactive Play Space

Another exciting project has been brought to life this week, supported and promoted by our wonderful School Council. This project has been on the priorities list for a long while and funds have been dedicated to assure its completion.

Comprising of a full-size basketball key, a netball D, four-square court, hopscotch, twister and flower power game - our undercover space has been transformed into a colourful and active space.

A huge thanks to Tony, Andrew and Brooke from B & T Pool Painting and Court Surfacing.



## Upcoming Dates

### Wednesday 18 August

Sports @ Amphitheatre

### Monday 30 August

FSA Cluster Day @ Navarre

### Wednesday 1 September

Sports @ Amphitheatre

### Tuesday 7 September

Excursion - Halls Gap Zoo

### Wednesday 8 September

Sports @ Amphitheatre

Learning Conferences

### Friday 10 September

Maryborough Tennis Centre

### Wednesday 15 September

Sports @ Amphitheatre



# Literacy Learning in Action...

Every morning, a two-hour Literacy block takes place in our purpose-designed Literacy room fondly known as 'The Library'. Students unpack their book bags and ready their learning spaces with book tubs and Reader's Notebooks as we gear up for the one-hour Reading session and one-hour Writing session each day.

All year levels work together in this one large room, with two teachers and also a learning tutor on two mornings a week. Each lesson is carefully planned and sequenced to address current needs and promote engagement. In one area you will hear sounds being articulated or syllables being stretched out, whilst in the another area you will be invited into a Book Club currently studying 'Night Ride into Danger' by Jackie French. On tutoring days, you will see comprehension being worked on and Spelling Mastery sessions taking place on 'The Table'.

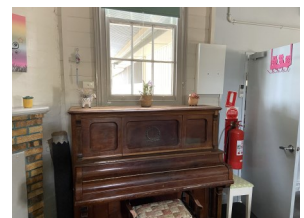
'The Table' is special as it has its own story as important as the long traditions held at Natte Yallock Primary School. During a visit earlier this year, past Principal Hayden Pilgrim shared the story of how 'The Table' came to be...when the room was redesigned from the original headmasters platform and blackboard area to the wall to wall book shelf and full carpets, the boards from the platform were lovingly repurposed into a large, square, incredibly solid table that now takes pride of place in The Library. It hosts reading groups, sorting activities, staff meetings, lunch groups, teacher resources for lessons ahead and many other items for our busy and interactive days. I like to imagine that if those boards could talk, they would have wonderful stories to share!

Every fortnight The Library hosts a visit from the wonderful MARC teacher, Mrs Bawden. The MARC Van drives up and in comes Mrs Bawden with her trolley full of books, activities and multi-age games. At the moment, as part of the Humanities program delivered by the MARC teacher, the student are learning about Matthew Flinders and his contribution to the exploration of Australia.

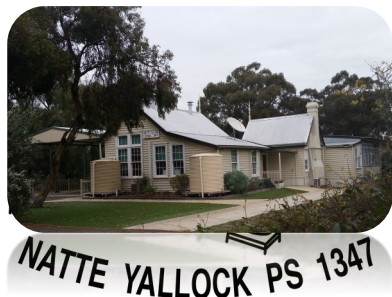
The old honky-tonk piano has been relocated after many years from the corridor to The Library where it can be used on cluster days for music lessons and on Friday afternoons for sing-a-longs. Many years of 'Sing' books can be found on the shelves and have supported several long sessions of choose a song and let's have a go!

The Library is also where we congregate to eat snack and lunch - a socially interactive time where stories are shared, tales are told and plans are made for playtime. It is a community time that brings together all ages and stages with their toasted sandwiches, pies on Pie-Day Friday and homemade leftovers.

Delivering a high-quality Literacy program is a school priority that uses research-based approaches and rigorous assessment practices. We are proud of the program we deliver and the students' progress in Reading, Writing and Speaking & Listening.







# Transition Time for Foundation Students

## Foundation - 2022

Now is the time to let families know to contact their neighbourhood schools and seek enrolment information. If you know of families in our area, please encourage them to make contact by phoning the school on 03 5462 2386. We have enrolment packs ready to hand out and are flexible in organising school tours.

Orientation days will take place in late Term 3 and throughout Term 4.

## Natte Yallock Primary School



Established in 1874, Natte Yallock Primary School continues the strong tradition of educating students from its local community.

Combining current educational practices with strong student agency, Natte Yallock Primary provides comprehensive curriculum coverage targeting student needs and interests.

## Respect Excellence Kindness

- High expectations and supports for all students in Literacy & Numeracy
- Specialist subjects including Japanese, Visual Arts, Performing Arts, Physical Education and M.A.R.C Van Program
- 1 to 1 iPad program from F-6
- Strong community support and interests
- Engagement programs including fortnightly cluster days with neighbouring Pyrenees schools.
- Small class sizes



A Great Rural School!

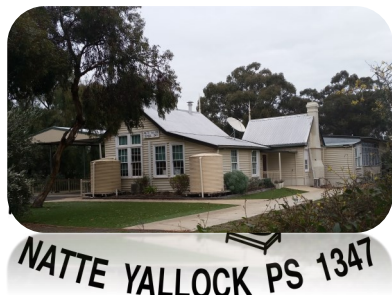


## Enrolments Welcome

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# NYPS Potato Olympics 2021



Congratulations to the potato athletes who secured overall first, second and third placings in our recent Potato Olympic Games 2021.

All athletes competed with determination, skill and a sense fair play and are to be commended for entering all sporting events. Thank you also to Miss Falzon for coordinating, judging and presenting medals.

## The Final Medal Tally



	Gold	Silver	Bronze
<b>Susie Bong Bong</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Flash</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>2</b>
<b>Mia LandGof</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Sea of the Water</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Clown</b>		<b>1</b>	
<b>Tim</b>			<b>1</b>

