FOR YOUR DIARY

May
8  - Mum’s Night Out, 7pm
12-14 - NAPLAN
14  - Sean W Smith Concert
     12pm
20-22 - Yr 3/4 Camp

June
8  - Queen’s Birthday
16  - Reports go home
19  - End of term, 3.15pm

July
13 - Term 3 begins
20 - School Photos

Prayers 4 this week
Each week we pray for someone in our School Community. This week we pray for...

♦ Matthew and Rachel Reichelt and Family
♦ Ella and Ethan Reichelt and Family

Cross Country
Well done to all Yr 3-6 students who competed in the cross country on Wednesday.

Maintenance Roster
May/June
David Pipkorn
Paul Marshman,
Martin Colbert
The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) 2015 for Years 3 and 5 students will be on Tuesday 12 May, Wednesday 13 May and Thursday 14 May. NAPLAN tests assess student knowledge and skills in Writing, Reading, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. These tests are done here at school and are considered just another part of the assessment schedule. It is important for you and your child to know that NAPLAN is not a pass/fail test. It simply looks at what level students are achieving in Literacy and Numeracy against National Standards and is just one part of a wide assessment regime. NAPLAN cannot be studied for and students are not expected to do so. The best way you can help your child prepare for NAPLAN is to let them know that it is just a routine part of their school program, and to urge them to do the best they can on the day. All students in Years 3 and 5 are expected to participate in NAPLAN testing. Later in the year we will send parents an individual student NAPLAN report that you can use to view and monitor how your child is progressing.

Thank you so much to the P&F for purchasing our new Art room furniture. Our new tables and chairs look wonderful and the students are so pleased to have a colourful and vibrant Art room. We are continuing to upgrade and improve the facilities in our school.

Tomorrow all students will be involved in presenting a Mother’s Day Chapel and we encourage all to attend. The senior students have been putting their culinary skills to the test today and have baked a beautiful morning tea for all to enjoy after Chapel. Don’t forget our very special evening, “Mum’s Night Out” movie which begins at 7.30pm in the multipurpose room. As a school we would like to wish all Mothers a very happy Mother’s Day on Sunday. We thank you for all that you do for your child/ren and family. You have been blessed with the incredible role of motherhood and tomorrow at school we would like to bless you with Chapel, a morning tea and the movie night.

With Christ, Tara Pritchard

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**Student of the Week Awards**

**Performing Arts Award**
Tiana Schubert
For leading by example supporting her team with strong actions for the Mother’s Day song. Working with a variety of peers in a positive teamwork way. Growing in confidence and having a go. Great work Tiana!

**Class Awards**

Lanie Clark
For forming the letters of the alphabet neatly and correctly. Great work Lanie!

Chloe Crisp
For always listening in class and for completing everything to the best of her ability. Well done Chloe!

Ella Reichelt
For having a go at using paragraphs and full stops more often in her writing. Keep up the great work!

Hayden Pedie
For focusing and working quietly in class and for writing detailed arguments in his piece of persuasive writing.

Zoa Mock
For doing a great job with her toy science diagrams and predictions. Well done Zoa!

Kendra Clark
For making a great start to her Math’s problems solving tasks. Well done Kendra!

Happy Mother’s Day
Thank you for everything!
Chapel

Chapel will be held on Friday 8th May at 9.00am. This will be led by the whole school and will be a special Mother’s Day chapel. Please feel welcome to come along and stay for morning tea afterwards.

Birthday this week!

Deegan Clark 12 May

Attention all women!

Tomorrow night we will be having a movie night that you are invited to. We will be showing the hilarious movie ‘Mom’s Night Out’. The night will begin at 7pm and you can still get tickets from the front office for $10 or they will be $15 at the door. There will be drinks, popcorn and other goodies available. Check out the flyer and we’ll see you there.

Slippers/Gumboots

We are now in Autumn and the weather will soon be turning cold and wet causing mud in the playground. It is appreciated if all students could bring a pair of slippers for wet weather days so that they can change shoes as they come inside the school. Mrs Cramer says, “the boxes are all clean and ready to go.” If your student has a tendency to get muddy shoes, he/she can bring a pair of named gumboots to school. We also ask that all school shoes to be named as the students find it ‘interesting’ searching through 45 pairs of shoes for theirs.

New Tables in the Art Room

6 new tables and chairs have just been delivered for our Art room. These funky tables really look great in the art room and the students are all eagerly waiting to use them. Many thanks to the P&F committee for supplying them.

Working With Children Check

Just a reminder that we encourage all parents to obtain a working with children check. This is necessary if you wish to volunteer within the school. A ‘volunteer working with children check’ is free and you start the process of applying for one online at www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au. If you need any help, please see us and we can help you get started.

Notices
FRIEND REQUEST

Psychologist Abraham Mazlow had a theory that human needs are organized in a hierarchy—and that until the most basic physical needs are met (e.g. air, food, shelter and sleep), people are not motivated to address other needs or desires. Mazlow asserted that at the top of the hierarchy was ‘self-actualisation needs’: ‘that every person has a strong desire to realize his or her full potential. In between basic physical needs for survival, and the goal of self actualisation are the needs of belongingness, security, esteem, and love. Mazlow asserted that it was only when these needs were met, that ‘self-actualisation’ would occur and a person’s full potential could be reached.

We all need to be loved, valued and a sense that we are accepted and that we belong somewhere. We all need friendships and connections in which we feel secure. I think today’s society is rediscovering that. Perhaps that’s behind the popularity of Facebook and other such social networking media. I wonder though if Facebook is real connection? In one way it connects us, but in another it isolates us, as we communicate from behind a screen. I haven’t connected to Facebook yet—part of the reason is that I fear that if I do I wouldn’t have many friends! Perhaps that fear is also held by others too.

Ultimately what’s important is not how many friends we have, but the kind of friends we have...true friends. In Sunday’s Gospel reading Jesus says to his disciples: “Greater love has no one than this that he lay down his life for his friends. You are My friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from My Father I have made known to you” (John 15:13-15).

How many Facebook friends do you have? Who are your true friends? Is Jesus on your list of friends? What is important is not the number of friends we have, but that we have Jesus as our friend. Those who trust in him and follow him he calls his friends.

It is only through Jesus that our needs of true and lasting security, belonging and worth are met. He is the living Lord who laid down his life for you to restore you to a right relationship with God. There is no greater love than the love he has for you. We can’t ‘self-actualise’ to our fullest potential. But God through his transforming love calls us to our fullest potential by bringing us to a daily relationship with him where he continually shapes and forms us as his people, working in us what is pleasing to him. This God who created the universe is so concerned to know you personally that he has given us the Scriptures where everything Jesus learned from his Father he has made known to you. So reconnect to ‘faithbook’—the Bible—the words of the living, loving God, who laid down his life for you. Hear his request that he wants to be your friend!

Pastor Tim

P&F Events for 2015

Fri 8th May - Mum’s Night Out, 7pm at the School
Sun 7th June - Donuts at the Jeparit Museum weekend
Fri 14th Aug - NLS Cabaret
Sat 10th Oct - Donuts at the Nhill Airshow
* More details closer to events.

New items in the Uniform Shop

There are a few new hair items available to purchase in the Uniform Shop. They are either $4 or $5.
36 Students Registered

Each book list must have the title and the author neatly written out before Mrs Koop can record your books.

Are you the voice from our community willing to participate in setting high standards of quality health care?

WWHS West Wimmera Health Service is inviting interested members of our communities to consider answering our call for a Consumer Representative to join our Clinical Quality Governance Committee.

The Consumer Representative will bring an informed and different perspective to decisions and policies based on their experience as a consumer or carer. The representative will also have the opportunity to raise issues and prompt debate based on their experience in the community.

Clinical Quality and Governance Committee consists of Board members, Executive Staff and the Consumer Representative and is responsible for setting the standards for the delivery of appropriate, safe, effective and quality care and to identify areas for improvement throughout our Service.

Meetings are every second month, generally on the third Wednesday at 6.00pm.

If you are committed to the improvement of healthcare in our communities, have a knowledge of the public healthcare system from a client or carer perspective, be able to volunteer your time and maintain confidentiality and privacy, we encourage you to contact Ms Meredith Taylor, Community Liaison Officer on 5391 4293 for a position description.

Expressions of interest addressed to Mr John N Smith PSM, Chief Executive Officer, West Wimmera Health Service, PO Box 231, Nhill, Victoria 3418 will be accepted until 5.00pm, Friday 1st May 2015.

Chapel Offering

We have now raised $189.40 towards our Sponsor Child, Wakiaxong.

Well done to Isaac Pohliner who has read all of his Challenge books!

110 Books Read!

World Vision

OUR SPONSOR CHILD

WAKIAXONG PAWANG

$181.10
“Mum’s Night Out”
Women Only ... any age and stage of motherhood!

Friday 8th May
at Nhill Lutheran School
7pm arrival for 7.30pm Movie start

Early Bird $10
At the door $15
donation inc. popcorn & drink

Candy Stand
Pick and Choose $5 a bag how you fill!

BYO Beanbag!

Any queries, please contact Tanya Mock 0458 952 073

Tickets available at...
Nhill Lutheran School
Front Office

seedsticks®
sow your support

Raising money for our School garden!

$2.50 a packet
Each packet contains 10 seed sticks

FRI MAY 8TH | 5:00pm until 6:30pm | NHILL COMMUNITY CENTRE | $5 ENTRY | $5 FACE AND BODY PAINT
(WEAR WHITE SHIRT TO BE PAINTED ON) | DJ CHAZZ | WEAR WHITE FOR GLOW EFFECT | GRADERS 4-6 |

Free Sausage Sizzle for lunch!