



# TOGETHER WE GROW

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## Upcoming Dates

JUNE	Friday 22nd	Last Day of Term 2
JULY	Monday 16th	First Day of Term 3
	Tuesday 24th	P&F Meeting @ 7pm
	Friday 27th	Athletics Carnival
AUG	Monday 20th - 24th	Book Week
SEP	Friday 7th	John Coutis Visit

## From the Principal

The Years 5 and 6 students had a wonderful time on camp this week participating in the costume school at Sovereign Hill, Ballarat. The students attended St Alipius School and role played life as a school child in the early 1850s. They had to address the Headmistress as Ma'am and only speak when spoken to. Some highlights included gold panning, the costumes, lolly shop, horse and carriage ride, Blood on the Southern Cross sound and light show, learning how to use a fountain pen with an ink well, cross stitch and Father who inspected their work. Mr Pritchard's highlight was being called 'Sir' for three days (he hopes this will continue). Students also had some evening fun playing laser tag and dining out in Ballarat. A special thank you to Mr Pritchard for organising this amazing learning experience for our students.

Today all students attended the matinee performance of the 'Lion King' at HTLC. We are grateful for opportunities like these that enrich our Arts program at school whilst also strengthening relationships with Lutheran schools in our region. Tomorrow is the last day for the term as staff participate in professional development next week.

A big congratulations must also go to the students in Years 3&4 who represented the school at the Lightning Premierships held at the Nhill College on Tuesday. The students participated in Minkey Hockey and came away very successfully winning the division. A great effort by all students.

We pray that everyone has a restful and safe holiday and particularly for those who are travelling. School resumes on Monday 16 July.

Yours with Christ,  
Tara Pritchard



## Devotional Thought

### Filled with Spirit

Suddenly there was a noise from the sky which sounded like a strong wind blowing, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then they saw what looked like tongues of fire which spread out and touched each person there. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to talk in other languages, as the Spirit enabled them to speak. (verses 2-4)

Have you been filled with the Holy Spirit? This question was asked of my wife once by another sincere Christian. My wife was unsure. She had never been asked that question before and she had never considered what being filled with the Holy Spirit meant.

Have you been filled with the Holy Spirit? Throughout the churches there are many different ways of understandings the Spirit of God and what he does – some good, some not so good. But even as the question is asked it begs another question: how full is full? How much of the Holy Spirit do we need? How much do we have? Does he come and go as we sin and not sin? And what is his role? Why do we need the Spirit?

St Paul says it best of all: 'No one can confess "Jesus is Lord," without being guided by the Holy Spirit' (1 Corinthians 12:3). Have you been filled with the Holy Spirit? If you confess Jesus as your Lord, you have the very Spirit of Christ dwelling within you. And that is all you need.

*Dear Holy Spirit, enlighten my eyes to see Jesus as my Lord and Saviour. Amen.*

*I can do ALL THINGS  
through Christ  
who STRENGTHENS me.*  
–Phillippians 4:13



## Prayer of the Week

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

- ◆ Charli Rethus and her family
- ◆ Kelsey and Stella Schnaars and their family

## Chapel



Just a reminder that Chapel is beginning at 9am in the Multi Purpose Room. Chapel will be ran by the Year 4 students. We look forward to seeing all visitors. You are most welcome to stay for a cuppa afterwards.

## Chapel Offering

Last week for Chapel \$48.40 was collected and will go to the Maw Per Koh orphanage school in Myanmar. So far this year, \$732.80 has been generously received from Chapel offerings. Thank you for blessing our sister school in Myanmar.

## Worship News

Please see below for this week's service times. This week is a Parish service at Nhill beginning at 10am.

Church Office: 5391 1223



## LCA News



Last year, the LCA 'Hidden Hurts/healing Hearts' campaign was launched to the pastors and congregations of the LCA. The campaign's intent is to reduce further instances of domestic violence in our congregations and institutional communities, and to build loving, meaningful attitudes, practices and relationships which will serve to curb such violence. The LCA are now ensuring that our ECS and school communities also become aware of the campaign and the resources that support it. The resources include: • The Hidden Hurts/Healing Hearts website: [www.preventdfv.lca.org.au](http://www.preventdfv.lca.org.au) The website contains links to State/Territory services, study resources, frequently asked questions about domestic violence, and training opportunities.

## School Event News

### Volunteering at NLS

For all parents wishing to volunteer at school to help in the classroom, on camps or with other student activities this year, parents must bring the following to the front office: 1) a current Working with Children Check and; 2) a certificate of completion of one-hour Valuing Safe Community training session on-line within the past three years. As a school of the Lutheran Church of Australia (LCA), staff and volunteers are obliged to meet the requirements of the LCA Safe Place Policy. Valuing Safe Communities (VSC) is a program to comply with this expectation. This training is valid for three years.

### VSC Online Training Instructions

Go to <http://ilearn.alc.edu.au/course/view.php?id=170>. Follow the instructions. Use the Enrolment Key: VSC3\_Volunt33r to gain access to the training. On-line training takes about 30-40 minutes. Certificates of completion will be generated at the end of the session. If you need any assistance, or would like to use a school computer to complete the training, please see Brittany at the front office.

### Unknown Payment

We have had an unknown payment of \$975.04 on the 17th May. If this was you could you please contact the front office as soon as possible.



## Midyear Clean

Just a reminder about the midyear clean. Rosters have been sent home with allocated rooms and can also be accessed on Flexibuzz. The clean commences from 1.15pm Friday, but can also be done on Saturday 23rd. If you don not wish to participate you can opt to pay the cleaning levy of \$100. Please see Miss Keller at the front office regarding this.

## Maintenance Roster

The purpose of this roster, is if there are any small maintenance issues that arise in your month, you may be called upon to help. Thank you for your help.



### May/June

**Darryn Rethus**, Martin Colbert, Peter Hedt, Andrew Hiscock, Nathan Wheeler, Adam Clark

## John Coutis Visit

With the help of the Hindmarsh Shire, in September we are lucky to have John Coutis visiting us right here in Nhill. A lot of planning and preparation is underway for this event, but it is definitely one not to be missed! John recently spoke at National Young Leaders Day in Melbourne, which our Year 6 students attended. John is a gentleman whose own adversity with disability and his triumph over it, are personal inspirations to everybody. On top of this, he speaks superbly, he has a clear mind and a wonderful sense of humour. In a world which too often dwells on misfortunes, John is a man who uses them to his advantage. Stay tuned for more details on the event!

To find out more information about John visit: <http://www.johncoutis.com>

## Hockey Action

