Thank you to all the families that helped out at the donut stall on Sunday at the Jeparit Museum. We managed to sell lots of donuts and raised around $1100 dollars for the P&F.

The ‘Get em going’ playgroup welcomes all children under 5 years of age. The school would like to share the use of the wonderful PMP resources recently purchased by the P&F with the rest of the Nhill community. PMP stands for Perceptual Motor Program and it is a planned sequence of learning and motor experiences designed to help each child reach his or her full potential. PMP develops lateral skills, balance, positive body image, tracking skills, spatial relations, loco motor skills, and manipulative skills. In doing so, children will improve not only their physical skills but their emotional, social, and cognitive skills as well.

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Prayers 4 this week

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

♦ Fiona McKeown
♦ Tanya Mock
♦ Plaw

Maintenance Roster

May/June

David Pipkorn
Paul Marshman,
Martin Colbert
Well done to all parents and friends who helped cook and sell donuts at the Jeparit Museum on Sunday. It was wonderful to see so many contribute their time and efforts to make this a successful fundraiser for our school. A recent educational article states that good schools have high levels of parent and community involvement. We are blessed to have parents who take an active role in supporting their children’s learning and become involved in the school.

Our school is now registered with Sporting Schools which will provide all students with the opportunity to access sport-based activities during school. The key purpose of the program is to encourage more children to do more sport-based activities and foster healthy and active living habits. The Sporting Schools program will support our current health and physical education curriculum and enable staff to access nationally endorsed sports products, coaches, training and development material. This term, students have participated in Netball during lunchtimes and it has been wonderful to see a development in ball skills and team work.

Next week is Refugee Week and our Karen teacher, Plaw, is participating in the Act for Peace ration Challenge. Plaw will be surviving on the same rations as a Burmese refugee receives living in Mae La Refugee Camp on the border of Thailand and Burma. Plaw’s ration will consist of rice, split peas, salt, fish, flour and oil. The money raised will make sure refugees have enough to eat and raise awareness about refugees. Tomorrow for Chapel, our offering will go towards sponsoring Plaw and if families would like to know more about her challenge, the link to her fundraising page is https://rationchallenge.everydayhero.com/au/plaw

Just a reminder to all families, please book your 3-way conference so that students can present their digital learning portfolios on Thursday June 18th. We have the highest expectations for and of the school, teachers and students. Every student has the ability to learn and to achieve high standards. The digital portfolios provide one opportunity to recognise and celebrate successful learning and high achievement. With Christ, Tara Pritchard

Student of the Week Awards

Performing Arts Award

Freya Colbert
For focusing and creating original artwork showing different moods, feelings and emotions communicated through music. Also for being a thoughtful and caring individual.

Joel Mock
For listening to instructions and for drawing a detailed picture of your favourite thing while listening to the song.

Zoe Bandel
For showing kindness to others in the yard and classroom and for trying to ‘fill up the buckets’ of those around her.

Asher Zanker
For always taking pride in his work and for completing a detailed ‘Where do I live’ poster.

Alison Miller
For doing a great job of her area and perimeter flower picture. Well done Alison!

Levi Mock
For doing a great job of his Frost contrast poem. Great use of time Levi!
**Chapel**

Chapel will be held on Friday 12th June at 9.00am. This will be led by Tara. There will also be a special offering to raise money for Plaw and her Act for Peace Ration Challenge. Please feel welcome to come along and stay for morning tea afterwards.

**Library & Building Funds**

Contributions to both the Building and Library funds are an optional part of our fee structure. The Library fund in particular is accessed by all students, and it is an integral part of the school’s effort to keep children supplied with quality literature. The end of the financial year is fast approaching, why not take advantage of this tax deductible donation before the end of June? Further information can be obtained from Tricia Alexander by ringing 53923215.

**Office Hours—School Holidays**

Mrs Koop will be in the office on Friday 26th June and Friday 10th July during the school holidays between 9.00am - 3.00pm weekdays. Please feel welcome to contact the office during this time.

**Mission Presentation**

Pastor James May, Director of Lutherans in Africa and teaching missionary to 20 different countries, will be visiting the Nhill parish on Friday 19th June and giving his presentation at the School. You are invited to come and hear him speak on his work supporting our Lutheran brothers and sisters in some of the smallest and largest Lutheran churches in the world. His work takes him to some of the most dangerous parts of Africa where the hunger for God's word is deep and the need for the gospel is desperate. Prepare to be inspired as you hear how God continues to build His church through the simple preaching of law and gospel and how our support can help bring salvation to many. You can read more about his work at [www.lutheransinafrica.com](http://www.lutheransinafrica.com).

**Don’t Forget**

Have you made your appointment for Digital Portfolios? Please see Mrs Koop or book a time by using tiqbiz. **Every student needs to have an appointment next Thursday to show their parents their portfolio of school work that they have been working on throughout the year. Reports will be sent home next Tuesday.**

**Delivery Date: Thursday 18th June**

Books & Gifts Direct, like Armina Books, deliver a selection of books and gifts to the school for people to look at and purchase at a discounted rate. Check out the books, list what books you would like to purchase and pick them up on the delivery date. Payment options are EFTPOS, cash/cheque or card. This fortnight's sample box have:

- Bee My Baby (musical toy) - $20
- My favourite Aussie Animal set of 6 - $20
- Australia Woman's Weekly All Time Favourites - $15
- Disney Frozen Learning Books set of 3 - $12
- Baby Record Book - $10
- Fire Emergency Blanket - $10
- Designer Nail Stamper - $8
- Mini Ceramic Cooker - $8
- Superb Slices - $6

These would make fantastic gift ideas!
LIVING WITH PLASTIC PROMISES.

Celebrities are increasingly choosing to nip, tuck, botox and uplift different parts of themselves in the never ending quest to retain their youthful look and increase their attractiveness for the sake of their popularity.

But a new trend today is the huge increase in everyday people having plastic surgery—and becoming addicted to it with devastating consequences. Perhaps the most tragic story is that of Hang Mioku of South Korea. She first had plastic surgery at 28 and soon grew addicted to it. Many operations later, her face was so enlarged and disfigured that surgeons refused to perform any further procedures and urged her to seek psychological help. Ignoring their advice, Mioku undertook a self-operation by injecting herself with cooking oil. She was eventually left with an enlarged face attached to her slender frame. Surgeons tried to correct it but her face is permanently disfigured.

Plastic surgery has quickly become an accepted and desired practice because we live in a society with plastic promises—promises that say that if you measure up to how society says you should look, then you will have popularity and purpose. Plastic promises that say human dignity, worth and meaning in life are dependent on external beauty. The plastic promises of society that say security and identity can be found by pleasing others with attractiveness, but they are promises which never deliver enough.

God gives us real promises—he created humankind in his own image as the pinnacle of his creation. He blessed humankind and gave them the purpose to be his representatives on earth and live with him, enjoying his favour and peace forever. When God created humankind he pronounced his creation “very good” which in the original Hebrew language can also mean “very beautiful”. This gives us a dignity, worth, value, purpose, identity, security and hope that plastic surgery cannot give. Even after humankind rebelled against God, a condition we have all inherited, God sent his only Son into our world to become truly human just like us and take our place on the Cross. There he died the death that should have been ours to free us from sin, death and the devil and restore us to a right relationship with God. All this God has given as a free gift out of his incredible love for all people, simply received through faith in Christ.

In 1 Samuel 16 we hear that God sent Samuel to anoint the next King of Israel but it was a person no-one expected—it was not the tallest or strongest or the eldest son of the family. It was the youngest of eight sons, a shepherd boy called David. God said to Samuel: “The LORD does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outside of a person. But the LORD looks at what is in the heart.”

What will God find when he looks in our hearts? Will he like it? Like a doctor looking at an X-Ray, God looks at that which is broken inside of us. God saw David’s heart was broken too—David sinned in some of the worst ways. But David had a heart for God. He confessed that he was broken and sinful. He knew in his heart all he could do was throw himself on God's compassion and mercy. And he did. David was the greatest King Israel ever had. From his royal line came your Saviour Jesus.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, help me to be less concerned with how I look to others on the outside and more concerned on how I look to you on the inside. Thank you that you created me in your own image to have true value, dignity, security and purpose. Thank you that your image is seen in all its glory in Jesus my Saviour who won for me forgiveness, peace, and freedom from the fear of pleasing others. Amen.

Pastor Tim

P&F Events for 2015

Fri 14th Aug - NLS Cabaret
Sat 10th Oct - Donuts at the Nhill Airshow
* More details closer to events.

The Ed Award

Zac Pearce

Working hard in class, showing initiative and being willing to help with jobs around the school.

Save the Date!
Raising money for our School garden!

Note from Plaw
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Crazy Hair/Clothes
On the last day of term the SRC is having a Crazy Day! The students/teachers/parents are asked to wear crazy (bright coloured/Patterned) clothing and crazy hair. Please bring a gold coin donation that will go towards our sister school in Myanmar.

Healthy Eating
Just a reminder that we encourage healthy eating at school. Students are encouraged to have raw fruit or vegetables as snacks.

School Cleaning
The cleaning roster has been sent home. Those who are scheduled for the mid year clean on Friday, 19th of June are welcome to start cleaning at 1.15pm. Even though school finishes at 3.15, we thought it might suit some parents to complete their cleaning whilst students are busy at lunchtime and in the afternoon.

Chapel Offering
We have now raised $306.75 towards our Sponsor Child, Wakiaxong.
Financial Assistance Information for Parents

Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF) will ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities.

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions, or sporting activities for the benefit of you child. The annual CSEF amount per student will be $125 for primary school students.

How to apply: A form was sent home this week to all families to fill out and return to the office.

Closing Date: We need to have all forms back to the school by the 19th June, 2015.

Holiday Program

It’s Easy, Learn Quickly, It’s Fun!

“Smarter Spelling”

Spelling, Reading & Writing

Multi-sensory learning caters for all learning styles.

‘Smarter Spelling’ is for everyone from struggling to top of the class students.

Students will learn the code and tools to Smarter Spelling

Do you know that the letter A has 6 different sounds for spelling?
Why does C have two different sounds in the word ‘circus’?
Why is the word ‘apple’ spelt with a silent final E?

A Parents Comment

“It was amazing how fast Solly learnt the Smarter Spelling System. This gave him enthusiasm to learn more. I now have a keen reader.” (Michelle Marshall)

4 days of 2 hour sessions (with breaks & activities) + ½ hour games

Contact: Aline Deckert for registration and details.
Mob: 042 891 8355   Email: aline@smarterforlife.com

Tutoring is also available, both privately and in groups during the next two terms.

Become competent, confident and creative thinkers.

“I am passionate about making a significant difference to all who want to be students of Smarter Spelling.” Aline Deckert