



Many thanks to Build Pro-Horsham, Mick Koop and Paul Drendel, that even in the rain they were installing the new watering system on our oval.

FOR YOUR DIARY

June

- 7 - Donuts at Jeparit Museum
- 8 - Queen's Birthday
- 16 - Reports go home
- 18 - Digital Portfolios
- 19 - End of term, 3.15pm

July

- 13 - Term 3 begins
- 20 - School Photos
- 28-31 - Yr 5/6 Camp

August

- 24-28 - Book week

Prayers 4 this week

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

- ◆ Jessica Ebbs
- ◆ Kirsty Koop
- ◆ Quentin Pritchard

Maintenance Roster May/June

David Pipkorn
Paul Marshman,
Martin Colbert

From the Principal

Last week all students participated in the St John Ambulance First Aid in Schools Program. This First Aid training is provided at no cost to schools, and develops awareness, knowledge and skills. The learning was age-appropriate and integrated with the curriculum. Our students were taught the importance of First Aid and what to do in an event of an emergency.

Students are working hard getting their digital learning portfolios finalised for the 3-way conferences which will be held on Thursday June 18th. Every student will be presenting a digital portfolio to their teacher and parents on this day. The conference will run for 15 minutes and is designed to celebrate learning achievements from the start of the year to now. Please note that this is **not** a pupil free day and provisions will be made for the classroom teacher and student to present digital portfolios throughout the day. Parents are encouraged to listen, ask questions and most of all, celebrate learning! Part of the digital portfolios is that students reflect, set goals and become responsible for their learning. Parents will receive semester reports on 16th of June and will be able to identify close comparisons between the written school report and the digital learning portfolios. We believe that this form of assessment and reporting enables student ownership, connection between home and school, celebration of learning and opportunities to set further goals. We only have a few appointments made, so please contact Michaela if you still need an appointment as soon as possible.

I would like to thank the PFA in advance for co-ordinating the donut stall at the Jeparit Museum this Sunday. Every family has been given a time slot to help cook or serve the donuts. All students benefit from the efforts of the PFA to fundraise and provide important resources for the school. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank in advance all families for being willing to support the donut stall by contributing your time and effort. It makes a big job a lot easier when we have many hands helping. If you are unable to fulfil your time slot, please arrange a swap with another family. We all look forward to having some fun whilst cooking and serving some delicious donuts to the wider community on Sunday. Yum!

With Christ,
Tara Pritchard



Student of the Week Awards

Sports Award

Josh Ebbs

For making great improvements with his throwing skills and accuracy. Well done Josh!

Class Awards

Chloe Crisp

For showing enthusiasm towards learning and for writing a sentence by herself.

Giana Pohlner

For writing with very neat handwriting and for always completing her work to the very best of her ability. Great work Giana!

Rourke Croot

For being a helpful class member and for having a go at spotting compound words in the literacy rotation activities. Keep up the great work!

Zac Pearce

For focusing in class when writing his camp diary and including lots of detail about the activities he participated in whilst on camp. Keep up the great writing Zac!

Racquel Deckert

For taking great care with the presentation and content of her Christian Studies scroll. Well done Racquel!

Maekala John

For making great use of her time and showing great reflective skills with her digital portfolio. Well done Maekala!



Notices

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

Reminder

Just a reminder for parents to please refrain from taking photos of students from other school communities during sporting events, incursions or excursions.

Chapel

Chapel will be held on Friday 5th June at 9.00am. This will be led by Pastor Tim. Please feel welcome to come along and stay for morning tea afterwards.

Book Club

Book Club is due tomorrow Friday 5th June. No late orders will be accepted.

Jeparit Pioneer Museum Open Weekend

We have once again been invited to sell donuts at the Jeparit Museum this Sunday. P&F have arranged a roster and it is in this newsletter. Fundraising opportunities enable the P&F to contribute to the purchase of much needed resources for the school. Recent purchases have been the Art room tables and chairs and sport equipment. The P&F thanks you in advance for your support.

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.

BOOKS & GIFTS DIRECT

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!



From the Pastor

OUT OF OUR MINDS!

I'll never forget my first preaching assignment during my Seminary training. I'd put days of preparation into what I thought would be a captivating and uncompromising sermon. When I arrived at the church (pictured) a huge crack that ran down the corner of the sanctuary caught my attention. Then cracks in other walls, before I noticed a window which had been shattered by vandals. At the beginning of the service I turned around to face a congregation of six! The elder was standing at the back, the organist sitting behind the keyboard, and the remainder of the congregation—four ladies in their 80's visiting from the local aged care facility—sat behind their walkers at the front. I couldn't believe it!



Were we out of our minds—the four ladies, the elder, the organist and I? Why not join the rest of the beachfront suburb sunning themselves on the sand or in bed recovering from a hangover the night before, or working, or playing sport. Why bother? That church I visited to preach one of my first ever sermons has long since closed. But Sunday's Gospel reading says that Jesus had the opposite problem. He has caused such a sensation that crowds press upon him making it hard for Jesus and his disciples to even find space in the house they are in to eat (Mark 3:20-21). When his family heard about this, they conclude: "He is out of his mind!"

Society today isn't flocking to follow Jesus by listening to his Word. Why did I preach to a congregation of 6 in a crumbling building? Why do we pray in chapel? Why do we teach Christian studies? Why do we have devotions? Why should we come to church on a Sunday morning at the expense of a sleep in or game of footy, or catch up on the harvesting? In the eyes of the world such is foolish nonsense; it is laughable, and we are out of our minds. But as Paul says in 2 Corinthians 4 we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, because what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

Was Jesus out of his mind? He died for an unrighteous world; for sinners. Who would do something so reckless and give a love so undeserving? Nobody! But God did. Only God could—and only a God who is a loving God. His saving death and resurrection are the very rescue we need. As we struggle in our mortal flesh and move a day closer to our death, the one who overcame death for us renews his faithful people inwardly day by day as he meets us through his word and preaches to us, even where just two or three gather in his name. On the day when Jesus returns to rescue his faithful people, those who didn't trust his word will wish they had have been 'out of their minds'.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, help me resist the temptation to blindly follow that which is big, spectacular and popular. Lead me instead to trust your promise that you have overcome our broken and suffering world, our own sin, and all the powers of darkness through your death and resurrection. Give me the joy that you are present in your church as you promise to feed and empower your people, even where just two or three gather in your name. Help me cherish your word as a living power by which you mould us into the people you want us to be. Amen.

Birthdays this week!



Noah Pearce
9 June
Ethan Reichelt
9 June

Pastor Tim

P&F Events for 2015

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.



The Ed Award

Caleb Zanker

For being an all round EXCELLENT camper!

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Raising money for our School garden!

A mixture of Herbs, Vegetables, Flowers & Natives available from the School Office.

\$2.50
a packet
Each packet contains
10 seed sticks

Note from Plaw

I will be undertaking the Act for Peace Ration Challenge during Refugee Week (14-20 June) and getting sponsored to do it. The challenge is about standing up for refugees. I 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. It consists of rice, split peas, salt, fish, flour and oil. The money that I raise will help make sure refugees have enough to eat. I am asking that you consider sponsoring me. The link to my fundraising page is <https://rationchallenge.everydayhero.com/au/plaw>. Thank you for considering this and you can read more about Act for Peace at www.actforpeace.org.au.

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.

Chapel Offering

We have now raised \$284 towards our Sponsor Child, Wakiaxong.

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Books
Read!

Well done to
Kendra, Archie,
Isaac & Sean
who have read
all of their
challenge books!

Victorian
Premiers'
reading
challenge



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.

\$600



\$284

World Vision

OUR SPONSOR CHILD



WAKIAXONG PAWANG



Wimmera Parent Support Network

HINDMARSH / WEST WIMMERA

SUPPORT GROUP

Wimmera

PARENT SUPPORT NETWORK Do you have a child with a disability or additional needs?

We would love you to join with us to form a support group for Hindmarsh & West Wimmera families.

We will meet for an informal lunch whereby you can tell us what you what like to see happen, e.g. speakers etc. or best times to meet.

Aly Clements, RIAC advocate, will also be in attendance.

WHEN: TUESDAY, 9th June, 2015

WHERE: The Victoria Hotel, Dimboola

TIME: 12.30

COST: WPSN to contribute \$10 towards cost of meal.

RSVP: 4-6-15



You can contact: [Marie 53911579](tel:53911579) or [Anne Page: 53624042](tel:53624042) / annep@wuc.org.au

DONUT ROSTER

JEPARIT MUSEUM ~ SUNDAY 7TH JUNE

	Equip Pick Up	Set up	Cook	Cook	Serve	Serve	Help	Drop Off & Clean Up
9AM-10AM	MOCK	KOOP/ PEARCE						
10AM-11AM			MOCK	PRITCHARD	BONE	SAXTON		
11AM-12PM			MARSHMAN	S.ZANKER	CLARK	PEDIE		
12PM-1PM			PEARCE	POHLNER	HOFFRICHTER	JOHN		
1PM-2PM			PIPKORN	DRENDEL	MICHAELA	TARAR	KIRSTY	
2PM-3PM			BANDEL	M.ZANKER	MILLER	D. REICHELT	CRISP	
3PM-4PM			DECKERT	CROOT	SCHUBERT	EBBS	COLBERT	
4pm							PEARCE	MOCK
5pm								CASE-HASSALL

THANKS IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS ON DUTY FREE ENTRY

IF UNAVAILABLE, PLEASE SWAP OR REPLACE AND INFORM TANYA MOCK OF CHANGE!

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.

The Mik Meks
AUSTRALIA'S NEWEST CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT GROUP TAKE THEIR COLOURFUL SHOW ON THE ROAD

TICKETS LIMITED TO 300 PER SHOW

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

APPEARING
Nhill Memorial Community Centre
Sunday 12th July
1pm Show
77-79 Nelson Street Nhill, Victoria

Tickets \$15

TICKETS FROM OUR WEBSITE

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Tickets can also be purchased at Earthly Treasures, 29-31 Victoria St, Nhill, 3418.

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Starting Term 3 - July 14th

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Play, Learn and Grow... Together!

PlayGroup

Nhill Lutheran School
Multipurpose Room