## FOR YOUR DIARY

### July
28-31 - Yr 5/6 Camp

### August
12 - Kinder Visits
14 - P&F Gig
24-28 - Book week
27 - Book week parade and activities
30 - Parish Service
31 - P&F Meeting, 2.15pm

### September
3 - Father’s Footy Day
17 - School Concert, 7pm
18 - End of Term

## Prayers 4 this week
Each week we pray for someone in our School Community. This week we pray for...
- Freya and Starla Colbert and family
- Clinton and Chloe Crisp and family.

## Maintenance Roster
July/August

- Michael Koop
- Tim Ebbs
- Adam Clark
Student of the Week Awards

Class Awards

Giana Pohlner
For making the new students fell welcome in our class and for showing kindness to all students during recess and lunch play time. Well done Giana!

Archie Zanker
For making such a positive start to the term. For taking pride in his handwriting and bookwork and for completing more work than is expected. Well done Archie!

Isaac Pohlner
For excellent work with his homework this week and for lovely handwriting in handwriting lessons.

Starla Colbert
For excellent work with researching facts about Earth and for great work in Karen lessons.

Zoa Mock
For approaching all learning tasks with great enthusiasm and a positive attitude. A terrific attitude to learning Zoa!

Sidney Marshman
For working hard to solve his sugar long multiplication and fractions work. Keep up the great effort Sid!

Performing Arts Award

Oliver Bone
Helping and caring for peers during the "Listening for Sounds" activity and watching the new dance moves carefully.

Our school demonstrates a strong belief in the value of off-campus education. Excursions are a feature of all class programs at each level. Overnight camps begin in Year 2 and involve a combination of outdoor education and academic learning opportunities. At each year level, camps align with the Australian Curriculum and relate to work covered in the classroom. The objectives of the various trips include appreciation of the natural environment, adventure and the development of life skills such as independence, resiliency, co-operation and team work. Our Year 5/6 students have travelled to Geelong and Melbourne for their camp this week. They are participating in a variety of activities including State Parliament, Barwon Park, The Museum of Australian Democracy, Port Queenscliff and fishing. We pray that students will enjoy their time of education as well as fellowship with one another.

Our Student Representative Council have already planned a couple of activities for this term. One being, the special Father’s Day Footy Match which will be held on Thursday the 3rd of September – that’s only 35 sleeps away! All Dads are encouraged to keep this day free and to start training! Please note that Chapel for that week will be on the Thursday morning, followed by the footy match and then hotdogs for lunch prepared by the P&F. The oval is beginning to look fantastic and we are grateful to the School Council for renovating our oval and installing a new sprinkler system. There will also be new goal posts in time for the Father’s Day footy match. We also would like to acknowledge the AFL for their major contribution of the new football goal posts and padding. The Father’s Day Footy match will be a great opportunity to test the turf and benefit from all the hard work to make such a great sporting facility for our students.

Last week, Larissa Romensky from the ABC interviewed our school about how our students are learning the Karen language. The interview highlighted how the students are embracing the opportunity to learn the Karen language and the relevance of using it in the community. The interview can be accessed through the following link; www.abc.net.au/local/photos/2015/07/23/4279566.htm

Yours with Christ,
Tara Pritchard
**Healthy Eating**

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

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**Chapel**

Chapel will be held on Friday 31st July at 9.00am. This will be led by the Prep/1 Class. Please feel welcome to come along and stay for morning tea afterwards.

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**Expressions of Interest**

We’ve had a few forms back from families who are able to cook or not able to cook donuts at the Nhill Air Show. Can families please let the school know ASAP so we can start planning. If you need a new form please see Mrs Koop.

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**Donations needed**

We are looking for people to donate any Goods or Services that will go up for auction at the School Cabaret. Please contact Kim or Sharon Croot, 0417 281 117 (S); 0427 281 117 (K).

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**Goods and services auction.**

Start saving your pennies. It’s shaping up to be a great auction, lots of variety... Something for everyone. Here is just a sample.

- 100 acres broad acre spraying
- 2 tandem trailer loads mixed variety firewood. Sold separately
- 5kgs beef/pork/lamb pack
- 8 piece Australian native place mats set
- 1 hour flight over Nhill in two seater aerochute
- Pink Scooter
- Mystery boxes

More to come.

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**Earn & Learn 2015**

This year’s Earn & Learn has started. Ask at the checkout for the stickers when you happen to be shopping in a Woolworths and inform friends and family to collect stickers as well. We also now have a box at the store to place the stickers in to make it easier for people to donate their stickers to us! Let’s see if we can beat 2014’s total!

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**Books & Gifts Direct**

Delivery Date: Thursday 6th August

Books & Gifts Direct 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 week’s sample box has:

- Love to Bake - Australian Woman’s Weekly - $20
- Marvel Battle Files - $20
- Aliens Love Underpants, set of 5 - $15
- 8 in 1 work light - $12
- Flameless candle, set of 2 with timer - $10
- Wipe Clean Alphabet Activity - $10
- Classics for Relaxation 5 CD pack - $10
- Friends 4pc Coaster set - 12
- Microsoft Word Made Easy - $7

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SIGNS

Signs tell us all sorts of things by condensing information in a visual way. For example, a black curvy arrow on a yellow diamond is given for safety and protection. It tells us that there's a curve up ahead so we therefore need to slow down and approach the bend with caution.

In this week's Gospel reading from John 6, Jesus speaks about the miraculous signs that he shows. Last week we heard of one such sign—his feeding of a huge crowd of at least 5,000 people with just a few small fish and five loaves. This crowd miraculously fed by Jesus follow after him, but they've missed the point. Jesus laments: "I tell you the truth, you are looking for Me, not because you saw miraculous signs but because you ate the loaves and had your fill" (verse 26).

Just like the signs all around us, the miraculous signs Jesus performs point to a deeper reality. They give direction and warning and safety. They clearly show the way. They show that Jesus has authority and power over and above the normal limits of our created order. Indeed he is the One who orders them. He is truly God, the Son sent from his Heavenly Father, who has power and authority even over the wages of our sin, death, to bring new and eternal life through faith in him. That is why, when the crowd asked: "What must we do to do the works God requires?" Jesus answered, “The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent.” (v28-29)

Jesus provides our daily bread, but more importantly he is the bread sent from Heaven to fill our deepest hunger—restoration with God and eternal life and peace in his presence. The crowd want Jesus to feed their stomachs, without considering their need for him to satisfy what is their more urgent and enduring hunger: forgiveness, life and salvation. So Jesus teaches the crowd and us: “Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you.” Jesus’ good work of fulfilling the requirements of God’s Law perfectly for you and his innocent suffering and death on the Cross is the only work sufficient in God’s sight needed for a saving relationship with him. While God asks of us to live a life worthy of the calling we have received, we are only righteous by clinging to Jesus and his Cross, and trusting that his resurrection gives us new life, for he has opened the way to heaven for you.

Yet the crowd persist: “What miraculous sign will you give that we may see it and believe you?” What a short memory this crowd has! Jesus has just fed at least 5,000 with two small fish and 5 loaves! Some people today are still asking for some special sign that will prove that Jesus was sent from God. But he has already given us all we need to believe—the Bible. So feast on Jesus, the bread from heaven, through his Word. It is the best meal you will ever have, for the bread of God is Jesus who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

Prayer: Dear Jesus, help me not to look signs that prove your existence, but help me to trust in what you have already given to the world—the bible, your clear word to me. It is your Father’s will that I believe it. Help me to, that I may be counted a child of God. Feed me with your words that bring eternal life and nourishment for the deepest human needs: peace, security, identity, worth, forgiveness and purpose, fulfilled in relationship with you. Amen.

P&F Events for 2015

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

Martin Luther Tour

The year 2017 will mark the 500th anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation, and a group of Queensland Christians are organising a tour "In the Footsteps of Martin Luther" through Italy and Germany in April 2017. Former Lutheran Bishop of Queensland, Rev Noel Noack, and his wife Meg will be the Tour hosts, and invite everyone to join them.
Raising money for our School garden!

$2.50 a packet
Each packet contains 10 seed sticks

Chapel Offering
We have now raised $326.25 towards our Sponsor Child, Wakiaxong.

Well done to Rachel, Lanie Matthew & Deegan who have read all of their Challenge books!

Birthdays this week!
Tiana Schubert
2 August
Ella Reichelt
3 August

360 Stickers collected!
Keep them coming!

The Ed Award
Troye McBride
For always using outstanding manners and for helping to care for the lambs and chickens.

Victorian Premiers' reading challenge
469 Books Read!
Keep reading those books and sending them in

World Vision

OUR SPONSOR CHILD

WAKIAXONG PAWANG

Books Read!

Keep them coming!
Get em Going

PlayGroup
Nhill Lutheran School
Multipurpose Room
Free playgroup for under 5s
Call Tara Pritchard 5391 2144
For more information

FRIDAY 7TH AUGUST @ 7PM
NHILL COMMUNITY CENTRE - ALL WELCOME
FREE WILL OFFERING - SUPPER

Watoto
RESCUE RAISE REBUILD

The name Watoto means ‘The Children’ in Swahilli. Watoto was founded by Canadians Gary and Marilyn Skinner in 1994. Their mission is to rescue an individual and raise each one as a leader in their chosen sphere of life so that they in turn will rebuild the nations of Africa. They provide quality care and long term education for nearly 3,000 orphaned and abandoned children and their goal is to care for 10,000 children by 2023. Watoto cares for children from birth up until they graduate university.
Nhill Lutheran School presents a family Cabaret

featuring music from Acousticus Stomp

BYO theme, nibbles & drinks
ie: Sporty; Superheros; 60's

Friday 14th August
Doors open @ 7.30pm
Nhill Lutheran School, Multipurpose Room

Cost: Adults $10
Students $5
Pre-Schoolers free

Mystery Auction

all enquiries
contact Tanya Mock
0458 952 073
Pop-up Playgroup is coming to you!

What is a Pop-Up Playgroup?
A Pop-Up Playgroup is a few hours of fun and play for children and caregivers. Pop-Up Playgroup is great for community events, special playgroup days and festivals. At a Pop-Up Playgroup families can learn and grow with specially designed activities that foster development and happy faces!

Parent/carer supervision of children is required.

Friday 14th August
10.30am to 12.30pm
Nhill Kindergarten – Clarence Street, Nhill
Contact Lisa 0456 869 390 or Meg 0418 121 187
For more details
This is a free event!
Every July the School receives fundraising catalogues from companies that we purchase supplies from. The catalogues have been sent home this week and contain various different learning and fun toys that are a great idea for Christmas or Birthday presents. Parents have the opportunity to purchase the products by ordering online, by post or by filling out the order form and returning it to the School. If you have any questions or require extra catalogues for family or friends, please see Mrs Koop.