FOR YOUR DIARY

September
17 - School Concert, 7pm
18 - End of Term, 2.30pm
   - Blue/Pink Day

October
5 - Term 4 begins
8-9 - P-2 Sleepover & Excursion
10 - Nhill Air Show, P&F cooking donuts
15 - Nhill Show, No School
   - Grand Parade, 3.45pm
16 - Pre-Prep Program
23 - Pre-Prep Program
28 - Kinder Orientation, 9-11am
30 - Pre-Prep Program

November
4 - Kinder Orientation, 9-1pm

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

♦ Sam Mahfoud and family
♦ Sidney Marshman and family

Maintenance Roster
September/October
Paul Drendel
Paul Schubert,
Kim Croot,
Jason Deckert

WWSSA ATHS
On Tuesday 8th September Archie Zanker, Matthew Reichelt, Cory Koop, Caleb Zanker, Levi Mock, Jordan Pipkorn, Chloe Zanker, Alison Miller, Zoa Mock, Adeline Pritchard and Racquel Deckert represented the school at the WWSSA Athletics in Warracknabeal. Students represented the school extremely well in results and participation displaying good sportsmanship.
Students are practising hard for the School Concert which is next Thursday, the 17th of September. All parents, grandparents and friends are invited to attend the evening performance which begins at 7pm. All students will be travelling by bus to the Nhill Community Centre next Wednesday, the 16th of September for a practise.

Congratulations to all students who have completed the Premier’s Reading Challenge this year. Participating students celebrated their achievements today with a Reading Challenge lunch party. We encourage all students to borrow books from our well resourced school library so that reading can continue over the holidays.

Congratulations to our students who represented our School at the West Wimmera Schools’ Sports Association Athletic day. We had many students achieve a placement which qualifies them for the next stage which is the Little Desert Division Athletics in Horsham on Tuesday, 6th October. Many thanks to Mr Pritchard for organising and supporting our students and thank you also to all parents who attended.

Yours with Christ,
Tara Pritchard

Mrs. Koop’s Last Day
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Consent Forms
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Congratulations to the following students on their results at the athletics.
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Matthew Reichelt - 3rd Discus
Cory Koop - 1st Shot Put, 2nd Triple Jump
Caleb Zanker - 1st Shot Put, 2nd Triple Jump
Levi Mock - 3rd Shot Put
Chloe Zanker - 1st 75 & 200m, 2nd Hurdles
Alison Miller - 2nd Discus
Zoa Mock - 3rd Triple Jump
Adeline Pritchard - 2nd Shot Put
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Chapel Offering
We have now raised $397.05 towards our Sponsor Child, Wakiaxong.

New Baby!
We congratulate the Mahfoud family on the birth of Joseph on Tuesday 8th September. He is a brother for Sam (Year 2) and Isaac and son for Tony and Helen.

Birthdays this week!
Zoa Mock
10 September
Asher Zanker
15 September

Happy Birthday
**Star steel posts wanted**

I'm sourcing star steel posts for a wildlife-animal shelter that is in need of secure adequate fencing for rehabilitating wildlife, plus fostering unwanted pets. Please if you have any lying around in sheds, gardens etc. Would you be willing to donate them to this wonderful rescue centre? They can be either left at my place or I'm willing to pick up. Thank you, Karen Cramer

**Uniform Shop**

The Uniform Shop will be open on the Monday and Wednesday of the first week back of Term 4. Throughout Term 4, the uniform shop will only be open on Wednesdays after School. As usual, there will be a two week swap over of uniform.

**Office Hours—School Holidays**

Due to Mrs Koop going on maternity leave at the end of the term and Miss Keller starting on the first day of Term 4, the school office will not be open on any set day in the holidays.

**Chalk and Parent Direct Toy Catalogues**

The Chalk and Parent Direct toy catalogues were sent home a month ago. These catalogues are great for purchasing birthday and Christmas presents and with every purchase the school benefits with classroom resources. All orders are due Tomorrow. You are still able to order online, however, until the end of the year. When you order, just nominate Nhill Lutheran School in the order process.

**Enrolments for 2016**

We are now accepting enrolments for 2016. We would like all enrolment forms in by the end of Term 3 so we can plan for the 2016 school year. If you have any questions about the school, would like an enrolment form or would like a tour of the school, please contact us 53912144.

**Chapel**

Chapel will be held on Friday 11th at 9.00am. This will be led by Pastor Tim. Please feel welcome to come along and stay for morning tea afterwards.

**Books & Gifts Direct**

Delivery Date:
Thursday 17th September

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:

- Roadside Auto Emergency Kit
- Where’s Wally Search For Lost Things
- Preserving Book
- Super Sounds Old MacDonald
- Hair Accessory with Doll x2
- 2016 Monthly Planner
- 52 Diet Cookbook
- Mother Knows Best
- Tiny Tots Set 2

* Excellent ideas for gifts!

**Earn and Learn Stickers**

Thank you to all the friends and families of the School who collected the Earn and Learn Stickers. We collected a total of 3780 stickers. If you or any members of your family or friends have been collecting and have stickers, please send them to the school by Wednesday 16th.
What some celebrities are worth is incredible! Performer Taylor Swift reportedly insured her legs for $40 million in case something happened to them which would prevent her from performing. But with a net worth of about $200 million she really doesn't need to worry about going broke! Entertainer Kylie Minogue insured her bottom for $5.9 million, singer Tom Jones insured his chest hair for $7 million, soccer star David Beckham insured his legs against injury for about £100 million—but the best of all: our very own Merv Hughes, cricketing cult hero, had his trademark moustache insured for around $370,000.

How much do you think you're worth? Two years ago, the Sydney Morning Herald reported that Australians are the richest people in the world, at least by one indicator: the midpoint between richest and poorest, which at the time of reporting was $233,504. That means that more than 50% of Australians earn this amount, or greater, each year. This figure relies heavily on real estate, but it’s an impressive figure nonetheless. By the measure of average wealth, Australians ranked second in the world, behind Switzerland, with $402,578 per person.

In Sunday’s Gospel reading from Mark 8, Jesus raises the question of what we are worth. He says: “If anyone wants to follow me, they must deny them self, take up their Cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life on account of me and the Gospel will save it. For what will it profit a person to gain the whole world but to have lost their soul? Or what can anyone pay for their soul?” (Mark 8:35-37).

Scripture says that since Adam and Eve brought sin into the world, a condition that affects us all, the wages of that sin is death. Jesus points out the dilemma: there is nothing we can we pay for our soul, because the asking price is our very life. That is why it is such incredibly joyful news that Jesus has paid that price for us, to free us from sin, death and the devil, not with silver or gold, but with his holy and precious blood—a price infinitely more than Taylor Swift’s legs or Merv Hughes’ moustache!

Right now we in Australia have never been richer with material wealth, so Jesus’ message is just as relevant to us in Australia today. The focus of earning more and more money to buy more and more stuff in pursuit of experience or to measure up to latest trends and societal standards with how we look and what we have (or don’t look like, or don’t have) is slavery. When we are consumed with ourselves we look away from what God wants for us and our lives, rather than knowing and worshipping the true God of freedom.

What will it profit a person to gain the whole world but to lose their soul? Jesus calls us to ‘lose’ our lives, because it is only when we forget self-focus and focus on Jesus and his words that we find ourselves as a child of God through faith in him: “Whoever loses their life for my sake and for the Gospel will find it”.

Jesus has bought you with a price—his very own blood, so that you would belong to him. That means that you are wealthy beyond imagination, for a heavenly inheritance awaits all of those who trust in him. When we lay aside our own priorities, will and reason, and trust Jesus in faith, that is when we have really ‘found’ our life in him.

Prayer: Dear God, lead me to lose my self-focus and what I think I need for fullness of life. Give me courage to lose my life and to look to your Son Jesus and listen to him, that I may find my life with him on earth now and in heaven forever. Amen.

Pastor Tim.
Raising money for our School garden!

Nhill Show
Nhill Lutheran School once again has the opportunity to walk in the Grand Parade at the show. This will begin at the showgrounds, meeting at 3.45pm. If your child would like to participate in the parade and you are happy for them to commit to this, please let Miss Keller know by Monday 12th October.

Expressions of interest are invited for:
**Junior - Basketball Clinic**
with
**BASKETBALL VICTORIA**
**TOM DOWNE**
at the
Warracknabeal Leisure Centre

**September 23rd, 24th & 25th 2015**
(first week of school holidays)
3.30pm – 4.30pm 8-10 yrs
4.30pm – 5.30pm 11+ yrs

$15.00 for 1 x child x 3 sessions
$25.00 for 2 x children x 3 sessions
$30.00 x 3 children x 3 sessions
B.Y.O light refreshments & drinker

Registrations to Cheryl Woods at the Warracknabeal Leisure Centre by
**Tuesday 8th September 2015,**
forms also available by emailing cwoods@varriambiack.vic.gov.au

Well done to Fatima, Adeline, Charles & Hayden who have read all of their Challenge books!
Congratulations to all the students who completed the Challenge. The School read a total of 782 books!
‘Favourites’
Our School Family Concert
17 September
7 pm
Nhill Community Centre
Gold Coin Donation Entry
ABOUT: Aussie Hoops is starting point for young basketballers, aged 5-10 and is aimed to prepare them for the next level.

It is fun and provides basic skill development in a structured and safe environment.

NHILL INTERNATIONAL RULES BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN FOR TERM 4.
PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE AT aussiehoops.com.au (click on “register” and follow the prompts)
Please register by the END of Term 3.

TUESDAYS AFTER SCHOOL BETWEEN 3.30 AND 4.30PM
10 WEEKS STARTING 6 OCTOBER TO 8 DECEMBER at the LOWAN SPORTS CENTRE

COST returning participant or no pack option $45.00 (incl all insurance and entry fees)
COST new participant or if want another pack $70.00 (all costs plus ball, bag and singlet)

Information should be on the website but if you have any questions, or would like to assist in any way, please contact me on 0408911664.  Emma Dickinson, Co-Ordinator

Nhill Show
Come to the
Nhill A&P Society Show
15th October 2015
Make sure you’re there at 4.15pm to watch the
Grand Parade and
Fireworks at Night
**Tennis Lessons**
Tennis lessons will again be available at the Nhill Lawn Tennis Club on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 3:30pm starting on 13th October.
Group and private lessons are available for all school age children.
Cost: $10/lesson for groups
$20/lesson for private
Please contact Rae Kennedy for information and to book a place.
0429913212

**Junior sign up day**
Players and parents are asked to come to the tennis club on Wednesday 16th September between 3:30pm & 5pm to sign up for junior tennis. The season will commence on the 17th October but all teams need to be finalised before the end of term. Registration forms will be available on the day.
We look forward to seeing you all there, for any questions please feel free to contact Rae on 0429913212.

**Jim the Magician**
Enjoy a magical school holiday experience with Jim the Magician
Children love magic - Jim the Magician's show is filled with colourful magic, plenty of audience participation, and even a live bunny. It's a fun packed performance for children of all ages,

Nhill Library - Wednesday 23rd September at 10.30am
Kaniva Library - Wednesday 23rd September at 2.00pm
Horsham Library - Thursday 24th September at 10.30am
Dimboola Library - Thursday 24th September at 2.00pm

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**Horsham Regional Art Gallery September Holiday Program**

**Block Printing for Beginners**
Tuesday 22 September, 10.30am—12pm or 2 – 3.30pm
For children aged 6 – 10 years.
Using block printing foam and collage materials, create a view of your home in response to Geoff Newton's paintings in our current exhibition Country Practice.
Cost $5.00 per session. Bookings essential.

**Racing Pigeon Reduction Prints**
Wednesday 23 September, 1.30 – 4pm
For children aged 10 – 13 years.
From Fantails to Timbrels, pay homage to the pigeons of the Horsham Racing Club included in the exhibition Country Practice. Draw your design then use reduction print making techniques on line to create a two colour pigeon print. Sharp tools cutting tools are used—not suitable for small children.
Cost $7.00 per session. Bookings essential.

**Collage Book Making**
Thursday 24 September, 10am—12pm or 2 – 4pm
For children aged 8 – 13 years.
Create your very own artist book using drawings, text and collage.
Cost $5.00. Bookings essential.

**Horsham Regional Art Gallery**
Jubilee Hall, 21 Roberts Avenue Horsham, Phone 5342 2888

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NHILL Learning Centre

School Holiday Activities

Stampin Up Card Making

Date: Friday 25th September
Time: 10am – 12pm (8-12 years*) or 1pm - 3pm (12+ years)
Cost: $16.50 per child per session Includes materials
Venue: Nhill Learning Centre
*parental supervision required

Please register your child by Friday 18th September
5391 2196 tracey@nnhlc.org.au

youth FISHING CLINIC

Kids 10+ years old are invited to come and learn to fish safely and responsibly.
The day runs from 10am – 1pm with a BBQ lunch supplied.
Cost: $16.50 per child.
BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL.
Maximum 10 participants.
Location: Nhill Lake lawn area.
Dates: Tuesday 22nd September or Monday 28th September.
Registration by phone only. 53912196 by Friday 18th September to register.
**WHAT'S ON IN NHILL THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS?**

**KIDS COMP**

Nhill Lake Committee are hosting a Youth Fishing Tournament!

- **Date:** Friday 25th September
- **Time:** 11a.m — 2 p.m (Awards after 2pm)
- **Place:** Nhill Lake
- **Ages:** All ages — Under 10 MUST be accompanied by an adult
- **Cost:** Free

**Bookings:** Please call 5391 4444 and visit your local Council customer Service centre or school office to collect a consent form.

**Burrungule Park Paintball Laser-tag**

**SKATEBOARDING!**

OWNLIFE will be running a Skateboarding workshop and best trick competition at the Jeparit Skate Park.

- **Date:** Wednesday 30th September
- **Pick up Time:** 7a.m from the Info Centre
- **Place:** Burrungule Park Paintball
- **Ages:** 12-18
- **BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**
- **MINIMUM NUMBERS REQUIRED**
- **Cost:** $60.00 (plus extra spending money for extra paintballs and dinner)

**Bookings:** Please call 5391 4444 and visit your local Council customer Service centre or school office to collect a consent form.

**ULTIMATE FRISBEE**

An ultimate Frisbee Competition!

- **Date:** Saturday 26th September
- **Time:** 2 p.m to 8p.m
- **Place:** Davis Park
- **Ages:** 12+
- **Cost:** Free + BBQ tea provided

**Bookings:** To register your interest go to https://www.facebook.com/events/398772080321856/398772090321855/

**JEPARIT!**

**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**

**MINIMUM NUMBERS REQUIRED**

**Cost:** Free

**Equipment:** BYO or helmets and skateboards provided

**Bookings:** Please call Meg Hall on 5391 4444 to book your place and/or for transport — Consent form required.

**PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY:**

- GO Outdoors
- Home Hardware
- Victoria Government
- Freeza
- Burrungule Park Paintball Laser-tag
- Ownlife