FOR YOUR DIARY

September
10 - Reading Challenge Lunch
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

Prayers 4 this week
Each week we pray for someone in our School
Community. This week we pray for...
♦ Maekala John and family
♦ Cory Koop and family

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

September 3rd 2015

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Father’s Day Footy Match
I am delighted to welcome Miss Brittany Keller to our School to fill the Office Administrator position. Brittany’s first day will be Monday, October 5th. Brittany has worked in customer service and will spend time with Michaela over the next couple of weeks in the office. Please make sure you welcome her to the School.

Staff would like to thank all students who attended the School Family Service last Sunday. It was a great opportunity for our students to share with the parish our mission work with the orphanage school in Myanmar and how it links with our new school logo of ‘Together We Grow’. Thank you to all who purchased bags of manure for their garden as the money will be going towards the orphanage. The senior students are still taking orders for home delivery of 10 or more bags and have set up some out the front of the school for people who are driving past. Please mention it to family and friends as it is going towards a great cause.

Today we celebrated how special Dads are! Students led Chapel and then a friendly game of football followed. It was terrific to see so many join in this fun day! The students had an opportunity to display their football skills and there were many great kicks and goals! Thank you so much to all Fathers who participated and to the P&F for providing the hotdogs for lunch. We extend to all Dads a wonderful day on Sunday as families celebrate Father’s Day and that you are reminded how special you are!

All parents, grandparents and friends are invited to our School Concert on Thursday, 18th of September. Students have been working very hard to present to you their night of ‘Favourites’. The evening performance begins at 7pm and all students are looking forward to seeing you there!

Yours with Christ,
Tara Pritchard

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**Student of the Week Awards**

**Class Awards**

**Lanie Clark**
For being a productive learner and displaying good behaviour in the classroom.

**Asher Zanker**
For working hard at learning to spell his ‘Hot Words’ correctly.

**Noah Pearce**
For displaying good behaviour in the classroom and for excellent work in Maths with exploring how many different ways he can make $2.00.

**Matthew Reichelt**
For being a helpful class member and for his great work with exploring how many different ways he can make $8.30.

**Performing Arts Award**

**Zoa Mock**
For using enthusiasm in dance parts of school concert. Speaking clearly and using expression in class play.

**Asher Zanker**
For remaining focussed and on task for each step of school concert. Leading by example for others in class.

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**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. Please make sure that if you need to purchase any summer uniform, please do so before the holidays. As usual, there will be a two week swap over of uniform.

Deb Pohlner will be available as well on the Monday and Wednesday of the first week back of Term 4. Throughout Term 4, the uniform shop will be open on Wednesdays after School.
Chapel Offering
We have now raised $397.05 towards our Sponsor Child, Wakiaxong.

NOTICES

Delivery Date:
Thursday 3rd 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:

♦ Singing hen that lays eggs. $20
♦ Once a month cooking. $10
♦ Donna Hay, No time to cook. $15
♦ Ken Duncan, Life’s a journey. $8
♦ Peppa Pig 3pc melamine set. $8
♦ Speeches that changed the world. $7
♦ Lavender Fragrance sachets. $10
♦ Who’s hiding Princess world. $5

* Excellent ideas for gifts!

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.

2,460 Stickers collected!
Keep them coming!
Woolworths will stop handing out the stickers at the end of next Tuesday 8th September.

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

LAWLOIT HALL BUSH CONCERT
SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 5th
8.00PM. at LAWLOIT HALL
COME ALONG AND ENJOY A GOOD NIGHTS FUN AND ENTERTAINMENT WITH LOCAL AND DISTRICT TALENT
SEE YOU THERE
Tricia Alexander 53923215

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 on 11th of September. 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.
Remember when supermarkets first introduced us to generic brands—‘Black and Gold’, ‘Home brand’, ‘Coles brand’ and ‘No name brand’.

The ‘No name brand’ reminded me of Sunday’s gospel reading from Mark 7 where we are introduced to a woman who was not from God’s chosen people Israel, but a Greek. She had a daughter who was possessed by an unclean spirit. She rushes to the house where Jesus and his disciples are eating and falls down before his feet begging Jesus for his help.

Few of those who approached Jesus had so much against them, from a Jewish cultural point of view. Jewish convention would never allow a rabbi to be seen in public speaking with a woman. She was not Jewish, and so therefore outside of the favour of God’s chosen race and ritually unclean and her daughter’s condition would probably result in fear and/or disgust.

Jesus’ response to her seems to be harsh and derogatory: “First let the children eat until they are satisfied, for it is not good to take the children’s bread and throw it to their dogs” (v27). By ‘the children’s bread’ Jesus means his ministry for the Jewish people—he was sent first to the lost sheep of Israel. That would seem to exclude this woman from his saving help. But Jesus gives a cryptic promise, that through him, God’s blessing is for the whole human race—just as a pet dog in the house is not allowed to sit at the table as if it too were a child, it is still allowed to pick up anything the children may accidentally drop on the floor while eating.

We know another thing about this woman: she had great faith. She answers Jesus with a beautiful reply: Lord even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” She understands and accepts all that Jesus means and wants to receive it so much that she is begging for it like a pet for a few tiny crumbs which the children accidentally drop to the floor. Jesus shows both his compassion and authority by granting the woman’s request. He doesn’t even need to visit the infant or speak to the demon. He simply removes it by His will, from a distance.

One thing we don’t know about this woman is her name. Why isn’t it revealed to us? I think she is deliberately left nameless so that we can place ourselves in the account. ANYONE who approaches Jesus for his saving help will receive it. What are you, or someone who is close to you, burdened with, crippled by, or battling against? In what ways do you or a loved one long for God’s help under the weight of trouble?

Jesus showed the woman and her daughter God’s compassion by helping them and bringing them freedom. God in Christ has done this for the whole world when he died on the Cross to bring freedom for a sinful human race, rescuing us from eternal separation from him. Whoever calls out to him for his grace, mercy, love, and compassion will surely receive it. No one is beyond God’s love and favour. That means you too. Just ask him.

**Nhill Basketball Association AGM**

TUESDAY 7th SEPTEMBER 7PM at Nhills Stadium.

Mens, Womens, Secondary and Primary basketball players and/or parents are encouraged to come along. Numbers are required at the AGM to enable the competitions to go ahead.

Many hands make light work, Hope to see many there!

**Prayer:** Dear Jesus, thank you for your incredible love, compassion and saving grace for all people. Remind me that means me too. Grant me the same faith as the Greek woman whose daughter you freed. Free me, so that I can show you love and compassion to a hurting world around me. Amen

Pastor Tim
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**

**TIM DOWNES**

at the

**Warracknabeal Leisure Centre**

**September 23rd, 24th & 25th 2015**

(first week of school holidays)

3.30pm – 4.30pm  8-10yrs

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@rarriambiack.vic.gov.au

Well done to Oliver, Zoe & Alison who have read all of their Challenge books!
‘Favourites’
Our School Family Concert
17 September
7 pm
Nhill Community Centre
Gold Coin Donation Entry
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

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.
**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.

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**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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**From our Sister School**
We have recently received the below photo from our Sister School in Myanmar thanking us for all of our support and money that we have sent their way. Thank you to all of our students and their families in helping us support this school/orphanage.
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.