



## Upcoming Dates

MAR	Friday 18th	Grandparent's Day
	Thursday 24th	Last day Term 1 Walkathon
APR	Monday 11th	First day Term 2

## Birthdays

We wish Amelia Drendel a very Happy Birthday for the 23rd of March.



## From the Principal

Yesterday the students had a visit from Mrs Vicki Gollasch who works with Australian Lutheran World Service. Mrs Gollasch presented the ALWS theme for this year which is Goodness Grows – our planet, our people, our purpose. The students explored issues of our changing climate and the subsequent affects on people in poor communities. Discussion points included:

Goodness ... protecting our planet as God intended, doing the right thing for our planet's sustainability, God's goodness towards his people.

Grows ... environment, self-sufficiency, life improvement, student growth.

This Friday is Grandparent's Day! Parents and friends are also welcome to come and see the students and our school. All students will participate in the Chapel service which begins at 9:00am, followed by classroom visits, and concluding with morning tea which will be prepared and served by the senior students at 11:00am. Thank you in advance to all who plan to attend and we pray for safe travelling for those who are computing from afar.

Next Thursday, is the Walkathon and students have been practising to see how many laps they can achieve. Students are raising money for the orphanage school in Maw Per Koh, Myanmar and to purchase raised garden beds in the playground. Please consider supporting the students in their efforts. Sponsors can either donate a certain amount of money or sponsor an amount per lap. The students will have 60 minutes to complete the walkathon and the distance per lap is approximately 600 metres. Families are also encouraged to walk/run in our Walkathon.

With Christ,  
Tara Pritchard



It is good to see both new and old faces at Get 'em Going Playgroup.

## Devotional Thought

### This Easter, come home.

One of the highlights for many during Easter week is to go away. But Easter is meant to be about coming home.

Once there was a son who demanded his share of the inheritance from his father. He really was saying to his father "I wish you were dead!" He went away to a far country and blew his father's hard earned money in reckless living until he had nothing left. He became so poor he worked for a pig farmer and even longed for the food that the pigs were eating. Coming to his senses, he realised that in turning his back on his father and on God, he had ruined his life. He thought that his only hope for him to be restored to his father was for his father to hire him as a worker. So the son set off for home.

Back home, his father was always looking into the distance, longing to see his son return. One day he saw him! The father ran to his son and hugged him and kissed him. The son began to say: "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you". But before he could finish his confession, the father ordered the best robe be put on his son, a ring on his finger, and sandals on his feet—a public statement that he had welcomed his son back home and given him a place of high honour.

Jesus told this story in Luke 15 as a picture of God's free and never-ending love and forgiveness for all people. Whatever your past or present situation, Easter is all about Jesus who died for you and rose from death, so that whoever trusts in him is welcomed home by the Father in heaven as his holy and precious child who will forever have a place of belonging and high honour in his family.

This Easter, won't you come home.

## Worship News



Chapel will be held at 9.00am Friday morning. Parents and friends are welcome to attend.

Church services this week are as follows:

Sunday 20th March: Nhill 9am

Due to an AGM following the Nhill 9am service there will not be a service on Sunday at Woorak.

Church Office: 5391 1223

## Prayer of the Week

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

- ♦ Sam Cook and family

## Students of the Week



**Amelia Drendel** - For improving the length and content of her descriptive writing. Great to see Amelia!



**Adeline Pritchard** - For doing a great job with her reflective writing about Young Leader's Day. Well done Addie!



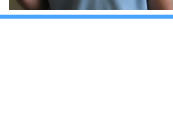
**Liam Dickinson** - For writing a fantastic 'bee' sentence. Well done Liam!



**Fatima Tarar** - For writing a thoughtful piece of work that included facts about bees. Well done!



**Chloe Zanker** - For being an excellent class member who completes her work to an excellent standard and for being a great helper.



**Archie Zanker** - For excellent work with always completing his homework, practising his reading and learning his spelling words.



## School Event News

### PMP Parent Helpers

We are currently looking for parent helpers to assist with PMP for our Prep/Year 1 students on Tuesdays. PMP runs from 11.15am-12.15pm. Please contact the school on 5391 2144 if you are interested in helping.

### Reading Buddies

Along with PMP, we are still looking for parents to assist with our Reading Buddies program. Reading aloud is a vital part of a student's learning. Times are negotiable with classes so please contact the front office if you are interested. To help with the programs, a Working with Children check is required.

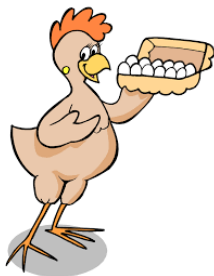


### Premiers Active April

This year we have signed up to be a part of the Premiers Active April. The Premiers Active April is designed to encourage people to participate in 30 minutes of physical activity for the month of April. Both adults and children can register to be a part of the Nhill Lutheran School team. We encourage as many people to register as possible, as not only does the school get a chance to win lots of prizes including vouchers, elite athletes attending the school and running sports clinics etc. but you also get lots of individual benefits. Forms were sent out with students yesterday, but please contact Miss Keller if you have any more questions.

## SRC News

The SRC is currently selling eggs. The eggs are available for \$3 a dozen. We are also looking for donations of egg cartons. Please see the front office if you would like to buy some.



### Walk - A - Thon Lunch

Just a reminder to please bring along the money to pay for your lunch order for next Thursday 25th March.

## Meals on Wheels

The Year 6 students have been out in the community this Term delivering Meals on Wheels. It is great to see them enjoying helping in the community.



### 'The Super Student Award'

**Jordan Pipkorn** - For excellent manners, participation and high work standards. This has been noticed with efforts in Meals On Wheels, reflective writing about National Leaders Day and looking for ways to help around the school.



## Netball News

### **Modified Netball (Prep - Year 2 Students)**

The Nhill Tigers modified netball program will commence training in Term 2, on Thursday 14th of April from 3.30pm-4pm. This will be held at the Nhill College netball courts.



### **Modified Netball (Year 3 - 6 Students)**

The Nhill Tigers modified netball program will also commence in Term 2, on Thursday 14th April from 3.30pm-4.30pm. This will also be held at the Nhill College netball courts.

**Please also note that registration nights will be held at the Nhill Tigers Clubrooms on Thursday 17th & 24th March.**

Come along and join in the fun! For further enquiries please contact Linda Drendel on 0427 918 321.



## Year 6 Leadership Day

On Wednesday morning we got up at 3 o'clock. Then we went to school and got in the minivan. When we got there we found a car park and went inside Melbourne Convention Centre.

At 9 o'clock we went into the auditorium and found seats. We sat in level 2 and the second row down.

The first person that spoke was Nathan 'Dubsey' Want, he was a personal trainer. One of his quotes was, "Try your best in everything you do." I thought that it was a really good motivational quote.

The second speaker was Dylan Parker. He wrote the movie Paper Planes. He came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the World Champion Paper Plane throwing competition. In order to compete he had to train and practise, as well as make 4000 paper planes! He and the crew filmed the movie Paper Planes in Western Australia. He said it took a long time to get the planes to go the right way.

The next speakers was Winter Vincent. He is a surfer. He made a campaign to donate money to people without clean water. Just last year he raised enough money to provide clean water to 15,000 people! He said he plans to raise more this year.

After he spoke we had recess. For recess Mrs C. brought hedgehog. Once we had recess we walked back into the building. Then we went up the escalator and went to the toilet then we went back in. While we were waiting they played music and one school started the Mexican wave, then everyone else joined in.

Then the speaker Harry Baker spoke. He said a few poems. My favourite poem was Paper People. One quote that I really liked was "Don't ever let someone tell you what you can and can't do, just because it's proven, doesn't mean its true." I thought he was a very good poem writer.

After Harry Baker spoke Kate Austin came out. When she appeared she started to talk to us about her campaign called Pinchapoo. The campaign is to get a small bottle of shampoo from your hotel room and donate it. Then Pinchapoo donates them to people without personal hygiene items. She highlighted that keeping clean affects the inside of a person positively as well as the outside.

The last speaker's names were Elliot Costello, Anita Loughran, Alan Duffy and Paul McIntosh. They were talking about why their job is the best.

My favourite was Anita Loughran. I liked her the best because she adopted 14 cats from the shelters and keeps them in her Cat Café. When its open you can order coffee and tea while been accompanied by cats. One thing that they said was, "Find a way around NO!" I thought of that as a really good quote that we will remember.

Overall I think it was worth it going and it will help us later in life. If I got the chance to go again I would. If anyone asked me if they should go I would definitely say yes!

By Jordan Pipkorn



## Help Raise Funds for Ethan

On Sunday at the Rotary Market a BBQ will be held to raise money for an assistance dog for Ethan Reichelt. Ethan had a condition known as TS realising in autism and seizures. Sausages, hamburgers, chicken stake and egg and bacon sandwiches available.



## Sponsorship Child

Please help us reach our goal of \$600 to help our sponsor child. Our total funds raised so far is \$64.80. We appreciate your help!

\$600

550  
500  
450  
400  
350  
300  
250  
200  
150  
100  
50

\$71.90

World Vision

OUR SPONSOR CHILD



WAKIAXONG PAWANG

## Community News



Nhill Memorial Community Centre

21st March 2016

**6.00pm** - Bring a plate of food that showcases your culture to share while enjoying cultural performances before the screening of Colourfest.

**7.00pm** - Harmony Day Colourfest showcases the best of migrant and diaspora short films from Australia and beyond, whilst celebrating Australia's evolving identity as a nation of diverse faces. These films are suited for a family audience and focus on the positive stories of human triumph and evokes a sense of community.

## AFL in Nhill

## Community Contribution

This year we have 3 families that are going to be riding in the Murray to Moyne bike race. The aim of the race, is to raise funds for Hospitals and Health Services throughout Victoria. Sonya Colbert, Kim & Sharon Croot along with Andrew McBride will be riding in this years event. As a school we are hoping to help the riders raise some funds to go towards the event. We will announce how in the next few weeks but wish Sonya, Kim, Sharon, and Andrew all the best!



Registrations are open for the 2016 Auskick Program.

Register online at <http://www.aflauskick.com.au>.

Auskick is open to boys and girls between the ages of 5 and 12 (inclusive). The program will start in week 1 of Term 2 and run for 10 weeks. Registrations can only be accepted online, and must be paid before participation in the program.

The dates and times of the sessions will be confirmed in the coming weeks.

Helpers are required to assist during the Auskick sessions.

If you are able to assist, or have any queries, please contact Auskick Coordinator,

Carol Case-Hassall on 0438 817 260.





# walk-a-thon



Please join us to raise funds for  
our School Garden, and our Orphanage  
School.

When: Thursday 24th  
March

Where: Nhill Lutheran  
School

Time: 11am



Prizes  
for TOP  
Fundraisers!

Fun for  
the Entire  
Family!

come and  
join the  
fun!



# OPEN DAY

WEDNESDAY 13TH APRIL

9AM-5.30PM

2 MACKAY STREET, NHILL

Phone: 5391 2144

email: [admin@nhillls.vic.edu.au](mailto:admin@nhillls.vic.edu.au)

**At our school we aim to provide and encourage**

- A family atmosphere
- A warm, caring and safe learning environment
- Christian based education
- Excellent Curriculum including Karen Language, Choir and Music
- Parental involvement in learning
- One to one iPads
- Student engagement and quality teaching
- Modern and spacious facilities
- Support for all learning abilities



*A school for the community*