We wish Ayesha Ahmed a very happy birthday for Thursday 28th April.

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**Upcoming Dates**

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where our School Captains will lay a wreath. Afterwards there will be a memorial service at the Nhill Community Centre at 11am. Students are encouraged to wear their Winter school uniform.

Our Year 6 student leaders had the opportunity to visit the Hindmarsh Shire Council chamber on Wednesday and present information about our school. The students designed a presentation and answered questions from the Councillors. It is important that our students have a good understanding of the three levels of Government in Australia and recognise that they are able to contribute to society and make a difference just like our Hindmarsh Shire Councillors.

We are very excited about the upcoming Karen Cultural Day on Friday, the 20th of May. Our school will be hosting Karen students from Lightning Reef Primary School in Bendigo, who will be joining us for the day. We will be participating in a range of Karen activities including language classes, quilt making, soccer and art. Our P&F will be cooking a traditional Karen rice dish for lunch and we will have a Karen dance performance at 12.30pm. The day will conclude at 2pm with the dual Karen/English book launch. Our senior students will present their books that they have written and illustrated, which will be available for purchase afterwards. Parents and friends in the community are most welcome to attend.

Yours with Christ,
Tara

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**Birthdays**

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**From the Principal**

On Monday 25th of April, it is ANZAC Day and our students have the opportunity to participate in the march in Nhill. We will meet at the Tourist Information Centre at 10.20 am and then proceed to the Cenotaph.
Church services for this week are as follows:

Nhill: 9am Holy communion
FaithBlocks will be held during this service.

Woorak: 11am Holy communion

Church Office: 5391 1223

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Prayer of the Week

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

- Racquel Deckert and family

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Worship News

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Devotional Thought

What is true love, and what are the secrets to lasting love? Some young people were asked this and gave some very cute ideas about love—but some profound ones too!

Love is when your puppy licks your face even after you left him alone each day (Mary Ann, age 4)

When my grandmother got arthritis, she couldn’t bend over and paint her toenails anymore. So my grandfather does it for her all the time, even when his hands got arthritis too” (Rebecca, age 8)

Love is when you go out to eat and give somebody most of your French fries without making them give you any of theirs (Chrissy, age 6)

A few years ago there was a TV program on the ABC called ‘Secrets to Love’ that sought to discover what true love is and the secrets to lasting love. It noted that people usually base their whole concept of love and often their choice of life partner on romantic feelings. Romance is wonderful—but when romantic feelings are the foundation that a relationship depends on, there is no lasting security or stability because romantic feelings come and go. And so, the ‘Secrets to love’ program noted that when the romantic feelings go, the mindset of today’s consumerist society is: “If it doesn’t work, I’m done, I’m out of here.” One of the male interviewees calmly shared that when his relationship was in difficulty, “the easiest thing to do was leave and find someone else. I didn’t have the guts to tell her, so I just did a whole heap of crappy stuff and made sure she found out about it.” How ironic that the children’s ideas on love (top) are more mature than this! We might all have different ideas about what love should look like, and those ideas can change, even from one moment to the next—which can be a problem when others don’t measure up to the expectations we have, and vice versa. That’s why a consistent, overarching standard of love is so important. God gives us that. If we want to know how to love someone, we look at God’s commandments: respecting authority, not harming people but caring for them, not taking advantage of them sexually but committing to them in marriage, not stealing or lying or being jealous of what our neighbour has, but helping them to maintain and even increase what is theirs! If we want to know how to love someone, we go to God’s definition of love in 1 Corinthians 13:4-8: “Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.”

Notice that God defines love not by feelings, but by what love does. In Sunday’s Gospel reading Jesus says: “Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another” (John 13:34). The most important words are: “as I have loved you”. Jesus perfectly fulfilled God’s requirement to love in the Commandments and in 1 Corinthians 13 for us. He was not self-seeking but seeks us. He was not proud, but humbled himself to serve others. He does not seek to dishonour others but to honour them. In a society that says “look after number 1!” we need to rediscover God’s standard of love that ‘looks after number 1’ by caring about the other person before ourselves. And thank God that is his standard, because that’s how he loves you and me. God loves us so much that he does not keep a record of our wrongs but held that record against Jesus as he suffered on the Cross—and he did that for you so that you could know his love, personally, forever, a love which frees you to live it with others.

Pastor Tim
**Reading Buddies**
We are still looking for parents to assist with our Reading Buddies program. Reading aloud is a vital part of a students 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.

**Old Uniforms**
Looking for something to do with old school uniforms other than throw them out? We are asking for any old uniforms that are still clean and in good condition to be sent into the school. The uniforms will then be sent over to the orphanage school in Myanmar.

**Winter Uniforms**
In Terms 2 and 3, students are to wear Winter uniform. To allow for a variance in weather, summer uniforms can be worn for the first two weeks of Term 2. Starting Tuesday 26th April, students are expected to wear full Winter uniform. Hats are not compulsory during Terms 2 and 3. If you have any questions regarding the Winter uniform or are experiencing difficulty please contact the front office.

**Head Lice**
Please be aware that we have been informed that head lice are present within some students at the school. It is recommended that you check your child’s hair as well as family members. If you find any eggs or lice, please notify the school and commence treatment as required. If you have any questions regarding treatment please contact the school. Please also note, if you find your child has head lice they are required to commence treatment before coming back to school.

**2015 School Concert DVDs**
If you contacted Miss Keller and requested a copy of 2015 School Concert, the DVDs are now ready for collection from the front office. Rachel Clark has kindly put them together for us, and we thank her for her time. We only have a limited amount available, so those that requested them will receive them first.

**Praise Christian Dance School**
Praise Christian Dance School have commenced classes in Nhill. The classes will be held at the Nhill Lutheran School Multi-Purpose Room.
If you are interested in arranging a spot for yourself or your child please contact Jordan Wright on 0450 880 707.

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**Chapel**
Chapel will be held at 9am tomorrow in the Multi Purpose room. Parents and friends are invited to attend and to join us for morning tea. Chapel will be lead by the Year 4/5/6 class.

**Spare Change of Clothes**
With the change of seasons upon us, and with us all praying for rain, we encourage students to have a change of clothes in their bag or locker at school in case they get muddy during recess or lunchtime. This term we also have new pet lambs, a rabbit and a duck which may cause students to get dirty.
The Premiers Reading Challenge has a few simple rules.

- Students must read a set number of books during the challenge dates.
- You must keep a record of your reading. (Sheets will be sent home with students that register)
- If children are in Prep, Year 1 or Year 2 they can read books by themselves or with someone else, for example, a parent, teacher, brother or sister, classmate, buddy or friend. This is for support if they are just learning to read.
- Once a student has read books Miss Keller will verify them at school.
- Students in Prep to Year 2 may also use audio recording of books to read along with and develop understanding of text.
- The Reading Challenge dates are from now until 9th September 2016.

### Get ‘em Going News

Get ‘em Going is Tuesday 26th of April from 9.30am-11am. New and old faces are invited to attend. Please remember to bring along

- A bottle of water
- Piece of fruit for snack
- A gold coin donation

(If you are new to the program you will receive this on the day.)

Come along and enjoy the fun activities we have planned for this term!

### Maintenance Roster

The purpose of this roster, is if there are any small maintenance issues that arise in your month, you may be called upon to help. The first name in bold will be the leader for the two months that they are rostered on for. The school will call them and if they require additional help, they may call the unbolded names.

**Thank you for your help.**

**March/ April 2016**

Kim Croot, David Reichelt, Adrian Pedie, Chris Hassall

**May/June 2016**

David Pipkorn, Paul Marshman, Martin Colbert, Tony Mahfoud

### Golf in Nhill

MyGolf is a structured program which provides all participants the opportunity to get out on the gold course and demonstrate their skills in the final week’s gala session. The 5 week program begins at the Nhill Golf Club Friday 22nd April, and runs from 4-5pm. The cost is just $27, and booking can be made MYGOLF.org.au.

### Walk-A-Thon News

At our last count up we raised $1701.65 from sponsorship of the students for the Walk-A-Thon. We are still waiting for some money to come in, so if it could be bought in ASAP so we give you all a final tally. We thank you very much for the generous donations and support.
Please help us reach our goal of $600 to help our sponsor child. Our total funds raised so far is $141.00. We appreciate your help!

$600

The Super Student Award

Aleera Hollis: For excellent listening, being organised to learn straight away and for being happy and helpful.

Prep/Year 1 Class Awards

Shilah Hiscock: For completing her homework book, reading well and working hard on her letter chart. Well done Shilah!

Lanie Clark: For completing a good ‘Little Red Engine’ recount and for being kind.

Year 2/3 Class Awards

Chloe Zanker: For caring for the animals and for working hard on the quality of her work. Keep up the good work!

Archie Zanker: For great participation in class discussions, especially during the roles of the local governments.

Mercedes Hollis: For working hard with subtractions. Keep up the good work Mercedes!

Year 4/5/6 Class Awards

Clinton Crisp: For working hard to improve his understandings of improper fractions. Well done Clinton.

Cory Koop: For being really focused on his learning this week and volunteering to answer questions. Great to see Cory!

Performing Arts Award

Zoe Bandel: For listening well to the different high and low sounds and excellent miming when performing the drama play.

Sports Awards

Lydia Paech: For doing a great job practising her sprinting for Sport’s Day. Well done Lydia.

Lance McBride: For putting in great efforts with his Cross Country training and golf clinic.

Thank you

A very big thank you to SportsPower in Horsham who have kindly donated some prizes for the students who raised the most money for the Walk-A-Thon. Their contribution is very much appreciated. We congratulate all students who helped raise money for our orphanage school.
Are you feeding your kids right?

Your guide to packing a healthy lunch

School is a time when children start to make independent choices about their lifestyles. School aged children learn quickly and are often influenced by friends and popular trends. Getting children involved in planning and preparing their own lunchbox gives them the opportunity to learn about healthy eating and also make their own decisions about what they are going to eat during the day.

What to put in a healthy lunchbox

There are 6 key parts to a healthy lunchbox.
They include:
- fresh fruit
- fresh crunchy vegetables
- milk, yoghurt, cheese (reduced fat options).
Other alternatives include rice or soy products
- a meat or meat alternative like some lean meat (eg. chicken strips), hard boiled egg, peanut butter.
- a grain or cereal food like bread, a roll, fruit bread, or crackers
- a bottle of water

Involve your children

- Talk to them about what they are putting into their lunchbox. Discuss some healthier options together.
- Write a shopping list together, let them choose ingredients
- Get them to help prepare their lunchbox.
NHILL LUTHERAN SCHOOL

CULTURAL DAY
KAREN BOOK LAUNCH

FEATURING A DAY
OF KAREN
ACTIVITIES
INCLUDING:
Quilt Making
and Language
classes, before
a traditional
Karen dance and lunch
@ 12.30pm
Concluding the day
@ 2pm will be the
Book Launch

Join us...
Friday 20th
May

Two communities
coming together as
one
MUM'S NIGHT OUT

COFFEE, CAKES AND A MOVIE
DOORS OPEN AT 7PM
MOVIE STARTS AT 7:30PM
TICKETS ARE $15 EACH
AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR
AT NHILL LUTHERAN SCHOOL
MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

Chairs are provided, however feel free to bring your own bean bag!!
THE NHILL TOWN COMMITTEE INVITES ALL NEW RESIDENTS TO "LUNCH AT THE LAKE"

SUNDAY MAY 1ST 2016, 12.00PM-2.00PM

NHILL RESIDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO INVITE A NEIGHBOUR, COLLEAGUE OR FRIEND WHO IS NEW TO NHILL, TO HELP WELCOME THEM INTO THEIR NEW COMMUNITY.

ENJOY A WALKAROUND OUR LITTLE LAKE, DROP IN A LINE, TAKE A DIP IF YOU ARE KEEN OR JUST SIT BACK AND ENJOY A RELAXED CHAT.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING YOU!

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, DIRECTIONS TO THE LAKE OR TO RSVP BY FRIDAY 22ND APRIL

PLEASE CONTACT THE NTC SECRETARY VIA EMAIL

nhilltowncommittee@yahoo.com.au