Term 2    Week 6    Issue 14    19th May 2016

Upcoming Dates

MAY
- Friday 20th
  Cultural Day @ NLS
  * Karen Book Launch
  * Bendigo School visit

JUNE
- Monday 13th
  Queen’s Birthday
  NO SCHOOL
- Tuesday 14th
  Nhill Dental Clinic visit
- Tuesday 14th
  Winter Sports Year 4-6
- Wednesday 15th-Friday 17th
  Year 3/4 camp
- Friday 17th
  Last day Term 2

represent our school with great sportsmanship and strive to improve personal goals.

Just a reminder, that families have the option of making an appointment on Friday June 10th to meet with the class teacher and student, to discuss their digital learning portfolio. Please contact the office to make an appointment. The conference will run for 15 minutes and is designed to celebrate learning achievements from the start of the year to now. Please note that this is not compulsory as many parents are appreciating the ongoing and constant communication and feedback provided with the digital portfolio app. Semester reports will be sent home on June 7th and parents will be able to identify close comparisons between the written school report and the digital learning portfolios. We believe that this form of assessment and reporting enables student ownership, connection between home and school, celebration of learning and opportunities to set further goals. All parents are encouraged to listen, ask questions and most of all, celebrate learning with their child/ren.

Special thanks to the P&F for organising such a wonderful ‘Mum’s Night Out’ evening last Friday. The multipurpose room looked just beautiful and the range of delicious cakes and slices (and homemade ice-cream) was amazing! All who attended definitely enjoyed a wonderful evening of great fellowship, fun, and reminders of how special it is to be a Mum!

Tomorrow we celebrate the Karen Culture with a special day focused on their traditions and language. Adeline, Freya, Racquel, Zoa, Kendra, Alison, Charles and Tiana will be launching their published dual Karen/English books at 2.00pm. All parents and friends are welcome to attend for all or part of the day. A rice vegetable dish will be provided for students for lunch. Students will still need to bring recess and their own lunch if they will not eat the rice dish.

Well done to ten of our students who competed in the Little Desert Division interschool Cross Country at Kaniva College on Tuesday. The event involved approximately 400 students from twenty-five primary school and eight secondary schools including Hopetoun, Balmoral and Horsham. Congratulations to Matthew Reichelt who placed third in his division. I was impressed to see every student trying their very best and encouraging one another. It is terrific to see our students

From the Principal

With Christ, Tara Pritchard
Devotional Thought

WHAT BODY POSTURE DO YOU HAVE?

Our body posture communicates something about us at any given moment. Sitting at our desk with our head in our hands often shows that we are exasperated or exhausted. Walking along with our heads bowed in worry means we’ve “got the weight of the world on our shoulders!” When we talk about “keeping your chin up” it means looking up and being positive, even when things have not gone according to plan.

Because Jesus is fully human he identifies with us. His body posture conveyed what he was experiencing and feeling all through his life. He stood with the posture of authority, saying with a loud voice: “Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink!” (John 7:37). On another occasion, just before his arrest, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed in anguish: “My Father, if it is possible, take this cup from me. Yet not my will, but yours be done” (Matthew 26:39). Then, after he was brutally tortured and crucified, Jesus prayed Psalm 31: “Father into your hands I commit my spirit”, then hung his head as he breathed his last. It was there on the Cross, that Jesus carried the weight of the world on his shoulders, for you.

It is because God wants to share his life of love and blessing with the world. So the Father sent the Son not to condemn the world, but to save the world, through his death on the Cross, which fully paid the wages of our sin for us. Then Jesus rose again, so that all who believe in him share his resurrection to new life, forever—a life that begins now. The Father sends the Holy Spirit through Jesus’ words to give us the saving faith in Jesus’ work; to teach and remind people of everything Jesus said. Because of this, all who believe in Jesus can now have a new body posture:

“Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand” (Romans 5:1).

Through faith in Christ crucified for the forgiveness of our sins, we are ‘justified’—God has forgiven us, wiped the debt of our sin away, and declares us to be in a right relationship with him. We don’t just have our debt cancelled, but he also credits our account, so that all who trust in Jesus are now spiritually rich, sharing Christ’s own righteousness. We go from being spiritual bankrupts to spiritual billionaires! Through faith in Christ, sinners now have access to God. They come into his presence to receive his gracious favour instead of his judgment. We no longer have to cower in fear before God. We no longer have to hold our head in our hands in despair. We no longer have to walk with our heads bowed carrying the weight of the world on our shoulders. Christ did that for you. All who have faith in him now stand in his presence, with backs straight and heads held high in joy and confidence as his fully forgiven, free people, at peace with God the Father through Christ’s sacrifice. May this always be your body posture!

Pastor Tim

Birthdays

Today we wish Paw Blu a very happy birthday!

Prayer of the Week

Each week we pray for someone in our School Community. This week we pray for.......  
♦ Charles Hassall and family

Worship News

Church services for this week are as follows:  
Nhill: 11am Holy communion  
Woorak: 9am Holy communion  
Church Office: 5391 1223

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 Mrs Pritchard. Tomorrow will be a special Chapel for our Cultural Day.
School Event News

Reading Buddies
We are still looking for parents or grandparents 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.

Winter Uniforms
In Terms 2 and 3, students are to wear winter uniform. Students are now expected to wear full winter uniform.

Rice Cookers for Cultural Day
We require Rice Cookers for the Cultural Day on Friday 20th May. We would be grateful for anyone who could please lend us one for the day. Please see Miss Keller at the front office if you can help.

Food for the Fridge
If you are sending food that is required to go in the fridge e.g. yoghurt, cheese or leftover lunch, students are more than welcome to use the school fridge. Please ask students to simply drop the food required for the fridge to Miss Keller in the morning.

Lost property
Sent a drink bottle to school, and it never came home? In the front office there is a red Nike drinker bottle waiting for the owner to come and collect.

Walk to School Safely Day
Friday the 20th of May is Walk to School Safely Day. We encourage all students who can participate to do so, in a safe manner.

Sports News

Congratulations to the following students who represented the school at the WWSSA Cross Country held at Kaniva on Tuesday; Lance McBride, Charles Hassall, Grant Pedie, Freya Colbert, Racquel Deckert, Alison Miller, Caleb Zanker, Matthew Reichelt, Hayden Pedie, Chloe Zanker and Troye McBride. The students all did a wonderful job and we are very proud of their efforts. Matthew Reichelt finished 3rd, enabling him to go to the next level. Well done to all the students.

Mum’s Night Out
On Friday the 13th Mums from all over Nhll came together for a night of spoiling. There was lots of yummy treats and a great movie “Miss Pettigrew Lives for a Day”. Thanks to all who helped make the night possible, including those who came along, as without you it would not have been a success. Looking forward to next year, and I promise there will be icecream!

Thanks again
Deanne Bandel on behalf of the Nhll P& F Committee.
Get ‘em Going is Tuesday 24th of May 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
- Your Get ‘em Going Visualisation book. (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

Healthy Snack Ideas

Stuck with what to send your child with for snack time? Here are some ways that can still enjoy foods they like without them knowing they are better for them!

- Breakfast bars are a good way to include all those hidden fruits/healthy alternatives kids don’t normally like. For the recipe see the following link:

- For something sweeter, homemade biscuits tend to be a healthier option. This way you know exactly what you are putting into the biscuits and there is no hidden sugar or additives. ANZAC biscuits are a good choice to make!

Healthy Lunch Ideas

Here are some more ideas to help you save money and provide your child with the nutrients they need to keep their brain functioning! Remember the school microwave can be used!

- Pikelets can be made into heaps of different flavours. So why not get creative and stack them full of vegetables? For a Cheesy Vegetable Pikelet recipe please see the link below:
Please help us reach our goal of $600 to help our sponsor child. Our total funds raised so far is $262.10. We appreciate your help!

**Prep/Year 1 Class Awards**

**Zoe Bandel:** For speaking confidently and clearly at Chapel. Awesome effort Zoe!

**Ayesha Ahmed:** For participating well during Karen classes and for creating a great canoe - ‘Klee’ picture. Great effort!

**Year 2/3 Class Awards**

**Mercedes Hollis:** For helping the Preps with different tasks and for having a go at the Bible Scavenger Hunt.

**Giana Pohlner:** For excellent work in Maths with measuring the lengths of different items in centimetres and metres, and for being a caring and helpful student.

**Year 4/5/6 Class Awards**

**Isaac Pohlner:** For doing a great job with his weekly spelling tests. Keep up the top work Isaac!

**Hayden Pedie:** For great work with expanding fractions and answering Math’s questions. Well done Hayden!

**Karen Cultural Day**

Tomorrow is our Cultural Day/Karen Book launch. Please see below regarding the schedule for the day. Please contact the front office if you have any questions.

- Visit of Karen students from Bendigo Lightening Reef Primary School
- Multi-age activities throughout the morning including soccer, art, quilt making and language
- Karen dance performance 12.30pm
- Traditional Karen lunch 12.45pm
- Book launch officially opened by Mayor Debra Nelson 2.00pm
- Books available for sale - $25 per set of 8 books
- Paw Po products display
- Afternoon Tea
(Please note, students may wear their sports uniform tomorrow.)
Serving Regional Australia

Visit the Mobile Service Centre to find out about Australian Government payments and services for rural families, older Australians, students, job seekers, people with disability, carers, farmers and self-employed people.

Staff can provide you with information and support. On this trip, the Australian Taxation Office will be available to assist with advice and information about tax and superannuation.

Opposite Home Hardware, Western Highway

NHILL

Thursday, 26 May 2016

9 am to 4 pm

For more information, go to humanservices.gov.au and search for Mobile Service Centre or call 132 316.
A special invitation for all Nhill Lutheran School families.

Celebration
Service
2016

TRINITY SUNDAY
MAY 22 at 10:30am at St Paul’s Lutheran Church, Nhill

Nhill Lutheran Parish warmly invites all school families to come and celebrate with us God’s love and grace to us in his precious gift of baptism. Please come and join us for:

- A special service of thanksgiving, celebration, and blessing
- The Worship Blocks ‘grand reveal’
- Catered celebration lunch
- Baptismal memento display & photo wall (Bring any photos of your baptism you may have, framed or otherwise, and any other mementos of your baptism you may have)
- A special gift to families with children baptised in the past 24 months and resources to support and equip all families in celebrating baptism and teaching its meaning at home in an easy, practical and FUN way!

Please RSVP by May 20 to advise numbers attending and any dietary requirements by completing the form below. Lunch is $13/head and $3/child (please bring payment on the day).

Faith for life
building for tomorrow
begins today

Name

Number attending: ___________ adults and ___________ children

Any dietary requirements?

We will be bringing photos/items for the baptism display (please indicate):
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.
The Mik Maks

ROCK
NHILL

Sunday 5th June

10:30 SHOW

Tickets $15
Under 12 months FREE

NHILL COMMUNITY CENTRE

Tickets will be available for sale from Hindmarsh Shire Council Customer Service Centres.

All proceeds will be going directly to assisting with the fundraising for our new Early Years Centre.

www.themikmaks.com.au