TOGETHER WE GROW

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	Upcoming Dates	
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

Lutheran School

From the Principal

We were blessed with a wonderful day last Friday for the Karen Cultural Day. Students enjoyed welcoming our visiting Karen students and parents from Bendigo Lightning Reef Primary School. Throughout the day, students participated in a range of multi-age activities including making the Karen flag, language classes, soccer games and designing artwork for calico squares which will be made into a patchwork quilt and sent to the orphanage school in Myanmar. Our senior students sang an alphabet song and a Karen song, and everyone enjoyed the traditional Karen dance performed by some Karen women from the local community. The Parents and Friends Association cooked a delicious traditional fried rice and fish ball dish for lunch. At 2.00pm, the Mayor Cr. Debra Nelson officially launched the dual English/Karen books which were written

and published by students Adeline Pritchard, Tiana Schubert, Charles Hassall, Racquel Deckert, Freya Colbert, Zoa Mock, Alison Miller and Kendra Clark. It was fantastic to listen to Zoa and Charles read out their books in both English and Karen to the audience. The books are for sale at \$25.00 for the set of 8 and are available at the front office. A huge thank you to all staff for organising the day and to our P&F for providing lunch. It was wonderful to see so many parents and friends attend and special thanks to Lorraine Merton from WSMLLEN, Plaw and Jeffrey for ensuring the great success of the Book project.

Today I received a lovely email from the EAL Coordinator at Greater City Bendigo who attended and would like me to pass on her appreciation to our school community.

Dear Tara, wonderful Staff and Parents, Thank you for the amazing reception that your school gave the staff, families and Karen students from Lightning Reef Primary School last Friday. We had a fantastic day. Plokaw and Nay Thway have reported back how much the Bendigo families appreciated the effort that was put into celebrating their Karen Culture. I had a lovely time with Christine looking at the student's writing. This also reflects what a great experience that they had at your gorgeous school. Please thank your amazing students for the way they looked after our students with all the activities.

With Christ, Tara Pritchard



Devotional Thought

Celebrate the Signs

'The blood on the doorposts will be a sign to mark the houses in which you live. When I see the blood, I will pass over you and will not harm you when I punish the Egyptians. You must celebrate this day as a religious festival to remind you of what I, the LORD, have done. Celebrate it for all time to come.' (verses 13,14)

12 The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt, ² "This month is to be for you the first month, the first month of your year. ³ Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb^[a] for his family, one for each household.⁴ If any household is too small for a whole lamb, they must share one with their nearest neighbor, having taken into account the number of people there are. You are to determine the amount of lamb needed in accordance with what each person will eat. ⁵ The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats.⁶ Take care of them until the fourteenth day of the month, when all the members of the community of Israel must slaughter them at twilight.⁷ Then they are to take some of the blood and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses where they eat the lambs. ⁸ That same night they are to eat the meat roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast. ⁹ Do not eat the meat raw or boiled in water, but roast it over a fire—with the head, legs and internal organs. ¹⁰ Do not leave any of it till morning; if some is left till morning, you must burn it. ¹¹ This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your belt, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand. Eat it in haste; it is the LORD's Passover.

¹² "On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn of both people and animals, and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the LORD. . ¹³ The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are, and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt.¹⁴ "This is a day you are to commemorate; for the generations to come you shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD—a lasting ordinance. By the sign of the blood, the Lord recognised his people and allowed his judgment of death to 'pass over' the household. By the sign of the blood, the people gave witness to their faith that the lamb had died in their place. Death would not come to the house covered by the blood of the lamb. By the sign of the meal, the Lord established an ongoing meal of victory. His people, once enslaved, would go free to live in the promised land. By the sign of the meal, the people would continue to remember how the Lord had delivered them from slavery and death. By the sign of the blood and the sign of the holy meal, we are assured of victory. The blood of Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, has been shed for us. By faith we can go free and enter the gates of heaven. By taking part in the Lord's supper, we celebrate and remember the Lord's mighty victory over death. Death will not be victorious over us when we are covered by the blood of the Lamb.

Lord God, thank you for covering me with the blood of the Lamb, Jesus Christ. Help me to continually celebrate your victory. Amen.

Prayer of the Week

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

Shilah Hiscock and family

Worship News

This week there will be a Parish service held at Nhill at 9am.

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 the Year 2/3 class.

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.

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.

Pop Up Libraries

The WSMLLEN is working with schools and stakeholders to set up Pop-up libraries across the region. As part of the Let's Read project, Pop-up library tubs are placed in locations such as doctor and hospital waiting rooms, Chemists, welfare organisations, supermarkets, Maternal and Child Health Centres, playgroups etc. This initiative was developed by the WORDS group in Warracknabeal.

The concept is that families can take a book and keep it as long as they like. They are encouraged to borrow, read and swap the book at any pop-up library. The WSMLLEN has supplied a plastic tub, stickers and posters for a pop-up library for our school which will be located at the front office. We are also asking for any donations of children's books to go in our tub. We will accept pre-loved children's books that are clean and in good order.

Research tells us that exposure to books and language from an early age greatly enhances a child's literacy development. The pop-up library initiative is one way of making unused, pre-loved books available to families who would benefit from reading resources.



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.



Sports News

On Tuesday 14th June, students in Years 4-6 will be participating in the Winter Sports held at the Nhill College. As part of this day the **Nhill College SRC** are providing students and parents with the opportunity to buy some hot food for lunch. The options for lunch are:

Hamburgers - \$2.50 each

Sausages - \$2.00 each

Soup - \$2.50 per cup

Could you please let either Mr.Pritchard or Miss Keller know if your child/children wish to order food. We need to know a rough estimate by Tuesday 7th June for catering purposes.

Jeparit Donut Stall

On Sunday 12th June, the Parents and Friends

Association will be selling donuts at the Jeparit Pioneer Museum. Please be aware that all families



from the school **will be** placed on the roster, unless they notify the front office by **Tuesday 31st May.** It would be appreciated if we could have as much support as possible as this is one of the major fundraisers for the year.

Wanted

We are currently seeking plastic aerosol can lids, that are big enough to place over garden stakes. If you have any could you please leave them at the front office.

Community Events

Community News



Healthy Snack Ideas

Sugar, we all love it whether we like to admit it or not. When it comes to giving kids snacks we shouldn't cut out all sugar however we should be aware of the 'hidden' names for sugar. Here are a few to keep an eye out for when shopping:

- Syrup
- Fructose
- Fruit juice concentrate
- Honey
- Corn Syrup

So what snacks should I send? Why not send some homemade guacamole with some plain flavoured corn chips. This is a much healthier way for children to enjoy chips. Kids don't like guacamole, why not make your own salsa? Quick and easy!

Kids still have a sweet tooth? Why not send a few pieces of fruit dipped in dark chocolate. Less sugar and kids still eat fruit! Read any newspaper or media story and the underlying message at the moment is that a lot of families are finding it difficult. Be it financial difficulty, work commitments, or time poor, women too feel a lot of pressure and play a very important role in supporting the family. Ann Falkingham, a support worker with Wimmera Uniting Care is providing a free session for Women aimed at emotional wellbeing on Monday June 6th from 1.30-2.30pm in the multipurpose room. This opportunity is open to all women and is designed to offer support and encouragement to one another. If you are not finding things tough at the moment, come along and support others who may need some encouragement and need a nice afternoon out. An afternoon tea will be provided.

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

<u>May/June 2016</u>

David Pipkorn, Paul Marshman, Martin Colbert, Tony Mahfoud

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!

Why not make a vegetable bake and send some with your child daily. It is a creative way of jam packing vegetables in, even the ones the kids don't usually like. Mix it with a tomato or cheese base and they will never know.

Sweet potato mini pizzas, are another creative idea. Thinly slice sweet potato, and bake in an oven until they are cooked through, then add some healthy toppings!

Sponsorship Child

Please help us reach our goal of \$600 to help our sponsor child. Our total funds raised so far is \$264.20. We appreciate your help!





There are a number of new school jumpers in the front office that have been picked up, and are unnamed. If you think this jumper could be your child's please see Miss Keller at the front office. We ask that everyone please names their uniform.

Karen Cultural Day







JUNE - JULY 2016

The Nhill Memorial Community Centre will be <u>Closed from 6 - 16 June 2016</u> while the main hall floor undergoes refurbishment.

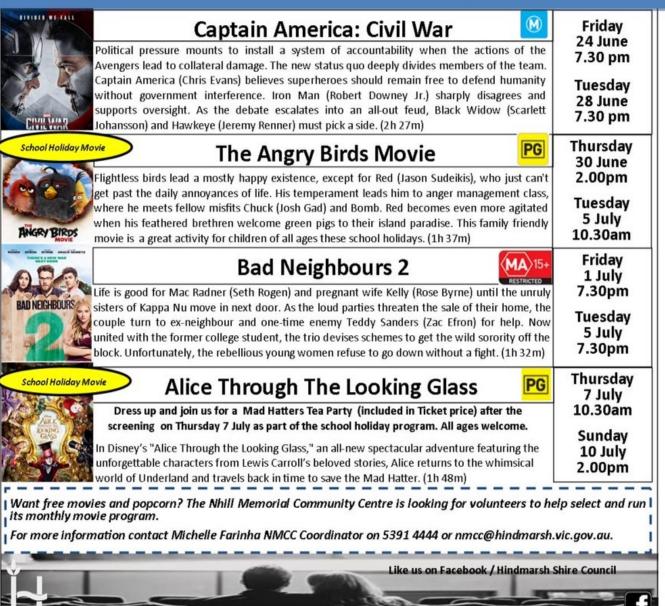
SPECIAL EVENT-ST KILDA FILM FESTIVAL REGIONAL TOUR COMING TO NHILL

The St Kilda Film Festival Regional Tour will showcase the best of independent film making at the Nhill Cinema. Come and enjoy the 2016 selection of short films which turn the spotlight on a range of fascinating works by accomplished Australian industry professionals.

Tickets \$17 (includes supper) - Tickets will be available for purchase from Customer Service Centres and the

Cinema

SCREENING FRIDAY 17 JUNE 7.30pm



Tickets Adult \$12, Concession / Kids \$7, Family \$30 Tickets for All Sessions available at the Door









