TOGETHER WE GROW

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Birthdays

We wish the following students a very Happy Birthday;
Mercedes Hollis - Monday 13th June
Troye McBride - Tuesday 14th June

From the Principal

Yesterday our junior students enjoyed an incursion from the Responsible Pet Education Program. Cecilia brought in her two dogs; Bronson and Jezebel to teach the students how to be safe around dogs and how to say hello to dogs with their owners. The students were involved in listening, role plays, singing and dancing.

One of our major fundraising events for the year is selling donuts at the Jeparit Museum which is this Sunday, the 12th of June. Thank you in advance to all the families who are willing to cook, serve and sell the donuts. If you know of anyone who is going to the Jeparit Museum, don’t forget to mention that our delicious stall will be located in the food shed. All students benefit from the efforts of the P&F to fundraise and provide important resources for the school.

Just a reminder that next Friday, the 17th of June is the last day of the term for students. The following week, staff will be participating in professional development. The midyear school clean is scheduled for Friday, the 17th of June and parents who are rostered on to clean are welcome any time after 1.15pm to begin their duty. Please remember if you’re not going to participate in the clean, you will need to pay a cleaning levy of $100, and let the cleaning coordinator Kathy Koop know as well as the front office. School will conclude at the normal time of 3.15pm. Buses will run as usual.

In regards to Friday, the buses will run as normal even though the College has a Pupil Free Day.

With Christ,
Tara Pritchard
WHERE TO FIND MUCH MORE THAN YOU BARGAIN FOR

According to an internet news report from a few years ago, an artist in Beverly, Massachusetts, got much more than they bargained for. A church there had been trying to get rid of an old safe. When they failed to find a buyer at a garage sale, they decided to leave it on the footpath hoping someone would be interested in it and take it home. They figured that it would cost more to advertise it in the classifieds than what it was worth, so they decided to dump it and hope someone would take it—for free. But they were unaware that nearly $50,000 worth of their church’s silverware was inside! The artist who took the safe that day certainly found much more than they bargained for!

I think that this is a really good illustration of what life with God is like. In one of the bible readings for worship on Sunday, from Galatians 2, the Apostle Paul says: “We…know that a person is not justified by the works of the law, but by faith in Jesus Christ. So we, too, have put our faith in Christ Jesus that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law, because by the works of the law no one will be justified” (verses15-16). That’s all a bit of a mouthful, but it’s a carefully constructed verse to reinforce the point that we will not be declared forgiven by God and in a right relationship with him by anything we do, because we cannot keep God’s commandments perfectly, as he requires. But he declares us forgiven and righteous through faith in Christ’s faithful obedience. He is the one who has kept the commandments perfectly for us, and paid the price of our sin with his death on the Cross. It is his work that makes us pleasing in God’s sight.

But it gets even better! Paul says that the whole purpose of God’s justification of us is not just a statement that we are forgiven and in a right relationship with him through faith—but life with him now. After the verses above Paul says: “I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me”.

Just like the riches of the church’s silverware was found in an old everyday safe left on a footpath, Christ himself lives in ordinary, everyday people—all of those who trust in him, imperfect sinners though we are, and even though we may be frail, anxious, burdened, elderly, hurt and suffering. That is why we can say that even in disaster God is our refuge and strength, an ever present help in trouble (Psalm 46).

And that is why the Christian faith gives so much more than you bargain for—not just a moral code to follow to try to earn God’s favour...because we can’t. But we have the riches of Christ, who has fulfilled God’s requirements of the law for you, rescued you from sin and death, and who has won eternal life for you—eternal life that begins now as Jesus even lives in us. And he meets us in very ordinary ways too so that we can come to faith and have him in our lives—he clothes himself with the pages of the Bible as it is read and spoken, he comes to us through normal water and the word at the baptism font, and he brings his saving work personally through everyday bread and wine. And like the safe on the footpath with $50,000 worth of silverware inside, everything Jesus has done for you, says about you, and gives to you, is absolutely free.

So seek the Lord while he may be found, because he promises to give you much more than you bargain for!

Pastor Tim

Prayer of the Week

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

♦ Cory Koop and family

Worship News

Please see below for this week’s church service times;

Nhill: 9am
Woorak: 11am

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 Pastor Tim.
School Event News

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.

Uniform
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. Ayesha Ahmed has also lost a Size 6 new school jumper. Could you please check your child’s jumper, as it has her name on it.

Sports News
With Term 2 coming to an end, it means that Term 3 will be here before you know it! This year the Athletics Carnival has moved to Term 3 and will be held on Friday 5th August. In case of extreme weather we have a back up date of the following Friday (12th August). We are putting the word out early to try and get as many parent helpers to assist on the day as possible. Please contact the front office or Mr. Pritchard if you are able to help on the day. Please feel free to invite as many family members as possible to help cheer on the students.

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.

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.

May/June 2016
David Pipkorn, Paul Marshman, Martin Colbert, Tony Mahfoud

Volunteers Needed
We are currently looking for any holiday volunteers to go on a roster to help feed Peter Rabbit and the chooks during the school holidays. If you are able to help please contact the front office.

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.

Free to a good home!
Due to some upgrades in furniture we have a single bed mattress and frame to give away. It is in very good condition, so please contact the front office if you are interested.
Prep/Year 1 Class Awards

Chloe Crisp: For trying very hard to write neatly on lined paper. Well done Chloe!

Rachel Reichelt: For always trying her very best in every task that she is asked to do. Fantastic work Rachel!

Year 2/3 Class Awards

Deegan Clark: For excellent work with learning his spelling words and for working quietly and trying his best in class. Keep up the wonderful work Deegan!

Archie Zanker: For excellent work with his homework and for doing very well with learning his spelling words.

Year 4/5/6 Class Awards

Alison Miller: For an excellent layout and accurate calculation of her area and perimeter work. Top effort Alison!

Joshua Ebbs: For great and neat work with his area and perimeter maths. Well done Josh!

Performing Arts Awards

Rachel Reichelt: For excellent listening, keeping a steady beat and playing rhythm patterns correctly.

Deegan Clark: For excellent listening, participation and helping pack up instruments.

Karen Cultural Day Recognition

The following students received special ‘Outstanding Effort Awards’ for all their efforts on Cultural Day.

Matthew Reichelt, Mercedes Hollis, Jayden Ross, Sidney Marshman, Joshua Ebbs, Porsha Hollis and Clinton Crisp.

‘The Super Student Award’

Troye McBride: For always feeding the lambs and taking extra special care of them.
The Nhill Memorial Community Centre will be Closed from 6 - 16 June 2016 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

Captain America: Civil War

Political pressure mounts to install a system of accountability when the actions of the Avengers lead to collateral damage. The new status quo deeply divides members of the team. Captain America (Chris Evans) believes superheroes should remain free to defend humanity without government interference. Iron Man (Robert Downey Jr.) sharply disagrees and supports oversight. As the debate escalates into an all-out feud, Black Widow (Scarlett Johansson) and Hawkeye (Jeremy Renner) must pick a side. (2h 27m)

School Holiday Movie

The Angry Birds Movie

Flightless birds lead a mostly happy existence, except for Red (Jason Sudeikis), who just can't get past the daily annoyances of life. His temperament leads him to anger management class, where he meets fellow misfits Chuck (Josh Gad) and Bomb. Red becomes even more agitated when his feathered brethren welcome green pigs to their island paradise. This family friendly movie is a great activity for children of all ages these school holidays. (1h 37m)

School Holiday Movie

Bad Neighbours 2

Life is good for Mac Radner (Seth Rogen) and pregnant wife Kelly (Rose Byrne) until the unruly sisters of Kappa Nu move in next door. As the loud parties threaten the sale of their home, the couple turn to ex-neighbour and one-time enemy Teddy Sanders (Zac Efron) for help. Now united with the former college student, the trio devises schemes to get the wild sorority off the block. Unfortunately, the rebellious young women refuse to go down without a fight. (1h 32m)

Alice Through The Looking Glass

Dress up and join us for a Mad Hatters Tea Party (included in ticket price) after the screening on Thursday 7 July as part of the school holiday program. All ages welcome.

In Disney’s "Alice Through the Looking Glass," an all-new spectacular adventure featuring the unforgettable characters from Lewis Carroll’s beloved stories, Alice returns to the whimsical world of Underland and travels back in time to save the Mad Hatter. (1h 46m)

Want free movies and popcorn? The Nhll Memorial Community Centre is looking for volunteers to help select and run its monthly movie program.

For more Information contact Michelle Farinha NMCC Coordinator on 5391 4444 or nmcc@hindmarsh.wlc.gov.au.