



TOGETHER WE GROW

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Upcoming Dates

JULY	Thursday 21st	Nhill Dental Clinic Visit
	Friday 29th	Prep/1/2/3 Excursion to Halls Gap
AUG	Monday 1st	School Production Performance @ St. Patricks
	Thursday 4th	Hockey 7s @ Dimboola
	Friday 5th	Athletics Carnival
	Monday 8th	School Photos
	Tuesday 16th	Kinder Visit 10.45am - 11.15pm
	Monday 22nd-26th	Book Week/ Book Fair
	Friday 19th	Pupil Free Day

Birthdays

We wish the following students a very Happy Birthday

Nathan Ebbs - Friday 15th July

Fatima Tarar - Sunday 17th July



From the Principal

Welcome back to the start of Term 3! We have an exciting term ahead of us with many activities planned such as excursions, Athletics Day, Book Week and Fair, our concert, and the famous Father's Day footy match!

I would like to say a very big 'Thank you' to all parents who were rostered on to attend our mid-year school clean. It was wonderful to see so many participate as the students really appreciate having such lovely clean learning spaces. Thank you to Kathy Koop from the Parents and Friends Association for co-ordinating the clean. Thank you also to those families who looked after our chickens, duck and Peter rabbit over the holidays. We appreciate your support in helping us maintain our learning landscapes in the playground.

In the holidays we had 11 families from Werribee tour our school which was organised by the Hindmarsh Shire. The Karen visitors from AMES families were impressed with our school and the animals.

Our Get 'em going early years program starts next week and already Mrs Mock has been busy getting activities organised. The session runs from 9.30 to 11.00am on Tuesdays. A recent research article acknowledged that quality early childhood teaching has lasting positive effects and that, "...the quality of teaching and learning provision are by far the most salient influences on students' cognitive, affective, and behavioural outcomes of schooling – regardless of their gender or backgrounds." (Anenell, 2016) In addition, our pre-Foundation classes begin next term and this transition program is offered to all of our enrolled 2017 Foundation students.

Yours with Christ,
Tara Pritchard

Devotional Thought

The chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask Pilate to set Barabbas free and have Jesus put to death. But Pilate asked the crowd, 'Which one of these two do you want me to set free for you?' 'Barabbas!' they answered. 'What, then, shall I do with Jesus called the Messiah?' Pilate asked them. 'Crucify him!' they all answered. (verses 20-22)

¹¹ Meanwhile Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?"

"You have said so," Jesus replied.

¹² When he was accused by the chief priests and the elders, he gave no answer. ¹³ Then Pilate asked him, "Don't you hear the testimony they are bringing against you?" ¹⁴ But Jesus made no reply, not even to a single charge—to the great amazement of the governor.

¹⁵ Now it was the governor's custom at the festival to release a prisoner chosen by the crowd. ¹⁶ At that time they had a well-known prisoner whose name was Jesus^[a] Barabbas. ¹⁷ So when the crowd had gathered, Pilate asked them, "Which one do you want me to release to you: Jesus Barabbas, or Jesus who is called the Messiah?" ¹⁸ For he knew it was out of self-interest that they had handed Jesus over to him.

¹⁹ While Pilate was sitting on the judge's seat, his wife sent him this message: "Don't have anything to do with that innocent man, for I have suffered a great deal today in a dream because of him."

²⁰ But the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus executed.

²¹ "Which of the two do you want me to release to you?" asked the governor.

"Barabbas," they answered.

²² "What shall I do, then, with Jesus who is called the Messiah?" Pilate asked.

They all answered, "Crucify him!"

²³ "Why? What crime has he committed?" asked Pilate.

But they shouted all the louder, "Crucify him!"

Pilate's question is one that every person who has heard of Jesus needs to answer. Jesus confronts us with his presence, perhaps in the Bible, through a

friend or at a church service. He is called the Messiah, the chosen one of God. He's the one God sent into the world to bring the message of salvation to people. You can't long be neutral in his presence. You're either for him or against him.

The religious leaders of the day, the chief priests and the elders, were against Jesus. They accused him of making false claims about being the Son of God, the Messiah promised in the Old Testament. They persuaded the crowd to join them in asking the Roman governor, Pontius Pilate, to have him put to death. So the people too were against Jesus.

Then there was Pilate. He was confronted with the question of questions: 'What, then, shall I do with Jesus called the Messiah?' Pilate wanted to spare Jesus, but, finally, because of his fear of the people, he ordered him to be crucified.

Lord Jesus, have compassion on all who turn against you, and help all your followers to support you even when the going is rough. Amen.

Prayer of the Week

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

- ◆ Sidney Marshman and family

Worship News

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

Nhill: 11am

Woorak: 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 a group of senior students.

School Event News

Donation

We would like to thank the Nhill Supa IGA for their kind donation of \$400 towards purchasing resources for our school. We thank the community for their kind support!

Holiday Visits

During the school holidays we were lucky enough to have some Karen visitors look through our school. This was part of a possible relocation trip organised by the Hindmarsh Shire. The Karen families were from Werribee and were very impressed with our facilities and the school. They were particularly impressed with the students Karen books.



Deepest Sympathy

We would like to extend our deepest sympathy to the Ebbs' family on the passing of Pastor Tim's mother, grandma of Joshua and Nathan.

Sports News

This year the Athletics Carnival has moved to this term 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.



Uniform

There is a Size 4 new school jumper in the front office that has been picked up, and is 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.

Thank you

Thank you to those families that came in and helped with the school cleaning on the last day of Term 2. We appreciate the time and effort of everyone. We are very grateful to have such clean and well looked after resources.

A big thank you must also go to those families that assisted with the feeding of the animals over the holidays. Without your support we wouldn't be able to keep the well loved animals.

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.

July/August 2016

Michael Koop, Tim Ebbs, Peter Bone, Adam Clark



Parents and Friends News

Just a reminder about the Pie Drive fundraiser we currently have running. Orders have been extended and are only due back on Tuesday 2nd August. Gather up the family, and members of the community and support this event. If you have lost the list that was sent out at the end of last Term or would like some extras please contact the front office.

Get 'em Going

Get 'em Going is beginning again next Tuesday 19th July 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.)

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.

Sponsorship Child

\$600

550
500
450
400
350
300
250
200
150
100
50

World Vision

OUR SPONSOR CHILD



WAKIAXONG PAWANG

\$291.70

Year 3/4 Camp Report

On Wednesday the 15th June the Year 3/4 students went to Grampians Retreat for Camp. One the way we stopped off at the Mackenzie Falls. When we arrived at Grampians Retreat we did some group initiative games to help us work together. On the Thursday we went on the Flying Fox which was really high but awesome. Next we went on the Giant Swing, where our classmates had to pull us up as high as we wanted to go. We then pulled a rope and had a big swing! Later we went on the Low Ropes Course where we had to balance on the ropes and help each other, it was quite challenging. We got to make masks with natural items that we found around the campsite. On Friday we came back from Camp but on the way we got Subway for lunch and we got to play at the really awesome park at Hamilton. Camp was very interesting and fun, we had a great time!



Jumper Washing Instructions

We have received some information from Silver Fleece, the company that has made our new school jumpers. Please see below to assist with the washing of the school jumpers to ensure quality remains high.

Hand wash in a large tub of cold water - Do not use bleach or bleach products. Do not leave soaking. Rinse out immediately in large amount of clean water and spin excess water from garments in machine. Hang out immediately out of direct sunlight. For dark colours use salt in water to reduce the colour run. Any excess heat will cause shrinkage and effect colour.

Please note that some new front loader machines use very little water, which will have an adverse effect on mixed dark and light colours - suggest first wash by hand in large amount of water to dilute any excess dye to reduce any bleeding. Follow the above instructions to spinout any excess water and hang out immediately.

Do not tumble dry.

Orphanage School Update

We have recently received an update from our orphanage school in Myanmar and a little bit of background information regarding the Karen Women Organisation.

Background Information

Maw Per Koh KWO (Karen Women Organization) Boarding House has been running for 3 years now. KWO gives caring, accommodation, blankets and clothes.

These children are living at boarding house who have similar difficulties such as:

- * There is no schools where they live
- * Their families do not have money to support their education
- * Although there is one high school boarding house in Maw Per Koh for high school students, their families can't afford to pay boarding house fees for studying and living. So, the KWO accept them to stay at Maw Per Koh Boarding house.
- * They live very far away from school
- * Some of these children have no parents and some parents are separated, so sometimes there is no-one to take care of them to go to school. If they stay home in their village, they will never have chance to go to school and study.

Rules and Activities

The supervisor also draws up Rules and daily routine responsibility for each group such as cooking, cleaning. She takes care of the students very well.

Health

They are all well. Some students are suffering skin disease like itchy and ringworm.

Detail information about the boarding house

Name of supervisor – Yi Yi Htay

There are 19 students (7 boys, 12 girls)

The elders are studying at high school in the 6th standard

The younger are studying in Kindergarten and primary.

They can't tell you how much they appreciated your support. This support is very helpful, truly valued and gives them encouragement when they are facing difficult situations to continue their education.

I also feel that it helps them moving forward and achieving more and more.



Community Sports News



Introduction to basketball program for **5-10 year olds** or **players** looking to brush up their skills **ready for the primary competition.**

When: Tuesdays 3.30-4.30pm

Duration: 10 weeks

Starting: 2nd August 2016- 13th September (break for holidays) then resume 4-18th October 2016

Location: Lowan Sports Centre

Cost: All costs inclusive with a pack including basketball (which we use during program), singlet and backpack, entry fees and insurance \$65.00 optional OR As above with no pack \$40.00

How: Register online at aussiehoops.com.au and following the register here link.

RSVP: Please register as soon as possible so packs and groups/coaches can be organized.

Any questions, please contact Emma Dickinson
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emdpt1@gmail.com



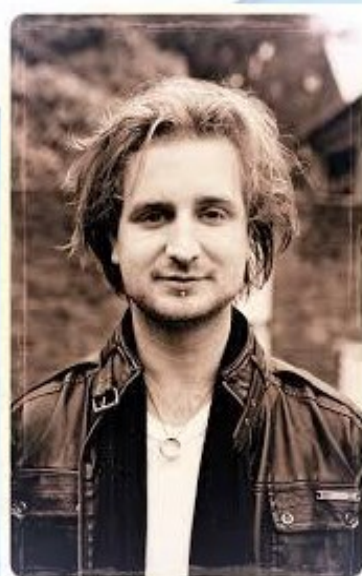
Nhill Learning Centre

Learning together

Mental Health Awareness

Hear guest speaker **Nic Newling** share his story
as seen on Australian Story last year

7 pm
Thursday 21st July
Nhill Community Centre



Supported by Hindmarsh Shire Council
Free bus will run from Dimboola - limited seats
Bookings essential. Phone: 53912196

