



## Upcoming Dates

## From the Principal

JULY	Thursday 21st	Nhill Dental Clinic Visit
	Friday 29th	Prep/1/2/3 Excursion to Halls Gap
AUG	Monday 1st	School Production Performance @
	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

The Minister for Education has set out in Ministerial Order No.870 what specific actions schools need to take to meet the child safe standards. Our school has adopted strategies to embed an organisational culture of child safety and has a policy and child safety code of conduct which is publicly available on our website. We have in place school staff selection, supervision and management practices for a child-safe environment. There are also procedures for responding to and reporting allegations of suspected child abuse. Nhill Lutheran School has appointed Mrs Kirsty Koop and myself as the School's Child Protection Officers. As Child Protection Officers, we are available to answer any questions that you may have with respect to our Child Protection and Safety Policy and the Child Protection Program. The School's Child Protection Officers are your first point of contact for reporting child protection issues within the School and we receive special training that allows us to deal with child protection concerns both sensitively and effectively. Our school has also adopted strategies to identify and reduce or remove risks of child abuse and promote child empowerment and participation. Our School Council and Staff have completed training so that we are compliant as a child safe school. A flyer was sent home last term which explained the Child Safe Standards. If you require further information about this important Ministerial Order, please contact the school or visit [www.vrqa.vic.gov.au/childsafes](http://www.vrqa.vic.gov.au/childsafes).

This term, the students are engaged in a range of activities across the curriculum that relate to the theme 'Australia Through Time'. We look forward to our end of year concert on Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup> where they will showcase all their learning and take you on a journey celebrating the history of Australia.

Yours with Christ,

Tara Pritchard

## Devotional Thought

### DOES IT FEEL LIKE GOD PUTS YOU 'ON HOLD'?

In the Gospel reading for this Sunday from Luke 11, Jesus tells a story to encourage us to continually pray:

"Suppose one of you has a friend, and he goes to him at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, because a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have nothing to set before him.' Then the one inside answers, 'Don't bother me. The door is already locked, and my children are with me in bed. I can't get up and give you anything.' I tell you, though he will not get up and give him the bread because he is his friend, yet because of the man's boldness he will get up and give him as much as he needs" (Luke 11:5-8).

The person in need has a desperate request, because in the culture of the day, failing to set bread before visiting guests would be the height of rudeness...and this man has none to give his visitors!! He approaches the man boldly, disregarding convention by disturbing the family at a late hour and begging them for bread. The man who he asks is initially reluctant to get up and unlock the door, but in the end does give him the bread he needs, probably to stop the beggar from annoying him.

Jesus is saying: how much more will God, who does not give reluctantly, who doesn't need to be constantly annoyed until he caves in, who can be approached at any hour, give us the daily bread we need. We don't have to earn God's approval or manipulate him, therefore we can approach him in boldness, confident of his goodness—continually.

Often it might seem that God doesn't give us the things we ask for in the timeframe we ask for it. Why does God make us wait? God does hear us for Jesus' sake and will answer according to his will. His will is ultimately that we be in relationship with him, trusting in him for salvation and the things we need for daily life from his hand. To daily go to God in urgent and anguished prayer is perhaps a greater blessing to go to him for just one day and have granted what we have asked for straight away.

So don't give up in prayer—because the One who teaches us about prayer, Jesus the Son of the Father, gave his own life that you might be his siblings through faith and approach his Father as your own.

He will listen to you—that's why Jesus gave his life on the Cross—to bring you into daily relationship with him. Have a chat. He won't put you on hold!

Pastor Tim

*Faith*  
It makes things  
possible, not easy

## Prayer of the Week

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

- ♦ Lance and Troye McBride and their 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

### School Photos

Just a reminder about School Photos which is happening on Monday 8th August. To ensure your child doesn't miss out on them, please return the order form sent home last week, **as soon as possible**. If you have lost the order form, please see the front office for a new envelope. If you would like to have family photos you will be also need to see Miss Keller at the office, to get special order form.

### Camp Notices/Forms

Forms were sent home regarding the Year 5/6 camp to Sovereign Hill in Term 4. Could those students who haven't brought back the expression of interest form please do so **as soon as possible** so planning can continue. Forms regarding the Prep/1/2/3 Excursion to Halls Gap and the Year 2 sleepover were also sent home yesterday. Please return **as soon as possible** as the excursion/sleepover is **next Friday**.

## 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.**

## Uniform

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

## 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.

## 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.



## 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

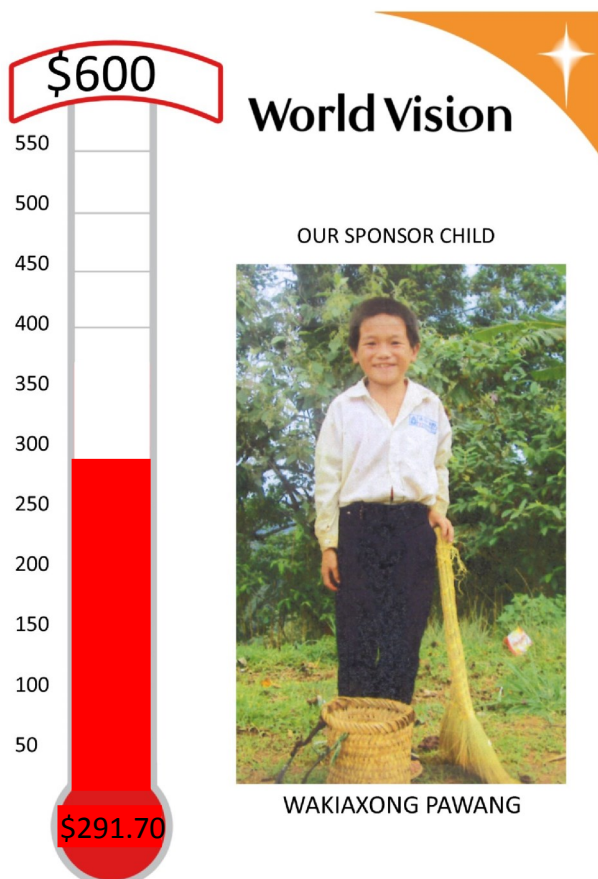


- \* A bottle of water
- \* Piece of fruit for snack
- \* A gold coin donation
- \* Your Get 'em Going Visualisation book. (If you are new to the program you will receive this on the day.)

## 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



## Students of the Week

### Prep/Year 1 Awards

**Stella Schnaars:** For working hard on all writing tasks, and having a go at spelling tricky words by herself. Great work Stella!



**Joel Mock:** For showing leadership skills in the class, and for fantastic work on patterns this week. Keep up the great work Joel!



### Year 2/3 Awards

**Troye McBride:** For a wonderful start to Term 3 with enthusiastically researching his History project and for coming up with some very creative ideas. Keep up the great work!



**Samir Mahfoud:** For having a great attempt at spelling some very tricky spelling words. Keep up the great practising Sam!



### Year 4/5/6 Awards

**Porsha Hollis:** For making an excellent start on researching and writing for her concert character. Well done Porsha!



**Matthew Reichelt:** For showing great participation and encouraging others during our Year 3/4 camp. Well done Matthew!







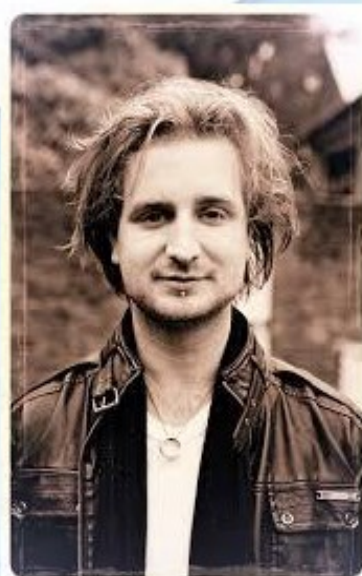
**Nhill Learning Centre**

*Learning together*

# Mental Health Awareness

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

**7 pm**  
**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July**  
**Nhill Community Centre**



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

