On Friday we will be celebrating how special Dads are! Students will be leading a Chapel service at 12.00pm and afterwards, the annual Fathers versus Students footy match will be held beginning at 12.30pm. Students have been busy practising their kicks and even have a few tactical strategies to cause an upset this year. We look forward to seeing all Dads join us for this very special event! After the game, the P&F will be providing a free hotdog lunch for all to enjoy. We extend to all Dads a wonderful day on Sunday as families celebrate Father’s Day.

Last Thursday, Mrs Koop and I attended a seminar in Melbourne presented by Michelle Hutchison about Dyslexia. Michelle shared her specialist knowledge and her practical experience as a teacher in the field of learning difficulties. Dyslexia is a learning difficulty that primarily affects the skills involved in accurate and fluent word reading and spelling. We learnt about the current research in the field, and strategies that can be used to assist students in their learning.

Our school is slowly transforming into landscapes that reflect Australia’s history through time. This is in preparation for our School Concert which is on Thursday, 15th of September beginning at 7pm. This year, the concert will be held at our school and everyone will first assemble in the multipurpose room. The theme for this year is ‘Australia Through Time’ and audiences will be treated to an amazing evening of meeting interesting characters and learning more about Australia’s history. We encourage all parents, grandparents and friends in the community to attend this fantastic evening.

With Christ,
Tara Pritchard
Devotional Thought

Where you find your worth!

Modern 3D colour ultrasounds and videos of a child’s development in the womb show us the incredible formation of ears and eyes after 3 weeks, the heart visibly beating at 22 days, the formation of fingers and toes after 6 weeks. At 11 weeks baby can wiggle their fingers and toes and smile and frown and suck their thumb!

Thousands of years ago, God revealed to King David of Israel just how intricate and valuable human life is. David was regularly in danger, threatened, pursued and under attack. But in Psalm 139 he writes that God is with him always, and has always had David’s life in his care, even appointing all the days for David to live before he was born. God knows when David sits down and when he gets up again. He knows all of David’s thoughts. Every morning when David ‘goes out’ and every evening when he lies down, God is with him. God is familiar with all of David’s ways and even knows what he will speak before a word is on his tongue. God surrounds David with his presence, and knit him together in his mother’s womb. Before King David knew God, God knew him. This is just too incredible for mere humans to comprehend!

God is the author of your life too. You are a complex and intricate individual carefully and intentionally made by him. He has appointed all the days of your life before you were born and has always cared for you. Before you knew God, God knew you. Even if it seems that sometimes God doesn’t understand or care what you are going through, the God who never sleeps is with you through the night and when you awake. Nothing you experience is unknown to him. He knows all your thoughts, he is familiar with all your ways and even knows what you will speak before a word is on your tongue. That should be a truly comforting thing for us to know. It can also be a fearful thing, when I realize God knows my secret thoughts, the unloving words before they are even on my tongue, my sins between when I go out and when I lie down. But even then God still loves us. He loves you so much that he sent his Son Jesus into the world—true God from all eternity to be born as a real human being. Miraculously conceived by the Holy Spirit, the Son of God became human with that first cell division, then another and another. God was with Jesus in his mother Mary’s womb, knitting him together in that secret place.

Pastor Tim

Chapel

This week is a special Father’s Day Chapel. We invite all family, and friends in particular Dad’s to join us in the Multi-Purpose Room at 12pm.

Worship News

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

Nhil: 10am Reading
6pm Nite Service
Woorak: 9am

Church Office: 5391 1223

Prayer of the Week

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

♦ Jordan Pipkorn and his family

Sponsorship Child

Our total funds raised so far is $355.40. We appreciate your help!
**School Event News**

**Reading Challenge**
A reminder to students who registered to participate in the Premier’s Reading Challenge to continue making a list of the books they have read, and strive to achieve the challenge. A list of the challenge books can be found at [http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/events/prc/Pages/booklist.aspx](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/events/prc/Pages/booklist.aspx). The Challenge finishes on the 9th September so get reading fast!

**CHALK & Parent Direct Fundraising**
In Term 3 each year the School receives fundraising catalogues from companies that we purchase supplies from. The catalogues have been sent home this week and contain various different learning and fun toys that are a great idea for Christmas or Birthday presents. Parents have the opportunity to purchase the products by filling out the order form and returning it to the School. If you have any questions or require extra catalogues for family or friends, please see Miss Keller. Twenty cents of every dollar you spend will be donated back to our School to spend on educational resources.

**Magazine Sponsors**
This year we are seeking sponsors for our School Magazine which will be published and given out to families at the end of the year. We are trying to reduce the cost of the magazines, and if you or a business would be interested in sponsoring the magazine please let us know. The magazine will include a sponsors page which can be used to promote your business. For further information and examples of layouts please contact the front office on 5391 2144 or email admin@nhills.vic.edu.au. This opportunity is open for all businesses.

**School Photos**
If any parents would like a copy of the House Captains or School Captains photos orders can now be placed at the front office. A Year 6 ‘Funny Memories’ photo is also available. The photos will be 8x10 and are $20 each. Please place your order as soon as possible.

**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.

**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. Thank you for your help.

**September/October 2016**
Paul Drendel, Paul Schubert, Daniel Paech, Jason Deckert

**NAPLAN Results**
Just a reminder to parents who have students in Year 3 or 5 to please come in and receive their child’s NAPLAN results. Parents can also make a time to discuss the results with the classroom teacher. Please make an appointment at the front office.

**Sheep Manure**
Earlier this term, the Year 4/5/6 class went out and bagged sheep manure. The students now have sheep manure for sale at $3 per bag, with all the money raised going towards our Orphanage School in Myanmar. If you wish to purchase a bag, please see the front office or Quentin Pritchard.

**Concert**
All students should have informed parents of what costume requirements are for this years concert. Letters have been sent out to parents in the Foundation/Year 1 class. If you are having trouble with costumes ideas or sourcing costumes, please contact the school so we can assist. The Year 2/3/4/5/6 should be practising their responses to their questions.
Get ‘em Going is on again next Tuesday 6th September 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.)

Writing Competition

The Wimmera Regional Library Corporation is running a Writing Competition for Adults, Secondary Students and Primary Students. The aim is to encourage people of all ages to write and develop their skills in the art of writing. This year there will be no theme so let your imagination run wild! The Library allows multiple entries which may be in more than one category. The writer’s identity is withheld from the judges meaning, one writer may receive more than one award.

Prizes are as follows:

**Adults:**
1st: $300  
2nd: $200  
3rd: $100

**Secondary Students**
1st: $200  
2nd: $150  
3rd: $100

**Primary Students (4-6)**
1st: $40  
2nd: $30  
3rd: $20

**Primary Students (P-3)**
1st: $30  
2nd: $20  
3rd: $10

Entries must be submitted by Friday 9th September to any WRLC branch libraries. For further information and entry forms please contact the front office.

Students of the Week

**Chloe Crisp:** For always trying her best to write neatly, and for adding good detail to her procedural writings this week. Great work Chloe!

**Rachel Reichelt:** Working well to complete family traditions and celebration pieces for the concert, and for completing her procedural writing tasks to a high standard. Keep up the great work Rachel!

**Mercedes Hollis:** For listening carefully to instructions and trying her best to complete all learning tasks.

**Troye McBride:** For being a helpful and supportive member of the class with his willing attitude to assist both his classmates and the teacher.

**Freya Colbert:** For showing excellent use of her time during concert preparations, producing terrific work herself while still finding time to help others. Great leadership Freya!

**Adeline Pritchard:** For working really hard to answer her concert questions with detail and drama. Keep up the great work Addie!

Friday is our Footy Colours Day in celebration of Father’s Day. The Father’s Day football match will begin at 12.30pm, after Chapel. We invite all Dad’s to this event, as well as family and friends. Following the match, there will be a Hot Dog lunch, provided by the Parents & Friends Association.
Nhill Lutheran School
Nhill Lutheran School is one of a network of 86 primary and secondary schools operated by the Lutheran Church in Australia. Lutheran schools are recognised in Australia for their provision of quality education. Nhill Lutheran School prides itself on its school culture that reflects strong Christian values and high academic student achievement. The school currently has an enrolment of 52 students ranging from Prep to Year 6. The curriculum taught follows the same guidelines as Government schools. The staff in 2016 includes a principal, school pastor, four classroom teachers and a front office secretary.

Classroom Teacher
Nhill Lutheran School is seeking an applicant for a passionate, innovative and experienced teacher keen to work in its Junior School class. The successful applicant will demonstrate enthusiasm and creativity in their daily work as a classroom teacher, fostering an environment where students are fully engaged in their learning. A desire to work as part of a Professional Learning Community will be highly valued. The successful applicant should be willing to support the Christian ethos of the School and be part of a team of professionals committed to excellence in education.

If you would like a copy of the Job Description, please phone (03) 5391 2144 or email admin@nhills.vic.edu.au with the subject line of ‘Classroom Teacher Position.’

Applications close: 05/09/2016
Position Commences: 23/01/2017

JUNIOR TENNIS
Junior tennis will begin next term with competition starting at 9am each Saturday for students aged between 9 and 17. Teams will be created and the fixture will be finalised over the holidays. Please have names in Monday 19th of September.

FREE TENNIS COACHING
Tennis coaching will be held on Monday afternoons in term 4. Starting on Monday 10th October and continuing for 10 weeks until Monday 12th December 2016. Beginners from 3:30pm – 4:15pm. All other juniors from 4pm – 6pm for coaching and match practice.

SENIOR TENNIS
New & old players welcome!!
Senior tennis will again be held on Saturday afternoons, please let Rae Kennedy or Helen Cannell know if you are interested in playing this year.
Twilight will also be on offer later in the year, the day to be confirmed.

JUNIOR HOLIDAY PROGRAM
There will be a junior holiday program with a Melbourne coach coming to Horsham’s Central Park Tennis Club and Nhill Lawn Tennis Club. Horsham dates are 20th & 21st September and he will be in Nhill on the 22nd September. Flexible classes that cater for all ages are provided. Please see attached enrolment forms for more details. Please book early with Rae Kennedy to ensure the course goes ahead.

Don’t forget to like us on Facebook to ensure you get all the upcoming events.
https://www.facebook.com/nhilllawntennisclub/?ref=page_internal

For more information please contact Rae Kennedy 0429913212 or Helen Cannell 0419829272
School Holiday Activities

**Horsham Regional Art Gallery**

**School Holiday Programs**

12 participants maximum per session. $8.00 per session.

Bookings essential at the Gallery or telephone 03 5382 9575 or email hrag@hrcc.vic.gov.au.

**Week 1**

- Tuesday 20 Sept, 10.30am-12pm or 1.30pm-3pm — Working with Clay
- Wednesday 21st Sept 10.30am-12pm or 1.30pm-3pm — Van Gough painting on canvas
- Thursday 22nd Sept 10.30am-12pm or 1.30pm-3pm — Drawing Wildlife
- Friday 23rd Sept 10.30am-12pm or 1.30am-3pm — Lantern decorating

**Week 2**

- Tuesday 27th Sept, 10.30am-12pm or 1.30pm-3pm — Working with Clay
- Wednesday 28th Sept 10.30am-12pm or 1.30pm-3pm — Van Gough painting on canvas
- Thursday 29th Sept 10.30am-12pm or 1.30pm-3pm — Drawing wildlife
- Friday 30th Sept 10.30am-12pm or 1.30pm-3pm — Lantern decorating

Come along and book in early and enjoy some arts and crafts over these school holidays. Remember places are limited!

**Congratulations**

Congratulations to Racquel Deckert, Chloe Zanker, Rachel Reichelt and Amelia Drendel who have all completed the Premier’s Reading Challenge. Remember to get your lists to Miss Keller by the 9th September so she can verify all the books you have read.
NHILL LUTHERAN SCHOOL PRESENTS

AUSTRALIA THROUGH TIME

THURSDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER
ONE NIGHT ONLY!

Multi Purpose Room
7pm Sharp
Gold Coin Donation Entry