



Upcoming Dates

OCT	Wednesday 12th-14th	Grade 5/6 Camp - Sovereign Hill
	Thursday 13th	Nhill Show - NO SCHOOL
	Friday 21st	Pre-Prep Program
	Wednesday 26th	Kinder Visit 9am- 11am
	Friday 28th	Pre-Prep Program
NOV	Wednesday 2nd	Kinder Visit 9am- 1pm

Birthdays

We wish the following students a very Happy Birthday:

Lydia Paech: Sunday 16th October

Stella Schnaars: Sunday 16th October



From the Principal

Congratulations to our students who competed in the Greater Western Region Athletics on Friday. Caleb Zanker came 1st in Shot Put and Hurdles, Freya Colbert came 3rd in Hurdles, Lance McBride came 4th in Long jump and Matthew Reichelt and Cory Koop performed personal bests in their events. Caleb, Freya and Lance will be competing in Ballarat this week and we wish them all the best.

Our senior students are attending their annual school camp experience at Sovereign Hill, Ballarat this week. Students have the opportunity to attend a goldfield school, role-play the lives of goldfields students and come to understand the social conditions during the great Victorian Gold Rush. They will be dressed in 19th century-style clothing and use a classroom typical of the era. We look forward to hearing some great reports of this fantastic experience.

This Thursday the 13th of October, is the Nhill Show. There will be no school on Thursday so that students have the opportunity to attend the show with their families. Students are invited to march in the Grand Parade as a school group. Students can assemble at the entrance to the oval at 4.15pm ready to begin at 4.30pm. Please note the change of time for the Grand Parade.

With Christ,
Tara Pritchard



Devotional Thought

SIR WALTER RALEIGH AND THE PERSISTENT WIDOW

Sir Walter Raleigh, born in Devonshire, England in 1554, was an explorer who became famous for establishing the colony of Virginia in 1584, and was knighted the following year by Queen Elizabeth I. The Queen's respect for him reportedly began after Raleigh placed his cloak over a puddle in order to prevent the Queen from muddying her shoes and he soon became her favourite attendant. The Queen showered him with estates, revenues and many honours and would grant any petition Raleigh made. On one occasion when Raleigh came to the Queen with a request, Elizabeth said: "Sir Walter, when will you ever stop to approach me with petitions?" Raleigh replied: "When the Queen will stop to grant me my petitions." Raleigh's confidence that the Queen would hear and grant his petitions is the same confidence Jesus wants for us when we approach his Father's royal throne. Jesus gives us a story to help us see this and to encourage us to pray and never give up:

"In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared about men. And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.' For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care about men, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually wear me out with her coming!' And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off?'" (Luke 18:2-6)

Jesus isn't saying that we have to persist and persist until God caves in to our request. Jesus is showing us how gracious God is, in *contrast* to the unjust judge. The unjust judge was *bothered* by the woman. He did *not care* about others—in fact, he only cared about himself; that is why he answered the woman—to get her 'off of his back'. He was worn out by her. God is not like this. He does care about all people—so much that he sent

his own Son to pay the price of the sin of the world, so that all who trust in him could be restored to a right relationship with himself, and come before his throne of grace. *How much more than an unjust judge does God delight to hear our prayers and grant us that which is good and pleasing to him!*

What God desires to give us might not be what we ask for, or in the timeframe we are expecting. What he wants most for us is in the area of relationship with him. We see this in the Lord's Prayer: he wants us to keep his name holy by using it to call on him. We ask for his Kingdom to come and his will to be done in our hearts, through Christ and his Word. He wants us to ask him for our daily bread and to be thankful for it. Our greatest need is God's forgiveness of our sins, his leading of us from the temptation to deny him and his Word, and for him to deliver us from evil. What God wants to give you most is a relationship with him. Is that what you want? Jesus finishes our reading by asking "...when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?" Do you want the Giver or only his gifts? God wants you to have both!

Pastor Tim.

Chapel



Chapel this week will be held in the Multi Purpose Room at 9am. It will be ran by Pastor Tim. Parents and friends are invited to join us.

Worship News

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

Nhill: 11am

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.....

- ◆ Rachel and Matthew and their family

School Event News

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. The photos will be 8x10 and are \$20 each. Please place your order as soon as possible.

Bus Notices

If your child is a regular bus traveller and is **not** going to be going home on the bus you **must notify the school by 3pm**. If the school is not notified the word of the students will **not be taken** and they will be sent home on the bus as usual. The school also needs to be notified if your child is not returning to school after athletic days, appointments etc.

SRC News

The SRC are now selling flavoured SIPPAH milks during lunchtime every day. They will be available for \$2 each. We ask that if students wish to purchase flavoured milk they please place the money in a separate envelope to their lunch orders. Any flavoured milks that are ordered in lunch orders will be replaced by these. Flavours on offer are Choc Mint, Honeycomb, Chocolate, Strawberry, Banana and Cookies 'N Cream.

Sponsorship Child

Our total funds raised so far is \$427.15. We appreciate your help!



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

The 4/5/6 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.

Get 'em Going

Get 'em Going has begun again! Come along next Tuesday 18th October 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.)

SunSmart Policy

Our school is a SunSmart school and as part of our policy, students are required to wear their school hat during Term 4. A link has been provided below to remind parents of 5 SunSmart things from September.

<http://www.sunsmart.com.au/downloads/communities/early-childhood-primary-school/resources/family-notice-from-september.pdf>

Friday Fun Sports Visit

Last Friday, as part of the Walk to School program, Wimmera Regional Sports provided lunchtime activities for the students.



Hindmarsh Shire Council News

Hindmarsh Shire Council, along with AMES Werribee and The Salvation Army Employment Plus Ringwood coordinated a visit to the Hindmarsh Shire for 30 metropolitan-based migrants. The Hindmarsh Shire Migrant Open Weekend was held from Friday 9th – Sunday 11th September 2016 and provided metropolitan job seekers the experience to see what it's like to live in a rural setting and to showcase the wonderful facilities, school and lifestyle opportunities.

Congratulations

Congratulations to former teacher Renae Hampel on her recent marriage to Andrew Ruediger. The couple were married at Robertstown Lutheran Church in South Australia. Former staff members; Jackie Rethus, Simon Herrman and Melaine Launer were also a part of the wedding.



Students of the Week

Congratulations to last week's students of the week:

Thomas Albrecht, Nathan Ebbs, Sean Pedie, Archie Zanker and Joshua Ebbs. Asher Zanker was awarded the Super Student Award as well as a class award.

Community Notices



The West Wimmera Health Service presents the Melbourne Cup Luncheon to be held at the Nhill Bowling Club. Beginning at 12pm, tickets are just \$25 each which includes lunch and a welcome drink. Tickets are available from Earthly Treasures.



ITS TIME TO WALK TO SCHOOL!!

What the program will involve:

The Walk to School program will be held from the 3th until the 28th of October 2016.

This year funding has been used partner with Wimmera Regional Sports Assembly to facilitate lunch time activities twice over the month of October at each school and to purchase some awesome prizes that will keep students active. To win prizes each student will need to Walk to School or the their bus stop to get a ticket from their classroom teacher. Each student will be provide with a Walk to School Ticket Box that they will need to carefully cut out and glue/stick together to store all of their tickets. They will notice that the tickets are all different! They will have to look after their tickets to see if they have a lucky ticket at the end of the month.

Our aim is to encourage parents to walk with their children to school or the bus stop to encourage and develop healthy habits. They will also record their walk on the Walk to School Classroom Calendar. There is opportunities for schools to win prizes from VicHealth at the end of the month as well.

It is important that each student be encouraged to participate in the program as often they possibly can! With encouragement each student has the potential to succeed, encourage students to encourage each other.