



Upcoming Dates

OCT	Friday 28th	Pre-Prep Program
NOV	Wednesday 2nd	Kinder Visit 9am-1pm
	Friday 4th	Pre-Prep Program
	Wednesday 9th	Kinder Visit 9am-3.15pm
	Friday 11th	P&F Family Movie Night @6pm
	Friday 11th	Pre-Prep Program
	Wednesday 16th	Buy One, Get One Free Book Fair
	Friday 18th	Pre-Prep Program
	Friday 25th	Pre-Prep Program
DEC	Friday 9th	Last Day Term 4

Birthdays

We wish Chloe Crisp a very Happy Birthday for Tuesday 1st November.



From the Principal

Last week we welcomed our 2017 Foundation students to the first session of the Pre-Foundation program. Our Pre-Foundation program is offered every Friday for students who are enrolled in our 2017 Foundation class.

The Pre-Foundation program aims to develop excellent routines, behaviours and introduce the students to curriculum activities in literacy and numeracy. We were very impressed with how well the students settled, and quickly learnt the daily routines of a typical school day. The Pre-Foundation students will also be introduced to their buddy in Year 4 & 5 who will help the children in their new school environment. As part of our orientation program for the 2017 Foundation families, an information session for parents will be held on Wednesday 16th of November beginning at 7pm. This information session will provide relevant and useful information about school and how to assist with the transition into primary education. In addition to the Pre-Foundation program, the children will also attend Kinder visit sessions on Wednesday 2nd November (9.00-1.00pm) and Wednesday 9th November (9.00-3.15pm). We look forward to meeting and getting to know our new students and their families for 2017. Planning for 2017 is well underway and already there are many exciting events on the calendar! In regard to staffing, priority has been given to having full time teachers in every class to prevent disruption and therefore maximise student learning. I am pleased to announce that our staffing for next year will be Mrs Niki Saliba: Foundation/1, Mrs Kirsty Koop: Year 2/3 and Mr Quentin Pritchard: Year 4/5/6. I am excited to announce that Mrs Niki Saliba will be joining our teaching team for 2017. Niki is a passionate, innovative and experienced teacher who is enthusiastic and creative. Recently, Niki has spent time in a small Indigenous community in Western Australia and has had many opportunities in teaching and tutoring multilingual students. Niki has taught at Sunshine Lutheran School and prior to her work as a classroom teacher, she was a leading Kindergarten teacher. Niki has travelled broadly including a teaching placement in India. Niki has a multitude of experiences that have helped shape her career. She enjoys travelling and cultural experiences and is excited to be part of the Nhill Lutheran School community. Welcome Niki!

Yours with Christ, Tara Pritchard

Devotional Thought

Never Give Up—Luke 18: 1-8

The Parable of the Persistent Widow

18 Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. ² He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. ³ And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.'

⁴ "For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care what people think, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually come and attack me!'"

⁶ And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷ 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? ⁸ I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to teach them that they should always pray and never become discouraged. 'In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected people. And there was a widow in that same town who kept coming to him and pleading for her rights, saying, "Help me against my opponent!" (verses 1-3)

I was staying with friends, and their son kept pestering them about why he should have a new video game. He eventually wore them down and got what he wanted. I was reminded of this incident by the widow in Jesus' parable. She was persistent and wouldn't give up on the judge until she'd received justice.

Sometimes what we ask God for seems slow in coming. Often God's timing is different from ours, but we can be sure of one thing: God's love and forgiveness are always there for the asking. He's not like the corrupt judge.

We only have to ask for his love and forgiveness and we have it—in fact, it's there for us even before we ask.

We don't deserve it, but Jesus has come to take the punishment for our sin. He now takes on the role of the widow for us. He pleads for us continually. What a gracious God we have!

We should never give up coming to God, even though our requests may be slow in being answered. God's timing is perfect. He knows what we need better than we do ourselves.

Great God, thank you that I can come to you boldly. Make me persistent in seeking your help through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Never give up or lose faith in something that you know God has placed in your life. Be patient and remember there is a time for everything.

Chapel



Chapel this week will be held in the Multi Purpose Room at 9am. It will be ran by a group of senior students. 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.....

- ◆ Tiana Schubert and her family

School Event News

Bursaries

If you wish to apply for a bursary for 2017, forms are available from the front office. Please see Miss Keller for a form. They are due back by Friday 2nd December.

Volunteers Needed

We are currently looking for some volunteers to assist with the Library Stocktake at the end of the term. It involves all library books being scanned into our system and being accounted for. The school also purchased some new books, which we require to be covered. If you are interested in helping or require more information please contact the front office.

Library Books

Due to the end of year stocktake fast approaching we require all library books to be returned by Friday 25th November.

P & F News

The Parents and Friends Association are running a PJ Family Movie Night on Friday 11th November. BBQ tea and drinks will be available from 6pm, with the movie to commence at 7pm. For only a gold coin donation you will receive free popcorn upon entry.

Welcome Niki!



A big welcome to Mrs Niki Saliba to the Nhill Lutheran School community. We wish Niki all the best in 2017 and look forward to having her as part of our team.

Sponsorship Child

Our total funds raised so far is \$443.65 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

Non Perishable Goods Needed

We are now collecting non perishable items to donate to people in need in our community. The box is located at the front office and we would appreciate any kind of donation.

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 1st November 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.)

Community Notices

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West Wimmera Health Service

Loop the Greens Fun Run

SUNDAY 30TH OCTOBER 2016
Nhill Golf Club
 Registrations 9am
 10am Start

3km 6km 9km Courses approx, Colour Run & Obstacle Course

For further information contact: Kate Kennedy
 WWHS Fundraising Coordinator
 kate.kennedy@wwhs.net.au or Phone: 03 53 914268

Register Online:
<https://www.sloopthegreensfunrun.eventbrite.com.au>

Colour & Obstacle Course

The West Wimmera Health Service presents the Loop the Greens Fun Run to be held this Saturday 30th October at Nhill Golf Club.

Registrations open at 9am, with a 10am start. Plenty of fun to be had for all the family with 3km, 6km or 9km running courses available plus the Colour Run and Obstacle course suited for the whole family! Come along and join in a fun action packed day.

To register go to <https://www.sloopthegreensfunrun.eventbrite.com.au>.

For further information please contact Kate Kennedy on 03 5391 4268.

West Wimmera Health Service

Melbourne Cup Day Luncheon

Tuesday 1st November 2016
Nhill Bowling Club 12 noon

Tickets including lunch welcome drink \$25

Fashion Parade
Cooking Demonstration

Tickets available: Earthly Treasures Nhill

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.

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Holiday Swim Program

Prep & above

Option 1: Private Classes. 5 x 20 minutes focused purely on the current needs of your child. \$150 (includes pool entry)

Option 2: Group classes 4 to 6 students per class. 5 x 30 minutes. \$70 (includes pool entry)

2nd to 6th Jan or 9th to 13th Jan
 Between 2 & 5pm

Mobile: 0447 084 241

E-mail: alainemcfarlane@gmail.com

Book Now Places Limited

Childrens Week Matinee

ALL WELCOME!!

Pocahontas



SUNDAY OCTOBER 30

DOORS OPEN 1PM

NHILL MEMORIAL

COMMUNITY CENTRE

Drinks and snacks available for sale.
BYO bean bag or chair to sit downstairs!



"This Children's Week event is presented by Hindmarsh Shire Council in partnership with the Victorian Department of Education and Training"

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