



# TOGETHER WE GROW

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## Upcoming Dates

NOV	Friday 18th	Pre-Prep Program
	Friday 25th	Pre-Prep Program
	Friday 25th	Library Books due back
	Monday 28th	Library closes
DEC	Monday 5th	Reports sent home
	Thursday 8th	Graduation Service
	Friday 9th	Last Day Term 4

## Birthdays

We wish Sidney Marshman a very Happy Birthday for Thursday 17th November.



## From the Principal

Our Get 'em going program was again nominated to be considered for an award in the Community Regional section at the 2016 Playgroup Awards in Melbourne last week. Although we were not the winning playgroup for 2016, it is a huge achievement to be recognised at this level. Congratulations to Mrs Tanya Mock and Mrs Alana Zanker for all their hard work and effort throughout the year to organise and facilitate such a brilliant program for toddlers in our community.

Thank you to all families who have supported our Get 'em going playgroup this year.

Our Pre-Foundation class has been a huge success again this year and it is wonderful to see our students establish routines and expectations so that they are ready for next year. Every Friday this term, our Foundation students for 2017 have started learning literacy and numeracy skills and participated in other areas of the curriculum. As part of our literacy program, they have started using the THRASS chart to learn all about the relationships between sounds and letters. They have also enjoyed learning all about the new chickens in the mini farm. We strive to provide an education that values each child's academic, creative, emotional, physical and spiritual needs. We understand that every student has preferred learning styles and we value the partnership between school and home. Every Pre-Foundation student has also met their senior student who will be their 'buddy'. Through the buddy program, students learn the values: *caring for others, friendliness, respect, valuing difference, including others and responsibility*. All children in the school learn these values through formal and informal activities. Our buddy program enables younger children to feel safe and cared for while older children feel valued and respected.

Just a reminder that our Graduation Service will be held on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> of December at the Nhill Lutheran Church beginning at 7pm. Students will need to wear summer uniform and sit with their teachers at the front of the church. All parents, grandparents and friends are most welcome to attend.

Yours with Christ, Tara Pritchard

## Devotional Thought

Pastor Tim is currently on leave, so this week's devotion comes from the LCA website.

### Holy Ground

While Joshua was near Jericho, he suddenly saw a man standing in front of him, holding a sword. Joshua went up to him and asked, 'Are you one of our soldiers, or an enemy?' 'Neither,' the man answered. 'I am here as the commander of the LORD's army.' Joshua threw himself on the ground in worship and said, 'I am your servant, sir. What do you want me to do?' And the commander of the LORD's army told him, 'Take your sandals off; you are standing on holy ground.' And Joshua did as he was told.

JOSHUA 4: 19-5: 1

<sup>19</sup> On the tenth day of the first month the people went up from the Jordan and camped at Gilgal on the eastern border of Jericho. <sup>20</sup> And Joshua set up at Gilgal the twelve stones they had taken out of the Jordan. <sup>21</sup> He said to the Israelites, "In the future when your descendants ask their parents, 'What do these stones mean?' <sup>22</sup> tell them, 'Israel crossed the Jordan on dry ground.' <sup>23</sup> For the LORD your God dried up the Jordan before you until you had crossed over. The LORD your God did to the Jordan what he had done to the Red Sea <sup>[a]</sup> when he dried it up before us until we had crossed over. <sup>24</sup> He did this so that all the peoples of the earth might know that the hand of the LORD is powerful and so that you might always fear the LORD your God."

5 Now when all the Amorite kings west of the Jordan and all the Canaanite kings along the coast heard how the LORD had dried up the Jordan before the Israelites until they <sup>[b]</sup> had crossed over, their hearts melted in fear and they no longer had the courage to face the Israelites.

I'd got used to taking off my shoes to enter Buddhist temples in Thailand. But it came as a surprise that when I went to worship in a Christian church in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, I also had to take my shoes off and leave them at the door. The church was considered holy ground, because this was where God served his people

with his word and the sacraments. I had a special feeling of awe as I knelt at the altar barefoot to receive holy communion.

When Moses approached God's presence at the burning bush, God told him to take off his sandals because he was standing on holy ground. God was calling Moses to lead the Israelites out of Egypt to the promised land. Now Joshua, about to lead the people into the promised land, is told by the commander of the Lord's army to do exactly the same as Moses was told to do.

We stand on holy ground every time we come into the presence of the Lord to worship him, wherever or whenever that may be.

*Lord, help me to come into your presence with reverence and awe, realising that I'm on holy ground. In Jesus' name. Amen.*

*Faith*

It does not make things easy,  
it makes them possible.

Luke 1:37

## Chapel



Chapel this week will be held in the Multi Purpose Room at 9am. It will be ran by Year 4/5/6 class. Parents and friends are invited to join us.

## Worship News

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

Nhill: 9am

Woorak: 11am

Church Office: 5391 1223



## Prayer of the Week

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

- ♦ Eric Tu and his 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. Please see the back page for further information.

### 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.

### Child Safe

At Nhill Lutheran School we are a child safe school. We make sure that every child can feel safe.

### Mosquito Repellent

Due to the large number of mosquitoes around this year, the school has purchased repellent for the students to apply at recess and lunch times.

### Help Wanted

We are renovating some garden beds in our school grounds and need some willing hands who can assist in weeding and clearing out some garden beds in the school. Can you spare 1/2 hour or an hour to prune, dig and weed? If so, please contact Miss Keller at the front office.



## Sponsorship Child

Our total funds raised so far is \$507.45. 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.



### November/December 2016

**Simon Mock**, Frank Crisp, Wayne Bandel

## Students of the Week

**Stella Schnaars**: For always trying her best to learn her spelling words, and for her excellent narrative writing this week. Fantastic work Stella!

**Lanie Clark**: For always being a happy and helpful member of the class, and for completing a fantastic Remembrance Day wreath. Great work Lanie!

**Charlotte Paech**: For having a go at researching facts about South America and for being a friendly and polite class member.

**Chloe Zanker**: Excellent work with writing facts about South America into paragraphs and for being a wonderful helper.

**Zoa Mock**: For doing a great job of her Uluru travel review writing. Well done Zoa!

**Alison Miller**: For great work with her fractions addition, subtraction and multiplication. Well done Alison!

## Get 'em Going

Come along to Get 'em Going next Tuesday 22nd 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.)

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## 2017 Bursaries, Scholarships and Fees Information

### Scholarships

The Nhill Lutheran Parents and Friends Association will be offering two scholarships in 2017 that will be determined by the staff. Students do not have to register their interest in the Academic Scholarships as all students will be eligible for consideration. The scholarships will apply to students who demonstrate excellence in academics, display excellent attitude and behaviour, and consistently strive for a high standard of work. Both of these scholarships are to the value of \$300 each and recipients will be announced at the end of year Graduation Service.



### Bursaries

Fee assistance is available to current families who may be experiencing financial hardship. Families requiring assistance are asked to contact the office for a fee assistance form which outlines the procedures to follow in order to request assistance. All requests are treated as confidential and will be left to the discretion of the Principal.

Families will be notified at the start of the year if they have been successful in securing a bursary. We realise that financial situations do change and fluctuate and therefore, bursaries are reviewed and offered on an annual basis.

### Fee assistance

Students who are enrolled in Prep (Foundation) level automatically receive a remission in the first term tuition fee. Please note however the once off composite fee will still be charged.

### Maureen Reichelt Memorial Trophy

The Maureen Reichelt memorial trophy is a prestigious award presented to one girl and one boy from any year level within the school. The awards will be presented at the end of year graduation service. The citizenship qualities that will be considered in making the selection include;

1. Students who are well mannered, courteous, co-operative.
2. Show respect for both teachers and other students and is highly respected within the school.
3. Readily accepts responsibility and leadership within the School.
4. Applies him/herself diligently to study.
5. Readily participates in School activities.
6. Is an ambassador for the School in the community.
7. Volunteer and extracurricular activities are also taken into account.

### In the Spirit of Lions Award

The Lions Club of Nhill will be recognising one student with an award this year who best embodies the Lions motto of "Where there is a need, there is a Lion". The award will be chosen by the staff and although it is similar to a Citizenship award, it recognizes a student who shows humanity and servant hood. The award will be presented at the end of year graduation service.

If you have any questions or require further assistance with applications please contact the front office, and we will endeavour to assist.

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## Child Safety

### Building Resilience

#### Understanding Problem- Solving

##### What is problem-solving?

Problem-solving is an important life skill. It useful and important for children and young people to be able to:

- recognise and name a problem
- understand who is affected by the problem
- understand and communicate about the emotional responses people might have to the problem
- work out what the different options are that they could use to solve the problem
- predict what the consequences might be for each different option

##### How do we teach problem-solving?

Problem-solving 'steps' include:

- Naming or defining the problem
- Brainstorming the options
- Predicting the consequences of the various options
- Thinking about the positive or negative features of each option
- Assessing whether or not ideas are practical
- Working out what strengths and resources are needed to carry out a particular choice
- Choosing the best option
- Deciding what would need to be done, by whom and when
- Trying out the option

#### The Flower

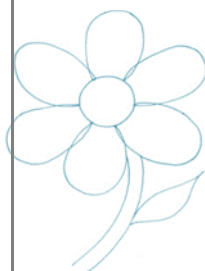
The image of a flower is used to show when there is a problem there can be different ways to try and solve it.

On the **stem** name the problem

In the **petals** list the possible options or ideas for trying to solve the problem, one on each petal

In the **centre** of the flower write the chosen option or idea

Students are given a scenario or story and asked to think and talk about the different options or ideas before they decide which one to choose.



Reference: Department of Education and Early Childhood Development

## Community Notices

### Aquatics Unlimited

#### Swim Safe & Confident

At Kaniva  
Swimming  
Pool



#### Learn to Swim or Race Technique and Fitness

Includes End of Season Carnival

Ages 3 & above

9 lessons between term 4, 2016  
and term 1, 2017 Monday or Tuesday

\$125 (includes pool entry)

Mobile: 0447 084 241

E-mail: [alainemcfarlane@gmail.com](mailto:alainemcfarlane@gmail.com)

**Book Now Places Limited**



### 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](mailto:alainemcfarlane@gmail.com)

**Book Now Places Limited**



## Swimming Lessons with Chelsea

@ the Nhill Swimming Pool

**\*OPEN FOR ENROLMENTS\***



**Dates:** Thursdays & Fridays, starting 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> November and running weekly for 4 weeks

**Times:** 4.15pm – 7pm both nights

**Levels:**

Babies/Infants (6 months – 3years)

Levels 1 – 5 (stroke development)

Junior Swim Squad (stroke refinement and race standards)

**Price:** \$52 for 4 lessons (or \$104 to swim both nights)

**To enrol contact Chelsea:**

**Mobile:** 0428 152 069

**Email:** xavieryago@hotmail.com

**Facebook:** private message Chelsea Watts or Nhill Swimming Lessons with Chelsea page



## HOLIDAY SWIMMING PROGRAM @ the Nhill Swimming Pool **\*OPEN FOR ENROLMENTS\***

**Dates:** Monday to Friday (week block), 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> January 2017

**Times:** 2.30pm onwards each day

**Levels:**

Babies/Infants (6 months – 3years)

Levels 1 – 5 (stroke development)

**Price:** \$65 (includes 5 x 30 minute lessons)

**To enrol contact Chelsea:**

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**Facebook:** private message Chelsea Watts or Nhill Swimming Lessons with Chelsea page