



TOGETHER WE GROW

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Upcoming Dates

APR	Friday 28th	F-2 Athletics Fun Day @ Nhill College
MAY	Wednesday 3rd	Foundation/Year 1 Farm Excursion
	Tuesday 9th	NAPLAN
	Tuesday 9th	Asthma Information Day 2:00pm—Student Session 5:00pm—Parent Session
	Wednesday 10th	NAPLAN
	Thursday 11th	NAPLAN
	Tuesday 30th	AFL Football Player Clinic—Year 4/5/6
	Wednesday 31st	School photos

Birthdays

We wish the following students a very Happy Birthday:

Nikolaos Diamantopoulos: Monday 24th April

Ayesha Ahmed: Friday 28th April

Eric Tu: Friday 28th April



From the Principal

It was wonderful to see so many of our present students attend the Anzac Day march. A highlight was to see a past student and a prospective future student also march with our school. We value community involvement and encourage people to participate and be part of our learning journey.

On Friday, the Foundation-Year 2 students will be participating in a variety of sports at Nhill College. The afternoon consists of fun activities in collaboration with the F-2 students from Nhill College and St. Pats. Students will be having an early lunch and then walking to the College to begin the sports at 1.15pm. The day will conclude at 3.00pm. Parents are most welcome to come along to support all students. Any parents that wish to collect their child/ren from the College after the sports afternoon must let Miss Keller know at the office prior to 1.00pm, so that they can bring their school bag and belongings. All F-2 students will need to wear their sports uniform. We thank Nhill College in advance for organising this special sporting afternoon for all junior students in the Nhill Community.

Please note that next week, Chapel will be on Monday morning instead of Friday. We are blessed to have Pastor David Borgas lead Chapel for us. All are welcome to attend.

On Friday the 12th of May, our Chapel will have a special Mother's Day focus which will be presented by all students. A special morning tea will be provided afterwards. We encourage all Mothers to take time out so that the students can bless you with a message of how special you are and how much they appreciate you.

It is exciting to have an enthusiastic and keen P&F Association who are currently organising a very special event for this term. *Mum's Night Out* will be on Friday, the 19th of May and women of all ages are invited to attend an evening of fun and fellowship combined with a movie in the multipurpose room. It is definitely not an evening to be missed!

Yours with Christ, Tara Pritchard

Devotional Thought

In his life on earth Jesus made his prayers and requests with loud cries and tears to God, who could save him from death. Because he was humble and devoted, God heard him. But even though he was God's Son, he learnt through his sufferings to be obedient. When he was made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all those who obey him. (verses 7-9)

It is the Garden of Gethsemane all over again. Jesus prayed there that the cup of death would be removed from him. The writers of the gospels record that he sweated drops of blood and was in great anguish. Yet through all this he was able to pray, 'Your will, not mine, be done'.

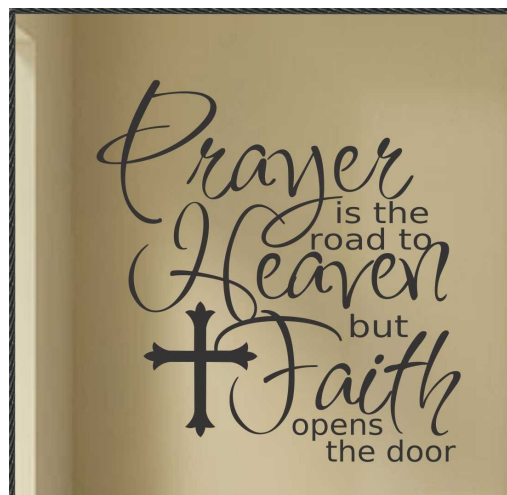
⁷ In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸ Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹ and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰ having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek. ¹¹ About this we have much to say that is hard to explain, since you have become dull in understanding. ¹² For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic elements of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food; ¹³ for everyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is unskilled in the word of righteousness. ¹⁴ But solid food is for the mature, for those whose faculties have been trained by practice to distinguish good from evil.

Jesus was humble and devoted. He learnt the full price of obedience. All this he did so that he could bring you eternal life, love and forgiveness.

It's a big price to pay: to put others before yourself, to be willing to surrender all to a higher authority. It's hard enough when you're dealing with other human beings; it's even more difficult when dealing with God. Yet you are called to follow Jesus, to carry his cross and walk in his

footsteps. And that means also going with him to Gethsemane and learning the hard way about obedience, humility and devotion to God.

Jesus, may I always follow in your footsteps, walking in obedience to the Father's will. Amen.



Chapel Offering

Currently, the chapel offerings are donated to support a sponsor child, Waxiangong, and his community in Laos. So far we have raised \$173.15.

Chapel



Chapel will be held on Friday at 9am in the Multi Purpose Room. Mrs. Pritchard will be running Chapel this week.

Worship News

Please see below for this week's church services times. This week it is a Parish service at Jeparit.

Jeparit: 10.30am

Church Office: 5391 1223



Prayer of the Week

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

- ◆ Athina and Nikolaos Diamantopoulos and their family

School Event News

Volunteering at NLS

For all parents wishing to volunteer at school to help in the classroom, on camps or with other student activities this year, parents must bring the following to the front office: 1) a current Working with Children Check and; 2) a certificate of completion of one-hour Valuing Safe Community training session on-line within the past three years. As a school of the Lutheran Church of Australia (LCA), staff and volunteers are obliged to meet the requirements of the LCA Safe Place Policy. Valuing Safe Communities (VSC) is a program to comply with this expectation. This training is valid for three years.

VSC Online Training Instructions

Go to <http://ilearn.alc.edu.au/course/view.php?id=170>. Follow the instructions. Use the Enrolment Key: VSC3_Volunt33r to gain access to the training. On-line training takes about 30-40 minutes. Certificates of completion will be generated at the end of the session. If you need any assistance, or would like to use a school computer to complete the training, please see Brittany at the front office.

Asthma Friendly School

On Tuesday 9th May, Casey Kosch will be hosting a parent session regarding Asthma information. This session is free of charge and will begin at 5pm. We ask that as many parents as possible please attend **regardless if your child has asthma or not**. This is requirement of Nhill Lutheran School becoming an Asthma Friendly School.



MAINTENANCE NOTICE

Please note that due to maintenance upgrades the south entrance of the school is blocked off. Please use the side ramp doors.



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 in advance for your help.



March/April

Kim Croot, David Reichelt, Adrian Pedie, Steven Carew, Roy Dickinson

Nhill Golf Club

4 Week MYGolf Junior Program

Starting Friday 28th April, 5th, 12th and 19th May

Time: 4:00pm-5:00pm

Cost: \$7.00 (\$26.07 including participating pack)

To book head to MYGOLF.ORG.AU



Sports News

On Monday 8th May students in Years 3-6 will be participating in the Cross Country held at the Nhill College. The Cross Country will begin at 10.30am for any parents interested in coming along to watch. Students are required to wear their Sports Uniform on this day.

Wood for Sale

The Parents & Friends Association currently has wood for sale. It is \$80 per trailer load and is able to be delivered upon negotiation. Please see Mr.Pritchard for further information and inquiries.





The Premiers Reading Challenge has a few simple rules.

- * Students must read a set number of books during the challenge dates.
- * You must keep a record of your reading. (Sheets will be sent home with students that register)
- * If children are in Prep, Year 1 or Year 2 they can read books by themselves or with someone else, for example, a parent, teacher, brother or sister, classmate, buddy or friend. This is for support if they are just learning to read.
- * Once a student has read books Miss Keller will verify them at school.
- * Students in Prep to Year 2 may also use audio recording of books to read along with and develop understanding of text.
- * The Reading Challenge dates are from now until 8th September 2017.

If you are in:	You must read:	Number from the Challenge Book list:
Prep - Year 2	30 books	20 or more
Year 3-6	15 books	10 or more

Students of the Week

Declan Carew: For his fabulous improvement in writing words on his own and for having a go. Well done Declan!

Annabella Zanker: For having a go in writing her own sentences, for listening in class, for following instructions, for sharing her impressive ideas and for her sensational work. Well done Annabella!

Asher Zanker: For working very hard in class especially with his Maths poster on time and for working well during Science when learning about insects and other animals.

Maci Oliver: For settling well into school, using beautiful manners and working very hard. Keep up the wonderful work!

Kendra Clark: For doing a great job of her time elapsed working out for Maths. Terrific, quick and accurate work Kendra!

Matthew Reichelt: For fantastic vocabulary usage in his art gallery writing. Great to see Matthew!

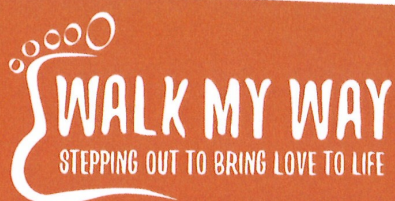


'The Digby Award'

Declan Carew

For a great effort in all areas of his schooling and for making excellent improvement in his writing.





AUSTRALIAN LUTHERAN WORLD SERVICE

REACHING OUT IN LOVE ... FOR JUSTICE

AUSTRALIAN LUTHERAN WORLD SERVICE (ALWS) IS:

- > the overseas aid and resettlement agency of the Lutheran Church of Australia guided and motivated in its work by the example and commands of Jesus Christ that are expressed in the Gospel message
- > committed to utilising the generous donations given by Lutheran communities in Australia and New Zealand to help the very poor and disadvantaged in overseas countries, to support refugees in Australia, and to raise awareness about global human poverty and injustice
- > a partner organisation to the Lutheran World Federation's World Service, [LWF World Service] which implements emergency relief, and refugee and development programs in thirty-six countries around the world
- > 68 years old in 2017!

AMONG OTHERS, ALWS AIMS TO:

- > address the root causes of human poverty and injustice
- > provide an integrated approach to development assistance that incorporates multiple aspects of community life so that the holistic needs of people are addressed
- > react to the specific needs and human rights of vulnerable groups (e.g. Women, girl children, all children, disabled, landless, unemployed, those affected by climate change etc.)
- > assist in leadership building to enhance the capacity of communities to better manage their essential services and peacefully claim their rights
- > provide for refugees and internally displaced peoples
- > respond to the urgent needs of people affected by disasters, either human-made or natural.

HOW ALWS OPERATES

- > ALWS employs a small number of staff in four states of Australia so that overheads are kept to a minimum. The ALWS head office is in Albury in NSW.
- > ALWS is funded by generous donations from Australian and New Zealand Lutherans (and others) and also receives funding from the Australian Government and the Lutheran Laypeople's League.
- > ALWS works through a network of Lutheran Churches, church agencies, and in cooperation with other churches—last year helping over half a million people.



A LARGE COMPONENT OF ALWS WORK IS LONG-TERM, SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS, WHICH OFTEN START FROM AN EMERGENCY RESPONSE (LIKE IN INDONESIA) OR REFUGEE SITUATION (LIKE IN SOUTH SUDAN AND BURUNDI). ALL PROGRAMS ARE SYSTEMATICALLY PLANNED, REGULARLY MONITORED AND THOROUGHLY EVALUATED.

THE WORK IS ABOUT EMPOWERING PEOPLE TO IMPROVE THEIR OWN LIVES - TEACHING, ENCOURAGING, SUPPORTING AND ENABLING THEM TO HELP THEMSELVES.

This involves teaching people that they have a voice, that they can speak out for their communities and themselves. As well as making sure they are aware of, and have access to, the services and resources to which they are entitled.

ALWS supports development programs in:

- > Papua New Guinea
- > Cambodia
- > Kenya
- > Indonesia
- > Nepal
- > South Sudan
- > Burundi

AND supports the restoration of communities after natural or human-made disasters (including war and conflict) around the world. For example Mosul and refugee camps in Kenya, Jordan and Djibouti.

THANK YOU!

