



# TOGETHER WE GROW

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## Upcoming Dates

JULY	Thursday 27th	Dental Clinic Visiting
	Friday 28th	Athletics Carnival
	Monday 31st	Meerkat Production @ St. Patricks
AUG	Tuesday 1st	P&F Meeting @ 3.30pm
	Friday 4th	Hockey 7s Tournament
	Monday 7th	School Nurse Visit (Foundation students only)
	Friday 18th	P&F Family Movie Night
	Monday 21st— Friday 25th	Book Fair (Book Week)

## From the Principal

Last week, our Year 3 and 4 students had a wonderful camp to Mount Gambier. The students participated in a variety of activities and programs including the Naracoorte Caves, Penola mansion and Petticoat Lane, Umpherston Sinkhole, Port MacDonnell and the Millicent Museum. Other highlights included seeing a dead whale washed up on the beach, feeding the possums, exploring the Mount Gambier Railway playground and the Penola Lolly Shop!

Yesterday our Foundation, Year 1 and 2 students travelled to Kaniva to visit a carrot farm, the museum and the puppet shop. They also explored the Sheep Art along the main street. Students had a wonderful day and learnt so much that is linked to our curriculum. We would like to particularly thank the Carew family including Mr and Mrs Meyer, for organising such a worthwhile and valuable learning experience for our students.

Today all students participated in the St John First Aid Schools program. This program was delivered by a St John Ambulance Professional Trainer who taught the students the importance of First Aid and what to do in an event of an emergency. We also had Wimmera Smiles (Nhill Dental Clinic) visit and conduct dental checks with the students.

Tomorrow is our annual Athletic Sports Day. I would like to thank in advance all the parents and friends who have offered to assist on the day. Parents, Grandparents and friends are welcome to come along and cheer the students in their races. The day will begin with a Chapel service at 9.00am and then events will take place on the school oval at 9.30am. The P&F will be providing free fruit platters at recess time for the students.

Thank you to all who have purchased sheep manure as garden fertiliser. Sales have gone exceedingly well and this week we have been able to send \$745.70 to the Maw Per Koh orphanage school in Myanmar. Once again, we acknowledge the very generous support of Terry, Lois and Murray Miller for allowing our students to use their woolshed. If anyone still wants to purchase sheep manure, orders can be made at the front office.

With Christ, Tara Pritchard

## Devotional Thought

### Who are the chosen?

**Now remember what you were, my friends, when God called you. From the human point of view few of you were wise or powerful or of high social standing. God purposely chose what the world considers nonsense in order to shame the wise, and he chose what the world considers weak in order to shame the powerful. He chose what the world looks down on and despises and thinks is nothing, in order to destroy what the world thinks is important. This means that no one can boast in God's presence.** (verses 26-29)

<sup>20</sup> Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup> For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup> For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, <sup>23</sup> but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup> but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup> For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength. <sup>26</sup> Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup> But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; <sup>28</sup> God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, <sup>29</sup> so that no one might boast in the presence of God. <sup>30</sup> He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, <sup>31</sup> in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

While most people are bundles of contradictions, there are always those who stand out from the crowd. They are knowledgeable, competent and confident, and they are tempted to be dismissive of the 'Charlie Browns', or losers, of this world. But, as Paul makes clear, our greatest danger is to trust in our own achievements and forget that we are totally dependent on our Creator for every breath we take.

You may be tempted at times to look down on the down--and-outs who wander the streets of our cities. Today's reading reminds you that God has chosen those whom the world has rejected: the little, the lost, the lonely and the last in society. At other times, when things have gone horribly wrong in your life, you may feel distraught with misery and shame. Because you have nothing whatever to offer God, Paul's words can bring you deep comfort. As Martin Luther said on his deathbed, 'We are all beggars, it is true'. It is to us as beggars that Christ comes and brings us into the kingdom of God.

*Lord, you have freed  
me of the burden of  
pretending to be  
what I am not.  
Thank you for  
accepting me.  
Amen.*

As much as you want  
to plan your life, it has  
a way of surprising you  
with unexpected  
things that will make you  
happier than you  
originally planned.

That's what you call  
**GOD'S WILL.**

## Chapel Offering

This term our chapel offerings will be sent in support to our orphanage school in Myanmar.

## Chapel



Chapel will be held at 9am in the Multi Purpose Room. We invite parents and friends to join us for morning tea.

## Worship News

Please see below for this week's church services times. This week is a Parish Service at Nhili beginning at 10am.

Church Office: 5391 1223



## Prayer of the Week

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

- ◆ Troye McBride and his 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.

### Book Fair

This year the School will again be holding the Book Fair. The Book Fair will run from Monday 21st August - Friday 25th August and will be open daily from 9am-4pm. Stay tuned for some special events that will be happening during this week.

### 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.

## 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.



### July/August

**Michael Koop**, Peter Bone, Adam Clark, Nathan Albrecht, Salman Tarar

## 40th Anniversary News

Plans are well under way for the School's 40th Anniversary celebrations on October 21st & 22nd. We are currently seeking some volunteers to assist. If you are able to help in anyway please contact Jackie Rethus on 0409 565 148 or [jackierethus@gmail.com](mailto:jackierethus@gmail.com). As part of the celebrations we will be holding a goods and services auction. If you are able to donate items, please contact Jackie Rethus.

## Car Parking

Just a reminder that the bus that drops off and picks up the students is quite a large bus. Due to this, we have a few rules regarding car parking. The two, 5 minute parking spots and the first two car parking spots can't be used when the bus is due to come in. These times are 8.45am-9am, and 3.10pm-3.20pm. Parking in these carparks after the bus has arrived is permitted, however **REVERSING OUT OF THE CARPARK IS STRICTLY NOT ALLOWED.**





## Students of the Week

**Chelsea Bone:** For always having beautiful manners, working hard in class and caring for Peter Rabbit. Well done Chelsea!

**Annabella Zanker:** For great writing about frogs and listening well in class. Keep up the great work Annabella!

**Chloe Crisp:** For excellent work with creating lovely, well detailed symmetry pictures in Maths. Keep up the wonderful work.

**Charli Rethus:** For excellent work settling into her new class, for completing all of her homework and for using beautiful manners.

**Sidney Marshman:** For choosing to add further details to his work in both writing and art. Well done Sid!

**Starla Colbert:** For writing a quality and entertaining 'Ode' poem of Mr Pritchard. Keep up the great work Starla!



'The Digby  
Award'

**Rachel**

For always working  
hard, being a  
wonderful helper  
and using beautiful  
manners.



## Classroom Teaching Position

### 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 48 students ranging from Prep to Year 6. The curriculum taught follows the same guidelines as Government schools. The staff in 2017 includes a principal, three classroom teachers, an integration aide 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](mailto:admin@nhills.vic.edu.au) with the subject line of 'Classroom Teacher Position.'

**Applications close: Monday 7th August**  
**Position Commences: 01/01/2018**



## Year 3/4 Camp Report

On Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July the Year 3/4 students set off on camp. We stopped off at Naracoorte Caves on the way. At the Naracoorte Caves we looked at lots of fascinating fossils and extinct animals. There were different types of megafauna that used to roam Australia before they became extinct include a very tall, leaf eating kangaroo. We then got to explore different types of caves and saw lots of beautiful stalactites and stalagmites. We also enjoyed fossil sorting and dig for fossils in a sand pit.

When we arrived in Mount Gambier we got to go out for pizza and then we played some fun games back at the Old Mount Gambier Goal, which was where we stayed.

On Thursday we visited the Blue Lake and went on the Aquifer Tour, where we learnt about the pumping station. Unfortunately, the Blue Lake was not as blue as it often is in summer. We also saw the Valley Lakes and enjoyed playing on the large playground. We got to explore the Umpherston Sinkhole, which has beautiful gardens.

We visited Port MacDonnell and had fun exploring on the beach. We also got to see a dead whale which was in the water very close to shore, which was very smelly! We also went to Shelly Beach and played on the beach and saw lots of jelly fish washed up on the shore.

We then went to Millicent and went to the museum. On the way we got to see lots of forests which are used for the forestry industry. At the museum we saw lots of old vehicles, clothes and even how they used to chop wood.

That night we got to go to the South Eastern Hotel for tea, which was very delicious. After tea we went back to Umpherston's Sinkhole to see the possums which come out at night. We were very lucky and got to feed them apples, which they love but unfortunately there were not as many possums out as there normally are!

After we left Mount Gambier on our way back to Nhill we stopped off at Penola and visited the Yallum Park Mansion, which was very old and fancy. We also got to visit the Old Lolly Shop and buy some yummy lollies. We also got lunch from the bakery which was very yummy and had a play on the playground before heading home. It was the best camp ever!

By Archie, Asher and Deegan



## Athletics News

Thank you to all the parent volunteers tomorrow. The schedule for tomorrow is:

9:00am—Chapel

9:30am—House captains to lead warm up for running events (400m and 800m)

9:40am—800m & 400m events

10:00am—Field events to begin.

Students will rotate around in stations every 20 minutes, completing 7 stations for the day.

Following the conclusion of the events, there will be a fun parent/teacher game of tug of war, as well as house vs. house games.

The sports are expected to conclude between 2:30pm—3:00pm. Students are encouraged to wear their team colours for the day. The house colours are:

Lowan: Green

Mallee: Blue

Hindmarsh: Red

We encourage as many parents/grandparents or friends to attend the day, as the students enjoy the cheering and support.

If you are planning on taking your child/ren home from the Athletics please make sure you let Miss Keller know.





# CONSTANCE ON THE EDGE

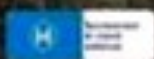
What does it take to belong?



## Free Film Screening

Friday 28 July 2017, 7pm at Nhill Memorial Community Centre

Come along to enjoy an engaging and enlightening evening amongst community friends.  
We invite you to bring a plate of culturally inspired nibbles to share.



DIRECTOR BELINDA MASON PRODUCER MARGUERITE GREY  
EXECUTIVE PRODUCER MITZI GOLDMAN IMPACT PRODUCER ALLISON HENRY

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# LEARN PHOTOGRAPHY



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Monday 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> August 2017

7.00pm to 9.00pm


\$60 per person\*

(\* includes Nhill Camera Club membership for remainder of 2017)

Nhill Learning Centre  
80 Macpherson Street, Nhill  
Hosted by Nhill Camera Club

No experience necessary  
Bookings to Janine Grover 5391 5218 or  
[nhillcameraclub@gmail.com](mailto:nhillcameraclub@gmail.com)

Learn what all your camera buttons do, use manual settings,  
review equipment, learn composition and basic editing



BYO bean bag, pillows, chair to watch  
the movie

# FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Friday 18th August  
Doors open at 6.45pm  
Movie starts at 7pm

Entry with a gold coin donation  
Complimentary popcorn  
water available