

# TOGETHER WE GROW

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### **Upcoming Dates**

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NOV	Wednesday 1st	Kinder Orientation 9am-1pm
	Thursday 2nd	Excursion to Holy Trinity Lutheran School for Reformation Day
	Friday 3rd	Pre-Prep Program
	Wednesday 8th	Kinder Orientation 9am-3.15pm
	Thursday 7th	George the Farmer Excursion (Foundation—Year 3 students only)
	Friday 10th	Pre-Prep Program
	Friday 17th	Pre-Prep Program
	Friday 24th	Pre-Prep Program
DEC	Friday 1st	Pre-Prep Program
	Tuesday 5th	Christmas Concert
	Friday 8th	Year 6 Graduation Dinner
	Thursday 14th	Graduation Service
	Friday 15th	Last day of Term 4

# **Birthdays**

We wish the following student a very Happy Birthday:

Liam Dickinson: Thursday 9th

November



### From the Principal

Last week we welcomed our 2018 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 2018 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 senior buddy who will help the children in their new school environment. As part of our orientation program for the 2018 Foundation families, an information session for parents will be held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> of November (9.00-1.00pm) and Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November (9.00-3.15pm). We look forward to meeting and getting to know our new students and their families for 2018.

Congratulations to Kit who has received an Achievement Award for her Lions International Peace Poster competition. Congratulations also to Kendra and Clinton who both received a highly commended award. Artwork can be viewed in the Nhill Gallery until the 10<sup>th</sup> of November. Kit's artwork will then be sent to Warrnambool for judging at the next level.

With Christ,
Tara Pritchard



#### **Devotional Thought**

#### From worthless to wonderful

The stone which the builders rejected as worthless turned out to be the most important of all.

This was done by the Lord;
what a wonderful sight it is!'

Then he began to speak to them in parables. "A man planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a pit for the wine press, and built a watchtower; then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. <sup>2</sup> When the season came, he sent a slave to the tenants to collect from them his share of the produce of the vineyard. <sup>3</sup> But they seized him, and beat him, and sent him away empty-handed. <sup>4</sup> And again he sent another slave to them; this one they beat over the head and insulted. <sup>5</sup> Then he sent another, and that one they killed. And so it was with many others; some they beat, and others they killed. <sup>6</sup> He had still one other, a beloved son. Finally he sent him to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' <sup>7</sup> But those tenants said to one another, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.' 8 So they seized him, killed him, and threw him out of the vineyard. <sup>9</sup> What then will the owner of the vineyard do? He will come and destroy the tenants and give the vineyard to others. <sup>10</sup> Have you not read this scripture:

'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; <sup>11</sup> this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'?"

<sup>12</sup> When they realized that he had told this parable against them, they wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowd. So they left him and went away.

In the parable before these verses, Jesus announces what is about to become a reality for him in Jerusalem. As God's 'own dear son' (Mark 12:6) he is to be 'rejected as worthless' and killed.

If Jesus' life had ended there, all his teaching and all his miracles would have been 'worthless'. But God was not content to sit back and watch his 'own dear son' be treated as worthless. God raised Jesus from the dead. What appears on the surface to be a hopeless tragedy turns out to be a 'wonderful sight'.

God turns what seems most worthless into the most important of all. Because you are God's own dear child, God is not content to have you rejected as 'worthless'. Just as he vindicated his Son Jesus by raising him from the dead, so he is active in you through his life-giving Spirit, turning what appears 'worthless' into 'the most important of all'.

Heavenly Father, give me eyes to see that what you have done for me in Jesus is truly wonderful. Amen.



### **Chapel Offering**

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

# Chapel

Chapel will be held in the Multi Purpose

Room this Friday at 9am. It will be ran by Pastor
Peter Kriewaldt. Parents and visitors are welcome
to stay for a cuppa.

# **Worship News**

Please see below for this week's church services times:

Woorak: no service

Nhill: 11am

Jeparit: 9am

Church Office: 5391 1223



#### Prayer of the Week

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

Aaron, Nathan, Sean and Hayden 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.

#### **Sheep Manure for Sale**

Sheep manure is again for sale! The bags are \$3 each, and are available for purchase from the front of the school. A big thank you to Brad and Carolyn Blackwood for giving us access to manure for this to happen. All proceeds will be going towards our Orphanage School in Myanmar. Delivery is available. To arrange please contact Quentin Pritchard.

#### **Child Safety News**

The website <a href="www.raisingchildren.net.au">www.raisingchildren.net.au</a> is an Australian parenting website proudly supported by the Australian Government Department of Social Services. It has many links relating to school age safety including personal safety.

#### **MAINTENANCE NOTICE**

Please note that due to maintenance upgrades the south entrance of the school is **STRICTLY A NO GO ZONE.** 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.



#### September/October

**Paul Drendel**, Toelwee Ner Moo, Michael Hall, Lahkow Moo, Chris Schnaars

#### Students of the Week

<u>Eden Woodward:</u> For excellent efforts in writing facts about Australian animals.

<u>Savior Ner Moo:</u> For great work in practising to write numbers and colouring in neatly.

<u>Rachel Reichelt:</u> For being a wonderful helper and working very hard to complete her work. Great work Rachel!

<u>Fatima Tarar:</u> For putting in a lot of work into her homework and for using different spelling strategies that have been taught. Well done Fatima!

<u>Troye McBride:</u> For doing a terrific job with his book writing and presentation. Great time management Troye!

<u>Nikolaos Diamantopoulos:</u> For doing a great job of his 3D shape drawings. Well done Nikolaos!







Come to a relaxed safe space and learn about keeping your brain healthy for life.

Wednesday 8th November 6:30pm start

Nhill Uniting Hall Cnr Pine & Victoria Streets, Nhill

Register via kylee@nnhlc.org.au RSVP by 3rd November

This event has been funded with thanks to the Hindmarsh Shire Youth Council as a part of the VicHealth Bright Futures ' Understanding Reality' Program.