



# TOGETHER WE GROW

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## Upcoming Dates

APR	Friday 27th	P&F Movie Night
	Sunday 29th	P&F Woodcutting Event
MAY	Tuesday 1st— Thursday 3rd	Year 3/4 Camp
	Monday 7th	Cross Country @ Nhill College (Years 2-6)
	Friday 11th	Mothers Day Chapel and morning tea
	Tuesday 15th – 17th	NAPLAN (Years 3&5)
	Friday 25th	PUPIL FREE DAY
	Wednesday 30th	School Photos

## Birthdays

We wish the following students a very Happy Birthday:

Eric Tu: Saturday 28th April

Oliver Bone: Friday 4th May



## From the Principal

It was wonderful to see so many of our students attend the Anzac Day march and ceremony yesterday. Starla and Matthew presented a wreath on behalf of our school at the cenotaph.

This Friday the P&F are organising a movie night for all our students! For a gold coin donation, students can come dressed in their PJs and eat some popcorn with their friends whilst watching a movie.

The doors will open at 6.45pm ready for the movie which begins at 7.00pm. All are welcome to bring bean bags and pillows.

All students have been invited to attend the Wirraway fly in to Nhill at the aerodrome on Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> of April around lunchtime. There will be free guided tours of the Ahrens hangar from 10am and the official ceremony and handover of the Wirraway will be at 1.30pm. Entry is free.

On Friday the 11<sup>th</sup> 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 attend and take some time out so that the students can bless you with a message of how special you are.

On Friday, May 25<sup>th</sup> there will be a pupil free day for all students. Staff will be attending the annual Western hub Lutheran Staff Conference.

We have our school Open Day on Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Prospective students and families are most welcome to attend and see the school in operation. For more information or to book a guided tour, please contact the school office.

Yours with Christ,  
Tara Pritchard



## Devotional Thought

### A Full House

**'Soon the servant said, "Your order has been carried out, sir, but there is room for more." So the master said to the servant, "Go out to the country roads and lanes and make people come in, so that my house will be full. I tell you all that none of those who were invited will taste my dinner!"' (verses 22-24)**

Most people love parties. Parties are an exciting mix of food and fun. If you advertise a free feast, you guarantee a full house, don't you?

So it comes as a real shock to hear Jesus tell his story about a man who put on a great feast and invited lots of people, and then everybody turned down the invitation. We know it wouldn't happen here in Australia, and I don't think it would have happened in the Palestine of Jesus' day either.

Jesus intended his story to shock people, especially the suspicious and self-assured Pharisees (14:1) who were at the Sabbath meal with Jesus. He was telling them and us that, while God is a generous host who provides the best for his guests, we have to come to the party to enjoy these things. If we turn down the invitation, we will miss out on the feast, for God is so keen to have a full house that he will bring in 'the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame' to take our places.

***Generous God,  
thank you for  
inviting me to  
your great  
feast. Help me  
to respond  
joyfully to your  
invitation.  
Amen.***

*For with  
God nothing  
shall be  
impossible.*

*-Luke 1:37*

## Worship News

Please see below for this week's service times:

This week is a Parish Service at Jeparit. This will begin at 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.....

- ♦ Lily and Natalie Hall and their family
- ♦ Imogen Hedt and her family

## Chapel



Just a reminder that there is Chapel tomorrow beginning at 9am in the Multi Purpose Room. A group of senior students will be running it. All visitors and guests are invited to attend and stay for a cuppa.

## Get 'Em Going

Get 'Em Going Playgroup will be running again next Tuesday 1st May. Each week children will be given the opportunity to participate in physical, social and mental stimulating activities to assist in preparing them for their learning journey ahead.



Please bring along the following:

- A water bottle
- Fruit snack
- Gold coin donation

If you have any questions or would like more information on the program please see Miss Keller at the front office.



## LCA News

Last year, the LCA 'Hidden Hurts/healing Hearts' campaign was launched to the pastors and congregations of the LCA. The campaign's intent is to reduce further instances of domestic violence in our congregations and institutional communities, and to build loving, meaningful attitudes, practices and relationships which will serve to curb such violence. The LCA are now ensuring that our ECS and school communities also become aware of the campaign and the resources that support it. The resources include: • The Hidden Hurts/Healing Hearts website: [www.preventdfv.lca.org.au](http://www.preventdfv.lca.org.au) The website contains links to State/Territory services, study resources, frequently asked questions about domestic violence, and training opportunities.

## 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.

### P&F Wood chopping

If you are able to help with this Sunday's P&F Wood chopping fundraiser please let the front office know ASAP. This is a big fundraiser for the school and remember many hands make light work!

### Conveyance Allowance

In some locations in rural and regional Victoria, eligible parents/carers are able to access the conveyance allowance to help with the costs of student travel to and from school. An eligible student may be granted a conveyance allowance if they reside 4.8km or more from the bus stop or from our school according to Google maps. Families can contact Miss Keller at the front office for an application form or for more information.

### School Photos

School Photos will take place on Wednesday, May 30th. Envelopes will be sent home soon with the order details.

## 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.

### March/April

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



## Pupil Free Day

Please note that there will be a **Pupil Free Day** on Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> of May so that all staff can attend the LEVNT (Lutheran Education Victoria, NSW and Tasmania) Western Hub Teachers Conference at Horsham.

## SRC News

Mums – skip this section of news; Dads, this is for you! Our SRC are holding a Mother's Day stall at school from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> of May to Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> of May. There will be gifts available to purchase between the cost of \$5.00 and \$10.00. Students will be able to purchase a gift during lunchtime. This will save you the hassle of shopping elsewhere. Gift wrapping will also be provided.



## Child Safety

Bravehearts specialises in providing personal safety education programs for children as well as tailored child protection training packages to support, encourage and nurture a culture of child protection within organisations working with and providing support to young people. The programs have been professionally developed and are highly trusted and acclaimed by teachers, parents and organisations nationwide.

As parents and carers of children, there are a number of key steps we can take to build resilience and protect our kids against sexual harm. By educating and empowering yourself, your children and their carers, we can minimise the risk of harm and make Australia the safest place in the world to raise a child.

The resources in the link below have been developed to support you and assist you to talk to and to educate your children about personal safety. This includes finding age appropriate words to talk about personal safety; some guided discussion suggestions that approach issues in a non-confrontational manner; information about indicators of child sexual assault; and how to respond to difficult behaviours. Visit the website <https://bravehearts.org.au> on your web portal.



JOIN US AT HTLC TO CELEBRATE OUR

**40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

*Autumn Fair*

**Sunday 29 April, 11 am**

- Food and drink
- Market stalls
- Live music
- Rides for the kids
- Pony rides and petting zoo



**40** years  
CELEBRATING  
1978 - 2018



# GET INTO GOLF



MyGolf is Australia's introductory golf program for 5 to 12 year olds.

The program runs over 6-10 weeks and introduces kids to golf in a safe and healthy environment.

Participants learn new skills, make new friends and most importantly, **have fun!**

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MYGOLF.ORG.AU**



**JASON DAY**  
2015 US PGA WINNER  
MYGOLF AMBASSADOR



PROGRAM IS SUBSIDISED BY THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT

**Nhill Golf Club**  
4 Week MYGolf Junior Program  
Starting Friday 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>,  
18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> May  
Time : 4:00 - 5:00 Cost : \$10.00  
(\$29.07 including participation pack)  
Bookings : MYGOLF.ORG.AU



WEAR YOUR PJS AND BRING A BEAN BAG  
WE ARE HAVING A

The poster features a dark background with a bokeh effect of colorful circles in shades of purple, blue, and pink. Scattered throughout are stylized starburst graphics in pink and light blue. The main title 'Movie Night' is written in a large, white, cursive script font, centered on the page.

# Movie Night

FRIDAY APRIL 27TH  
DOORS OPEN 6.45 MOVIE STARTS 7.00PM  
MULTIPURPOSE ROOM  
GOLD COIN ENTRY  
POPCORN PROVIDED,  
WATER AVAILABLE \$0.50