



# TOGETHER WE GROW

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## Upcoming Dates

MAY	Tuesday 1st— Thursday 3rd	Year 3/4 Camp
	Monday 7th	Cross Country @ Nhill College (Years 2-6)
	Tuesday 8th	P&F Meeting @ 7pm
	Friday 11th	Mothers Day Chapel and morning tea
	Tuesday 15th – 17th	NAPLAN (Years 3&5)
	Tuesday 22nd	Open Day
	Friday 25th	PUPIL FREE DAY
	Wednesday 30th	School Photos
JUNE	Tuesday 19th - Thursday 21st	Year 5/6 Camp
	Thursday 21st	Matinee 'Lion King' @ Holy Trinity Lutheran College
	Friday 22nd	Last Day of Term 2

## Birthdays

We wish the following students a  
very Happy Birthday:

Henry Zanker: Sunday 6th May

Deegan Clark: Saturday 12th May



## From the Principal

Thank you to the P&F for providing such a fun movie night for all students last Friday. It was terrific to see so many enjoy a great night.

This week, our Year 3 and 4 students have been away on a marine camp at Portland. Activities have included a boat ride with Portland Harbour Tours, beach treasure hunting, fossil education, fishing, Indigenous education at Tower Hill, Flagstaff Hill at Warrnambool, the Shipwreck sound and light show, Portland cable tram, Water tower museum, Maritime museum and other various activities including a night camp fire and astronomy. We look forward to hearing more about camp when they arrive back to school.

Next Monday 7 May, students in Years 3-6 will be participating in the Cross Country at the Nhill College beginning at 10.15am. Parents are welcome to come along and encourage the students. Students are required to wear their sports uniform.

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) for Years 3 and 5 students, are scheduled for Tuesday 15 May (Language Conventions and Writing), Wednesday 16 May (Reading) and Thursday 17 May (Numeracy). These tests are one part of a wide assessment regime that we use to look at what level students are achieving in Literacy and Numeracy against National Standards. Later in the year we will send parents an individual student NAPLAN report that can be used to view and monitor progress. It is important to know that NAPLAN is not a pass/fail test. It simply looks at what level students are achieving in Literacy and Numeracy against National Standards and is just one part of our assessment program. A letter explaining NAPLAN in more detail has been sent home to every student in Years 3 and 5.

On Friday, 11 May, our students will be presenting a special Chapel with a Mother's Day focus. A special morning tea will be provided afterwards and we encourage all mothers to attend.

Yours with Christ, Tara Pritchard

## Devotional Thought

### USE YOUR MONEY WISELY!



**'As a result the master of this dishonest manager praised him for doing such a shrewd thing; because the people of this world are much more shrewd in handling their affairs than the people who belong to the light.'**

**And Jesus went on to say, 'And so I tell you: make friends for yourselves with worldly wealth, so that when it gives out, you will be welcomed in the eternal home.'** (verses 8,9)

Christians have often been accused—probably accurately—of having a very unrealistic view of life in this world. That's a little strange, because Jesus had so much to say about how to live in this world. It's true that what he had to say about human relationships, politics and wealth flowed from his vision of God, but what he had to say was clear and down to earth.

So Jesus tells this engaging story about the crooked but shrewd manager who, faced with the sack, not strong enough for a labourer's job and too proud to beg, used his position to put himself in favour with other wealthy people, and so ensured his future.

His message for believers is very direct: 'So I tell you, make friends for yourselves with worldly wealth'. We are to use our money and possessions shrewdly and wisely to benefit others. We can do it as we see and believe how generously God has dealt with us.

***Lord Jesus, you became poor in order to make me rich in faith and love. So make me ready to generously use my worldly wealth for the good of others. Amen.***

## Worship News

Please see below for this week's service times:

Nhill: 11am

Woorak: 9am

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.....

- ♦ Shilah Hiscock and her family
- ♦ Ler Law La Shee Johny Htoo and his family

## Chapel



Just a reminder that there is Chapel tomorrow beginning at 9am in the Multi Purpose Room. It will be ran by the Year 1 class. 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 8th 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.

### 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.

### P&F Wood chopping

Thank you so much to those who helped chop wood last Sunday afternoon. The weather was superb for cutting, lifting and stacking firewood! It is terrific to see so much wood now available for sale. We also had a family that could not attend the wood chop deliver some trailer loads throughout the week. Mention must also be made of a number of volunteers, who are not parents of the school, but always attend and give a helping hand. We really appreciate this support as this is the main fundraiser of the P&F.



## P&F News

Please note that there will be a P&F Meeting on Tuesday 8th May beginning at 7pm. If you would like an item on the agenda please contact Jackie Rethus or Alana Zanker. Looking forward to seeing everyone there!

## SRC News

Mums – skip this section of news; Dads, this is for you! Our SRC are holding a Mother's Day stall at school next 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

Various web resources have been designed to provide information for children and those supporting them on a range of topics related to understanding emotions and wellbeing. KidsMatter Primary provides methods, tools and support to help parents, carers, health services and schools work together to nurture happy, balanced kids. You can find out more information at <https://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary>

## 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.

### May/June

Darryn Rethus, Martin Colbert, Peter Hedt, Andrew Hiscock, Nathan Wheeler, Adam Clark



## Thank You!

A huge thank you to the Athletes Foot Horsham for the donation of sports equipment in support of parents purchasing school shoes throughout the year.





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## Beautiful accounting software

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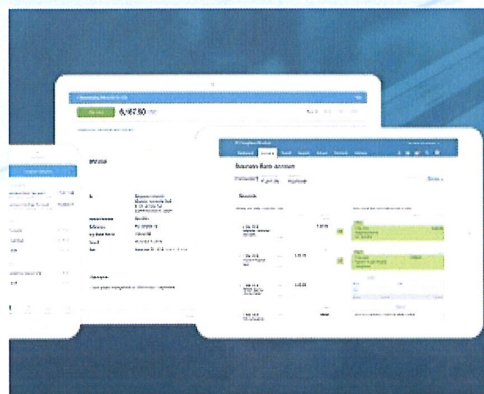
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# Monday Meditation In May

**This Class will introduce participants to the basic principals behind meditation and techniques to use in your everyday life.**

**Learn skills to give your body time to relax and recuperate, and to clear away stress hormones that may have built up.**



**Date:** Monday 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> May

**Time:** 7.00pm - 8.00pm

**Tutor:** Kim Gibson

**Cost:** \$22 (for all 4 sessions)

Please wear comfortable clothing

*Contact the Nhill Learning Centre for more information*

*Register by telephone 53879800 or email [tracey@nnhlc.org.au](mailto:tracey@nnhlc.org.au)*

*Bookings are essential*