



Upcoming Dates

JUNE	Thursday 14th	Reports go home
	Monday 18th - Wednesday 20th	Year 5/6 Camp
	Thursday 21st	Matinee 'Lion King' @ Holy Trinity Lutheran College
	Friday 22nd	Last Day of Term 2
JULY	Monday 16th	First Day of Term 3
	Friday 27th	Athletics Carnival

Birthdays

We wish the following student a very Happy Birthday:

Troye McBride: Thursday 14th June



From the Principal

Last week, I had the privilege of attending a shared learning session about *A best practice framework for playgroups-in-schools* led by Professor Andrea Nolan (Deakin University) and Ms Cath Healy (Playgroup Victoria). The session involved learning about the concepts of capabilities, high bonding, high bridging relationships and transferability in playgroups-in-schools. We also received positive data generated via interviews and surveys from our playgroup families and staff. In conjunction with Playgroup Victoria and Deakin University, we will now develop an action plan that will help us to further improve our existing processes,

policies and practices for our Get 'Em Going playgroup. Many thanks to Alana, our playgroup co-ordinator who attended, as well as Wendy Meyer who contributed from a grandparent point of view.

Our students had a wonderful day last Friday celebrating International Donut Day whilst wearing their pyjamas! Many thanks to our P&F for cooking the donuts and to our SRC for organising the fun day. Thank you in advance to all families who will be cooking the donuts at the Jeparit Museum this weekend.

The Semester 2 school reports are due to go home next Thursday 14 June. Parents and carers will be able to make links with the written reports and the work samples that are constantly posted on every student's Seesaw app. Parents are welcome to make an appointment with the classroom teacher to discuss learning goals by contacting Miss Keller at the front office.

The P&F organise the mid and end of year school cleans. Please note that the midyear clean is scheduled for Saturday, 23 June from 8.30am. If families would prefer to do their cleaning on Friday 22 which is the last day of the term, please let Miss Keller know in advance. An updated roster has been sent home today, and can also be accessed on flexibuzz. Please let Miss Keller know at the office if your family is not able to attend and is opting to pay for a cleaner to complete the required tasks.

Yours with Christ,

Tara Pritchard



Devotional Thought

Love your enemies

Pilate wanted to set Jesus free, so he appealed to the crowd again. But they shouted back, 'Crucify him! Crucify him!'

Pilate said to them the third time, 'But what crime has he committed? I cannot find anything he has done to deserve death! I will have him whipped and set him free.'

But they kept on shouting at the top of their voices that Jesus be crucified, and finally their shouting prevailed. (verses 20-23)

They didn't want him. Why? What crime had Jesus committed? These were the questions that haunted Pilate as he considered the fate of Jesus. Why did these people want to kill a healing, teaching, godly man? When all was said and done, the only real reason was that he was guilty of blasphemy. The people knew their Scriptures and they had heard what Jesus had said. They knew that in so many ways he, a mere carpenter's son from Nazareth, claimed to be God. This is why they rejected him.

And it is still the same reason that many reject Jesus today. Yes, they believe that he lived two thousand years ago. Yes, they believe that he was a healing, caring, godly man. But as for him being God incarnate, as for the resurrection, as for the absolute claims of Jesus and the church-no way.

Christians are not necessarily better people than others. Rather we are a people who recognise our need for help, and we recognise that we are helped only by grace through faith in Jesus Christ.

Dear heavenly Father, I pray for all those who oppose you. May they hear your word and put their trust in your Son, so that they might live forever. Amen.

FAITH
is like Wi-Fi,
it's invisible but
it has the power
to connect you to
what you need.

Prayer of the Week

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

- ♦ Matthew and Rachel Reichelt and their family
- ♦ Trinity Rethus and her family

Chapel



Just a reminder that Chapel is beginning at 9am in the Multi Purpose Room. Chapel will be ran by the Foundation class. We look forward to seeing all visitors. You are most welcome to stay for a cuppa afterwards.

Chapel Offering

Last week for Chapel \$13.30 was collected and will go to the Maw Per Koh orphanage school in Myanmar. So far this year, \$684.80 has been generously received from Chapel offerings. Thank you for blessing our sister school in Myanmar.

Worship News

Please see below for this week's service times:

Nhill: 9am

Jeparit: 10am

Woorak: 9am

Church Office: 5391 1223



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 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.

Year 5/6 Camp Permission Forms

Permission forms regarding Year 5/6 camp in Week 10 have been sent home. If they could please be returned ASAP to the front office so we can confirm numbers.

School Uniform

All students should now be wearing their winter school uniform. Please note that it is a requirement for girls to wear navy tights or socks in winter not white. Boys are required to wear long grey pants which are available at the school uniform shop.

Annual Report

The 2017 Annual Report to the school community has now been uploaded to the school's website. If you require a hard copy, please see Miss Keller at the front office.

Child Safety

Generation Next is an organisation that supports families and communities with developing positive wellbeing and health in young people. A regular speaker is clinical psychologist Andrew Fuller. He has posted a five minute YouTube clip called, 'Building Resilience in Young People'. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EWLqtErLPPA> He stresses that families can play a key role in promoting resilience in young people by building strong, healthy and supportive relationships that provide the opportunity for young people to thrive and feel empowered to make a difference.

Get 'Em Going

Get 'Em Going Playgroup will be running again next Tuesday 12th June. 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



MATES Mentoring

The MATES Mentoring program is organised by the Wimmera Southern Mallee LLEN and provides training for volunteer mentors to meet with a mentee for one hour a fortnight, and support a young person in the community. Our school sees the importance of continuing to care for past students and young people in the community. If you would be interested in making a difference, please see Mrs Pritchard for more 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.

May/June

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



PJ Day and Donut Day Photos

Last Friday the SRC held a PJ Day in conjunction with National Donut Day. For just a gold coin donation to wear your PJs for the day we managed to raise approximately \$80 which is a super effort by all the students. This money will be donated to a community organisation later in the year. Below are some photos of students in enjoying the PJ Day! A big thank you to all the mums that volunteered there time to cook the donuts!



Special Congratulations

A special congratulations to Athina Diamantopoulos who was baptised into the Lutheran Church on Sunday at Jeparit. Congratulations also to Kristina, her mum Rosa, and Nik who also became members. Please keep Athina and her family in your prayers.



Unknown Payment

We have had an unknown payment of \$975.04 on the 17th May. If this was you could you please contact the front office **as soon as possible**.



P&F News

This weekend the P&F are organising the cooking and selling of donuts at the Jeparit Museum. Please check the roster that has been sent home to every family outlining the times to volunteer on the stall. If you have any queries or questions, please contact our P&F President, Alana Zanker on 0409367128.

Just a reminder that the next P&F meeting is next Tuesday 12 June beginning at 7pm in the staff meeting room.

Community Announcements

BOOK FAIR

June Long Weekend

Sat, Sun & Mon 10am -4pm

In the Desert Edge Art Gallery, Nelson St

(next to the Old Spot Café)

ALL BOOKS \$1.00

Donations of books welcome on the day, or call Jenny on 0417 014 278 for collection. All money raised for Nhill Aviation Heritage Centre Avro Anson Restoration Project.



Horsham Sharks "come & try" sessions

6.30pm – 8pm

Monday 18th, Wednesday 20th, and Thursday 21st June 2018

Horsham Aquatic Centre

BYO drink bottle, towel, swimmers, goggles and enthusiasm

Contact Belinda Taylor 0409 009 420

