# TOGETHER WE GROW

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# Term 2Week 9Issue 1714th June 2018

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
	Tuesday 24th	P&F Meeting @ 7pm
	Friday 27th	Athletics Carnival
AUG	Monday 20th - 24th	Book Week
SEP	Friday 7th	John Coutis Visit

Lutheran School

# From the Principal

Thank you to all parents and friends who helped cook and sell donuts at the Jeparit Museum on Sunday. A special mention also to those students who walked around selling donuts to stall and exhibition holders. It was a great success and wonderful to see so many contribute their time and efforts. We are blessed to have parents who take an active role in supporting their children's learning and become involved in the school. The P&F have many more upcoming events on the calendar, please encourage and assist where you are able.

Semester One reports will be sent home today and we encourage parents to read through reports with their child and discuss achievements and personal learning goals. Just a reminder that all students present work on a weekly basis via their iPads and links will be evident between the written reports and work that is digitally posted. If any parents would still like to have a parent teacher interview, please make a booking through the office.

All students will be travelling to Horsham next Thursday 21 June to a matinee show of the musical, 'The Lion King' at Holy Trinity Lutheran College. There is no cost required for this excursion but all students will need to bring a packed recess and lunch.

Just a reminder that Friday 22 of June is the last day of the term for students. The following week, staff will be participating in professional development and planning. The midyear school clean is scheduled for Friday the 22 of June and parents who are rostered on to clean are welcome any time after 1.15pm to begin their duty. School will conclude at the normal time of 3.15pm.

Yours with Christ, Tara Pritchard



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# **Devotional Thought**

# Seeing and Believing

Then Jesus said to them, 'How foolish you are, how slow you are to believe everything the prophets said! Was it not necessary for the Messiah to suffer these things and then to enter his glory?' And Jesus explained to them what was said about himself in all the Scriptures, beginning with the books of Moses and the writings of all the prophets. (verses 25-27)

They had followed Jesus, hearing him and seeing him in action. They had heard him speak of his own death. But when it actually happened they weren't prepared. They couldn't understand. Grief and bewilderment overwhelmed them. And so they left, returning to their homes. It was finished. Or so they thought.

But Jesus wasn't finished. He came to them again, and again he taught them. But until he opened their eyes they still couldn't see, they still didn't understand, they still struggled with unbelief.

Left to our own devices we would never trust in Jesus as our Lord and Saviour. But Jesus has not left us to our own devices. He comes to us. This time he comes to us through the Holy Spirit and the holy book. Empowered by the Spirit of Christ we can believe. With the eyes of faith we can see. And with hands of faith we receive all that Christ desires to give us.

Heavenly Father, thank you for the Spirit you send. Lead me always to see Jesus as my Lord and my God. Amen.



#### Prayer of the Week

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

- Charli Rethus and her family
- Kelsey and Stella Schnaars and their family



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

# **Chapel Offering**

Last week for Chapel \$48.40 was collected and will go to the Maw Per Koh orphanage school in Myanmar. So far this year, \$732.80 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: 11am

Jeparit: 11am

Woorak: 9am

Church Office: 5391 1223



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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.

#### 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.** 



#### **Musicians Needed**

Calling for musicians! For our last Chapel service for the year, we are trying to get a band together to play the songs. If you can play the guitar, piano, keyboard, drums, flute, shakers etc and would like to



join Mrs Pritchard, please see Miss Keller at the office for a copy of the music. Our Chapel service will be Friday 22 June beginning at 9.00am.

#### 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.



#### <u>May/June</u>

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

**Child Safety** 

There are a number of practical strategies to promote the participation and empowerment of children. One suggested activity for parents to use with their child/ren is the Feelings faces activity. It is great to give them a voice and help them verbalise and identify their changing emotions. This downloadable sheet [Feelings] can be printed off for use and is available at <u>https://</u>

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static/50769910e4b07864e5d07147/ t/5621f12de4b0501d4064f756/1445065005817/ Feelings1500.jpg alternatively; we can supply a hardcopy from the front office.

One idea is to cut up the various face shapes and ask your child to choose one and draw how they are feeling, e.g. after school, sport on the weekends, etc. Once they have done this, ask, for example, "I see you have drawn a sad face, why do you feel this way? Can you tell me a little bit more about how you are feeling?" Give them time to talk about their feelings and emotions. Kids can also choose a face and place it on a daily graph to map their changing emotions. (Resource: Educate to Empower, <u>https://</u> e2epublishing.info/feelings)

## VSC

We take our role of creating a child safe organisation very seriously. It's about creating a culture where all staff, volunteers and Board members take responsibility for promoting and ensuring child safety and implementing best practice. To volunteer at school, you are required to have a current Working with Children Check and complete the Valuing Safe Community training session. This training is provided online and it meets the requirements of the Lutheran Church of Australia Safe Place Policy. VSC is valid for three years and takes between 30- 40 minutes to complete. To assist volunteers with this training, we are offering a number of days where the computer room can be used to access the online module. We will assist with logging into the site and print out the certificate for you at the end. To register your interest in attending, please contact Miss Keller at the front office. The following times will be made available:

Thursday 21 June – 10.00am-12.00pm, 2.00pm-3.15pm

Wednesday 29 August – 7.00pm

## We need your help!

Every week in the newsletter we will be listing some odd jobs that need doing around the school. If you have an hour to spare, or can assist with any of the



following, we would be most grateful. Thank you in advance.

- Art smocks to be taken home and washed.
- Art towels to be washed.
- Reading buddy listening to students read.
- Go on the holiday roster for looking after our Science room animals.
- Cleaning out the lamb pen.
- Sorting take home reader boxes.

#### John Coutis Visit

With the help of the Hindmarsh Shire, in September we are lucky to have John Coutis visiting us right here in Nhill. A lot of planning and preparation is underway for this event, but it is definitely one not to be missed! John recently spoke at National Young Leaders Day in Melbourne, which our Year 6 students attended. John is a gentleman whose own adversity with disability and his triumph over it, are personal inspirations to everybody. On top of this, he speaks superbly, he has a clear mind and a wonderful sense of humour. In a world which too often dwells on misfortunes, John is a man who uses them to his advantage. Stay tuned for more details on the event!

To find out more information about John visit: <u>http://www.johncoutis.com</u>

# **Community Announcements**

Horsham Sharks "come & try" sessions

6.30pm – 8pm

Monday 18<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>, and Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2018

Horsham Aquatic Centre

BYO drink bottle, towel, swimmers, goggles and enthusiasm

Contact Belinda Taylor 0409 009 420

# we have decided to publish a 2018 Nhill Lutheran School Cookbook as a fundraiser and keepsake. We will be inviting all families and students to

will be inviting all families and students to contribute recipes. We hope to have this available for purchase in November as it would make the perfect Christmas present. More information will be soon made available.

Our next major event will be catering for the sit down lunch at the Nhill Show. This will involve a lot of work and we require families to assist in some way (many hands make light work). This will be a wonderful opportunity to not only raise money for the school, but for our school body to give back to the Nhill community by using our time and talents to enhance the Nhill Show. A separate note has been sent home today.

The P&F meetings welcome all parents to attend. They are a great way to keep up to date with what is happening in the school as well as meet others in the school community.

#### **Midyear Clean**

Just a reminder about the midyear clean. Rosters have been sent home with allocated rooms and can also be accessed on Flexibuzz. The clean commences from 1.15pm Friday, but can also be done on Saturday 23rd. If you don not wish to participate you can opt to pay the cleaning levy of \$100. Please see Miss Keller at the front office regarding this.

### P&F News

On Tuesday night we held our June P&F meeting which was very well attended.

Over the past two weeks we have celebrated International Donut Day selling donuts at the school and the Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum at Jeparit. At Jeparit we had families volunteer to sell donuts on the Saturday as well as the Sunday and this significantly increased the number of donuts sold. Thank you to everyone who helped during these three days, especially Bron Zanker who coordinated these events. A total of \$1917.40 was raised.

Our fire wood fundraising is going well and we would like to thank Quentin and his children for all the time and work he puts in to this each week. Also thank you to everyone who has brought in wood for this fundraiser. We will be holding another working bee in the near future to keep the wood supply going.





Join Farmers Matt and Pete and Jolly Joy, the dancing cow for a fun musical show as they work to get their farm in order.

> Nhill Library, 5 Clarence Street Thursday 5th July at 2.00pm Limited places—Bookings essential 5391 1684 or via ProScribe

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