



Upcoming Dates

AUG	Thursday 2nd	Hockey 7s
	Friday 3rd	Athletics Carnival
	Monday 20th - 24th	Book Week & Book Fair
	Friday 24th	Book Week Parade, Breakfast and Book Launch
	Friday 31st	Father's Day Football Match & Lunch
SEP	Friday 7th	John Coutis Visit

Birthdays

We wish the following students a very
Happy Birthday:

Rachel Reichelt: Monday 6th August

Lily Hall: Wednesday 8th August



From the Principal

Today our Hockey 7s team competed at Dimboola against other teams from the Hamilton and Wimmera leagues. We would like to acknowledge and thank Mr Kim Croot for organising practise sessions, along with umpiring on the day, and Mrs Erin Alexander for coaching our team. We look forward to publishing some photos and results in next week's newsletter.

Tomorrow, weather permitting, is our annual Athletic Sport's Day. The students are very excited about the day and have been practising hard.

I would like to thank in advance all the parents and friends who have offered to assist on the day and Mr Pritchard for organising the day. Just a reminder that there will be a Chapel service at 9.00am led by the Sport Captains. Please see last week's newsletter for more information about the day. We look forward to a great day where students can display their sporting skills and encourage one another to do their best. Please note that flexibuzz will be sent out prior to school commencing if the event is cancelled due to rain.

On Thursday 16 August, we invite all families of current kinder students to visit our school from 10am to 11am. There will be a tour of our school followed by an Information session for parents, and class time for the children. We would appreciate if families please notify the office on 53912144 if attending, so that we can adequately plan for extra children in the classroom.

With Christ, Tara Pritchard



SRC News

On Friday 31 August, the SRC are organising a Footy Colour's Day to coincide with the Fathers challenging the students in a footy match. For a gold coin donation, students can come dressed in football attire or footy colours.



Devotional Thought

Not Just Luck

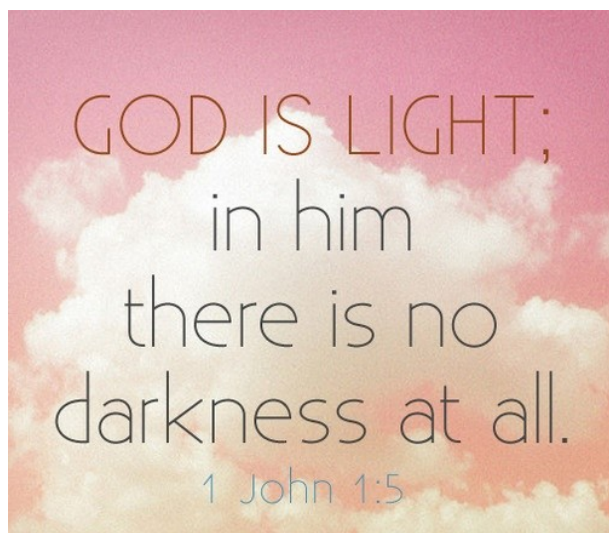
The night before Herod was going to bring him out to the people, Peter was sleeping between two guards. He was bound with two chains and there were guards on duty at the prison gate. Suddenly an angel of the Lord stood there. and a light shone in the cell. The angel shook Peter by the shoulder, woke him up, and said, 'Hurry! Get up!' At once the chains fell off Peter's hands. (verses 6,7)

Sometimes we think miracles like this only occurred in Bible times two thousand years ago, and we can be forgiven for thinking that. After all, the event was quite bizarre. Peter simply walked out of a heavily guarded prison, guided by an angel. Amazing!

But miracles do happen every day. The young defenceless woman is stranded by the roadside and is helped by a bikie with the symbol of a fish on his bike. The religious prisoner manages to hide a Bible in a regularly searched cell for years. That car going much too fast misses you by a whisker. A second brain scan shows no signs of an earlier tumour.

Unfortunately, our sceptical world dismisses such things as luck and looks no further. But Christians know that luck has another name: God's grace. This grace surrounds you every day of your life.

Help me to see your hand in my life every day, Lord, and to know that your grace is with me always. Amen.



Prayer of the Week

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

- ♦ Annabella, Asher and Chloe Zanker and their family
- ♦ Henry and Archie Zanker and their family

Chapel



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

Chapel Offering

At the last Chapel \$38.00 was collected and will go to the Maw Per Koh orphanage school in Myanmar. So far this year, \$849.00 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

Woorak: 11am

Jeparit: 9am

Church Office: 5391 1223



Nhill Lutheran Parish



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**.



Premiers Reading Challenge

A reminder to students and parents to continue reading to complete the Premiers Reading Challenge. We currently have 10 students who have already completed the challenge. Those students will be having a special lunch to celebrate when the challenge finishes. To be a part of this special event be sure to enter your books with your login details. If you have lost these, please see Miss Keller.

Book Fair

This year the School will be hosting a Book Fair between the dates of Monday 20th—Friday 24th August, coinciding with Book Week. The Book Fair is a great opportunity for students and parents to buy amazing books at low prices. The Book Fair will be open daily from 9am-4pm, with students being given an opportunity to purchase items during lunch.

Get 'Em Going

Get 'Em Going Playgroup will be on again next Tuesday 7th August at 9.30am. 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



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.



July/August

Michael Koop, Peter Bone, Nathan Albrecht, Stephen Allen, Clint Beattie

Child Safety

As children grow and develop, they will encounter situations where they feel worried, nervous and sometimes even scared. For example, your child might be feeling worried or nervous about participating in the Athletics Day tomorrow. Individuals deal with the demands on them by drawing on a range of coping strategies. Helping students to learn a range of positive coping skills will allow them to develop and practise skills that will enable them to cope with future changes and challenges. Positive self-talk is a key strategy for coping with negative thoughts, emotions, and events. Resilience research shows that use of positive self-talk is associated with greater persistence in the face of challenge, whereas negative self-talk is associated with higher levels of distress, depression and anxiety. Positive self-talk can be learnt or strengthened through practise. It helps to talk to your child about how they might feel when they lose in a game and write the words for some of these emotions e.g. angry, frustrated, sad, lonely, impatient, and jealous. Then ask what strengths they need to use to deal with these negative emotions e.g. fair, forgiving, patient. If you would like a copy of some strength cards to use at home with your child/ren, please see Mrs Pritchard.



KAREN BOOK LAUNCH

Please join Nhill Lutheran School
for our

BOOK LAUNCH, SIGNING AND AFTERNOON TEA

Friday, August 24, 2018
from 1.30PM - 3.15PM
Multi - Purpose Hall

TWO COMMUNITIES COMING TOGETHER AS ONE

NHILL LUTHERAN SCHOOL AND
HINDMARSH SHIRE COUNCIL PRESENT

JOHN
COUTIS



FRIDAY 7 SEPTEMBER.
NHILL MEMORIAL COMMUNITY
CENTRE 77-79 NELSON ST • 10.30AM

JOHN WILL SHARE HIS INSPIRATIONAL
STORY ACROSS TWO SESSIONS

10:30am

One hour talk presented by John Coutis @ Nhill
Memorial Community Centre

12:00pm

Foundation/Year 1 talk for Nhill Lutheran School
students @ Nhill Lutheran School



For further details please contact Nhill Lutheran School on 5391 2144