



# TOGETHER WE GROW

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## Upcoming Dates

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| FEB | Mon 18th -<br>Thurs 21st | Swimming @ 11am-<br>1.30pm                   |
|     | Tues 19th                | Starlab excursion—Nhill<br>College 1-2.30 pm |
|     | Wed 20th                 | No prep classes                              |
|     | Mon 25th—<br>Thurs 28th  | Swimming @ 11am-<br>1.30pm                   |
|     | Tues 26th                | P & F AGM—6.30 pm<br>nibbles, 7 pm start     |
|     | Wed 27th                 | No prep clases                               |
| MAR | Friday 1st               | Swimming Carnival                            |

## From the Principal

### Kindness

Kindness is a wonderful quality to possess and to share. Kindness breeds kindness. Kindness is goodness in action, sweetness of disposition, gentleness in dealing with others, benevolence, kindness, affability (I found that on Wikipedia!). Notice it says that kindness is goodness **in action** – it's a verb, a doing word. Kindness is also a Fruit of the Spirit mentioned in the book of Galatians. Students at our school demonstrate kindness through the use of kind words that build up and encourage, and kind actions that help others without expecting something in return. Kind communities help develop and grow a caring culture, promote inclusion and reduce unkind behaviours. This term we have started focusing

on the characteristic of kindness and will be acknowledging acts of kindness at assemblies. If you notice anyone from our school community being (or doing) kind, then let us know.

### What sort of learner is your child?

All children learn differently. There's not a one size fits all approach to educating students, and flexibility is needed to cater for different student needs. We are blessed at Nhill Lutheran School to have staff who go beyond to cater for the needs of their students – your children. We want the students to be deep thinkers, resilient, and able to face learning challenges with persistence. An important influence in helping student achievement is a positive home-school relationship, and we welcome opportunities to collaborate with parents/caregivers.

### The Miracles of Jesus

The chapel focus for this term is The Miracles of Jesus. Last Friday Pastor Carl shared the story of Jesus' first miracle where he turned water into wine. When exploring these stories it's important to ask questions such as "how did Jesus do the miracle?", "why did Jesus do the miracle?", "who benefited from the miracle?", "what can we learn from the miracle story?".

### Welcome BBQ

Thank you to all families who attended the Welcome BBQ last Friday. It was great to see you there and hope that you were able to build connections with others in our school community. A special thank you to the P&F and their helpers who organised the evening.

## Rubber boots

A reminder that students may have rubber boots to wear when they play outside when it is wet, and especially if they wish to play in our fantastic water feature. Thank you to Ken Voigt who has built another boot rack for students to store their boots.

## Drop off and Pick up

Many schools face challenges at drop off and pick up times and it is important we make these times as safe as possible. Currently we have a busy front driveway at the school. When the bus arrives in the afternoon a rope with a coloured flag is attached to the front gate to prevent vehicles from entering the driveway behind the bus. This is a safety measure to prevent vehicles from reversing out of the driveway onto Mackay Street when families with children are present. Thank you for being safe at these times. We are currently exploring alternatives to the bus drop off and pick up.

## And finally. . .

The next few weeks provide a variety of learning opportunities for our students. We have our swimming lessons and swimming carnival, an excursion to the Starlab, and an excursion to the Wimmera Field Days. We are grateful for these opportunities and hope positive learning and growth will happen for our students.

Enjoy your week!

Damon Prenzler

## Devotional Thought

### When your best friend is a sausage roll

**'When Judgement Day comes, many will say to me, "Lord, Lord! In your name we spoke God's message, by your name we drove out many demons and performed many miracles!" Then I will say to them, "I never knew you. Get away from me, you wicked people!"'** (verses 22,23)

Read [Matthew 7:22-27](#)

When I was at school, the tuckshop sold sausage rolls as long as my arm, hot and spicy and yummo. On a winter's day, a sausage roll with sauce belched all over it was just about heaven.

Only trouble was, I never had enough money to buy one. Bursting with envy, I did a bad thing. There was this one kid who could afford as many sausage rolls as he wanted. But he was a bit smelly, and his nose snorted, and he didn't have many friends. I offered him my friendship in exchange for a sausage roll. He didn't really trust me, but he was lonely and desperate and agreed. I got my sausage roll and he got friendship . . . for a day. Only a day, though. The next day the deal would have to be struck again.

I'm ashamed of that. That's not what friendship is all about. A genuine friend is someone you spend real time with, not someone you ignore and only call on when they have something you need. You give as well as take; share as well as receive; listen to as well as talk at. That's the kind of friendship Jesus offers you. And it's also the kind of friendship he asks of you. What kind of friend do you want to be?

***Jesus, I'm sorry for the times I take you for granted, ignore you, use you up, treat you badly. Help me be the friend to you that you are to me. Amen.***

The saddest words  
you could ever hear:  
**"I NEVER KNEW  
YOU"**

## Worship News

Please see below for this week's church service times;

Nhill: 9 am

Woorak: No service

Jeparit: 11 am



## Prayer of the Week

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

- ♦ Jonas Beattie and his family
- ♦ Caleb Bedford and his family

## P&F News

On Tuesday 26th February the Parents and Friends Association will be holding their Annual General Meeting at 7pm. All school parents and parish members are welcome to attend. Nibbles will be supplied from 6.30 pm. Enquiries to Alana Zanker (0409 367 128) or Jackie Rethus (0409 565 148).

The P&F is an organisation within Nhill Lutheran School to provide support for families of the school. The P&F is a great way to get to know others in the school community with social events and meetings. The P&F also fundraise in order to provide resources and facilities for the school.

At this meeting we will be electing our President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and 3 extra executive members. These people make up the Committee Executive, however, all parents of enrolled children at the school are members of the Parents and Friends Association and your attendance and input at all meetings is valuable.

Please do not feel any pressure to nominate for an executive position however if you do feel you have the skills, and desire to fill a position please speak with Jackie Rethus or Alana Zanker soon.

We thank you for your support of the P&F and look forward to a wonderful 2019 school year.

## Get 'em Going

Get 'Em Going Playgroup has started again, meeting each Tuesday at 9.30 am. 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 Mrs Koning at the front office.



## Chapel

Chapel this week will be held in the Multi Purpose Room on Friday at 9am. It will be run by Mr Prenzler. Parents and friends are invited to join us and stay for morning tea and coffee.



## Chapel Offering

At the last Chapel \$36.20 was collected and will go to the Maw Per Koh orphanage school in Myanmar. So far this year, \$62.05 has been generously received from Chapel offerings. Thank you for blessing our sister school in Myanmar.

## Lunch Orders

We have been contacted by the Nhill Learning Centre regarding lunch orders. It is their intention to continue providing this service. We will keep you updated if there needs to be any changes.

## Please sign in

Thank you to the many volunteers who help around the school, from listening to students read to maintaining the grounds and equipment.

For safety and compliance reasons we need you to sign in when you are at the school.

If you would like a passtab card, please bring your Working With Children Check card to the front office and one can be arranged.

## 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.

We are in the process of constructing the monthly roster for this year. If you do not wish to be on the roster, please let Mrs Koning know at the office by 15th February.



## Swimming News

Students will begin swimming lessons, starting on Monday 18th February, and will be run daily between 11am-1.30pm. Students will get changed at school and then walk down to the swimming pool. Students are encouraged to bring along sandals or other appropriate footwear to walk to the pool. Please make sure that all clothing is named.



The Swimming Carnival will be held on Friday 1st March and we are seeking a few volunteers to assist us on the day. If you are able to assist please contact Mrs Koning at the front office.

## Cleaning Levy

At the middle and end of each school year, the school is cleaned by school families. The school families are split into 2 groups, one cleans in the middle of the year and the second group cleans at the end of the year. Rosters will be provided. If you wish not to participate in the school clean, you can opt to pay a \$100 cleaning levy. If you wish to pay the cleaning levy, instead of cleaning or have any further questions please contact Mrs Koning at the front office.

## Child Safety

Students across all year levels will be revising Cyber Safety and how to protect themselves online. Key messages that you can also reinforce at home include; Informing students that nothing ever disappears from cyberspace; online behaviour and comments become a digital imprint visible to potential friends, employers etc....At Nhill Lutheran School, we strongly encourage parents to develop appropriate on-line boundaries for their children. If you would like more information and advice, please visit the government Cyber Safety website at [www.cybersafetyhelp.gov.au](http://www.cybersafetyhelp.gov.au).



## Year 6 tops

Our Year 6 students received their tops at assembly on Friday. They look great—and high vis as well.



## Bike shed

Thank you to Neil Kerber and Darryn Rethus for the construction of our new bike shed.



## Karen books

Children's books written in both English and the Karen language were made by our students last year. They are still for sale: \$20 for a pack of 8 books. Available at the front office.





## NLS volunteers

### Reading Buddies Program

We are currently seeking some parent helpers to assist with our reading buddies program and Perceptual Motor Program (PMP). Reading buddies involves parent volunteers coming into classrooms and listening to students reading aloud. Volunteers must have a current Working With Children Check and complete the training that is explained below.

### 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: **VSC4\_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 Mrs Koning at the front office.

### Hats

Please remember that hats are compulsory for Term 1. No hat means no play. Please make sure that all hats are named and maintained in good condition.

## Instrumental Music

If students are interested in learning guitar, please submit an expression of interest at the front office.

## NHILL GOLF CLUB JUNIOR GOLF COMPETITION



Thursday afternoons 3.45pm at Nhill Golf Club  
Cost is \$2 per person

Each week we will play different holes  
All school aged children welcome

Equipment can be borrowed from the club  
Enquiries to Shane Grover 0412 603 917

## Go Tennis Academy

### Term 1 Tennis Coaching Nhill Tennis Club

Thursday 7th February to Thursday 28th March  
Coaching Programs & Times

#### 3.45 to 4.15pm

5 to 6 year olds  
4 spots available  
Cost  
\$10 per session or  
\$50 for 6 lessons

#### 4.15 to 4.45pm

7 to 8 year olds  
4 spots available  
Cost  
\$10 per session or  
\$50 for 6 lessons

#### 4.45 to 5.15pm

Private  
1 or 2 spots available  
Cost  
\$35 per lesson or  
\$175 for 6 lessons

#### 5.15 to 5.45pm

Private  
1 or 2 spots available  
Cost  
\$35 per lesson or  
\$175 for 6 lessons

#### 5.45 to 6.15pm

Private  
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#### 6.15 to 6.45pm

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\$175 for 6 lessons

#### 6.45 to 7.15pm

Private  
1 or 2 spots available  
Cost  
\$35 per lesson or  
\$175 for 6 lessons

#### 7.15 to 7.45pm

Private  
1 or 2 spots available  
Cost  
\$35 per lesson or  
\$175 for 6 lessons

**Bookings essential contact Grant on 0417528502.  
First in best dressed**



## Welcome BBQ





# NHILL COMMUNITY PERFORMING ARTS PROGRAM

The Nhill Community Performing Arts Program is an activity run by The Nhill Learning Centre. It is open to all students of primary and secondary school age and will run every Wednesday of each term. The first session for Term 1 will commence on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February and run for 8 weeks.

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## **DANCE: to be held at "The Patch", 9 Clarence St, Nhill**

After a warm up, participants will learn good techniques to maintain their safety and look after their bodies whilst dancing. Sessions will cover various dance styles over the course of the program. These include ballet, lyrical, jazz, tap and more!

**Foundation – Year 4 students:** 4.00pm – 5.00pm

**Year 5 & above students:** 5.00pm – 6.00pm

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## **DRAMA: to be held at "RSL Room", 10 Clarence St, Nhill**

During drama sessions, participants will explore various technique skills, areas of expression, and styles of performance. These include, amongst others, vocal projection and characterisation, gesture, mime, improvisation, melodrama, script interpretation, and performance creation.

**Year 5 & above students:** 4.00pm – 5.00pm

**Foundation – Year 4 students:** 5.00pm – 5.45pm

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**Cost:** \$40.00 for dance OR drama for the term, or \$50.00 for both dance AND drama



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# OLIVERS CAFE

## SCHOOL LUNCH ORDER LIST - 2018

### Hot Food

Homemade Sausage Rolls \$3.50  
Beef Pies \$4.50  
Pasties \$4.50  
Oven baked Chicken Strips \$1.50  
Hot Dog \$3.00  
Steamed Dim Sims \$1.00  
Party Pie \$1.20

### Pizza Singles \$3.00

Hawaiian  
BBQ Chicken

### Sandwiches

One filling \$3.50 –  
Cheese, Ham & Chicken  
(Extra fillings 50cents each)

Salad only \$4.50  
Ham & Salad \$5.00  
Chicken & Salad \$5.50

### Wraps \$5.00

Ham, Pineapple & cheese  
Chicken, Tomato & Cheese  
**extra 50c toasted**

### Homemade Slice \$2.50

Hedgehog, Lemon, Peppermint.

### Chilled Items/Drinks

Frozen Yoghurt \$3.00  
Icy Poles \$2.00

Fruit Box \$2.50  
(Orange, Apple, Tropical)  
Bottle water \$3.00  
Flavoured Milk 250ml \$2.50  
(Chocolate, Strawberry)

### Gluten Free Options

Gluten Free Pie \$5.00  
Gluten free Bread/Wraps 1.00 extra

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