TOGETHER WE GROW

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Upcoming DatesMARFriday 1stSwimming CarnivalImage: Tuesday 5thShrove Tuesday
chapel—9 amImage: Wednesday
6thWimmera Machinery
Field Days excursion.
Students please wear
sports uniform.Image: Wednesday
6thLittle Desert & Black
Ranges Swimming
Carnival—Horsham

Lutheran School

Birthdays

We wish the following student a very Happy Birthday:

Jackson Page: Monday 4th March



From the Principal

What does learning look like?

What's your answer to that question? What does learning look like to you? Do you picture rows of desks in a classroom with students handwriting in a book and the teacher at the front of the room or at their desk? Or do you imagine something else? Our students learn in many different ways and in many different places. Over the last 2

weeks students have learnt at a pool, next week they will learn at Longerenong at the Wimmera Machinery Field Days. We have technology evolving rapidly and students can tap into the many learning opportunities that can be enhanced through technology such as an iPad. Here at school students are blessed to have many learning spaces - the Science Room, Art Room, Library, Kitchen, Computer Room, Multi-Purpose Hall and our wonderful outside spaces. A lot of the time they are not sitting at desks. So learning and learning spaces vary greatly and so they should. There is not a one-size-fits-all approach to student learning, and educators are challenged to cater for the learning needs of all students. So what do we want learning to look like at Nhill Lutheran School? How can we create the best learning environments so our students can be the best learners they can be? These questions are important to consider as we look forward.

Swimming Carnival

Our Swimming Carnival commences at 9.30am tomorrow morning (Friday March 1). Thank you for your understanding in needing to change the starting time, as we need to be mindful of the extreme heat conditions and potential risks posed by the heat. Correspondence about the Swimming Carnival was distributed yesterday and an updated program with student names included will be distributed today.

Wimmera Machinery Field Days

Next Wednesday, March 6, all students from Years 1-6 will attend the Wimmera Machinery Field Days. Please refer to the separate letter about this day that will be distributed.



Chapels next week

Next week is the beginning of the Church season of Lent. This commences on Ash Wednesday. As we are attending the Wimmera Field Days on Wednesday, we are instead having a Shrove Tuesday chapel led by Pastor Carl at 9.00am. You are very welcome to attend. There will also be a chapel on Friday at the normal time, led by myself, where we will continue looking at the miracles of Jesus. Please note there is no chapel this Friday due to Swimming Carnival.

And finally. . .

Every blessing for your week!

Damon Prenzler

Devotional Thought

All systems go

As he saw the crowds, his heart was filled with pity for them, because they were worried and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. So he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is large, but there are few workers to gather it in. Pray to the owner of the harvest that he will send out workers to gather in his harvest.' (verses 36-38)

Read Matthew 9:35 - 10:4

If you've been around an orchard at harvest time, you will have felt the urgency in the air. It's all systems go so that the fruit can be got under cover before disaster strikes. Sometimes you will hear the urgent plea over the media for more workers.

Those orchardists must feel the way Jesus felt as he saw the needs of the people around him. He didn't want anyone to be lost. What did he do about it? First he asked everyone to pray, then he called the twelve disciples.

The need is urgent today. We only have to open our eyes to see how troubled and helpless people are without Christ. Jesus reminds us to pray, and he calls us to become workers for him in his harvest. Are you ready? Will you go? If nothing else, will you pray? Imagine the joy and excitement when, together with God, we can rejoice over a great harvest!

Gracious God, help us to see the need and to be willing workers, so that we too can rejoice over the harvest. Amen.



Worship News

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

Nhill: 9 am

Woorak: 9 am

Jeparit: 11 am

Church Office: 5391 1223



Prayer of the Week

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

- Darcy Borgelt and his family
- Declan Carew and his family

P&F News

On Tuesday night a group of 13 met for the P&F AGM and first general meeting for the year. During the AGM the members of the new Executive Committee were elected. They are

Chairperson – Alana Zanker

Vice Chairperson – Bron Zanker

Secretary – Michelle Allen

Treasurer – Amanda Hall

Extra Members – Carol Case-Hassall, Bec Curtis and Tani Fritsch.

Thank you to these people for taking on these roles. All parents in the school are considered members of the P&F and are welcome and encouraged to attend meetings.

During the first general meeting for the year we wrapped up a few items from 2018. Kitchen supplies have all arrived and there are now 6 complete sets of kitchenware for the students to use in cooking lessons. The cookbook fundraiser has been very successful with only 24 copies left to sell.

We also discussed fundraising opportunities for 2019, which will start off on March 30th selling donuts at the Nhill Vintage Club Open Day.

At the next P&F meeting we hope to plan some more social events for the year to come. The next meeting will be March 26th at 7.00pm, hope to see you there.

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

Chapel

There will be no chapel this week.

Next week chapel will be on Shrove Tuesday at 9 am.

Chapel Offering

At the last Chapel \$13.95 was collected and will go to the Maw Per Koh orphanage school in Myanmar. So far this year, \$110.30 has been generously received from Chapel offerings. Thank you for blessing our sister school in Myanmar.

Lunch Orders

There will be **no lunch orders** tomorrow OR **next week**. Hopefully we will have more information in the newsletter next week.

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. It will be available soon.



Swimming News

The Swimming Carnival will be held tomorrow, 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.

Parents, please let teachers know if you are taking students home from the pool.

Some students have also been invited to compete in the Little Desert & Black Ranges Swimming Carnival on Wednesday in Horsham. Permission forms have been sent home today with these eight students.

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.



Kindness award

The Kindness award was presented to Clayton Hiscock at assembly last week.



Found

Lost property: available at the front office



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.

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. Please note there will be no junior golf this week because of the hot weather.

SRC

The SRC badges were presented at assembly last week. The 2019 class representatives are:

Sydney Currow, Cooper Cramer, Olivia Fritsch, Kelsey Schnaars, Eden Woodward, Thomas Albrecht, Rachel Reichelt andGiana Pohlner.



Go Tennis Academy Term 1 Tennis Coaching Nhill Tennis Club

Thursday 7th Februay 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

5.15 to 5.45pm Private 1 or 2 spots available Cost \$35 per lesson or

\$175 for 6 lessons **6.45 to 7.15pm** Private 1 or 2 spots available Cost \$35 per lesson or

\$175 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

<u>5.45 to 6.15pm</u>

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

<u>7.15 to 7.45pm</u>

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

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

6.15 to 6.45pm

4.45 to 5.15pm

Private

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Junior Golf





Wimmera Landcare and Wimmera CMA are bringing back our favourite wildlife champion

CHRIS HUMFREY & The Wild Action ZOO

1pm - Horsham Showgrounds 1.30pm - Adventure Island 2pm - Weir Park 3.30pm - LIVE SHOW Horsham Soundshell



& Foxtel!

Bring

family!

the whole

wcma.vic.gov.au









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 13th February and run for 8 weeks.

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



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



Cost: \$40.00 for dance <u>OR</u> drama for the term, or \$50.00 for both dance <u>AND</u> drama



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There will be

up for grabs

during the day

FREE EVENT

We are hosting our first Vic Fish Kids in 2019 to get more children fishing, more often!

It'll be fun and free, and everything is provided in the fishing clinics so kids can cast a line and try fishing in a safe and supportive environment.

It's all part of the State Government's Target One Million plan to grow participation and get one million anglers by 2020.

- · Learn to cast, how to tie knots and what to do with a fish when you catch one.
- · Free fishing tuition will be provided by volunteers from angling clubs and VFA staff. Bait will be provided in fishing clinics only.
- · Clinics will commence throughout the day, and there'll be lots to do for the whole family including jumping castle, face painter, free photo booth to immortalise that fish of lifetime and much more.
- Parental supervision is essential and participants should bring sturdy footwear, clothing to suit the weather, a hat and sunscreen, and a sense of fun and adventure because it's going to be a wonderful day!

We will be sharing the remaining dates and locations for the Vic Fish Kids Program 2019 very soon. Details will be shared here: www.vfa.vic.gov.au/vicfishkids

Come along and join a Vic Fish Kids ambassador, who will inspire young and old with expert tips and entertaining tales.



When

Saturday 9 March 2019, from 9am until 4pm.

Where

Sawyer Park - Horsham Angling Club, Dixon Drive, 3400

Fishing clinics will take place along the Wimmera River

Target One Million

More Victorians fishing, more often



