

# TOGETHER WE GROW

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## **Upcoming Dates**

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	APR	Monday 29th	AFL Player Clinic at Nhill College (Year 4, 5 & 6); 1.30—2.45 pm
	MAY	Wednesday 1st —Friday 3rd	Year 3 / 4 Camp to Mount Gambier
		Now Open	Premiers' Reading Challenge



## **Birthdays**

We wish the following students a very Happy Birthday:

Nikolaos Diamantopoulos: Wednesday 24th April

Ryan McCartney: Friday

26th April

Eric Tu: Sunday 28th April

Darcy Borgelt: Tuesday 30th April



### Master the Masters











## From the Principal

#### A Time to Remember

Welcome to Term 2! I hope your holiday time was filled with positive memory making and cherished time with loved ones. A belated Happy Easter to you!

The beginning of a school term is always a time to remember – students must remember routines, expectations and rules, the effort needed to produce a high learning quality and more. Staff need to remember their own routines and how to engage students in challenging learning, parents need to remember to pack lunches and ensure the correct school uniform is worn.

A quirk of the calendar this year sees Easter and Anzac Day fall in the same week. Both of these are opportunities for us to remember sacrifices that were made. We remember the Anzacs and the sacrifices they made. As a Christian community we especially remember the sacrifice of Jesus at Easter. How wonderful that Jesus, who died on the cross, was raised to life again! How wonderful that we can live with the promise that the risen Jesus is with us and that those who believe in him and his resurrection may have eternal life!

#### Other Information To Remember

A few other things to remember as we commence a new term:

Winter uniform is now to be worn. Please ensure the items are named and in good condition.

Hats are still required at school and are needed to be worn when the UV rating is above 3. This is consistent with the expectations of a Sunsmart school. I expect in the next few weeks the UV rating will reduce sufficiently for hats to not be required.

Rubber boots may be worn at recess and lunch. Slippers/ugg boots may be worn inside.

#### **Looking Back and Looking Forward**

We are grateful for numerous events and happenings that have happened. Grandparents Day was a success and a fantastic way for Term 1 to end. It was so wonderful to share our school with the many visitors and students loved showing guests their learning and learning spaces.

Looking forward we see a Term 2 filled with many exciting learning opportunities and happenings, starting next week with the Year 3/4 camp to Mount Gambier. Please keep an eye on the calendar for upcoming events.

#### **Creating New Learning Spaces**

Look at these before and after photos.





transformed into a learning space for students. Students are now placing bags on the bag hooks opposite.

#### And finally...

The staff and I are delighted to be back for what we hope will be a successful Term 2. Wishing you every blessing

Damon Prenzler

#### Maintenance Roster

The purpose of this roster is to have a group of people available to fix any small maintenance issues that arise. If they occur in your month, you may be called upon to help.

## March/April

**Darryn Rethus**, David Reichelt, Adrian Pedie, Steven Carew, Roy Dickinson, Jeff Woodward, Joel Borgelt, Richard McPherson



## **Devotional Thought**

#### You are always in God's care

I am always in your care; save me from my enemies, from those who persecute me. Look on your servant with kindness; save me in your constant love. (verses 15,16)

Read Psalm 31:1-4, 15, 16

You may have had times in your life when you felt vulnerable: when you felt helpless in the face of a sickness or disease, or when you felt that you were being overwhelmed by the temptation to do something that you knew was wrong. During such times it can feel as if the powers of evil have the upper hand, as if God has no strength or desire to save you.

It's often only afterwards that you can see that God has been with you all along, that even through the times when he seemed far away he was with you, giving you his protection and guidance.

You are always in God's care. No matter what sort of difficulty or trouble or temptation you face, God is with you to help you, to heal you and to show you his kindness. Let him give you the protection and care that you need.

Lord, thank you for keeping me in your care. Look on me with your kindness, so that I may have the strength to face whatever challenges life brings. Amen.



## **Worship News**

Please see below for this week's church

service times;

Nhill: 11 am

Woorak: 9 am

Jeparit: 9 am

Church Office: 5391 1223



## Prayer of the Week

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

- Mia Grover and her family
- Lily Hall and her family

## Chapel

Chapel this week will be held in the Multi Purpose Room at 9am and will be run by Pastor Carl. Parents and friends are always invited to join us and stay for morning tea and coffee.



## **Chapel Offering**

At the last Chapel \$170.70 was collected and will go to the Maw Per Koh orphanage school in Myanmar. So far this year, \$484.50 has been generously received from Chapel offerings. Thank you for blessing our sister school in Myanmar.

#### 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.

## Thank you, Mrs Cramer

We said farewell and thank you to our school cleaner, Mrs Cramer, on the last day of term 1.



## **ANZAC Day**

Students and family members joined us at the Nhill Anzac Day ceremony on April 25. We marched to the cenotaph where our school captains laid a wreath. We then marched to the Nhill Memorial Community Centre.



## 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.

#### **Lunch Orders**

A reminder that lunch orders are only available on Thursdays and Fridays from now on.

#### Nhill parkrun, Jaypex Park Every Saturday morning, 8.00am 5km walk or run or a bit of both

No experience necessary Register at www.parkrun.com.au

Further details on www.facebook.com/nhillparkrun

Be part of the fun





#### Firewood Fundraiser

#### FIREWOOD NEEDED!!!

The P&F are requiring donations of firewood for their Winter Fundraiser before the cold weather sets in.

This is a great opportunity to clear fence lines and felled trees in paddocks before cropping begins.

If you have a trailer load (or more) of dry **wood** that you are happy to donate and can drop it off at the School any time from now on, please contact the School Office or Alana Zanker on 0409367128.

Wet wood is also welcome for storage for next year but must be separate from dry wood.

If you cannot bring a load in to school we can arrange for it to be picked up or cut if necessary.

We are also looking for large sources of firewood that we can use as an ongoing source.

# **MASTER THE** MASTERS!

Gallery Central is proud to announce its FIFTH **MASTER THE MASTERS** an art competition—with a difference.

All work is for sale.

DON'T BE FOOLED! THESE WORKS JUST MIGHT BE THE REAL THINKG. THEN AGAIN....

Let the public decide! PEOPLE'S CHOICE will be chosen by public ballot, commencing Opening Night until Friday May 17th.

> Gallery Opening Hours: Mon—Fri 10 am-4 pm Sat 10 am-1 pm 18 Victoria St, Nhill

## Help Wanted

#### FIREWOOD COORDINATOR and HELPERS WANTED!!!

Do you love the smell of freshly cut timber? Are you a wood cutting, chainsaw loving person? Do you like to cut and stack wood instead of working out at the gym?

Then you may be the person we are looking for!!!

We require a number of people to help coordinate, source, cut, and deliver Firewood to our client list over the winter months. The arrangements are flexible to meet in with the farming seasons, weather and work commitments. Holding one or two group wood chop days may be enough to meet demand for the year.

Families who commit regularly to the Firewood Fundraiser will not be required to volunteer for Donut Rosters at other events as we appreciate and recognize your help in this area.

For more details and expressions of interest please contact Alana Zanker on 0409367128 or leave your details with the School Office. Suggestions welcome!

## Grandparent's Day







