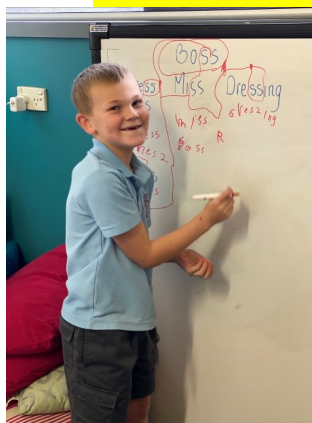




## Upcoming Dates

AUG	Mon 17th— Fri 4th Sep	SRC Father's Day stall  Check out the stall when you come in to swap over library books & readers (between 9 am and 3.30 pm weekdays)
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## Learning at school

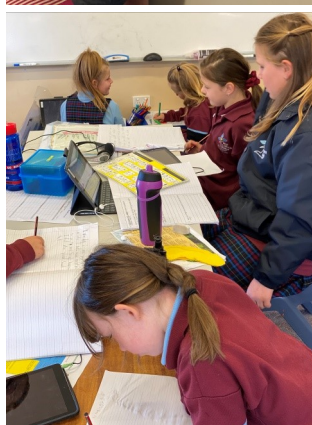


## Learning at home



Sophie B is  
CATching the  
MEOWning  
opportunity to dress  
up for home  
learning!

She hopes we have  
a PURRfect day!!



Olive and Jonas  
having a giggle  
learning about  
Koalas for recount  
writing today.



## From the Principal

### Remote Learning

I hope you have successfully survived, and even enjoyed, another week of remote learning and Stage 3 restrictions. It has been great seeing positive examples of student learning, and of students being creative whilst remote learning. For example, some students have devised their own virtual athletics day, while others are sharing amazing presentations using iPad apps such as iMovie, Scratch Jr and more.

Parents are welcome to pass on any constructive feedback to teachers about the learning, about what is going well, or about what could be improved.

### Governance of NLS

Recently there have been changes to the governance of Nhill Lutheran School. Included in this newsletter is information about these changes and a message from Mr Kim Croot. Kim has announced his resignation from his role as School Council Chair and from the School Council. He has faithfully served Nhill Lutheran School for many years and his love for the school is strong. On behalf of the school community, I wish Kim God's richest blessings, and sincerely thank him for the significant contributions he has made to our wonderful school.

Every blessing for your week,

Damon Prenzler

## Name the chickens

We now have four new chickens who are looking for names. So put your thinking caps on because we are having a competition to name the chickens.



## Did you know?

Every student at Nhill Lutheran School is allocated an iPad. With the need for technology to be portable, iPads are a great learning tool that can build learning capacity. Students show what they know in various ways using the range of choices an iPad provides, enabling greater engagement in learning tasks. The use of technology also equips our students for the digital competency needed now and in the future.



## Father's Day Stall

The SRC has organised a Father's Day Stall here at school. Students are welcome to buy something from the stall when they drop in to change their library books and readers. The plan is to run the stall between 9 am and 3.30 pm on school days over the next three weeks, or until we run out of stock. Parents, please wear a mask and sign in at the front office.



## Devotional Thought

### Getting carried away

[The angel] carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the Holy City, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God (Revelation 21:10).

[Read Revelation 21:10,22-25](#)

'Don't get carried away.'

This phrase seems to always be used when something exciting is about to occur, whether playing a game, doing a hobby, shopping or any number of things that you enjoy. The caution is to keep my feet on the ground – be realistic. It's like when I told my wife that I was pretty sure that my football team, the Fremantle Dockers, was going to win the Grand Final this year – she said, 'Don't get carried away'.

To be carried away means to go well above and beyond what can logically be expected or hoped for. In Revelation, John (literally) gets carried away to be shown a vision of what heaven is going to be like. How would you like to get carried away by that? Have you ever wondered to yourself what this is going to look like?

In the city that descends, John gets carried away by the vision of Jerusalem without a temple. Think about how strange this must be for him. There is no building, because 'the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the lamb is its lamp' (Revelation 21:22b,23).

When that great, glorious, and brilliant day arrives, and the world is restored again to its perfection, we'll get carried away that we won't be going to a church building and we won't even need the sun to guide our way – because this function is fulfilled by God through the Lamb.

What images come to mind when you think of this?

***Carry me away, Heavenly Father, to see a vision of the perfect future you have in store for me and all who belong to you. Help me to feel the expectation and excitement as I wait for this day. Amen.***

## Worship News

Please note that there will be no worship services until further notice.

Online services can be viewed at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2uy0xrShyyQVC4sy0xjOJg>

Church Office: 5391 1223



## Prayer of the Week

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

- ♦ Tom Warner and his family
- ♦ Asher and Annabella Zanker and their family

## Chapel

Chapel is now delivered via SeeSaw. Please check your SeeSaw app on Friday mornings.



## Chapel Offering

Thank you to those people who have contributed towards our sister school. We are still a long way behind. If you would like to make a contribution, please contact Mrs Koning at the front office.



## Message from Kim Croot

It is with mixed emotions that I announce my resignation from not only as Chairperson of school council but from school council also.. I would like to thank all of those that I have served along side of for your support and friendship. Our family has been a part of the school community for 16 years and have been many memorable moments. It's been a pleasure to be a part of a fantastic school which strives to keep at the forefront of education. I wish the school and the school community all the best. I leave with the knowledge that it's in excellent hands with Damon, Staff and the new look school council .

Respectfully

Kim Croot

## School Council news

Over the past 18 months, Lutheran Education Victoria, NSW, Tasmania (LEVNT) has been working with Nhill Lutheran Parish and Nhill Lutheran School Council to transition the governance of Nhill Lutheran School to be a "District" school. This has followed a directive set out by the Victorian Registration and Qualification Authority (VRQA) who manage the registration of schools in the state in which independent schools of a system need to all conform to a standard constitution and be responsible to a single entity (LEVNT) for funding distribution; there are a lot more details but that

is the abridged version!

Following the recent votes both at Nhill Lutheran Parish to accept the new constitution, LEVNT to endorse it and District Church Council (DCC) to pass it, the first step in a successful transition has begun!.

With this move, there is also a new-look NLS council, with the two consultants appointed by LEVNT, Mr. Matthew Miller and Mrs. Andrea Cross, now full council members. Additionally, with the resignation of Kim Croot from the council, Matthew Miller was nominated and accepted the role of NLSC Chairperson to support the school and it's leadership. We thank Kim from the bottom of our hearts for the time and effort he has put into the school over the past 16 years and leadership he has provided for the council as Chairperson over the past nine and a half. Matthew looks forward to working closely with NLS leadership, Ps Carl Thiele and the Parish as the transition continues.

The School Council now is comprised of:

Matthew Miller (Chairperson)  
Darryn Rethus (Vice Chairperson)  
Michelle Pipkorn  
Casey Hiscock  
Andrea Cross  
Pastor Carl Thiele (consultant)  
Garry Wallace (Business manager)  
Damon Prenzler (Principal)  
Karen Koning (ex-officio)

In coming months the School Council will be looking to add members with particular skill sets to contribute to the governance of the school.

## 2021 Term dates

	Nhill Lutheran School	Vic Ed Dept
Term 1	28 Jan – 1 April Staff PD days Jan 21, 22, 25, 27.	28 Jan – 1 April
Term 2	19 April – 18 June Staff PD week June 21-25	19 April – 25 June
Term 3	12 July – 17 September	12 July – 17 September
Term 4	4 October – 10 December	4 October – 17 December

## Pretzels

Yesterday the Year 1/2 class made pretzels using yeast in their science class. The other students at school were happy to join in.



## Short Movie Competition

It's not too late to submit your entry for the **Lutheran Media Movie competition** closing on the 11th September 2020. There is prize money for the best 3 videos and a gift pack for each entry. Go to [www.lutheranmedia.org.au/competition](http://www.lutheranmedia.org.au/competition) for more information and entry details, or find the entry form in this newsletter.

## Lunchtime music

Can anyone work out Mrs Koning's theme this week? And could you come up with any other songs using this theme?

Mon: Down down—Status Quo

Tues: Go your own way—Fleetwood Mac

Wed: Rock Lobster—The B-52's

Thurs: Wouldn't it be nice—The Beach Boys

## Happyland

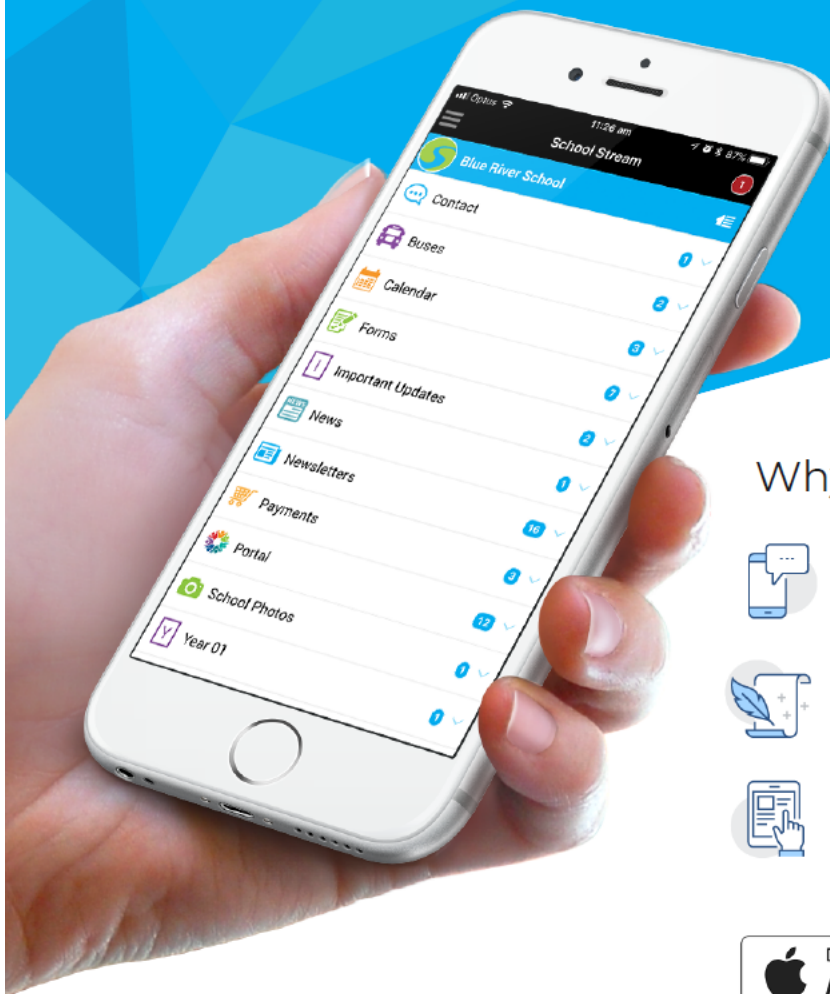
Check out the games, videos and activities at <http://www.happyland.com.au/>.



The Happyland game is available for iPhones and iPads. Download on the App Store.



# Download our school app for free!



## Why download the app?



Receive instant notifications for important news.



Easily register absentees and excursions.



Keep up to date with events and set reminders.



Download on the  
**App Store**



GET IT ON  
**Google Play**

## Download instructions:

1. Go to the App Store and download "School Stream" to your phone.

2. Open the app and type the school's name into the search bar to load the school's profile.

3. Make sure you agree to Push Notifications when prompted.



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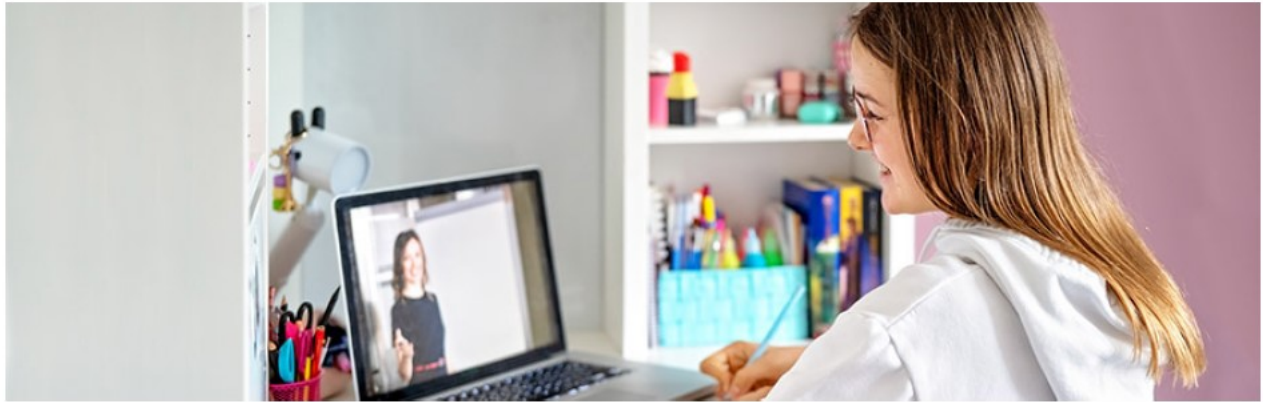


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## INSIGHTS

### Staying the course in COVID times



COVID-19 continues to test us in ways that were unimaginable at the start of 2020. It's becoming the defining event of this generation and a reference point for decades to come. We've had depression kids, war kids and now we have COVID-19 kids.

The impact of COVID-19 is felt differently across the country. Currently, Victoria is in Stage 4 lockdown while other states are on high alert. Not every student is working from home, but most students are COVID conscious, knowing that they're only a corona cough or virus-filled hug away from remote learning.

Encouraging kids to stay the course when they've been denied access to the classroom, peers and community activities is now a common parenting challenge. Denial is generally tolerable in the short term, but the novelty of changed circumstances soon wears off. The following strategies will assist both parents and kids to stay the COVID long course:

#### Accept difficult emotions

'There's nothing so bad that we can't talk about, but there are behaviours that we won't accept' is a mantra that serves families well. It's okay for children to feel frustrated, annoyed, angry or upset about their change of circumstances due to the pandemic but that doesn't give them permission to behave disrespectfully, miss school requirements or fail to assist at home. It helps if parents validate how their children feel, then encourage them to focus on fulfilling school and family expectations.

#### Encourage acceptance

Some children and young people will protest the COVID induced changes that have been imposed upon them. In some respects, it may be admirable for children to push for a better deal, but the severity of the COVID-19 pandemic means that the individual needs to bend toward the greater community good. This is simply a case of accepting and making the best of the situation at hand.

#### Take it one day and week at a time

On family bush walks my young children would rarely complain when the tracks were windy. The complaint levels rose when paths were long and straight as the finish line seemed such a long way off. In a similar vein during our current times it's smart to keep kids focused on getting through each day and week rather than look too far ahead. Six weeks of Stage 4 may seem intolerable, so it's better to focus on getting through each day and week.

#### Be the hope person

Help children and young people understand that they will get through difficult times. "This too shall pass" is perhaps the most apt meme for our times. If your hope bucket is emptying out, seek out positive friends and relatives who can top it up. Our own resilience needs nurturing if we are to last the distance.

# parenting\*ideas

The internal parenting manual that guides us probably doesn't include chapters dealing with remote learning, lack of peer interaction and kids' disappointment. Most of us are treading new parenting ground so it's best to be open to change, accepting of difficulties and forgiving of inevitable parenting stumbles.



## Michael Grose

Michael Grose, founder of Parenting Ideas, is one of Australia's leading parenting educators. He's an award-winning speaker and the author of 12 books for parents including *Spoonfed Generation*, and the bestselling *Why First Borns Rule the World and Last Borns Want to Change It*. Michael is a former teacher with 15 years experience, and has 30 years experience in parenting education. He also holds a Master of Educational Studies from Monash University specialising in parenting education.

Provided as a part of our school's Parenting Ideas membership

[parentingideas.com.au](http://parentingideas.com.au)

## Messages of hope

Listen to Messages of Hope and invite others to do the same. Download or listen online at [messagesofhope.org.au](http://messagesofhope.org.au).

### **23<sup>rd</sup> August Trust (Interview)**

As we continue to live with coronavirus, there is still a lot of uncertainty. Will things ever go back to "normal?" Is God someone you can trust to get us through these uncertain times?

### **30<sup>th</sup> August Doing Things That Last (Pastor Mark Doecke)**

What would you do differently if you had a chance to "re-do" things? Mark Doecke looks at some responses to this question and shares his perspective.

### **6<sup>th</sup> September Fathers and Daughters (Interview)**

How can dads find the balance between protecting their daughters and empowering them towards independence? And what can you do when you, inevitably, get it wrong? Celia talks with Matthew, father of 3 boys and 1 girl!

### **13<sup>th</sup> September Dementia – This is our story (Interview)**

How would you feel when the person you have loved for over 50 years doesn't know who you are anymore? John shares his inspiring story of loyalty and love in the face of dementia.

### **20<sup>th</sup> September Surviving Lockdown (Interview)**

As the restrictions and fallout from coronavirus continue to be felt across Australia and we are separated from family and loved ones, what are people really feeling and how are they coping? Where do you turn to find hope?

## **CORONAVIRUS RESOURCES**

As coronavirus restrictions begin to ease for some of us and ramp up again for others, there are still challenges and changes to navigate. Life still looks a bit different and feels uncertain which can make us feel stressed or anxious.

For resources to help make sense of what you're going through and give you hope, go to [www.messagesofhope.org.au/coronavirus](http://www.messagesofhope.org.au/coronavirus)





# Short Movie Competition

## Entry Form

Original and creative short movie under 4 minutes long that is engaging, entertaining, and shareable and contains a message of hope to deal with life's challenges.

Best 3 short movies in the school student category and general category each receive the following prize money. Every valid entry receives a gift pack.

**1<sup>st</sup> \$300, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$200, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$100**

The best short movies will be shared on the internet, social media & to schools & congregations.

**Entries close 11<sup>th</sup> September 2020.**

For more information, go to [www.lutheranmedia.org.au/competition](http://www.lutheranmedia.org.au/competition), or Freecall 1800 353 350.

Enter online at [www.lutheranmedia.org.au/competition](http://www.lutheranmedia.org.au/competition)

or submit this Entry Form with your short movie on USB or Data CD:

I submit an entry into the Lutheran Media Short Video Competition and agree with the competition rules.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_ PC: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Video Title and File Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Category: ☐ School (produced by students) ☐ General (produced by anyone) (Default is General)

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Year level: \_\_\_\_\_

(Required video specifications are 1920 x 1080p as an .mp4 or .mov with a bit rate no less than 2500 but 10000 is preferred.)

I agree for Lutheran Media to use and share the video in whole or part for the purposes of all forms of media and/or broadcast, exhibition, distribution, publicity and promotion. I agree that all use as outlined above is without payment, including if the broadcast secures commercial release and that I disclaim any right, title or interest in the broadcast including all copyright to Lutheran media for these purposes. I acknowledge that the information above is true and that the film I have submitted is my own original production. I agree to the terms and conditions of entry to this competition. I have completed participant release forms and complied with copyright legislation.

If the entrant is under 18 years of age, I, (parent/guardian's name) \_\_\_\_\_, as parent or legal guardian of the above named individual, have read this release and give my approval of the terms.

Entrant's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian signature if entrant is under 18 years of age: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Ten ways to reduce your risk of coronavirus

- ✚ **WASH** hands often with soap and running water, for at least 20 seconds. DRY with paper towel or hand dryer.
- ✚ **TRY** not to touch your eyes, nose or mouth.
- ✚ **COVER** your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. If you don't have a tissue cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve or elbow.
- ✚ **ISOLATE** yourself at home if you feel sick. If you take medication ensure you have adequate supplies.
- ✚ **PHONE** your GP first if you need medical attention. They will tell you what to do.
- ✚ **CONTINUE** healthy habits: exercise, drink water, get plenty of sleep, and now is the time to quit smoking. Call the Quitline 137 848.
- ✚ **DON'T** wear a face mask if you are well.
- ✚ **BUY** an alcohol-based hand sanitiser with over 60 per cent alcohol.
- ✚ **GET** the flu shot (available April).
- ✚ **SHAKING HANDS** is optional!



Find out more

[www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus](http://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus)

If you are concerned, call the

**Coronavirus hotline 1800 675 398 (24 hours)**

**Please keep Triple Zero (000) for emergencies only**

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