



## Upcoming Dates

MAY	Mon—Fri 2nd—6th	SRC Mother's Day Stall
	Mon 2nd	P & F meeting—8pm
	Tues 3rd	Primary Student Leadership Day—NLS
	Thurs 5th	Freestyle Dance Ministry
	Mon 9th	Kaniva Cross Country
	Tue 17th	School Photos

## ANZAC Day

Thank you to all of the families who attended the Nhill ANZAC Day service, and especially to all of the students who were able to march and sing with us. We have received wonderful feedback about how lovely it sounded. Thankyou to our School captains for laying a wreath in remembrance.



## Birthdays



We wish the following students a very happy birthday:

McKenzie Jupp: 24th of April

Darcy Borgelt: 30th of April

Henry Zanker: 6th of May

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## From the Principal

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Welcome to Term Two! I hope families had an enjoyable Easter break, a time especially important for Christians as the death and resurrection of Jesus is remembered.

It has been wonderful to see the students return eager to learn in what promises to be a busy term.

### Year 3/4 Camp

The 3/4 class excitedly boarded the bus on Wednesday morning for their 3 day/2 night camp to Portland. We look forward to hearing about their adventures. Thank you to Mr Holt, Mrs Woodward and Ms Rutherford for accompanying the students on camp. Camps provide wonderful opportunities for students to learn in different settings, to experience new sights and activities, and to gain resilience in spending time away from home.

### ANZAC Day

Thank you to all students who participated in the Nhill ANZAC Day ceremony. The students did a wonderful job marching and singing their two songs, and it was special for our School Captains, Eden and Shilah, to lay a wreath. Thank you to Mrs Alexander for helping the students with the songs.

### Student Leadership Day

Next Tuesday, Nhill Lutheran School is hosting a Student Leadership Day for students from St Peter's Dimboola, Holy Trinity Horsham, and our own 5/6 class. The day will be led by Emma Graetz from Australian Lutheran College.

### Congratulations Miss Attiwill and Pastor Carl

Exciting things have happened over the holidays!

Congratulations and God's blessings to Pastor Carl, Krista, Eleanor and Sebastian for the arrival of Eric, a son and little brother.

Congratulations and God's blessings to Miss Attiwill and Dylan for their engagement. Miss Attiwill's ring finger is now particularly sparkly.

### Mother's Day Chapel

Mums, Grandmothers and significant female friends are invited to our Mother's Day chapel next Friday (May 6). The chapel will be in our multipurpose room starting at 9am. Face masks do not need to be worn, but can be worn if you wish. Students will be contributing to the chapel through song, prayers and expressions of gratitude.

### Athletics Day and Cross Country

Our Athletics Day has been brought forward this year to May 25. Students are practising events in their PE lessons. Further information about Athletics Day will be provided closer to the day.

Twelve students from Years 3-6 have been selected to represent Nhill Lutheran School in the upcoming Cross Country at Kaniva on May 9, and we wish them all the best.

### Rubber Boots, Slippers and Uniform

Students are permitted to wear rubber boots outside when the weather makes our grounds a little soggy. Also, slippers are permitted to be worn inside to keep feet warm and prevent dirt and mud from spreading through the school. Please supply your child with new named pairs of boots or slippers if they require a new pair. Old, outgrown boots and slippers are to be collected and taken home.

Winter uniform is to be worn from Monday May 9.

Every blessing for your week.

Damon Prenzler

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## Devotional Thought

### Doubt

The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord  
(John 20:20).

Read John 20:19–31

Thomas has been known as the doubter for centuries. Earlier, he was called 'inquisitive Thomas', but the more recent label has stuck. How unfortunate for this giant of the faith.

Earlier in John's Gospel, it was Thomas who encouraged his fellow disciples, 'Let us follow Jesus [to Jerusalem], that we may die with him' (John 11:16). And Thomas spoke up when Jesus said that he was going to prepare a place for his friends, saying, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' (John 14:5). Thomas was ready to accompany Jesus all the way, even to death. And, as everyone knew, death was the end. If even Thomas, the companion of Jesus, could experience some doubt about his continued life, couldn't anyone?

And John had recorded earlier instances of people needing to see before they believed. Nathanael had a cynical response after being told about Jesus, 'Can anything good come from Nazareth?' He had to see for himself before he would confess Jesus to be the Son of God. And the Samaritan villagers told the woman from the well that they believed in Jesus, not because of her testimony but because they had seen him for themselves. Mary Magdalene even struggled to recognise Jesus in the garden.

And just after Thomas saw him, Jesus said, 'Blessed are those who have not seen, and yet believe'. Was this an indictment on poor old Thomas, whose mind had just been blown, whose life had just changed forever because he had seen the resurrected Jesus?

Or was it an invitation to you – a disciple of Christ – and to me? We who have not seen and yet believe? Did Jesus include us in the ranks of his disciples? John concludes this passage by reminding us that he wrote these events down 'that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name' (verse 31).

***Risen Lord Jesus, among the ranks of your followers, you graciously include me. I haven't seen you, yet I have seen your work in my life and my world. How blessed I am by your gift of faith. In this Easter season, remind me of the life I have in your name. Amen.***

## Worship News

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

Sunday 1st May

Nhill— 9.30 am

Parish service



Online services can be viewed at:  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2uy0xrShyyQVC4sy0xjOJg>

NhillLutheranParishOnline.com

## Prayer of the Week

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

- ♦ Lawson Lynch and his family
- ♦ Madalyn and Charlotte Marra and their family

## Chapel

Chapel this morning was run by Mr Prenzler and focussed on Easter.

Next Friday we welcome back our mothers and grandmothers for our Mother's Day Chapel.



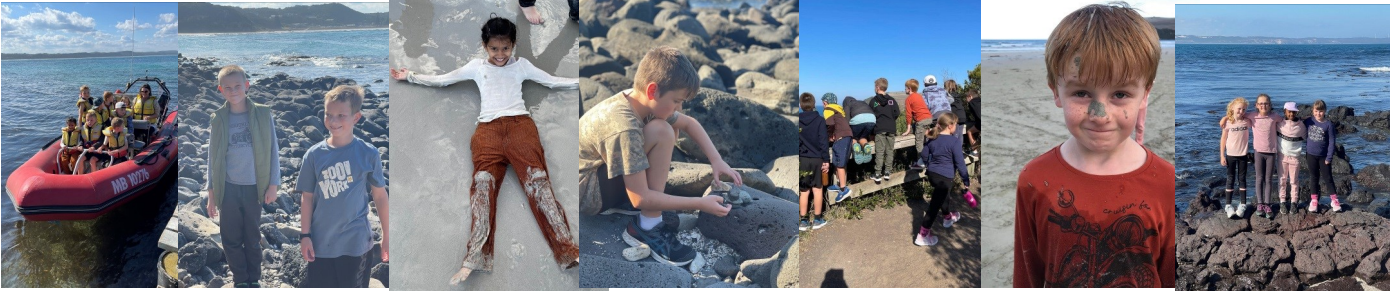
## Chapel Offering

This morning's Chapel offering was \$1.20. Please consider sending an offering each Friday morning as the children in Myanmar rely on our help.



## Sneak Peak 3/4 Camp –Portland

This week Mr Holt, Ms Rutherford, Mrs. Woodward and the 3/4 students have ventured to sunny Portland. By the response we have had so far, they are having a wonderful time .



## Stephanie Alexander



This week in our Stephanie Alexander and Music classes we focused on Anzac Day. The students loved baking and eating Anzac Biscuits, and learnt how music has been, and can be used during war times, such as to lift the spirits of soldiers through singing, to help with marching in time, and also to commemorate, like at Anzac Day services.





## Cookie Dough

Thank you all so much for participating in our SRC cookie dough fundraiser. We sold 248 tubs of dough, which raised almost \$1000 for our school. The SRC has a long wish list, so it will not take long before we see this money benefiting our student's learning.

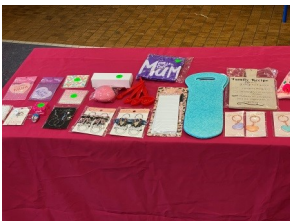
Congratulations to Grace, our top tub seller. Grace sold 30 tubs!

Deliveries will be available from the school on Wednesday 4th of May, 3.30 till 5pm.

## Mother's Day Stall

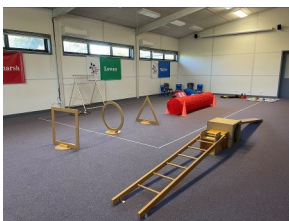
### Attention Dads

Again this year the SRC are holding a Mother's Day stall. The stall will be open all next week for students to purchase a gift for their amazing mums! Prices range from 50 cents to \$5.00



## Get Em' Going

Welcome back to term two, hope you all had a wonderful and restful holidays. Get 'Em Going playgroup will be held next Wednesday the 4/5/22 at 9.30-11am instead of Tuesday. As the multipurpose room is being used Tuesday morning. We will go back to Tuesday morning the following week. To register interest please email or phone the school before Monday ([admin@nls.vic.edu.au](mailto:admin@nls.vic.edu.au) or 53912144). Look forward to Mother's Day craft and activities.



## Baby News

Pastor Carl and his wife, Krista, have welcomed a new baby boy, Eric to their family on the 11th of April.



## Engagement News

We would like to congratulate Miss Attiwill and her now fiancé Dylan for the recent engagement over the Anzac long weekend. We wish them God's richest blessings for their future together.



## School Photos

School photo forms were sent home with students this week.

Please be sure these are returned to school by photo day: Tuesday 17th of May. The forms need to be returned to school even if you do not wish to purchase any photos.

If you would like to purchase a family photo please contact the front office so that the family envelope can be sent home.



## Mini Farm

We have some very cute new additions to our mini farm: three little lambs that we are in love with.



## CSEF payments

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) provides payments for eligible students to attend activities like:

- \* school camps or trips
- \* swimming and school-organised sports programs
- \* outdoor education programs
- \* excursions and incursions.

Families holding a means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply. \$125 per year is available for each primary aged student.

Please see Mrs Koning if you did not receive the payment last year and you believe that you are eligible. An application form will be provided to you.

Then bring the form and Centrelink card to Mrs Koning so that she can apply on your behalf.

Those families who received the payment last year do not need to reapply.



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## Parenting Ideas—Webinars and Guides

Our school has a Parenting Ideas membership which enables us to publish articles in our newsletter. I hope you find these articles useful and informative. In addition to the articles, Parenting Ideas also provides support for parents through webinars and eGuides. Parents of Nhill Lutheran School are able to access free webinars provided by Parenting Ideas (usually the cost is \$39). Some of the webinars have already occurred and have been recorded, others are planned for later this year. To gain free access to a webinar simply request a voucher from the school, which will have all the details you need to view the webinar. Upcoming webinars include:

*Building lasting happiness in children –*  
March 23 at 8pm, valid to June 23

*Encouraging good behaviour –* June 8  
at 8pm, valid to September 8

The eGuides are booklets that are also available free to parents. They cover the topics of *optimism, family meetings, friends, coping, understanding children's behaviour, and bring out your child's confidence*. Copies of the eGuides can be sent electronically by the school. Just ask via [admin@nls.vic.edu.au](mailto:admin@nls.vic.edu.au) or phone the school.

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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).

**1<sup>st</sup> May                      Surviving School at Home                      (Interview)**

How do you take on the challenge of home-schooling kids, while still trying to keep up with all the other demands on your day to day life, without getting overwhelmed and feeling like a failure? Jo shares her experiences.

**8<sup>th</sup> May                      Mums – you don't have to be perfect!                      (Interview)**

As mothers, we often feel like we're not doing a very good job, and that everyone else seems to have it all under control. Listen to Celia chat with Ali Hoopmann about what it means to be a mum – warts and all!

**15<sup>th</sup> May                      Burnout                      (Interview)**

Do you find yourself torn between competing demands? It can be especially hard when you're a working mum. Celia talks with Anna Doecke, a counsellor who helps people recognise and deal with burnout and stress. We don't have to be slaves to our stress.

**22<sup>nd</sup> May                      Being Well                      (Richard, Celia and Anna)**

How is your well-being going, especially through these times? Listen to Anna, Celia and Richard talk about well-being and offering insights to help your well-being.

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