

TOGETHER WE GROW

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Birthdays



Happy birthday wishes are sent to the following students and staff:

Freya 14th October Miss Attiwill 14th October Tom 17th October

Western Region Athletics Division



Upcoming Dates



October

Thurs 19th Nhill Show Day-Public Holiday (No school)

Tues 24th ALWS Sessions with St Peters Dimboola

Fri 27th Grandparents Day & World Teachers Day

November

Wed 1st F-2 Sports Day with local schools

Sat 11th Miss Attiwill & Dylan's wedding day



Sat 18th P&F Quiz Night

Thurs 16th Beats 'n' Pieces Incursion

Fri 24th P&F Colour Run

December

Wed 6th Year 6 Graduation Dinner

Tues 12th End of Year Graduation Service

Wed 13th Last Day Term 4 finish 3.15pm

Thurs 14th Staff PD

Assembly Dates for Term 4 Friday after Chapel AM 3rd Nov, 17th Nov, 1st Dec

Last Friday, Henry and Clayton travelled to Ballarat to compete in the Greater Region Athletic Division. What an accomplishment to have qualified to this level where they competed against all the students from the west half of the state. Clayton competed strongly in his 200m sprint, he said "I didn't come last", great effort Clayton!

Henry competed in Shot Put where he placed 4th and came 2nd in the Discus for his age group, this achievement sees Henry qualify for the state level discus event.

Congratulations Henry, all the best for the 1st Nov.

From the Principal

Our mission statement is 'Nhill Lutheran School provides a quality education in a caring Christian environment'. At the heart of our mission is a commitment to the provision of quality education. This goes beyond academic excellence; it encompasses the holistic development of our students. We strive to equip our students with the knowledge, skills and values they need to succeed academically and in life. Our teachers, learning program, facilities and resources all play a part in delivering this quality education, and we look forward with anticipation at our new building enhancing the quality education experiences of our students.

The second part of our mission statement is 'a caring Christian environment', and is equally significant as it emphasises our commitment to creating an atmosphere of love, compassion and support.

Our mission statement is not just a collection of words, it is the embodiment of what we aim to achieve. When students are educated in a caring Christian environment, they develop a strong moral compass, a sense of purpose, a commitment to lifelong learning, and growing well-rounded individuals who will make a positive difference in the world.

Nhill Show

We are looking forward to the Nhill Show next Thursday. Students have provided artwork and creations for competitions, as well as for decorating the Young Farmers Pavilion where our P&F volunteers will be catering during the day. Students may also participate in the Grand Parade during the afternoon.

Grandparent's and Special Friend's Day

Friday October 27 is Grandparent's and Special Friend's Day. All Grandparents and Special Friends are invited to attend a whole school chapel at 9am, followed by times in the classrooms with the children, and then a special morning tea.

Every blessing,

Damon Prenzler

Students of the Week



Congratulations to the following students who were presented with Student of the Week

Foundation: Koda

Year 1/2: Zoe

Year 3/4: Tricia

Year 5/6: Harper C

Nhill Lutheran School is committed to providing a child safe and child friendly environment, where children and young people are safe and feel safe, and are able to actively participate in decisions that affect their lives.

Worship News

Please see below for this week's church service times: Nhill 9am Jeparit 11am



NhillLutheranParishOnline.com

Prayer of the Week

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



- Harper & Mrs Rutherford and their family
- Jed and his family
- Imogen & Savannah and their family
- Mia and her family

Chapel



The whole school will host Chapel Friday 20th Oct, 9am in the multi – purpose room.

Chapel Offerings

At today's Chapel \$20.35 was collected for the Maw Per Koh orphanage school in Myanmar.

Please consider sending an offering each Friday morning as the children there rely on our help.

Rapid Antigen Tests

If anyone needs RAT tests please come to the school and take as many as you need, they are in the foyer, please help yourself.

Devotional Thought

Crumbs

'Lord,' she replied, 'even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs' (Mark 7:28).

Read Mark 7:24-37

During the next few days, we will read through an average ministry week in the life of Jesus in Mark. We start with this story.

Jesus was travelling in Gentile territory when a Gentile woman approached him, threw herself at his feet and begged him to heal her daughter, who was possessed by a demon ... Jesus ignored her

Why would he do that? Jesus loves everyone, doesn't he? Yet he tells her that he was only sent to the children of Israel. She was a Gentile, so he couldn't help. It would be like throwing the children's food to the dogs. Basically, he calls her a dog. That's a bit strong, isn't it?

'Dogs' sounds harsh, but the term he used was the Greek diminutive *kynaria*, which meant little dogs, household pets. Jesus also said that the children of Israel had to be fed 'first'. He threw her a bit of hope that her turn might come if she waited.

So, what did the woman do? At this stage, I probably would've been so embarrassed and humiliated that I would've just wanted the ground to swallow me up. But she persisted. She argued back. She used Jesus' rebuff to her advantage. 'Even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs.'

Don't knock crumbs. They do mount up. My mother-in-law would carefully gather all the crumbs on the breadboard from cutting bread and put them in a container in the freezer to use later for cooking. I was amazed at how quickly the amount grew and all the different things she used them for.

Anyway, the story has a great ending because, impressed and pleased by this woman's reply and faith, Jesus healed her daughter.

I am in awe of this woman and her persistence. Her faith was incredible. She had no doubt that Jesus had the power to heal, and she realised that even the crumbs of what Jesus could do would be enough.

That's true for us today, too. But Jesus offers us, his beloved children, far more than crumbs. He comes into our crummy lives and gives us the Bread of Life. He gives us everything. The whole loaf, the entire bakery, and we don't have to argue or wrestle with him for it.

Precious Jesus, Bread of Life, I thank you for everything you have done for me and everything you have given me. Help me never to take it for granted. I come to you now like that woman and bring you my requests. [Take the time to give Jesus the things on your heart today.] Thank you for hearing and answering my prayers. Amen.

Year 2 Sleepover





Last night the Year 2 class had their sleepover at the school, lots of excitement built over the day and as the final bell sounded....the fun began. It was like a pyjama party, as only girls were involved, they spent the afternoon and night enjoying each others company and having the experience of sleeping at the school.

Time was spent doing activities which had a pigeon theme, drawings on the verandah using chalk, and decorating cupcakes to be pigeons.

Lots of games were played using chocolate, cheezels and completing a scavenger hunt. Friendship bracelets were created, movies were watched and board games were played.

They were very busy and all slept like a log for the night.



















SRC Dim Sim Wednesdays

Our popular "Steamed Dim Sim" Wednesday is still happening to help raise funds for the SRC, for their various projects

they support and any equipment for the school, which will benefit the students.



\$1 each

School Fees

Term 4 fee invoices have been emailed to families this week, payments are due by 23rd October. If you are having any difficulties paying, please contact the school or Donna Snowden at HTLC to arrange a payment plan.

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HTLC 53 822 529

SRC Zooper Doopers

"Zooper Doopers" are back everyday for Term 4, the students will be able to cool down after they have eaten their lunch.

\$1 each





Term One: January 30 - March 28

Term Two: April 15 – June 25.

Student Free Days: April 26, June 26-28.

Term Three: July 15 – September 20

Term Four: October 7 – December 12

SchoolTV



Because parenting doesn't come with instructions, SchoolTV is a wellbeing resource implemented at our school to help support you in the challenges of modern-

day parenting relating to youth mental health and wellbeing. Parenting is a learning journey and SchoolTV supports families by providing credible information from trusted sources with practical strategies to help alleviate some of the challenges being faced by young people today. Watch video interviews with leading wellbeing specialists and browse a library of resources. Each topic is accompanied by factsheets, podcasts, books, articles, apps and other videos. This award-winning resource helps families build relationships, foster connections, enable understanding and break down barriers to navigate a pathway towards better mental health and wellbeing for young people. It will assist you in starting those conversations on topics that can sometimes be awkward or difficult to tackle.

Parents and caregivers are the greatest influence on a young person's life and SchoolTV focuses on empowering confident parenting.

Get 'Em Going Playgroup

Get 'Em Going Playgroup meet each Tuesday at 9.30am to 11am.

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 contact Mrs Fisher at the front office. 53 912 144 or admin@nls.vic.edu.au

Welcome back to play group for Term 4

After an extended break from playgroup it was great to see the smiling faces back in the room. The kitchen was getting a big workout today with the chef's making playdough pizza's, while the mechanic's were busy fixing all the cars with the tools.

A workout was had by all climbing the cube then jumping off, the toy dinosaur was entertained all by singing and dancing as he was fed. As the sun is shining more now we made suncatchers with different coloured cellophane.

Look forward to seeing you next week. Mrs Leitch.









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Enough



Comparison. Competition. The perpetual feeling that "I'm not enough".

Something is happening to many of our kids. It's happening at a level we haven't seen before. And the ramifications appear deeply serious.

Many of our children are drenched in the insecurity of feeling incomplete, inadequate, insufficient, imperfect, lacking, faulty, limited, defective... imposters. There is a crisis of confidence – and importantly, competence. And even our seemingly confident and competent kids are struggling. It's often the kids who are "succeeding", the ones who are ticking all of the right boxes, the ones who are "winning" that are often the WORST at feeling like they're "enough".

I offer the following five tools to help our children overcome their anxieties, perfectionism, and even self-loathing so they can both do well *and* feel well.





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For further details visit happyfamilies.com.au.



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messagesofhope.org.au.or on iTunes and Spotify.

15th October Coping with Cancer (Interview)

Cancer can come as a shock, but you don't have to face it alone. Join us this week as Michelle and Philip share the story of Michelle's diagnosis of breast cancer.

22nd October Surviving Cancer (Interview)

How do you come to terms with a cancer diagnosis and where can we find the strength and hope to face it? Listen in this week as Celia share's Karen's story.

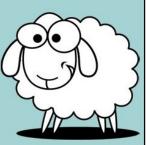
29th October Losing Mike but Keeping Hope (Discussion)

What do you do when your rock, your protector is diagnosed with a brain tumour? How do you cope with the changes in their personality, your relationship and in all the things you used to do together? Jen and Allie share their story.

New for the show this year.....

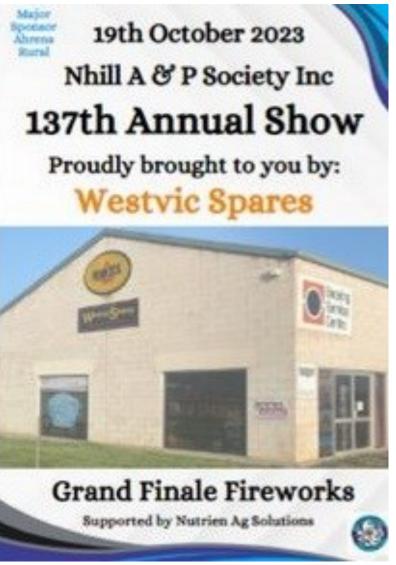
Primary aged BAA BAA Shearing event on the shearing board at animal nursery. If any child wants to bring their shearing singlets, flannel shirt or be in their regular clothes to participate, lots of fluffy stuff will be flying...be there before 2.45pm and give it a go.

We have very calm sheep, soft creamy fleece and special handpieces for all participants.....It is all very safe!





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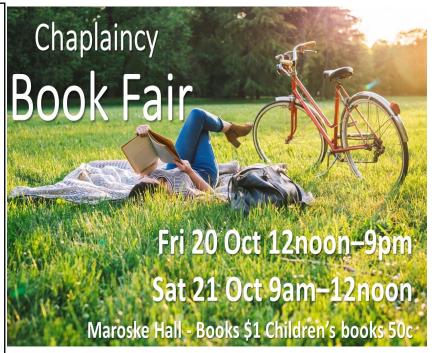
October 27th November 19th December 10th

10 – 5 PM Up tempo Café (6 Dimboola road Horsham)

Bookings online at :

caseykoschfirstaid.com.au





Position Vacant



Nhill Lutheran School

Classroom Teacher Upper Primary

Nhill Lutheran School is seeking a passionate and innovative teacher. The successful applicant should be willing to support the Christian ethos of the school.

For a job description please email principal@nls.vic.edu.au with the subject line of 'Classroom Teacher Position' or view teachers.on.net

Applications to be sent to principal@nls.vic.edu.au or 2 Mackay St, Nhill 3418

Applications close: Friday 20th October 2023
Position commences 23rd January 2024

