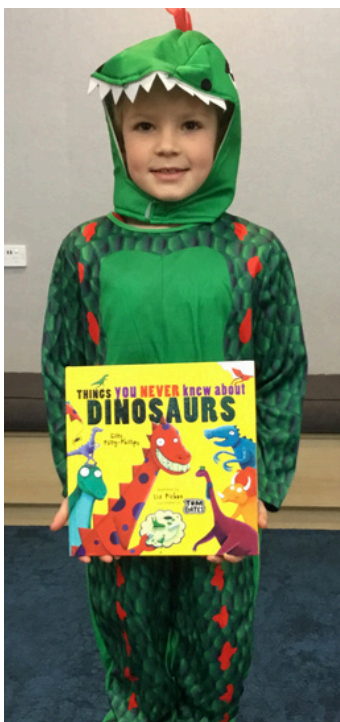
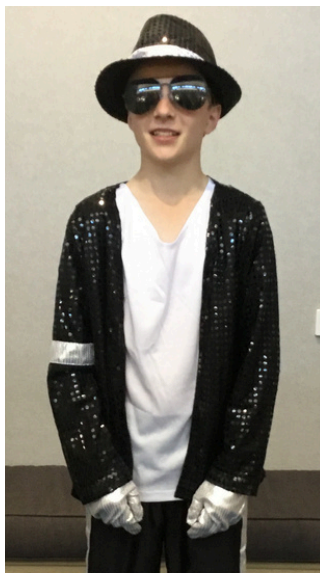


Book Week Celebrated



Birthdays



Happy birthday wishes are sent to the following students :

Orlando 9th Sept
Elly 11th Sept
Helena 14th Sept

Milienke 10th Sept
Atreyu 12th Sept
Ivy 18th Sept

More Book Week
photos in newsletter



Principal Report

Three-Way Conversations

Three-Way Conversations will be held on Tuesday, September 8, and Wednesday, September 9. We look forward to welcoming parents and students as they share their learning progress, celebrate their achievements and set goals for the future.

Father's Day Chapel and Footy

Thank you to everyone who attended and participated in our special Father's Day morning. Following a chapel service led by our students, the highly anticipated Dad vs Students footy match took place. It was a fiercely contested game, and I'm not sure who enjoyed it the most—the students or the dads!

A special thank you to our P&F for providing delicious hotdogs for everyone to enjoy after the game.

Teacher Aide Appreciation Week

This week we have celebrated Teacher Aide Appreciation Week. At Wimmera Lutheran College, Nhill, we are blessed to have Mrs Rohde, Ms Rutherford and Mrs Wise as our Integration Aides.

Thank you for the care, encouragement and support you show our students each day, as well as the invaluable assistance you provide to our teachers. We greatly appreciate all that you do.

Year 5/6 Melbourne Camp

Congratulations to our Year 5/6 students on a very successful Melbourne camp! The students were acknowledged by several people throughout the week for their excellent behaviour, courtesy and respect. Well done, Year 5/6! There were plenty of highlights, including the SEA LIFE Aquarium, Shrine of Remembrance, Social Fair, a night tour of the zoo, Scienceworks, the MCG, a delicious meal on Lygon Street and a visit to the Queen Victoria Market. The students also became experts at navigating Melbourne's trains and trams!

A big thank you to Mrs Alexander, who accompanied me on the camp and provided invaluable assistance with transport and supervision. It was a wonderful opportunity to see our students learning, exploring and enjoying themselves beyond the classroom.

Concert – Pirates of the Curry Bean

Rehearsals for our upcoming production of Pirates of the Curry Bean are well underway. The students have been working hard and are looking forward to sharing their talents with the community.

We invite you to join us on the evening of Thursday, September 17, at the Community Centre. We look forward to seeing you there!

Hats and Uniforms

As the UV rating begins to rise again, please ensure that school hats are returned to school, clean and clearly named. Hats will once again be required when students are outside.

As the weather warms, students may wear either their winter or summer uniform. Families will be advised when we transition to full summer uniform, which will most likely occur during the first few weeks of Term Four.

If you require any new uniform items, these are available through the school. A full list of uniform requirements is also available in the Parent Handbook.

Enrolments for 2027

Wimmera Lutheran College, Nhill, is accepting enrolments for 2027.

Families wishing to enrol can visit our website and click on the 'Enrol Here' button at www.wlc.vic.edu.au.

If you or someone you know would like to learn more about our school, we warmly invite you to arrange a visit. We would love to welcome prospective families and show you what makes Wimmera Lutheran College a special place to learn and grow.

Athletics

We wish all of our athletics students the very best as they compete at the Little Desert Athletics in Stawell next Wednesday.

The Hub

A reminder to families who have not yet signed up to The Hub to please do so. The Hub is now an important communication tool between school and home, and we encourage all families to ensure they are connected and checking it regularly.

Mrs North

We have been fortunate this term to welcome Mrs Jacqui North to our school on a fortnightly basis.

Jacqui is the Assistant Head of Primary Schools: Curriculum and Pedagogy at Wimmera Lutheran College, working across all three campuses, and has been working alongside our staff, providing valuable support and guidance in a range of teaching and curriculum areas.

We are very grateful for the expertise and encouragement Jacqui has shared with our staff throughout the term. Every blessing,
Damon

From The WLC Executive Principal - Jason Przibilla

Celebrating Fathers Day

This week across our three Wimmera Lutheran College campuses, it has been wonderful to see our communities come together to celebrate Father's Day. Across Horsham, Nhill and Dimboola, our students have had opportunities to recognise and give thanks for the fathers, grandfathers and special persons who play such an important role in their lives.

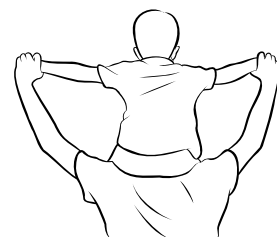
Father's Day provides us with an opportunity to reflect on the people who guide, encourage, protect and support our young people. Families come in many different forms, and we are grateful for all those special people who provide our students with love, wisdom, encouragement and a sense of belonging.

Our celebrations across the College have been a wonderful reminder of the importance of relationships and community. Whether through special activities, shared meals, gifts, visits to our campuses or simply spending time together, these moments provide an opportunity for our students to say a simple but important thank you.

As a Christian community, we are also reminded of the example of love that God provides for us, a love characterised by patience, compassion, grace and faithfulness. As we celebrate Father's Day this Sunday, we give thanks for the fathers and special persons within our WLC community and for the many ways they contribute to the lives of our children and young people.

"As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him." – Psalm 103:13

May God bless all of our fathers, grandfathers and special persons this Father's Day, and may they know how deeply their presence, encouragement and care are valued.



WLC Strategic Plan

I am pleased to share that we are nearing an important milestone with the completion of the Wimmera Lutheran College Strategic Plan. This work has involved considerable consultation, reflection and collaboration across our College community as we have sought to clearly articulate who we are, what we stand for and where we are heading together as one College across three campuses. The Strategic Plan is centred around our three strategic signposts of Shaping Identity, Growing Community and Transforming Learning which will guide our priorities and decision-making in the years ahead. Importantly, the process has also enabled us to establish our new Mission and Vision, supported by our five College Values of Community, Respect, Excellence, Grace and Integrity. Together, these provide a clear foundation for the future of WLC, ensuring that our Lutheran identity remains central while we continue to grow, strengthen our community and provide meaningful learning opportunities for every student. I look forward to sharing the completed Strategic Plan more broadly with our community and, most importantly, seeing it come to life through the work of our College in the years ahead.

Term 4 Uniform

As we prepare for the commencement of Term 4, families are reminded that students will transition to the WLC summer uniform, including the requirement for students to wear the appropriate hat when outdoors. With the warmer weather approaching, now is a good opportunity for families to check that summer uniform items from earlier in the year still fit and are in good condition, particularly given how quickly children can grow. Families who require new or replacement items are encouraged to order early to ensure uniforms are available and ready for Term 4. We appreciate the support of parents and carers in helping our students wear their WLC uniform correctly and with pride across all three campuses.

Nhill Little Athletics expression of interest form.

We are currently looking at the viability of starting Nhill Little Athletics once again. This program ran successfully a few years ago and with the increase in interest we are looking at trialling a non official 6-8 week season at the beginning of Term One 2027.

This program will endeavour to be worked around existing summer sports (Basketball & Cricket) and will be available for children Under 6 (born 2021) to Under 17 (born 2010). Little Athletics Victoria goes by year of birth not school year level.

Once we have an idea of numbers interested, we will provide more information regarding location, times etc.

Please use the QR code below to complete the form to your best ability.

If you have any questions, please contact

Lauren Warner 0438 506 402

Katherine Colbert 0409 527 041

Emma Beer 0447 501 212



Victorian Premiers Reading Challenge



Reminder:

The end date of the Reading Challenge is just around the corner.

Friday 4th September

Students who have signed up can now make the last big effort to add more books to their reading tally.

Congratulations to all the students who have made a commitment to be reading on a regular basis for this challenge.

Upcoming Events

September

Tues 8th and Wed 9th: 3 Way Conversations (after school)

Wed 9th: L'Desert Athletics @ Stawell

Fri 11th: P&F Movie Night

Thurs 17th: School Production

Fri 18th: Last Day Term 3 Finish 2.15pm

October

Mon 5th: Term 4 Starts

Thurs 15th: Nhill Show

Fri 16th: WLC Nhill School Closure

Fri 23rd: Grandparents Day

Fri 30th: World Teachers Day

November

Mon 23rd: Report Writing Day (pupil free)

December

Fri 4th: NO BUSES

Wed 9th: Term 4 Ends 3.15pm

Thurs 10th and Fri 11th Staff PD Day

Sat 12th Nhill Christmas Carols

Chapel Dates

Sept 11: Kate Polack

Sept 18: TBD

Assembly Dates

Sept 11: Foundation

Year 3 / 4 Class Visit to Avonlea



The year 3/4 class visited Avonlea on Friday 21 August to help the residents celebrate Senior Citizens Day.

The students helped to serve afternoon tea and sang Amazing Grace for the residents.

The residents had also made their own vending machine to share with us, which was a lot of fun! Each student chose a string to cut, which released either a prize or a bag of lollies into the chute below for them to collect.

Jessie and Charlotte were particularly lucky and won the special prizes.

It was a lovely opportunity for the students to serve others and connect with members of our local community.



Chapel Offerings

From the two weeks of Chapel \$47.60 was collected for the ALWS Gifts of Grace. Please consider sending an offering each Friday morning as the communities there rely on our help.

Prayer of the Week



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

- Maddy, Charlotte & Atreyu and their family
- Dakota and her family
- Oliver & Lewis and their family
- Spencer and his family
- Miss Zikos and her family

Worship News

Please see below the church service times:

Sun 6th September 15th Sun after Pentecost

Sun 13th September 16th Sun after Pentecost

Nhill 9.30am

Messages of hope

Listen to Messages of Hope and invite others to do the same. Download or listen online at messagesofhope.org.au or on iTunes and Spotify.

6 Sept 2026	A Father's Love	(Interview)
What happens when your dream of becoming a parent is not what you expected? Hear Ben's story as a dad of young twins and how he found hope when faced with his son's health challenges.		

13 Sept 2...	Fatherhood	(Rob Schubert)
Do you ever doubt your ability to be a good parent, a good father? Rob Schubert reflects on his experience of fatherhood, and on God, who reveals himself to us as a loving dad.		

Devotional Thought

Seventy-five and still going strong

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Haran

(Genesis 12:4).

Read [Genesis 12:1-9](#)

Faithfulness to God can be a strange thing. To be a long-term Christian can seem a bit daunting: all those years ahead, wondering what God has in store for your life here on earth before we get to heaven.

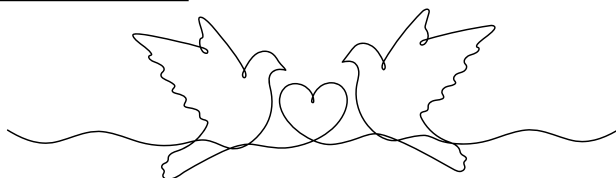
Just imagine what you will be doing 25 years from now. If you're young, you might be in the prime of your life as a working person with a career. If you're in your mid-age years, chances are that in 25 years you'll be retired or about to be. And if you're retired now, there's a fair chance you have downsized your home and even found the place where you'll see out your days.

Spare a thought for Abraham. God credited his faith to him as righteousness. At 75, the Lord told him to get up and go, taking his wife Sarah and nephew Lot, along with their possessions, from the land where they were living. God promised to lead him to a new land, make his descendants into a great nation, and bless his name.

God protected Abraham and Sarah and, in their old age, blessed them with a son, Isaac. Abraham was 100 then. Hindsight is a wonderful thing, allowing us to look back and see how God has woven together the tapestry of events in our lives. It's a wonderful thing when God makes his promise to us, especially in the waters of baptism, assuring us that we are his children and that he will care for us. He says, 'I will be your God, and you will be my child. Let's journey through life together.' We don't know what's in store, but as we journey, God is faithful. Upon reflection, we see his hand at work.

Reflect on some major events in your life in which God has been evident in what unfolded.

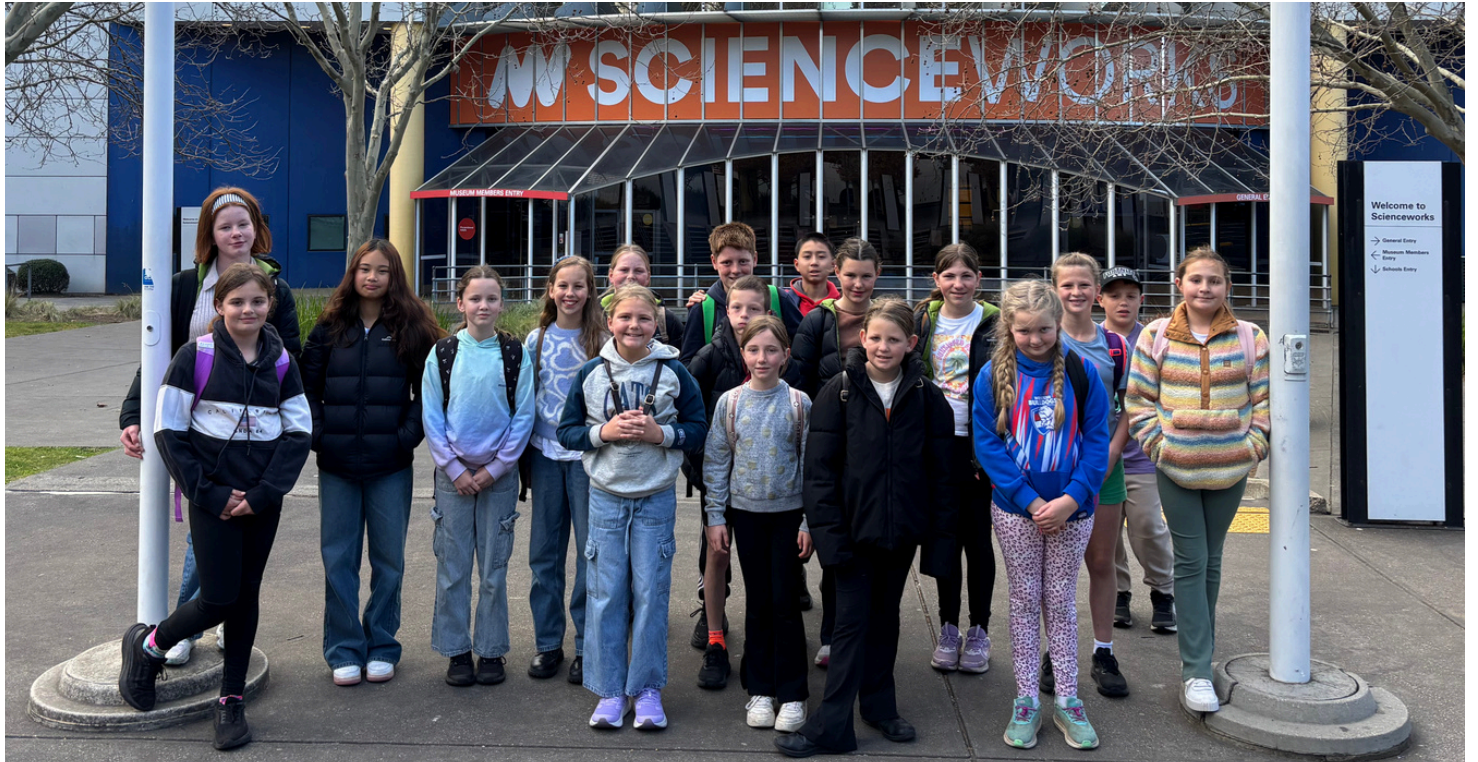
Gracious Heavenly Father, thank you for watching over me throughout my life. Give me the eyes to see your hand at work and a heart to trust your promises that you will never leave or forsake me, because you want only what's best for your children. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.



Year 5/6 Melbourne Camp







Don't Cry Over Spilled Smoothie



Yesterday morning I made a mistake. A mindless, silly error.

I made my breakfast smoothie. Frozen banana and strawberry.

Cocobella smoothie starter. Yogurt. Protein. (I'm bulking... jokes.)

I reached up into the cupboard and pulled down the tall smoothie glass I use each day, placing it on the bench in front of me. I picked up the blender jug, full of wholesome smoothie goodness and began to pour it out onto the bottom of the smoothie glass.

Note the word I used? Onto?

Not into. Onto.

Nobody told me, but the smoothie glass had been placed into the cupboard upside down. I had grabbed it out of the cupboard without paying any attention. I had deposited the glass on the bench without paying attention - upside down. And I had poured the smoothie onto the upside down base of the glass.

I paid so little attention that I spilled the smoothie all over the glass, the bench, and eventually the floor as it spilled off the counter top.

In psychology, and in life, this is called being "mindless". It's not being present. Not paying attention to what's going on around you. Not being 'here', 'now'. And when you're not paying attention, you tend to get lousy outcomes. Like spilled smoothie.

The opposite of mindlessness is 'mindfulness'. It's being where your feet are. Focused. Or as my kids would say, 'locked in'. The challenge is that mindfulness is effortful. It places demands on us. Mindlessness? That's easy. Effortless.

Here's the thing though: it's one thing to pour smoothie onto an upside-down glass. It's another to parent that way - mindlessly, present in body, absent in attention, while breakfast and school runs and bathtime blur past on autopilot. Or perhaps we might call it "autoparent".

Harvard psychologist Ellen Langer has spent fifty years studying this. For her, mindfulness is not about meditation cushions and breathing apps.

Mindfulness, she says, is the simple act of actively noticing new things. Her research shows that when we pay fresh attention to something - or someone - we engage more, enjoy more, and even like the thing we're noticing more.

When have you been mindless today? Let me hit you up with a few suggestions from my life:

- When I moved house but drove home to my old house instead.
- When I ate breakfast but couldn't remember what I had eaten.
- When I drove to the airport but didn't really remember much of the drive.
- When my daughter entered the room with 'that' expression on her face. I mindlessly pre-determined that I knew her attitude and what was coming out of her mouth next. (I was wrong.)

Mindlessness has some advantages. It can be efficient to not have to notice everything like it's new all the time. We can take shortcuts and get more done.

But mindfulness offers us more. In a famous Harvard study published in Science, psychologists Matthew Killingsworth and Daniel Gilbert pinged thousands of adults on their phones at random moments throughout the day and asked two questions: what are you doing, and where is your mind? The results were confronting. Our minds wander almost half of our waking hours - and when they do, we're reliably less happy, no matter how pleasant the activity we're supposed to be doing.

The parenting research points the same way. A University of Sydney meta-analysis led by Virginia Burgdorf pooled the available studies on mindfulness training for parents and found that when parents learned to pay attention on purpose, parenting stress dropped - and kept dropping in the months that followed. Better still, their children's psychological wellbeing improved too, even though the kids never attended a session. When we show up fully, everyone in the house feels the difference.

Some questions to sit with:

- When did you last really look at your child - not to check, correct or hurry them, but just to see them?
- What are you doing on autoparent that your child experiences every single day?
- If your child described how it feels to be noticed by you, what would they say?

So here's an experiment. For the next seven days, notice at least one genuinely new thing about your child every day.

Two rules. First, it must be something new; something you've never registered before. The way she holds her fork. The word he mispronounces. The song she hums when she thinks nobody's listening. Second, once a day, say something positive about your child and what you've noticed - to them, out loud: "I noticed you always check on your sister before you get in the car. I love that about you."

Then watch what happens. Being noticed is being loved in a language children understand instinctively.

One new thing. Seven days. Start today.

Oh, and check your glass is the right way up.



Dr Justin Coulson is a dad to 6 daughters and grandfather to 1 granddaughter. Justin travels all around the country, speaking at schools to students, educators and parents about wellbeing and relationships. He is also the parenting expert and co-host of Channel Nine's Parental Guidance, and he and his wife host Australia's #1 podcast for parents and family: The Happy Families Podcast. Justin has written 11 books about families and parenting - with the latest about raising boys out now! For further details visit happyfamilies.com.au.

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.nhill@wlc.vic.edu.au



We had a great morning in Get 'em Going celebrating 'Father's Day'.

We practiced a few of our favourite playgroup songs in the library using shaker eggs and drums sticks.

Each of the children made a small gift for their Dad's. We used a bolt and nuts to make a little man then stuck on some googly eyes and hair for decoration.

We finished off the morning reading a story called 'Me and my dad'.

Next week we will be making 'mini banjo's' to finish off our musical theme for this term.

See you on Tuesday at 9:30am



Father's Day Annual Footy Game Celebrated

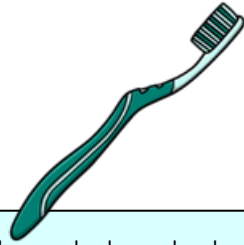








The BRAD Project



Year 1/2 says: Please help us look after our environment!

The Year 1/2 class is proud to be involved in the BRAD Program, which collects hard-to-recycle items and sends them to specialist recyclers rather than landfill.

Students and families can collect accepted items and bring them to the Year 1/2 classroom, where they will be sent to BRAD for sorting. The materials are then processed by specialist Australian recyclers and turned into new products whenever possible.

Look for the green box!

Many everyday items, such as blister packs, bread tags, pens, toothbrushes, bottle lids, and small beauty product containers, cannot be placed in regular kerbside recycling bins. BRAD provides a solution for these items. (Please see Miss Schultz for a list)

WLCN P&F Cook Book

Our P&F have been busy creating an amazing cookbook, filled with over 100 family friendly recipes contributed by our school community.

Cookbooks available at the office \$25 each (cash only)

Other payments methods please contact P&F member or via email pandf.nls@gmail.com



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.

Explore SchoolTV today - <https://wlc.vic.schooltv.me/>



Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)

The link to this topic

<http://wlc.vic.schooltv.me/newsletter/adhd-au>

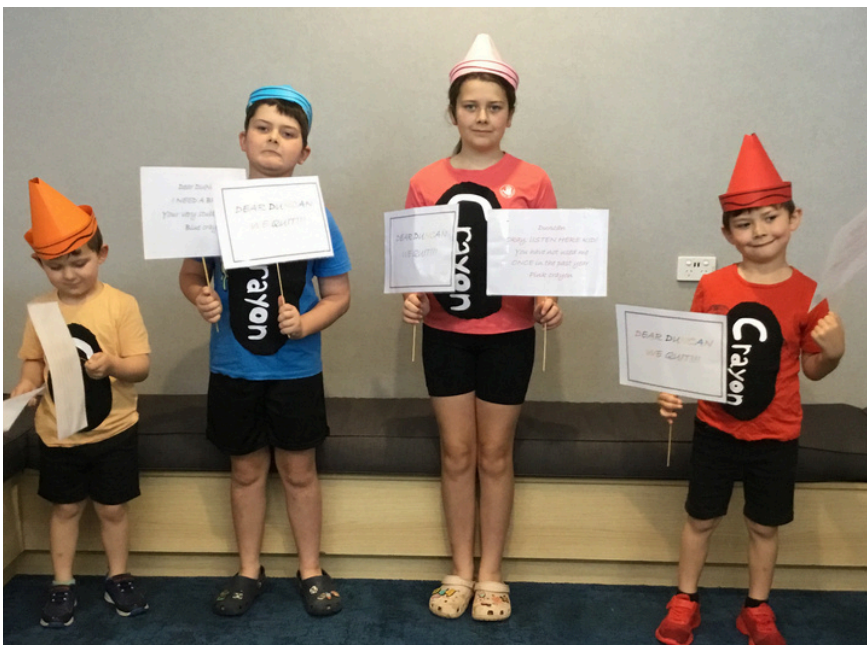


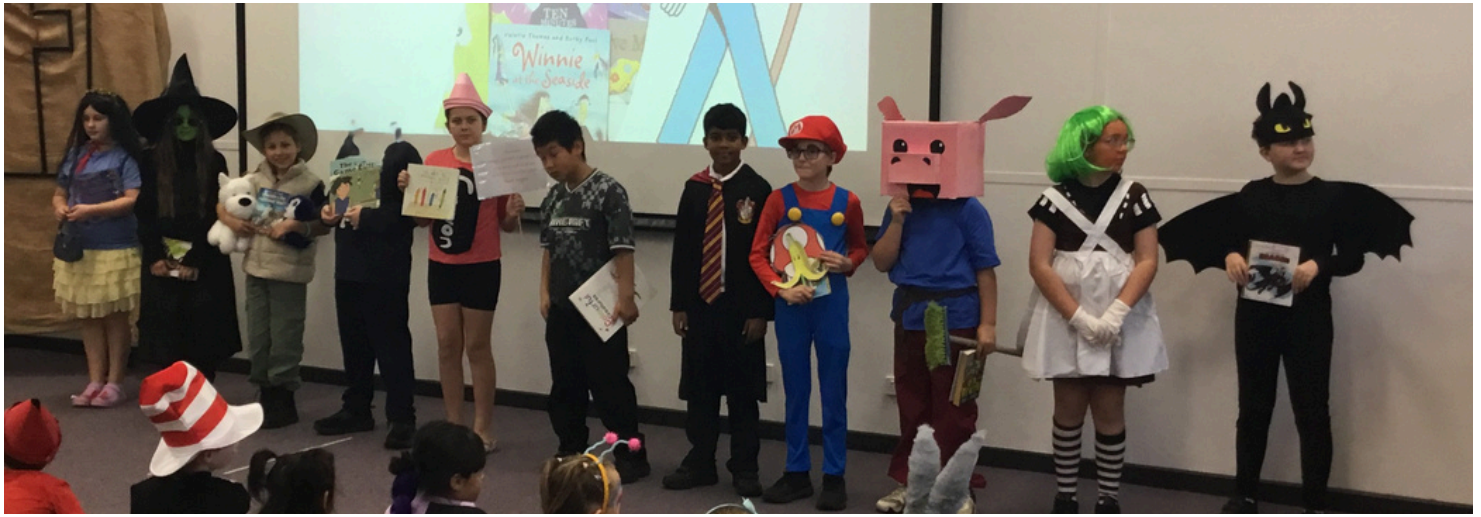
Mental Health Literacy

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http://wlc.vic.schooltv.me/wellbeing_news/special-report-mental-health-literacy-guided-reflection-au

Book Week Celebrated









NHILL PRIMARY BASKETBALL

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 30 SEPT

THURSDAYS IN TERM 4
PRIMARY BOYS & GIRLS YEARS 2 - 6
SEASON STARTS 8 OCTOBER - 10 DECEMBER 2026



REGISTER ONLINE [HTTPS://WWW.PLAYHQ.COM/BASKETBALL-VICTORIA/REGISTER/85C2C6](https://www.playhq.com/basketball-victoria/register/85c2c6)

ENQUIRIES: EMILY GLADDIS 0428 112 321

Get excited! Our 2026 Primary Basketball Competition will kick off in Week 1 of Term 4. Registrations are now open on Play HQ and we encourage all parents to register their players as soon as possible so our Competition Coordinator and her helpers can create the teams over the school holidays.

Primary Basketball Competition (boys and girls)

Thursdays starting 8 October

Primary school aged children from Year 2 - 6

Total registration cost of \$73.50 includes Basketball Victoria Participation Licence, Basketball Australia Levy, \$9.50 Nhill Basketball Membership and Nhill College stadium hire fees.

If your child is in Year 2 and has NOT done our Aussie Hoops program, we strongly suggest that they enrol in Aussie Hoops for this season as a starting point (watch this space!).

Registrations can be made at <https://www.playhq.com/basketball-victoria/register/85c2c6>

For enquiries, please contact Comp Coordinator Emily Gladdis on 0428 112 321.



MANHARI CRICKET CLINICS

HORSHAM

Manhari and Cricket Victoria welcomes all children aged 5-12 to enjoy a **FREE** clinic this October

THURSDAY 1 OCTOBER
Horsham - Coughlin Park Oval
9:30am - 11:00am

Skills coaching, games, inflatables, giveaways & more!



SCAN QR TO REGISTER



MANHARI

WLC - NHILL P&F

GRAB SOME POPCORN

IT'S MOVIE NIGHT!



11 SEPTEMBER 2026

7.00PM

PLEASE NOTE MOVIE WILL BE RATED PG
CHILDREN TO BE SUPERVISED BY AN ADULT

WLC - NHILL
MULTIPURPOSE ROOM
POPCORN PROVIDED
BYO COMFY SEAT
WATER ONLY PLEASE



ALL FREE!

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2026 SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

WEEK 1

MONDAY 21 SEPTEMBER

Roller Disco
Dimboola Stadium (Recreation Reserve)
10am - 12pm

Indoor Soccer
Jeparit Memorial Town Hall
2:30pm - 4pm

TUESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER

Movie - Tom & Jerry: Forbidden Compass
Nhill Cinema
1pm - 3pm

WEDNESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER

First Aid and CPR Training (Ages 12-25)
Nhill Memorial Community Centre
9am - 4:30pm

Rainbow Show Entry Craft
Rainbow Neighbourhood House
10am - 11am

Jeparit Show Entry Craft
Jeparit Library
12:30pm - 1:30pm

THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER

Circus Workshop
Nhill College Stadium
10am - 11am

Circus Workshop
Dimboola Stadium (Recreation Reserve)
12:30pm - 1:30pm

FRIDAY 25 SEPTEMBER

AFL GRAND FINAL (public holiday)

WEEK 2

MONDAY 28 SEPTEMBER

Cooking with Natalia
Rainbow Library
10am - 11:30am

Cooking with Natalia
Jeparit Memorial Town Hall
2pm - 3:30pm

TUESDAY 29 SEPTEMBER

Indoor Soccer
Dimboola Stadium (Recreation Reserve)
10am - 11:30am

Community Event: Open Mic Night
Nhill Memorial Community Centre
6:30pm - 9pm

WEDNESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER

Cooking with Cat Clarke (Ages 10 and over)
Dimboola Memorial Secondary College Hall
10am - 11:30am

Lawn Bowls (Ages 10 and over)
Dimboola Bowling Club
1pm - 2:30pm

THURSDAY 01 OCTOBER

Mosaic with Michelle
Rainbow Neighbourhood House
10am - 11am

Mosaic with Michelle
Jeparit Library
1pm - 2pm

Outdoor Cinema: The Magic Faraway Tree
Dimboola Recreation Reserve (Soundshell)
6:30pm - 8:30pm

FRIDAY 02 OCTOBER

Nhill Show Entry Craft
Nhill Library
10am - 11am

Dimboola Show Entry Craft
Dimboola Library
12:30pm - 1:30pm

Pilates with Kelly
Dimboola Rowing Club
3pm - 4pm

Please note: These activities have limited bookings available. Should they be oversubscribed, preference will be given to residents of Hindmarsh Shire.

scan to register

REGISTER NOW!

Registrations submitted prior to school holidays are much appreciated!

Children under 11 years of age are required to have parent/guardian supervision.

For more information visit
www.hindmarsh.vic.gov.au/events,
call 03 5391 4444
or email youth@hindmarsh.vic.gov.au.

Hindmarsh Shire Council
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Nhill Cinema

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The flu spreads quickly

Sick kids? Keep them home

Keeping unwell children at home helps protect classmates, staff, and families during flu season

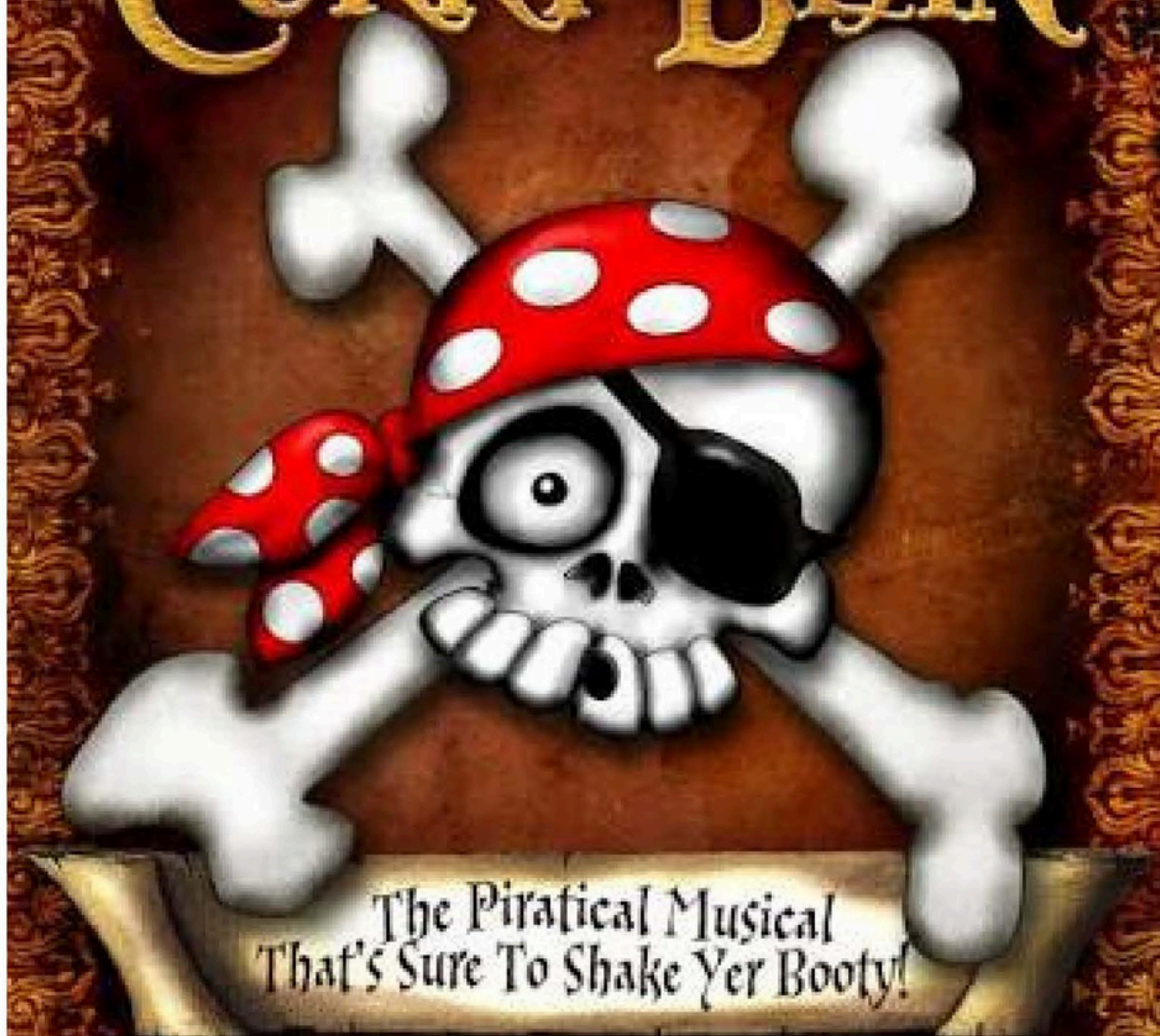


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Grampians Health
Grampians Public Health Unit

Wimmera Lutheran College Nhill Presents

PIRATES of the CURRY BEAN



The Piratical Musical
That's Sure To Shake Yer Booty!

Thurs 17th September - Doors Open 6.30pm

7pm start

Nhill Community Centre

Gold Coin Donation