



From The Head of Campus

Hello everyone,

Swimming Carnival

Monday was a fantastic day of action at the Dimboola Swimming pool for our annual swimming carnival. Students had the opportunity to participate in many events and all were keen to give them a go. Congratulations to all students for putting in an excellent effort and participating with great attitude. Thank you to all the spectators that came and watched on the day. It certainly adds to the atmosphere and the students and staff enjoy having our school community support these events. Also, a massive thank you to all staff for the work you've put in to make this day possible. Your dedication ensures these events happen for our students.

A massive congratulations to the **GOLD** team for being the overall winner of the day. It certainly was a tight competition.

Leadership Day

Tuesday was an exciting day for our school leaders. All of our primary student leaders from WLC campuses came together for the first time to participate in Student Leadership education led by Emma Graetz from Australian Lutheran College. Students learnt about the 4 S's (spiritual, significant qualities, servant & support) of leadership and how they can be responsible and reliable leaders.

Miss Habel

Some of you may have seen a new face around the school. Erin Habel has been doing some work in both the junior and senior classrooms as a CRT. Erin has been a teacher for 10+ years and brings a nurturing personality and loads of experience and ideas to our school. Please make Miss Habel feel welcomed into our school if you see her around.

Art Room Supplies

Our students are busy making creations for the upcoming SteamPunk Festival. To help with their creations we are in need of ice cream containers, magazines and round 750ml/1L round bottles. If you have any of these at home and would like to part with them, please feel free to drop them off at the school office. Thanks!

Welcome BBQ

We're excited to invite our school community to our Welcome BBQ. This is a great time to connect with families and staff from the WLC Dimboola community. Meat will be supplied for this event but we do ask if you could please bring a salad to share. An RSVP is attached to this newsletter, otherwise one will also be sent home with students. Can you please ensure you return this for catering purposes. Look forward to seeing you all there

Have a wonderful weekend,

Millie Dent

Devotional Thoughts

A rewarded – but not easy – journey by Carolyn Ehrlich

Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword (Matthew 10:34).

Read [Matthew 10:34–42](#)

I find it challenging to read this Scripture. I prefer the Christmas carol, *I heard the bells on Christmas Day*, with the repeated line 'Peace on earth, goodwill to men'. So surely Jesus came to bring peace on earth. Right? But hold on, this is not what the Scripture for today says.

Jesus says, 'I have not come to bring peace'. Well, that is a conundrum for me. I want peace on earth. I want what I believe I heard the carol say. As I investigate further, I find that the Christmas carol is based on a poem by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, who wrote the poem in lament for his son who had gone off to war against Henry's wishes. And suddenly, I realised that what I thought I understood about peace on earth is built on a very sandy foundation. I might be the only one who has thought this way. But so often, I find that what I thought I learned in Sunday school, what I thought I understood about Jesus, is not actually what Scripture says. I misheard and misinterpreted.

So, what does Scripture say that could fit a little bit with that Christmas song? Well, in Luke 2:14, we find that what the heavenly host was doing at the birth of Jesus was praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased'. So, peace is not what Jesus is bringing to this world. Peace is, however, received by those with whom God is well pleased.

In this text, peace does not seem to mean the absence of conflict. We can expect conflict. How do we know this? Because that is what Jesus says. What are we to do then? Receive and serve. If we receive Jesus, we receive God the Father (Matthew 10:40). If we give our life for Jesus, we will find life (verse 39). If we serve (sacrifice) by giving even a cup of cold water to one of Jesus' disciples, we will not lose our reward (verse 42).

Know then that in the rough territory of losing your independence to walk with Jesus in this sin-ravaged world, your courage, your willingness to accept rejection even from family, your self-denial and self-sacrificial living will be rewarded. Paul tells us this in Romans 8:18, 'For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed for us'. The reward is worth it. Hang in there with Jesus.

Jesus, I long for peace in this world. I long for a world without conflict, warfare and enmity. Even though you did not come to bring that peace to the earth, you did come to bring peace among us. I can only experience this peace in you, which passes all understanding. Be with me as I go about my day today. Please help me to know your peace and put my suffering into your perspective, not mine. Come, Lord Jesus. Amen.



AWARDS



Junior Classroom Award

Hunter Mibus

For being open to ideas and creating great sentences in writing.



Senior Classroom Award

Baxter Collins

For contributing to class discussions and working well during group work.



Head of Campus Award

Isla Pilmore

For fitting in nicely into our school and being nurturing towards the younger students.



Reading Award

Milla Bartlett

For completing 25 nights of reading.

Notice's

Important Dates

All the below dates are to the best of our knowledge and may change at short notice or be added to throughout the Term.

TERM 1 = 29th January - 4th April 2025

March 2025

5th = Wimmera Machinery Field Days

10th = Labour Day Public Holiday

12th - 24th = NAPLAN (Grade 3 & 5)

14th = Welcome BBQ

21st = Ride to School Day

24th & 25th = Parent teacher interviews

25th = School photo's

April 2025

12th = Wimmera Steampunk Festival street party

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

Please note that we have a new admin email address:

admin.dimboola@wlc.vic.edu.au

UNIFORM

Term 1 is full summer uniform, including a hat. We have lots of second hand uniform needing a home, so if you require uniform, please contact the school office.

Thank you!

AUDIRI APP

Please note that we use the Audiri App for our main form of communication.

You can also use the app to log any student absences and to update any contact details.

If you haven't already downloaded this app, please contact the school office if you require any assistance.

Dimboola-Natimuk Lutheran Parish

2nd March 2025 - Transfiguration of our Lord

Parish Service 10:30am HC

Followed by shared lunch and AGM



Wimmera Lutheran College 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.

Notice's



YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR

WELCOME

BBQ



Friday 14th March 5.30pm

We're excited to invite all families to our Welcome BBQ! Come join us for some delicious food, great company, and the perfect opportunity to connect with fellow students, families, and staff from the WLC Dimboola community. BBQ supplied. Please bring a salad to share!

Please RSVP by 7th March by returning the slip to the office

Notice's



COMMUNITY
thank you

**LITTLE DESERT BUSHFIRE
VOLUNTEERS AND
EMERGENCY SERVICES**

SATURDAY | 6:00PM TO
29 MARCH 2025 | 11:00PM
LIVE MUSIC + MORE

DIMBOOLA SOUND SHELL
DIMBOOLA RECREATION RESERVE

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW

 **Hindmarsh
Shire Council**

For more information, please contact Coordinator Sports,
Recreation and Community Development, Jennie Hauselberger
at jhauselberger@hindmarsh.vic.gov.au or call (03) 5391 4444



 **DFNC 2025** 

*The Dimboola Football Netball Club are looking
for junior players to help field teams for the
upcoming 2025 season*

13 & Under Netball	Under 14s Football
15 & Under Netball	Under 17 Football
17 & Under Netball	NSG & AusKick

Please contact

Netball - Ant Toet 0409 522 275

Football - Simon Mibus 0408 102 476

For more details

ALL WELCOME

Swimming Carnival



Around The School

