WIMMERA LUTHERAN COLLEGE

Dimboola Campus Newsletter - Friday 1st May 2026

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From The Head of Campus

Welcome back,

I hope all of our families had a wonderful Easter and enjoyed a well-deserved break over the holidays. It has been lovely to welcome students back to school, refreshed and ready for a busy and exciting term ahead.

ANZAC Day

Our school community recently had the opportunity to come together to honour and remember those who have served our country.

It was wonderful to see so many of our students and families attend the ANZAC Day service at Dimboola Memorial Secondary College. Our school leaders represented us with pride as they laid a wreath during the ceremony, showing respect and gratitude for the sacrifices made by so many.

In the lead-up to ANZAC Day, our literacy focus has been on procedural texts, which provided a wonderful opportunity for teachers to incorporate ANZAC Day into classroom learning. Through this, students followed procedures to create poppies and make ANZAC biscuits, bringing their learning to life in a meaningful and engaging way. It was fantastic to see students applying their reading and writing skills in such a hands-on context and, of course, enjoying the delicious results!

Student Arrival Reminder

Just a friendly reminder to families about student arrival times at school.

Onsite supervision begins at 8:30am, and students should not be on school grounds before this time unless prior arrangements have been made with staff.

Mother's Day Celebration

We are looking forward to celebrating Mother's Day at school next Friday.

Students have been sent home with a note outlining the details of the morning, along with an RSVP section at the bottom. If you could please return the RSVP as soon as possible, it will help us plan and cater for the correct number of attendees. You can also RSVP using the Audiri app.

We're excited to share this special time with our families and celebrate the important people in our students' lives.

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Secondary Visit & Come and Try Day

On Tuesday, our Year 5/6 students enjoyed a visit from Deputy Principal/Head of Secondary, Mrs Carter. During her time with the students, she led a number of engaging activities, spoke about what to expect in secondary school, and shared a short clip showcasing our Horsham campus and the range of subjects on offer in the secondary school.

This was a valuable opportunity for our students to begin thinking about their transition to secondary schooling and to ask questions in a relaxed and supportive setting.

Our Horsham campus will be hosting a Come and Try Day for 2027 Year 7 students on Wednesday, May 20th, 2026. If you would like further information, please let me know, as students will need to be registered to attend.

PTFA Meeting

We will be holding our first PTFA (Parents, Teachers and Friends Association) meeting on Monday May 4th at 3:30pm.

If you would like to be part of our PTFA, we would love you to come along and join us. This initial meeting will focus on gathering interest, explaining what PTFA is all about, and how we can work together to support our wonderful school.

Please note that meetings will not always be held on a Monday—this is simply our starting point.

If you are unable to attend but would still like to be involved, please let us know. We would love to have as many people on board as possible as we continue to strengthen and grow our school community.

Important Dates Coming Up

- **Monday May 4th** – Hockey Roadshow
- **Monday May 4th** – Parents & Friends Meeting
- **Friday May 8th** – Mother's Day Celebrations

Millie Dent

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From The Executive Principal

Wimmera Lutheran College

Welcome back to Term 2 and I hope the holiday break provided time for rest, renewal and connection with family and friends. As we reflected over Easter and I referenced in the Opening Service, the Easter message reminds us that Jesus is risen, a powerful truth that brings hope, renewal and the opportunity for a fresh start in all that we do. It is with this spirit that we begin the term ahead, embracing new opportunities for learning, growth and community. I extend my warmest wishes to all families across the Nhill, Dimboola and Horsham campuses for a positive and rewarding term ahead.

Anzac Day

Anzac Day is a deeply significant occasion in Australia, reminding us of the courage, sacrifice and service of those who have served our nation, and it was wonderful to see Wimmera Lutheran College honour this day through meaningful services both at school and within the local communities. My sincere thanks go to Mr Wayne Bandel for leading the Horsham Service with such care and respect, to Michelle Hahn and the band for leading the music that enriched the commemoration, and to Bryan Matuschka for his moving playing of the bugle for the Last Post and Rouse. We also acknowledge and thank our Student Leaders and staff of all 3 campuses who represented the College at the Dawn and other commemorative services. As a community, we are reminded that Anzac Day is not just about remembering the past, but about carrying forward the values of courage, mateship, sacrifice and service in our daily lives.

Central Hub Principal Visits

Lutheran Education Victoria, New South Wales and Tasmania (LEVNT) brings together schools of varying sizes and contexts across the 3 states. These schools are organised into regional Hubs that meet regularly to foster collaboration, professional dialogue and shared growth. This week, it was a pleasure to host the Central Hub (made up of schools from Melbourne, Geelong and Mildura) at Wimmera Lutheran College, with leaders visiting our Nhill, Dimboola and Horsham campuses. The visit provided a valuable opportunity for each campus to share its unique history, reflect on our amalgamation journey, and offer an update on the learning, community and developments taking place across our College. I thank the Central Hub for their time, engagement and encouragement, and extend my appreciation to Damon Prenzler and Millie Dent for hosting and showcasing their campuses. We pray for continued collegiality, wisdom and partnership across the Lutheran schools of LEVNT as we work together in service of our communities and God's mission.

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Devotional Thoughts

Mercy

by Tatiana Overduin

I was shown mercy … (1 Timothy 1:13b)

We all have skeletons in the closet. No one, other than Christ Jesus himself, can claim to be without sin. In light of this truth, our hope lies in today's text, which pours out grace in abundance (verse 14), along with faith and love in Christ Jesus.

Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners (verse 15). A repentant heart acknowledges that we alone cannot save ourselves. We rely fully on the saving grace of Jesus, mercifully given to us.

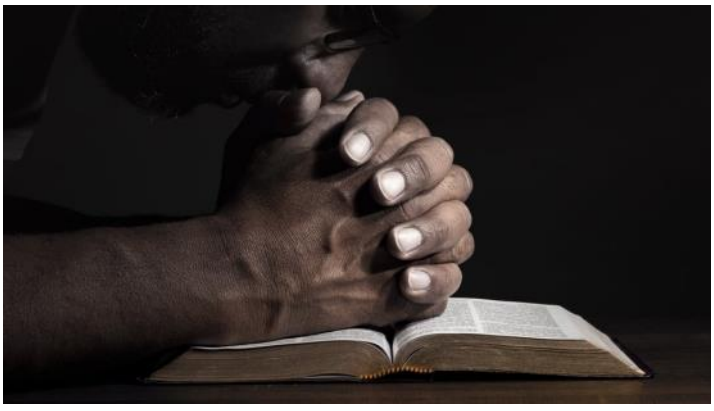
Wow! Saving grace! Amazing saving grace! This is what is shown to us – positively radiating! Do we radiate that to others? Or, to use another buzzword, do we 'glimmer'?

A glimmer is the opposite of a trigger. Glimmers are moments in your day that bring joy, peace and gratitude. There is a reason we can remember to glimmer this saving grace so mercifully given to us through Christ Jesus. It is a gift freely given to us. Do we freely share this hope with others?

In our current social and political world, often so lacking in hope, we are called to share the message of Christ Jesus with others. But not in a 'hammer-hitting', triggering way. We've seen the 'trigger' pulled too many times of late. Grumpiness doesn't glimmer. Short-temperedness doesn't glimmer. Complaining doesn't glimmer. Annoyance and anger don't glimmer. These behaviours discourage others. Right at this moment, I confess that I'm not glimmering.

Our text today proclaims that we have been shown mercy so that Christ Jesus might display his immense patience as an example for those who would believe in him and receive eternal life (verse 16). Through the daily encouragement of God's word and the power of prayer, may we also seek to show that same patience, as an example to others.

Dear Triune God, we pray together: 'Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory forever and ever. Amen' (verse 17). Help us, Lord, to believe and live this. In Jesus' name. Amen.



AWARDS

Awards

Violet Emson – For showing fantastic determination and effort during cross country practice. You challenged yourself to run more, kept a positive attitude and gave it your best. Well Done.

Grace Nuske - For putting effort into reading and showing curiosity.

Isabella Brincat - For showing kindness and including others in the yard.

Memphis Pinchbeck - For applying conflict strategies and walking away and as a result finding enjoyment in new areas of play.

AWARDS

Reading Awards

Darcy Robson– Reading award for 50 nights of reading.

Clara Robson - Reading award for 50 nights of reading.

Laim Collins Reading award for 50 nights of reading.

Harry Lindner - Reading award for 25 nights of reading.

Milla Bartlett - Reading award for 75 nights of reading.

Amelia Pinchbeck - Reading award for 25 nights of reading.

AWARDS

Awards

Maxi Dent- For applying his knowledge of shapes to the real world and developing his knowledge of 3D shapes & for showing an intention to listen, learn and make connections to new ideas.

Darcy Robson- For working hard to learn his sounds & Magic words.

Issy Brincat- For following classroom routines in a respectful and courteous manner and contributing positively to her own learning.

Notices

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 2 = 20th April - 26th June 2026

May 2026

1st - Cross Country - 2:00pm

4th - Hockey Roadshow

4th - PTFA meeting - 3:30pm

8th - Mothers Day Celebration (9 - 11:30am)

June 2026

5th - Report Writing Day (no school)

8th - Kings Birthday Public Holiday (no school)

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

3rd May - 5th Sunday of Easter

10:00am **HC** Goroke

10:00am LR Natimuk

10:00am LR Vectis

10:00am LR Dimboola

10th May - 6th Sunday of Easter

10:00am LR Goroke

10:00am HC Natimuk

10:00am LR Vectis

10:00am **HC** Dimboola

Baptism,

Pr Lucas Matuschka

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.

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WIMMERA
Lutheran
College
DIMBOOLA CAMPUS
PTFA Meeting
Monday 4th May
3:30pm
We need you!
Our Parents, Teachers and Friends Association:
• Encourages parent engagement & communication
• Builds community through events & involvement
• Supports staff & school initiatives
• Raises funds for special projects
EVERYONE WELCOME!

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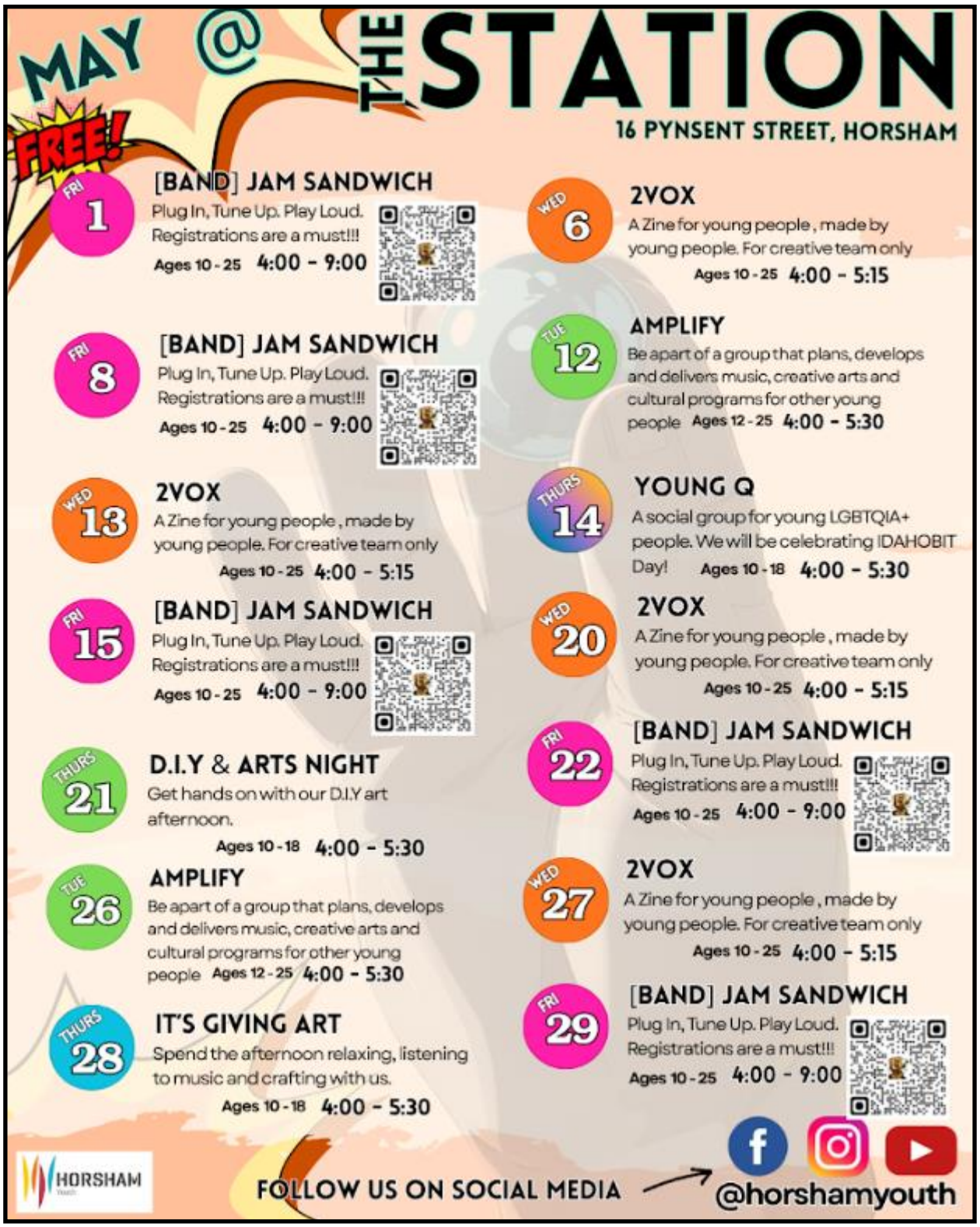
MAY @ THE STATION
FREE!
16 PYNSENT STREET, HORSHAM
FRI 1
[BAND] JAM SANDWICH
Plug In, Tune Up. Play Loud.
Registrations are a must!!!
Ages 10 - 25 4:00 - 9:00
FRI 8
[BAND] JAM SANDWICH
Plug In, Tune Up. Play Loud.
Registrations are a must!!!
Ages 10 - 25 4:00 - 9:00
WED 13
2VOX
A Zine for young people , made by young people. For creative team only
Ages 10 - 25 4:00 - 5:15
FRI 15
[BAND] JAM SANDWICH
Plug In, Tune Up. Play Loud.
Registrations are a must!!!
Ages 10 - 25 4:00 - 9:00
THURS 21
D.I.Y & ARTS NIGHT
Get hands on with our D.I.Y art afternoon.
Ages 10 - 18 4:00 - 5:30
TUE 26
AMPLIFY
Be apart of a group that plans, develops and delivers music, creative arts and cultural programs for other young people Ages 12 - 25 4:00 - 5:30
THURS 28
IT'S GIVING ART
Spend the afternoon relaxing, listening to music and crafting with us.
Ages 10 - 18 4:00 - 5:30
WED 6
2VOX
A Zine for young people , made by young people. For creative team only
Ages 10 - 25 4:00 - 5:15
TUE 12
AMPLIFY
Be apart of a group that plans, develops and delivers music, creative arts and cultural programs for other young people Ages 12 - 25 4:00 - 5:30
THURS 14
YOUNG Q
A social group for young LGBTQIA+ people. We will be celebrating IDAHOBIT Day! Ages 10 - 18 4:00 - 5:30
WED 20
2VOX
A Zine for young people , made by young people. For creative team only
Ages 10 - 25 4:00 - 5:15
FRI 22
[BAND] JAM SANDWICH
Plug In, Tune Up. Play Loud.
Registrations are a must!!!
Ages 10 - 25 4:00 - 9:00
WED 27
2VOX
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Ages 10 - 25 4:00 - 5:15
FRI 29
[BAND] JAM SANDWICH
Plug In, Tune Up. Play Loud.
Registrations are a must!!!
Ages 10 - 25 4:00 - 9:00
HORSHAM
FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA
@horshamyouth

NOTICES

CHAPLAINCY
BOOK
FAIR
22–23
MAY
ALL BOOKS $1
Cash Only
Fri 22 May 12pm to 9pm
Sat 23 May 9am to 12pm
HORSHAM
COLLEGE
Horsham College
Maroske Hall, Dimboola Rd

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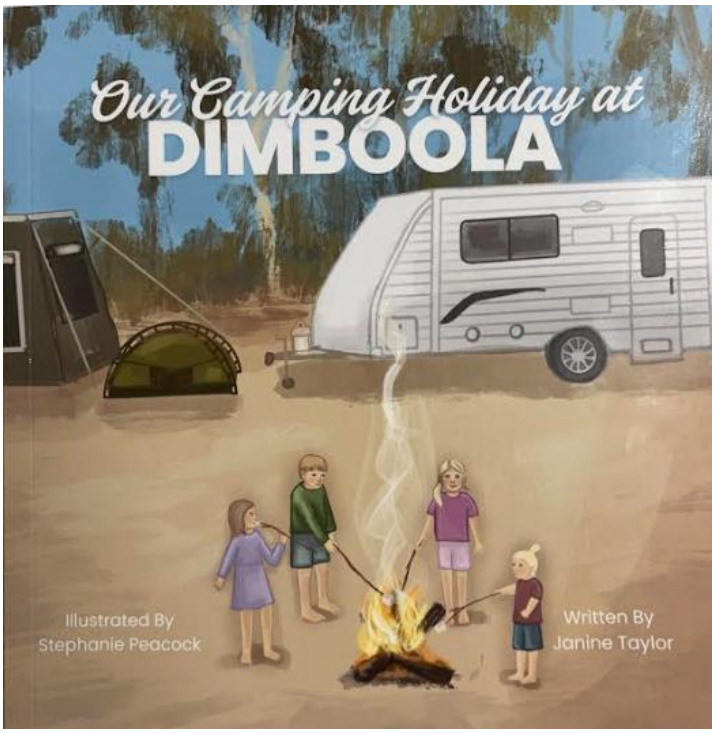

Don't forget that we have a copy of Janine Taylor's 'Our Camping Holiday at Dimboola' book in the office for viewing.

Books can be purchased for $20 each with $5 going towards our school.

THE CENTRE FOR PARTICIPATION – HORSHAM – HAS TEAMED UP WITH DIMBOOLA CWA LADIES TO PROVIDE FREE FRESH FRUIT AND VEGIES AND FROZEN MEALS FOR PEOPLE IN NEED.

NO FORMS TO FILL IN OR REGISTRATIONS . NOT DEPENDENT ON A HEALTH CARE CARD – AVAILABLE FOR ANYONE IN NEED.

JUST COME TO DIMBOOLA RSL HALL, 113 LLOYD STREET, DIMBOOLA ON THURSDAY AFTERNOON BETWEEN 2.30 AND 4.30 (WILL CLOSE EARLIER IF WE RUN OUT). WE ARE OFFERING THIS SERVICE EVERY WEEK FOR THE DIMBOOLA COMMUNITY SO TELL YOUR FRIENDS.

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