

CHAPEL MESSAGES FOR THE WEEK ENDING 11th NOVEMBER 2016

MONDAY, 7th NOVEMBER

Good Morning All

Welcome to Week 5 and counting down!

Tis overcast, wet on the ground and perhaps more rain. We give thanks to God for the new day and week.

Our theme for this week is FINISH WELL!

The Bible reading was from Ecclesiastes 7:8-12 on pages 695 and 820 in the Wesley Bibles.

v7 The end of a matter is better than its beginning, and patience is better than pride. Whatever we do in life there is a degree of preparation involved.

The degree of preparation will determine whether we FINISH WELL.

From the smallest of things to the bigger stuff of life there is preparation to be done.

The ABs perhaps didn't prepare as well as they could have given their historical loss to Ireland yesterday. The Irish prepared and brought it and FINISHED WELL.

The Leaver's Class 2016 have been preparing for the day from the very day they walked through the Wesley gates.

All their preparation will culminate with Senior Prize-giving, Leaver's Chapel and Dinner next week.

We look forward to those celebrations as a school, family and community. There will be much in the way of preparation for these occasions with the hope that we will FINISH WELL.

In our life with God nothing is left to chance.

With God there is only certainty, conviction, confidence and with God preparation comes every day we are alive to prepare for the next. It's our way of saying 'thank you God, we got this!'

It is this certainty and assuredness which calls us to prepare for every day which the Lord has made.

When we prepare well it follows that we will FINISH WELL.

The end of a matter is better than its beginning and patience is better than pride.

Have a blessed day

TUESDAY, 8th NOVEMBER

There was no Chapel Message today.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH NOVEMBER

Good Morning All

A lovely spring day and the blossoms on the trees are making their mark on our landscape. Beautiful!

CONGRATULATIONS to Mr Siosuia Pole who will be the new HOD Maths in 2017.

CONGRATULATIONS to Noah Leapepetele who has made the Counties Manukau U13 Softball Rep Team at aged 10. Awesome!

We continue with our theme FINISH WELL.

This morning the School watched a Youtube video clip which focussed on:

Witness happiness

Reach a deeper understanding

Feel the love

Receive what money can't buy

What is it that we desire?

What is it that we desire for the Leaver's Class 2016 as they prepare to leave us?

As their time with us comes to an end after 5 years of growing our faith together, living together, schooling together, just being together ... our desire is that you FINISH WELL!

Our desire is that we FINISH WELL together!

Next week with Senior Prize-Giving, Leaver's Chapel and Dinner we will do our best to ensure that we will FINISH WELL. That your last memories of this place are about happiness, are about an affirmation of the understanding we all have of what this place means to us and what we mean to each other. That your last memories are about the love that our School has for you and you for our School. All these things touch our hearts and emotions and are things that money cannot buy.

So we look forward to celebrating the occasions next week. May they be full of joy and of celebration and of happiness.

Have a blessed day

THURSDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER

Good Morning All

Another beautiful spring day at Wesley. Every day is a day to be thankful.

CONGRATULATIONS to Yr 11 Girls Ocean Tierney, Paris Lafaele-Saumani and Alisi Hafoka who have made the Counties Manukau Open Grade Women's Sevens Team. Awesome feat! We continue with our theme for the week FINISH WELL!

The Bible reading was from Hebrews 11:1-4, 39-40 on pages 1347 and 1521 in the Wesley Bibles.

By faith we will FINISH WELL.

By learning we will FINISH WELL.

By hard work we will FINISH WELL ... Our school motto Fide, Litteris, Labore.

By being fair to everyone. By having an attitude of forgiveness towards others.
By walking humbly with God, we will FINISH WELL. ...The beginning to our School Prayer
Micah 6:8.
By doing good to all people, in all places, at all times, whenever we can, we will FINISH
WELL.

John Wesley founder of the Methodist movement his wisdom completes our School Prayer.

When we remember that our School is a Christian school based on Jesus teachings.
When we remember that we are also a parish within the Methodist Church of NZ Te Hahi
Weteriana o Aotearoa.
When we remember we are accepted for who we are, called to be God's people and that we
belong to the Wesley College family and the wider family of God.
When we remember that this is our Special Character, what makes us unique and different
from any other school, we will FINISH WELL.
The Methodist ethos which guides and directs everything we do talks about treating
everyone with respect, treating everyone fairly, valuing everyone's worth and opinion, we're
not into bullying of any kind and that there is a way of treating people that ensures that
their integrity is maintained. When we remember these things we will FINISH WELL.
These things to remember are at the heart of who we are as Wesley and when we remember
these things, what we need to remember too, is that it is in the living out of these values
every day as we live together, that their meaning is fully realised and find their best
expression.
Remember, Live it, and we will FINISH WELL..

Have a blessed day

FRIDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER

Good Morning All

TGIF and the end of Week 5. Time just keeps ticking along.

The morning is somewhat overcast here at Wesley. Am sure weather-wise we will FINISH
WELL.

We bring to a close our theme for the week FINISH WELL.
We FINISH WELL with a THANK YOU to our Year 13 Level who led worship and shared
memories and thoughts about their time here at Wesley. They included home-made video
clips which were very cool!

The Bible reading was from John 10:10 on pages 1144 and 1325 in the Wesley Bibles.

A little humour for our day ...

A priest, a minister, and a rabbi decide one day they want to see who was better at their job
than the other.

So each one goes into the forest, finds a bear, and attempts to convert it.

Later, they gather. The Priest says: "When I found the bear, I read to him from the
catechism and sprinkled him with holy water. Next week is his first Communion."

"I found a bear by the stream," says the Minister, "and preached God's Holy Word. The bear
was so mesmerized that he let me baptize him."

They both look down at the Rabbi, who is lying on a gurney in a body cast. "Looking back," he says, "maybe I shouldn't have started with the circumcision."

While for the Rabbi the beginning did matter in the end ...

It's really not the beginning that matters so much as how we finish and **FINISH WELL**

Have a blessed day.

