

CHAPEL MESSAGES FOR THE WEEK ENDING 12th AUGUST 2016

MONDAY, 8 AUGUST

Good Morning All

Welcome to Week 3 Term 3.

It's a sunny day here at Wesley and we give thanks for the sunshine despite the cold temperatures. I bring **GREETINGS** from the newly ordained Rev Carmel Ieraci of the UK Methodist Church and her congregations at Andover in Hampshire, UK.

The opportunity to lead Sunday worship and preach at both Bridge Street and St Andrews churches was a blessing. My thanks to Rev Ieraci.

GREETINGS from Rev Sylvia, Mr and Mrs Guttenbeil and their family in Melbourne. They are all well and send their best wishes to everyone.

CONGRATULATIONS to the Wesley College League XIII Coaching Staff and students who have reached the finals against St Pauls College to be played this Wednesday 10th at Mt Smart Stadium 7pm.

CONGRATULATIONS to Adam Pompey for winning two awards at the Auckland Rugby League Awards.
1. 1st XIII Top Goal Kicker. 2. 1st XIII Stand Off of the year.

CONGRATULATIONS to former student Chol Chol who has been signed up by the Melbourne Storm. Chol was from the Sudan and could hardly speak English when he first arrived to us. A very good athlete then, it is good to see Chol doing so well.

CONGRATULATIONS to Stanton House who took out the Winstone Cup Speech Competitions held last week.

Junior Section

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| 1 st Lovey Rewa (Winstone) | 2 nd Madeline Nansen (School) |
| 3 rd Darryl Kereti (Stanton) | 4 th Grace Kari (Simmonds) |

Intermediate Section

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| 1 st Sharon Tuipala (Stanton) | 2 nd Isileli Sakisi (Simmonds) |
| 3 rd Tristan Ah-Sui (School) | 4 th Simione Ofa (Winstone) |

Senior Section

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| 1 st Xavier Faitala (Stanton) | 2 nd Eric Vatau (School) |
| 3 rd Zuriel Togatama (Winstone) | 4 th Thomas Manase (Simmonds) |

The theme this week is **MATHS WEEK!**

Thank you to HOD Mrs Pereira, the Mathematics Department Staff and students for leading worship this week. Everyday there will be set Mathematics tasks as well as a weekly challenge to test our mental agility. Prizes will be awarded so let's support **MATHS WEEK**.

Thank you to Year 9 students Melelua Tutuila, Morgan Belle Taufau and Grace Kari for leading chapel this morning.

The Bible reading was from Matthew 7:18-20 on pages 1012 and 1188 in the Wesley Bibles.
v18 A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot bear good fruit.

v19 Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.
v20 Thus, by their fruit you will recognise them.

Those who work hard will produce good fruit
Those who do not work hard will not produce good fruit.
Encourage those who want to achieve and bear good fruit.
Always ask God for help because we can't do without God's help and God always wants to help us.

Have a blessed day

TUESDAY, 9 AUGUST

Good Afternoon All

Another sunny day at Wesley.

Our thoughtful prayers for Mr Beadle Brougham presently in hospital.

Our thoughtful prayers for Staff member Mrs Margaret Haru also presently in Middlemore Hospital.
WELCOME to the newest member to the Wesley College Family *Lilia-Rose Lupe Tuipulotu Lesina Paea* born 4th August to proud parents Dejoles Pereira (Hostel Parent) and Koni Paea. **CONGRATULATIONS** to even prouder grandparents Mrs Pereira (HOD Maths) and Mr Pereira.

THANK YOU to former Wesley student Demetrius Savelio better known by his stage name **Savage**, a New Zealand **rapper** of Samoan descent, and a former member of hip hop group the Deceptikonz who has presented to the School his Certified Platinum Award from the Recording Assoc. Industry of America acknowledging over 1,000,000 sales of his single 'Swing.' Awesome!

A humungus **THANK YOU** to Rev Stephen Tema for leading Sunday morning chapel services for the last two weeks. Fa'afetai.

An equally humungus **THANK YOU** to all Staff and students who have led chapel worship in my absence. Gratefully thankful.

THANK YOU to the group of Year 10 students who attended the Unveiling Service this morning for the late Mr Filemoni Tuiasosopo who passed away one year ago today. Our thanks to Mrs Tuiasosopo, Jordan, Marcus and Family.

CONGRATULATIONS to former Wesley students who have been selected to play the 2016 ITM CUP. Well done Boys!

| Steelers | Auckland | Waikato | Taranaki | Thames Valley (Heartland Championship) |
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| Jarred Adams Luteru Laulala Sione Molia Augustine Pulu Suliasi Taufalele Jonathon Taumateine Sam Vaka Injured Glen Fisi'iahi Nepo Laulala Maama Vaipulu | Malakai Fekitoa | Hame Faiva | Sione Lea Tau Koloamatangi | Carlin Hana |

We continue with MATHS WEEK as our theme for this week.

THANK YOU to Year 10 students D'Cody Mortensen, Nicholas Leaupepe and Viliami Johansson for leading chapel.

The Bible reading was from Genesis 6:14-22 on pages 10 in the Wesley Bibles.

God's measurements for Noah in building the ark were very precise.

Although the floodwaters were to come, God would make a new covenant with and through Noah.

A covenant which would speak of God's promise and abiding faithfulness.

God invites us to live lives measured with the same precision and meticulous care.

We deal daily with the 'floodwaters' of our everyday life and living and are reminded of the new covenant through Jesus Christ which we also live with daily.

This covenant speaks too of God's promise of faithfulness which we live with daily.

We are a covenant people who live daily with God's promise of faithfulness and in this our lives are measured through the measure of God's grace exacted upon us in abundance.

Hope everyone is having a blessed day.

WEDNESDAY, 10 AUGUST

Good Morning All

Tis a cold morning here at Wesley. We give thanks for the new day.

Our heartfelt thoughts and prayers for Anne and Bill Leach whose brother passed away recently.

GO WELL to our Year 9 and 10 Maths teams off to the Mathex Competition this evening at Rosehill.

GO WELL to our League Team - Coaching Staff and students who will play their final tonight at Mt Smart Stadium. Kia Kaha Boys!

THANKYOU to the Year 11 Girls Sharon Tuipala, Ocean Tierney and Devine Nansen for the very thoughtful chapel worship this morning.

The Bible reading was from Proverbs 3:1-6 on pages 651 and 773 in the Wesley Bibles.

Sharon shared how both her parents are Maths teachers, her siblings are good at Maths but somehow she missed out on the Maths gene. Not understanding the point of Maths wasn't helpful either.

As she has grown Sharon has learnt to appreciate the importance of Maths in our everyday life.

There isn't much in our everyday life which doesn't involve some kind of mathematical deduction.

Life is like MATHS in that we are always trying to change the negative into a positive.

Always trying to calculate how best to make the most of the problematic situations we find ourselves in.

v5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.

V6 In all your ways acknowledge him and he will make your paths straight.

Have a blessed day

THURSDAY, 11 AUGUST

Good Morning All

Its coats and scarves weather here at Wesley.

A big THANK YOU to 1st XIII coaches Mr Rob Short and Mr Lawrence Lawrence as well as the Team for a wonderful performance last night in the grand final against St Paul's College. It is the first time in our School's history to have entered a league team and to make it to the grand final was awesome. An equally big THANK YOU to our School who supported our team with passion and with graciousness in defeat. On and off the field we did our School proud. THANK YOU to all the former students and our families who were also there in support of our Boys. We look forward to the Nationals.

CONGRATULATIONS to former students Augustine Pulu and Sione Molia who played in the NZ Sevens team against Kenya at the Rio Olympics. Augustine dotted down for New Zealand.

THANK YOU to Year 12 students Malupo Maafu, William Faleofa and Peter Leaupepe for leading chapel worship this morning.

The Bible reading was from Philippians 4:13 on pages 1297 and 1470 in the Wesley Bibles.

v13 I can do all things through him who gives me strength.

Given the game last night the analogy was used of the ball as a parallel to our life and purpose in life.

We can choose to take the ball up and use it or have the ball slip through our hands.

The ball provides purpose and direction on the field, we know what the objective is and we are aware what the outcome is that we are hoping to achieve. We are equally aware what happens if we are distracted from the purpose.

For a positive outcome, initial steps must be undertaken in the first instance which provides the platform for later steps to happen in terms of securing the outcome sought. When we take these steps we do so in hope, we are given hope and we are hopeful.

We are thankful too for a God like you God. Amen!

Have a blessed day

FRIDAY, 12 AUGUST

Good Morning All

Sunshine and blue skies here at Wesley and not too cold.

WELCOME to the All Blacks and Coaching Staff who will be training here this afternoon in preparation for their game this evening against Counties/Northland.

THANK YOU to student teacher Mr Peti Lau'ese who leaves after his PE practicum with us. We wish him well.

THANK YOU to the Mathematics Department for leading our chapel worship this week. Awesome!
WELL DONE to Mr Pole and Dr Das who with our Year 9 and 10 students represented the School at the Mathex Competition earlier this week.

CONGRATULATIONS to all our teams who have reached semi-finals tomorrow.

GO WELL to our 1st XV and Coaching/Management Staff as they travel to Masterton today to play Rathkeale College tomorrow.

TGIF the end of another busy week as a school and community.

The Bible reading was Psalm 23 on pages 559 and 675 in the Wesley Bibles.

The gift of being part of a school, family and community such as that at Wesley, is that we are constantly on the receiving end.

We are constantly confronted by the gift of sharing our lives with young people who in trying to find their way in the world, are enabled to do so safely and in relative freedom. In an environment which understands they are young people and allows them to discover what all of this means, we are blessed to be a part of this never ending gift. Each day the gift reveals itself a little more, each day the gift gives of itself a little more, each day the gift opens up itself a little more for all of us to experience and to share in.

The Psalmist reminds us that we are never left wanting, never leaderless or without guidance or restoration for our souls.

That no matter where we are or what we may be doing, we can be fearless in the knowledge that God is Immanuel - with us.

We are a gifted people forever on the receiving end from God who is extravagant in God's giftedness towards us.

We are gifted, have been gifted and will continue to be gifted in and through God's never ending generosity.

We are blessed!

We give thanks for the gift of our very special and unique school, for all those who have gone before and to all those who will come.

Have a blessed day

