

CHAPEL MESSAGES FOR THE WEEK ENDING 8th SEPTEMBER 2017

MONDAY, 4th SEPTEMBER 2017

Good Morning All

It's blue skies and warm here at Wesley. God is good!

A belated HAPPY FATHER'S DAY to all our Wesley Dads.

Our prayerful thoughts for Mrs Audrey Valley from the Health Clinic who is in hospital. Get well soon.

CONGRATULATIONS to the U14s Black Team who won their Plate final against Aorere on Saturday! Choice!

We give thanks the U15s Team have arrived safely in Wellington and begin their tournament today.

GO WELL to the Coaching staff and 1st XIII League Team who will begin their tournament today at Bruce Pulman Park, Papakura.

Our theme for this week is PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

It's a theme we have had before but with examinations and the end of the term looming up large, a good reminder.

The Bible reading was from 1 Corinthians 13:4-11 on pages 1249 and 1428 in the Wesley Bibles.

A huge part of our growing up is learning to take PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY for ourselves. Each time we learn something new we become more RESPONSIBLE and it signals that we're growing up.

We realise too that if we don't take PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY for ourselves no one else will. We all start life as children with little or no RESPONSIBILITY. Everything is done for us.

As we grow we learn to become RESPONSIBLE ... we learn to tie our own shoe laces, clean our own rooms, turn in our own prep ... turn up to class on time with all our books, we learn to prepare our gear for sports before the game.

We learn that RESPONSIBILITY has its rewards - we learn too so does irresponsibility! In many ways, the difference between a child and an adult is their willingness to take PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY for their actions.

As Paul says, "When I became an adult, I put the ways of childhood behind me" ([1 Corinthians 13:11](#)).

The Bible teaches about PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY and the reading reminds us what this looks like. In all our ways we are loving, respectful, kind, not easily angered, truthful, hopeful and persevering.

We are encouraged to be PERSONALLY RESPONSIBLE in all areas of our life.

Each one of us is given what we need to assume RESPONSIBILITY ... to reach our fullest potential and to live life to the fullest.

In doing so we glorify God with our good works and it's our way of saying thank you for what we have been blessed with.

Have a blessed day

TUESDAY, 5TH SEPTEMBER 2017

There was no Chapel message today.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER 2017

Good Morning All

Wet and overcast here at Wesley! We give thanks.

The U15s Tournaments have had the following games:

v Massey won 57-0

v Auckland Grammar loss 13-14

v Tauranga Boys loss 7-8

The 1st XIII at their Nationals:

v Kelston loss 14-22

v Rotorua Boys loss 14-20

We continue with our theme of PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY.

Thank you to the Principal who lead chapel worship this morning.

The Bible reading was from Matthew 7:13-14 on pages 1012 and 1188 in the Wesley Bibles.

The message is a simple one - the narrow gate which only a few find leads to eternal life.

The wide gate and broad path which many find, leads to destruction.

Beware the false prophets who would mislead you and tell you otherwise.

For us here at school, we are not to be distracted by the things that would keep us from succeeding.

The narrow gate is that which leads to success to achieving NCEA, UE, finding a job.

The need to learn from our mistakes aids our walk through the narrow gate, always learning and moving forward.

The wide gate the easier path, leads us down the more troubled path.

Have a blessed day

THURSDAY, 7TH SEPTEMBER 2017

Good Morning All

It's a wet wintry day today at Wesley. We continue to give thanks.

CONGRATULATIONS to the U15s Tournament team who won their game yesterday 10-0 against Otago Boys High. Awesome!

CONGRATULATIONS to the 1st XIII at their tournament who won their game yesterday 22-4.

Mrs Audrey Valley from the Health Clinic who is in Middlemore Hospital sends her love and thanks to everyone for their love, prayers and flowers.

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY is exactly that, each person's own task and obligation. The Bible reading was from 2 Peter 1:5-10 on pages 1371 and 1544 in the Wesley Bibles. Outlined in the reading is the way of PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY.

We are to give our every effort to faith, goodness, knowledge, self-control, perseverance, godliness, mutual affection and love. When we practice these qualities growing in them daily, they keep us from being ineffective and unproductive, near-sighted and blind. If we assume PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY for ensuring these qualities are an everyday practice in our lives, we are reminded we will never stumble.

We may waiver and make mistakes but that's part of life. It's our RESPONSIBILITY to learn from them and persevere in our practice. When we are all PERSONALLY RESPONSIBLE we contribute to making the world a better place for everyone.

Have a blessed day

FRIDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER 2017

Good Afternoon All

THANK GOD it's Friday and the end of Week 7.

CONGRATUALTIONS to the U15s who have finished their tournament week with a 35-7 win against Mount Albert Grammar. Yes!

All glory back to the Lord above! Awesome sentiment Coach Siua. Safe travels home Boys!

CONGRATULATIONS to those who competed in the Inter-House Speech Competitions held last Friday.

Junior Grade

	House	Points	Speaker
4th	SIMMONDS	1	Sylvia Aholelei
3rd	WINSTONE	2	David Setitaia
2nd	SCHOOL	3	Ants Gayner
1st	STANTON	4	Raiha Mathews -Ngauma

Intermediate Grade

4th	STANTON	1	Calais McSheffrey
3rd	SCHOOL	2	Madeline Nansen
2nd	SIMMONDS	3	Grace Kari
1st	WINSTONE	4	Gabrielle Togatama

Senior Grade

3rd	STANTON	2	Sharon Tuipala
2nd	SIMMONDS	3	Martin Seve
1st	SCHOOL	4	Tristan Ah-Sui

House Placings

1st School House
2nd equal Stanton and Simmonds
4th Winstone House

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY.

The Bible reading was from Psalm 34:4

'I sought the Lord and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears.'

The onus here lies with 'I' ... I am the one who seeks, I am the one who searches, I am the one who desires, I am the one who asks.

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY is then of our own making, our task and obligation, our choice and decision whether to run with it or not.

When we initiate the enquiry, we signal our desire to know. Knowledge brings a freedom from those things that would otherwise hold us back. We are delivered from our fears.

God's answer is one of deliverance. Our response is that of RESPONSIBILITY.

Have a blessed weekend