

CHAPEL MESSAGES FOR THE WEEK ENDING 11th May 2018

MONDAY, 7th MAY 2018

Good Morning All

Somewhat overcast and a little chillier but whatever the weather, we give thanks!

CONGRATULATIONS to Yr 11 Raiha Matthews-Ngauma who placed 3rd in the English speeches at Manu Korero. Awesome!

GO WELL to our Principal who is working hard to complete his PhD thesis for this week. YOU CAN DO THIS!

Our theme for this week is WE CAN DO THIS!

The Bible reading was from Philippians 4:9-13 on pages 1297 and 1470 in the Wesley Bibles.

WE CAN DO THIS - in its very expression, the words hold a sense of hope and of encouragement.

WE CAN DO THIS resonates with kiwi ingenuity, hard work and the old 'Number 8 wire' can do kiwi attitude and ability to think outside the box, to rise to challenges others may think insurmountable.

WE CAN DO THIS together, is all encouraging, all hopeful and all helpful as we continue to do what we do as a school.

Paul the writer of Philippians wrote letters of encouragement to the church communities he established. Paul says to them 'YOU CAN DO THIS' continue to do what you are doing. I give thanks to God for you every day because of what you are doing through your faith. Paul is writing from prison. He was imprisoned for his faith but being in prison neither dampened his spirit or his faith. Paul was still able to be joyful, still able to be thankful, still able to remain faithful because regardless of his circumstances, God was still with him. I can do this being in prison through Christ who strengthens me.

The reading comes to remind us we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us, regardless of what happens in good times and bad, we can still be all good, still keep it together, still be happy even when it's the last thing we want to be, still keep going even when we think we can't go on any further and still make good choices when we think we can't.

We can do all things through Christ who strengthens us! In our life, in our wanting to gain a good education, in our wanting to do well and be good people, in our family lives and the relationships with our friends, WE CAN DO THIS!

Have a blessed day.

TUESDAY, 8th MAY 2018

Good Morning All

A beautiful autumnal day. We give thanks for the new day.

CONGRATULATIONS to our following sports teams

1 st XV lost	vs Francis Douglas	18-26
Dev. XV won	vs Francis Douglas 2 nd XV	22-17
Girls Rugby won	vs Papakura High	64-10

Our theme for this week is WE CAN DO THIS

The Bible Reading was from 1 Thessalonians 5:11-15 on pages 1310 and 1484 in the Wesley Bibles.

WE CAN DO THIS comes as a word of encouragement like Hakuna Matata - Don't worry be happy! WE CAN DO THIS as a philosophy, a way of thinking and living principle, it can be applied to our every day living and provides us with the inspiration and strength we need to cope with life's challenges. When God's plan for our life is that we enjoy it and make the most of every opportunity, to live life to the full then doing it together makes sense. So when we say WE CAN DO THIS, we are not alone, we are in it together with God and each other! Doing our best both inside and outside of the classroom.

WE CAN DO THIS! Yesterday the Yr 9 REP programme started and the students participating have the opportunity to work one on one with some incredible people mostly retired now but willing still to give of their knowledge and wisdom. Their help will help our students to do better and be better.

The reading reminds us to encourage one another, to build each other up, to live in peace and to always strive to do what is good. When WE CAN DO THIS ... this is the promise!

Have a blessed day.

WEDNESDAY, 9th MAY 2018

Good Afternoon All

A beautiful day here on the Farm. God is good!

THANK YOU to Ms Fatialofa and the Senior School for the wonderful Careers Expo held this morning.

To all the Providers which included two Wesley Old Boys THANK YOU THANK YOU for your time and sharing with us.

A special warm welcome to Mr Moses Alatini, an Old Boy who is a Senior Analyst of the Safekids Organisation for The Auckland District Health Board. It was a pleasure to have you, your wife Mele and son Saia with us today.

We continue with our theme for this week of WE CAN DO THIS.

The Bible reading was from 2 Peter 1:5-10 on pages 1371 and 1544 in the Wesley Bibles.

We are reminded of the kind of people God intends us to be, God believes we are and God knows we can be.

God knows what it takes to get ahead in the world. God knows what it's like out there in the real world and knows too, the joys and challenges one will face in deciding what your future will look like. So God wants to equip us, give us as much help as is possible to guide us in making the right decisions concerning our future and knows that talents and gifts and skills aren't the complete package when it comes to making your way in the world. God encourages us to work on those qualities which makes us good people - faith, goodness, knowledge, self-control, perseverance, godliness, mutual affection and love. V8 says if we have these qualities it will keep us from being ineffective and unproductive.

The reading also reminds us of God's purpose and God's promise. If we possess these qualities then the promise is we will never stumble and we will receive a rich welcome. Today all our guests and visitors here for the Expo shared something of their life experiences as they shared too what their different workplaces can offer as a career choice. You don't just want a career, you don't just want a job that will bring financial security, it is the hope that wherever you are, whatever you decide your purpose is, that you will also want to make a difference and being people of good character and of faith may just be the added edge, that extra something that an employer may see when you go to interview. Our visitors and all our staff here at school can help you to achieve your goals and dreams ... **WE CAN DO THIS!**

Have a blessed remainder of the day.

THURSDAY, 10th MAY 2018

Good Morning All

It was like a foggy day in London town this morning but it has cleared away to blue skies. God we give thanks.

We bade farewell to the visiting Ratu S Memorial School and rugby team from Fiji. Bula vinaka vaka levu. **WE CAN DO THIS ...**

The Bible reading was from Mark 10:21-28 on pages 1067 and 1242 in the Wesley Bible.

The week began with the reminder that we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us. No matter what situation we find ourselves in good or bad, tough or sad we are given the strength to ride it out, to see things through to the end. The promise ... we will be stronger for the experience. We can't do things by ourselves. We will always need other people's help and so we are encouraged to inspire one another, to build each other up, to live in peace and to always strive to do what is good. The Careers Expo yesterday did exactly that inspired and encouraged us to choose wisely what our future might look like. The promise ... we will receive. God reminds every day how capable we are. With God there is purpose, with God there is a promise. Fulfil our purpose, realise the promise.

A humnugus part of faith is trust - to trust God that nothing is impossible; that God will take care of all that we cannot. To trust God's wisdom to know what we need when we need it and then empower us, strengthen us, build us up and encourage us - **WE CAN DO THIS** together.

Have a blessed day.

FRIDAY, 11th MAY 2018

There was no Chapel message today.

