

## CHAPEL MESSAGES FOR THE WEEK ENDING 13<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2018

### MONDAY, 9<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2018

Good Afternoon All

The seasons they are a changing ... we give thanks for creation and that every day brings a newness that is life giving.

Welcome to Week 11 our last week of the term.

Our theme for this week is one of THANKS GIVING.

The Bible reading was from Psalm 118:1 on pages 629 and 747 in the Wesley Bibles.

v1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

We rejoice, GIVE THANKS and congratulate Steven Kari brother of Yr 11 student Grace Kari for his Commonwealth Gold representing Papua New Guinea in the Men's 94kg weight lifting competition.

We GIVE THANKS for all our rugby teams winning in the weekend.

1<sup>st</sup> XV against Dilworth win 22-19

U15B v Tamaki College - win

U15W v Tamaki College - win

U14B v Tamaki College - win

U14W v Tamaki College - win

CONGRATULATIONS to former Wesleyans Tom Ale and Sione Tuipulotu who played in the winning Vodafone Junior Warriors team against the West Tigers in the weekend.

We GIVE THANKS and celebrate Hale T Pole's success in his role as Athletics Representative Manager for Carinat Sports Marketing.

We GIVE THANKS to our Fijian group who performed at the double header League event on Saturday. Awesome!

We GIVE THANKS to our Tongan staff, students, family and community who gathered on Saturday to celebrate their success at Polyfest.

We GIVE THANKS to former Wesleyan Tame Tupou for gifting his Kiwi League jersey to the School. We look forward to his visiting us and presenting the jersey in person.

There is much to be THANKFUL for.

Hope everyone is having a blessed day.

## **TUESDAY, 10<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2018**

Good Morning All

Overnight rain, cloudy skies this morning at Wesley. We GIVE THANKS for the new day.

Our prayerful thoughts for students D'Cody and N'Kastro Mortensen whose father passed away suddenly yesterday.

We GIVE THANKS for Mr Chris Mortensen's life and his loving support of his sons through his support of our School.

We GIVE THANKS for Rimon and the Spoken Word presentation in chapel this morning from him.

GIVE THANKS ...

The Bible reading was from 1 Timothy 4:4-10 on pages 1320 and 1494 in the Wesley Bibles.

Everything God has created is good.

We enjoy the gifts of God's goodness which come to us in a myriad of ways - relationships, work, leisure.

Opportunities to see God's goodness at work, opportunities for us to be God's goodness at work.

Physical fitness and training is a worldwide trend focussed on looking and feeling good.

If we look and feel good about ourselves, the feeling of goodness and wellbeing is reflected throughout one's whole life.

Our spiritual wellbeing, training ourselves to be like Christ, people of goodness and of good character is important.

Developing our spiritual muscles which will sustain us through any illness, injury and tragedy calls for inner strength.

By GIVING THANKS we recognise that we are grateful, we feel blessed, we feel THANKFUL.

The look of THANKSGIVING is one which continually reflects how good we feel about our life and is the measure of what goodness we give to our relationships, to work and to leisure, to our faith and to our God.

God is good ... we GIVE THANKS!

Have a blessed day

## **WEDNESDAY, 11<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2018**

Good Morning All

We GIVE THANKS for having weathered the storm last night to wake safely this morning. God is good!

We continue to uphold in prayer the Mortensen family and our boys D'Cody and N'Kastro.

Go Well to the League Team who will play their first game this afternoon.

GIVE THANKS ...

The Bible reading was from 1 Thessalonians 5:12-18 on pages 1310 and 1484 in the Wesley Bibles.

It's always good to be reminded how blessed we are.

We may think we are not at times and hard done by at other times, but when we watched the

Youtube clip 'GIVE THANKS' this morning, our feelings of 'hard done by' paled in significance given the reality of life for so many others in the world.

v18 GIVE THANKS in all circumstances for this is God's will for us in Christ Jesus

Have a blessed day.

## **THURSDAY, 12<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2018**

Good Morning All

A brighter sunnier but cooler day today. God is good. One more sleep to go ...

We pray for and remember those people throughout the country who did not weather the storm safely and are still trying to recover.

We continue to uphold in prayer D'Cody, N'Kastro and the Mortensen Family as they grieve the loss of their father.

REMINDER we will have a Family Service at 7pm this evening in the Chapel with the Mortensen Family All are welcome.

GO WELL to all our teams playing at the Sevens Tournament today.

CONGRATULATIONS to our League Team who had their first hit out against Papatoetoe High yesterday and won.

WELCOME BACK to Mr Leger former teacher who is relieving at school today. Good to see you Niko!

THANK YOU to the RTLB team who provided morning tea for the teaching staff yesterday morning.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Deputy Principal Mrs Pereira. Have a blessed day.

GIVE THANKS ...

THANK YOU to Head Girl Sharon Tuipala and Prefect Tevita Fohe who led chapel worship this morning. Strength and determination, courage and perseverance are qualities which sustain us through those times when we struggle, those times we find hard, those times when we feel like giving up.

The unforgettable story of Great Britain's 400m runner Derek Redmond, whose hamstring snapped during his event but determined to finish the race at the Barcelona 1992 Olympic Games, he did so with the help of his father who ran on to the track to help his son. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t2G8KVzTfw>

We GIVE THANKS to God for the strength we are given when we need it.

Have a blessed day.

## FRIDAY, 13<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2018

Good Morning All

Blue skies for the moment at Wesley. For the new day we GIVE THANKS!

WELCOME to Mrs Christa Friedl, Eric's(our Gapper) grandmother from Germany who joined us for chapel this morning.

THANK YOU THANK YOU for the support for the Service of Thanksgiving last night with the Mortensen Family.

Those who were able to attend, those who gave monetary contributions and gifts of ngatu and flowers as well as contributing to the Supper afterwards - THANK YOU!

A humungus THANK YOU to our students/children who through their singing and speeches, songs and haka ensured that the family left with joy-filled hearts, their spirits uplifted at having shared with the School in worship and GIVING THANKS for the life of Mr Chris Mortensen.

Our theme this week has been GIVE THANKS and we have had much to be THANKFUL for as a School, family and community.

The Bible reading was from Ecclesiastes 3 'A Time for Everything'

We are reminded that in God's time there is a time for everything and everything in its time.

v11 God has made everything beautiful in its time.

While GIVE THANKS has been our theme for this week, it's the timely reminder that each day is worthy of GIVING THANKS.

We GIVE THANKS to all our Staff and Support Staff for your work throughout the first term. It's been a busy term but please be assured that when we all work together, we can and are able to achieve many a good thing for our School.

To those who will rest over the next weeks, rest and enjoy time away from work.

To those who will continue to work and care for our School in our absence and in peace - THANK YOU!

CONGRATULATIONS to the Senior Boys Seven's Team who took out the Counties Manukau Sevens competition yesterday.

We had two Wesley teams in the finals which was great.

CONGRATULATIONS to the Senior Girls Seven's Team who lost their final by two points coming 2<sup>nd</sup>. They are a very young team but all credit to them for battling it through to the final after losing one of their earlier games.

THANK YOU to all our staff and students involved in the competition.

CONGRATULATIONS to the Year 9 and 10 students who were awarded for their excellence in reflecting Kairangi - our School values.

Have a blessed day and holidays.

