

CHAPEL MESSAGES FOR THE WEEK ENDING 8th June 2018

MONDAY, 4th JUNE 2018

Queen's Birthday

TUESDAY, 5th JUNE 2018

There was no Chapel message today.

WEDNESDAY, 6th JUNE 2018

Good Afternoon All

When it rains it pours!

Welcome to a very short Week 6 which means only four weeks left for Term 2.

Our prayers and thoughts for the Pole Family, Adrienne and Mattheus as they prepare to farewell their father and grandfather.

Our prayers and thoughts for the Faitala family as they mourn the loss of their family member.

Our prayerful thoughts for the So'oula Family as they grieve the loss of a much loved member of their family.

Our prayerful thoughts for Roger Biddle former DP who is now at Greenwich Garden's Care Home on the North Shore.

We give thanks that the Chairperson of the BOT Mr Norman Johnson is well again after his time in hospital. CONGRATULATIONS to Miss Vaike and the Senior Boys Basketball Team who won against Otahuhu College 37-35.

Our theme for this week is VISION.

The Bible reading was from Jeremiah 29:10-14 on pages 181 and 953 in the Wesley Bibles
The definition for the word 'vision' is being able to see. It can also mean the ability to think about or plan the future with imagination and wisdom.

Yesterday all our staff right across the School met together for the first time for a day of visioning and strategic planning.

It was wonderful to see our Kitchen, Laundry, Cleaning, Health Clinic, Maintenance, Teaching, Hostel and Support staff come together in a way which was purposeful, informative and encouraging in terms of acknowledging that we each contribute to the life of our School.

We each will contribute to the vision we have of what a Wesley graduate looks like and take ownership of the vision and strategic planning involved to achieve this outcome.

We looked at our School's Special Character, our Kairangi values, we looked at how to vision and what to vision for in our strategic thinking for the future and through the help of much statistical data, we were able to see where we are now as a school and what has been achieved.

The reading from Jeremiah reminds us that we are not alone in our thinking about a vision and strategic planning.

God too has plans for us, plans to prosper us and not to harm. Plans which will give us hope and a future.

This is the bigger picture and our contribution is to make it happen for our young people, to help them and assist them as best we can in achieving their goals and dreams for a brighter future.

Have a blessed day.

THURSDAY, 7th JUNE 2018

Good Morning All

A beautiful wintry start to our day and the sun is out. We give thanks for the new day.

THANK YOU to the Year 9s and the senior Drama Class who accompanied us to make a pastoral visit to former Wesleyan Adrienne Vickers, her sister Mrs Pole current teacher on staff and the family last night. Their father's funeral will be on Friday morning 10am at the Pacific Islanders Presbyterian Church, Newton.

THANK YOU to Matua and Whaea Hapi as well as Mr and Mrs Faitala who also accompanied us.

The family were very appreciative of our visit and shared their thanks to everyone at School for the gifts of flowers and koha.

Our prayers for the Faitala Family as they also prepare to farewell their loved one this week.

A gift of flowers and a koha will be presented to the family later this evening on the School's behalf.

THANK YOU to everyone who has contributed to our Can Food Appeal as our donation to the Auckland Mission Foodbank.

This is our last week to receive any further donations.

WELCOME and THANK YOU to Mr Tyrone Laurenson who addressed the School this morning at chapel. He is here to speak to the Year 12 History class about a period in our country's race relations history which was crucial to New Zealand's future relationship with its ever increasing Pacific Island migrant population. Tyrone was also a member of the Red Squad Police unit established during the protests here in NZ against the presence of the 1981 South African Rugby team. Their task was to protect the team. Tyrone was also the first Pacific islander to rise the ranks of the Police to the level of Commander after a 25 year career.

Have a blessed day.

FRIDAY, 8th JUNE 2018

Good Morning All

A beautiful sunny cold start to the day. We give thanks.

TGIF! We give thanks for the short week and all its busyness.

Our prayers continue for the Vickers, Pole and Faitala families who will farewell their loved ones today.

GO WELL to all our rugby teams playing tomorrow. We have five home games including the 1st XV playing against Fielding at 12pm here at Wesley. The Development XV also play Fielding at 10.30am.

GO WELL to our newest Wesleyan All Black Karl Tu'inukuafe as he debuts in his first game against France in the weekend.

WELCOME HOME to Wesleyan Uini Atonio who will be playing for France against the All Blacks. Nice!

Our theme for this week has been VISION

We end as we began the week with the Bible reading from Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future.

God's already been there and done that in terms of a vision and plan, a future hope-filled for us.

Our task is to make those plans a reality, to fill the gaps and give God's plans substance and some meat on bones.

This is our purpose and the promise is one of prosperity, hope and a future.

We give thanks for the ability to see what is in front of us and what is not.

We give thanks for the ability to see, envision and envisage with hope, imagination and wisdom a future for our School, and our students.

May we never lose sight of this VISION.

We give thanks.

Have a blessed day and weekend.

