

CHAPEL MESSAGES FOR THE WEEK ENDING 9th NOVEMBER 2018

MONDAY, 5th NOVEMBER 2018

Good Morning Wesley Family

An overcast cool day here at Wesley. Don't put away the winter woollies just yet.

Welcome to Week 4 the final week for our Seniors who will prepare for their External NCEA exams.

WELCOME to all our Wesley families and friends this Friday to attend Senior Prize-Giving, Leaver's Chapel and Dinner.

3pm Leaver's Chapel - Te Whare Karakia a Hou

4pm Afternoon Tea - Te Whare Rourounui - Dining Hall

5pm Senior Prize-Giving - Rec Centre

7pm Leaver's Dinner - Te Whare Rourounui

Our theme for this week is FINISH WELL

THANK YOU to Mr David Riley an author of children's books and currently a teacher at Tangaroa College who addressed the School at chapel this morning. His key message 'Pick yourself'

In opening David quoted the Bible verse Habakkuk 2:2 Then the Lord replied: Write down the revelation and make it known on tablets so that the herald may run with it.

David is facilitating a programme to help children become re-interested in reading.

David grew up in Mangere and attended Auckland University graduating MA.

From a very young age David always had a passion for writing but didn't think anyone would be interested in publishing his writing.

His encouragement to the School was to think big, dream big, not to wait for people to pick you and not allow where you come from to define you.

Rather than waiting around for a publisher or some recording contract 'pick yourself' and do it yourself.

He used many examples of people who 'picked themselves' ie Samoan author Lani Wendt Young who published her own books which are now internationally acclaimed. David himself was rejected by publishers and so 'picked himself' and published his own books which young people want to read because they speak to our Pacific origins. He is still publishing his own books even after book number 25.

Have a blessed day.

TUESDAY, 6th NOVEMBER 2018

There was no Chapel message today.

WEDNESDAY, 7th NOVEMBER 2018

There was no Chapel message today.

THURSDAY, 8th NOVEMBER 2018

There was no Chapel message today.

FRIDAY, 9th NOVEMBER 2018

SENIOR PRIZE-GIVING AND LEAVERS DINNER

Good Evening All

Just a huge deeply seated THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU to everyone for everything undertaken to ensure Friday was a very special day for our Seniors and particularly for our Leaver's Class 2018 and their families.

When we work together it's unmistakable that we are FAMILY and what we all want is the best possible outcome given the occasion last Friday and the number of events that we had. It was an example of the most excellent way when we are all on the same page with one goal in mind ... to give the Leaver's Class a good send off, one lasting memory of what family does for family!

To all of our staff and students who contributed in all ways and in any way to ensuring all went well before and on the actual day - THANK YOU!

For fear of missing anyone out I will not mention names but just say you know who you are and you know what you did - THANK YOU!

I shouldn't be surprised every time we work together because it's something we do well.

I guess what it is ... is that each time I am just so very, very thankful.

THANK YOU for the encouraging feedback we have had since Friday.

Your observations and comments have been noted and will work to doing things better next year.

I pray that we have found time this weekend to rest and relax as well as the renewed strength to sustain us through the final weeks of the term. We continue to pray for our children as they sit their final exams and we pray too for the Leaver's Class for whom the reality of no longer being with us will hit home for them soon. God go with them.

Blessings.

