

Channel Soundings

Term 3 - 14 August 2019

From the Principal

This week we celebrate Science week. Classes have had a focus on the landing on the moon 50 years ago. They have looked at this event through the lens of "overcoming setbacks". Our world is full of brokenness, pain, sorrow and hardship. Jesus modelled the character of perseverance in the suffering He endured. In response to this we are to forgive, reconcile, solve problems and ultimately persevere in the many trials and obstacles we face in life. We have the Holy Spirit to help us to continually transform our heart, mind and spirit to have the strength to overcome setbacks and be full of hope and faith.

The scientists and engineers experienced many setbacks before they even had a successful launch, but they persevered to make space travel possible. How does this relate to our school and the teaching and learning we do?

We ask our students questions:

- How do we respond to setbacks?
- How do we support others who are going through difficult times?

We ask ourselves (teachers) questions:

- What influence does a positive (growth) mindset have on our responses to setbacks?
- How can I encourage my students to develop perseverance in the classroom?
- How can knowing God build resilience and emotional strength?

What a comfort it is to know that we are all part of a community in which we can grow together, hold each other up in prayer through times of trial, and know that Jesus has been there before and He knows what it is like. James 5:11,12

God bless,
Margaret Louw
Principal

Science Week - Assembly

On Friday 16 August, all students will participate in some form of rocket building activity, either as individuals or teams. Please join us during assembly (2:15pm-2:50pm) as the children share their experiences.

Chaplain Introduction

Hello to all the Channel Christian School community.

I am Lindy Bailey, our School Chaplain. I have been working in school chaplaincy (and teaching) for the last 11 years in the North of the state. My family has now moved to Blackmans Bay and I am thrilled to now be at Channel on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

We all have challenges, fears and worries which can build up and make it hard to focus on our learning and affect our capacity to truly experience the joy and excitement God wants us to find in His world through His Son, as well as through family, friends, our environment and through our learning.

As chaplain my role will be to walk alongside our students, families and staff as we journey through some of the tougher moments of life, to provide support where I am able, a listening ear where appropriate, help with some resilience and other targeted skills where necessary and to help you connect to those who can provide further help when needed.

I love to encourage the students to use their senses and the beautiful outside environment to relieve stress and find joy and I also have a passion for social justice and sustainability.

I look forward to meeting you, either as you drop by for a chat, or you have a prayer request or concern you would like to confidentially share.

In hope, Lindy Bailey
(Channel Christian School Chaplain)



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Book Week

Yay, it's Book Week again!

THEME - Reading is my super power.

Our school is celebrating Book Week again from the **19-23 of August.**

Book Parade

On *Monday 19 August* we will have our Book Parade starting at 8:55am. Classes will parade in front of peers and parents and a judging panel.

It will possibly go for 45 minutes to 1 hr, starting with Kinders. Winners for all the different categories will be announced at the end of the parade.

RIBIT Day

On *Tuesday 20 August* children come in pajamas. Yes, it is also gymnastics day! We are happy for children to wear PJ's to gymnastics if they are suitable. If not please send along their school uniform so that they can get changed into something more appropriate.

And finally, we'll be having the **Book Fair** that week as well.

This is a great opportunity to celebrate Book Week by purchasing books for your children and to support the school library, a large percentage of every purchase is returned to the school library to buy more books.

And for all you parents out there, come along to our fantastic **Book Covering Party on Thursday 22 August 7pm in the School Library.** We will watch Wonder Woman, cover books and eat yummy desserts. (PS bring a plate to share).



Events Coming Up

- Book Week Parade - *Mon 19 Aug*
- Book Week RIBIT Day - *Tue 20 Aug*
- Grandparents Day - *Tue 17 Sept*
- Jump Rope for Heart - *Tue 17 Sept*
- AFL Footy Fun Day - *Fri 27 Sept*

Gymnastics Timetable - Next Week

Mon 19/8	Tue 20/8
Year 5/6 1:30-2:50	Year 1/2 9:00-10:30
	Kinder 10:30-11:50
	Prep/1 1:30-2:50



Hot Lunches

Third term is traditionally the coldest term in Tasmania. For that reason we are offering **hot lunches** to our students throughout this term.

The reason for this is twofold:

1. Raise an awareness of people in need, homelessness and poverty in our local areas.
2. Something to look forward to every Thursday.

The moneys raised will once again be donated to the Salvation Army Winter Appeal.

The lunches will be organised by the classroom teachers who may ask for parent helpers in their week. There will be **5 weeks of lunches available**, on a Thursday, with the **cost being \$3 per hot lunch**. They will range from soup to hot dogs to toasted sandwiches.

Mrs Lynch and the Year 3/4 class will start us off next Thursday 22 August with chicken and vegetable soup.

There are a few options to pay for the hot lunches:

Give your child/ren cash on the day or, prepay \$15 per child at the office to cover every hot lunch offered.

Prayer Points

Please pray for continuous Godly wisdom, as staff work in trust and partnership with each other, students and parents.

Praise Points

Be thankful for the smooth transition in the Year 1/2 class with Mrs Theresa Stephenson confidently stepping into the teacher role.

Be thankful for God's provision of a school chaplain, Mrs Lindy Bailey.