

# Channel Soundings

Term 3 - 18 September 2019

## From the Principal

Tomorrow we will celebrate Grandparents' Day, and I am looking forward to chatting with them all, listening to their stories. As we were discussing Grandparents' Day in the staffroom we realised that some grandparents have been coming along faithfully every year for the past 16 years or more, and others were parents of students when the school first started back in 1988.

Schools have traditions, values, meanings and purposes which are defined as the school culture. It is this culture that influences much of what is thought, said and done at Channel.

*Where does culture come from and how do we shape it?* This is another thread through which curriculum can be and is taught. We shape culture by living Spirit-led, biblically-driven counter-cultural lives. With God's spirit we put the needs of others first, forgive, serve rather than consume, faithfully use gifts, care for creation, celebrate success of others and live with joy as children of the King.

Our students don't come into our school experiencing something completely unknown to them. Many of them see and experience a similar culture in their homes and in their extended families. This leads us to Grandparents' Day. The role many of our grandparents have played in setting up the culture at Channel Christian School cannot be denied or forgotten. Their undeniable hunger for providing a Christian Education for their children and future grandchildren turned into action, and into a reality. **Thank You.** The influence they continue to have over their extended families must be acknowledged and celebrated.

- What are we doing as a school community to ensure that our culture continues to be shaped by the Gospel?
- What does it mean to live counter-culturally, to swim against the tide?
- How can we be outward-focused in our culture?
- How can teachers develop the ability to critique cultural movements and ideas?

*"Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of Him who is the head, that is, Christ. From Him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work."*

Ephesians 4:15-16

God bless,  
Margaret Louw  
Principal



## Events Coming Up

- Hot Lunch - **Sausages** - Thurs 19 Sept
- Jump Rope for Heart - Thur 19 Sept
- Grandparents' Day - Thur 19 Sept
- AFL Footy Fun Day - Fri 27 Sept

## Gymnastics Timetable - Last Week

**Tue 24/9**

Year 3/4  
1:30-2:50pm

## Lego Competition - Brixhibition

Katherine from Brixhibition will be joining us in assembly this Friday 20 September to announce and present the winners of our Lego Competition and acknowledge all the entries from our students. Come along and see the amazing creations of our students.



## Next 2 Assemblies - Friday 2:15pm

- **20 September:** Operation Christmas Child/Brixhibition
- **27 September:** Meet Madeline VanderVelde and Micah Richardson.



**You are all welcome to attend.**



**Channel**  
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

## ICAS

Some of our Year 3 - 6 students will have an opportunity today and tomorrow to participate in the ICAS assessments in English and Maths.

ICAS assessments recognise academic excellence and selected students are given an opportunity to demonstrate a deeper, integrated and thorough level of learning. They are online assessments and Mr Bosker will supervise the students throughout the time allocated to the assessments.

## Developing Leaders and Formational Learning (CEN Conference)

Mr Bosker and Mrs Lynch have attended this conference here in Hobart throughout the last 3 days. They have pondered questions such as:

- How we are called to follow the Bible while engaging with contemporary culture?
- What will our teaching practice look like if education is about formation and counter-formation?

I look forward to watching them apply new learnt skills and knowledge to themselves as children of God but also to their craft of teaching. Encourage them to tell you what they have learnt and how they will apply this to their place here at Channel.

## Laptops For Sale

Need a cheap laptop? We're selling off some of our old ones!

These will be in reasonable exterior condition and have double the original RAM.

They will also be running Windows 10 and are WiFi enabled.

**We are selling them for \$50 each.**

They must be gone by the end of Term 3!

Please email Marc on [mmumford@channel.tas.edu.au](mailto:mmumford@channel.tas.edu.au)



## Student Banking

Tuesday is school banking day. If you wish to set up a savings account, drop by the school office for information.

### Prayer Points

Pray for healing over sick students and over some parents recovering from surgery.

Pray for our Year 6 students as they start preparing for transition to High School.

### Praise Points

Be thankful for Grandparents and other significant people in our students' lives.

Be thankful for the School Council who work quietly behind the scenes to put together special days like Grandparents' Day.

## Prep/1 Excursion

Prep/1 had a fantastic day of learning about the Solar System at the Mount Pleasant Radio Telescope Observatory last Thursday. We had a tour of the museum and enjoyed watching the 3D documentaries about space. We also enjoyed having lunch and a play at the Cornelian Bay park.





# CALVIN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

*Be Your Best*

Calvin Christian School is a co-educational school of 500 students in Kingston, 10 kms south of Hobart. The school has a strong tradition of academic success and has an enviable reputation in the Hobart community.

Expressions of interest are sought from suitably qualified practising Christians for teaching positions in the following disciplines:

## Head of Year 7

Full-time (1.0 FTE) to include a teaching load in the applicant's preferred discipline

## English Teacher

Experience in TASC desirable - Full-time (1.0 FTE)

## Design and Technology

Part-time (0.3 FTE approximately)

## German

Part-time (0.4 FTE approximately)

The positions will commence in January 2020.

For information visit [cst.tas.edu.au/employment](http://cst.tas.edu.au/employment)  
To apply email [hr@cst.tas.edu.au](mailto:hr@cst.tas.edu.au)

**Applications close Friday 20 September 2019**

[calvin.tas.edu.au](http://calvin.tas.edu.au)

CALVIN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL IS PART OF CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS TASMANIA



### NORTHERN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

ENCOURAGING | ENRICHING | EQUIPPING

Expressions of interest are invited from suitably qualified practising Christians for the following position at Northern Christian School, Bridgewater:

#### School Administration Officer - Senior

Up to 38 hours per week for 40 weeks per year

For information visit [cst.tas.edu.au/employment](http://cst.tas.edu.au/employment)  
To apply email [hr@cst.tas.edu.au](mailto:hr@cst.tas.edu.au)

Applications close: Monday 23 September 2019

[northern.tas.edu.au](http://northern.tas.edu.au)

NORTHERN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL IS A PART OF CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS TASMANIA

### Grand Opening Celebration

#### Friday, 4 October

Ashton Denehey Park  
Snug Oval, Beach Road

**Free!**

1.30 pm, Official Opening  
2 pm, Let the fun begin!

Sands Family Circus  
Social Circus  
Crazy Bikes  
Zorb Balls  
Sporting Activities  
BBQ



 Kingborough