

Channel Soundings

Term 3 - 21 August 2019

From the Principal

As I am writing this the winds are howling, the rain is pouring. Winter is showing its full fury. But at the same time the trees are budding and the rainbows display God's glory in the heavens.

One of the threads that our teachers use when planning and teaching the Australian curriculum from a Biblical Worldview is "Pondering Creation". Our God is the Supreme Artist. His fingerprints are all over His vast universe, from the many galaxies beyond the stars (as we discovered in Science Week) to the tiny buds on the branches in our playgrounds. We respond in awe, wonder, interest and amazement sensing that there is still so much we don't know or understand. Some questions to help us target our thinking:

- Where can we see the fingerprint of God in creation?
- How is design evident in creation?
- Different people respond in different ways. How can we create opportunities for students to ponder and respond in their style?
- What are examples of God's good creation?

Are we limiting those to the physical creation only or is cultural expression an outworking of God's Artistry?

What an amazing opportunity we have here at Channel Christian School, in our natural surroundings, to weave this thread into our teaching and learning opportunities.

"The heavens declare the glory of God; skies proclaim the work of His hands" Ps 21:1.

God bless,
Margaret Louw
Principal



I will be taking some leave over the next few days to prepare for and celebrate our son's wedding with family and friends. If you need to contact me please contact the office.

Events Coming Up

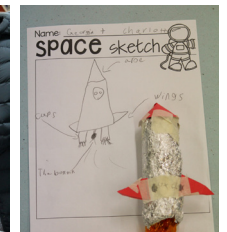
- Grandparents Day - Tue 17 Sept
- Jump Rope for Heart - Tue 17 Sept
- AFL Footy Fun Day - Fri 27 Sept

Enrolments for 2020

Places at Channel are filling up quickly for 2020! If you know of anyone considering joining our community, could you please ask them to contact our office soon so that they don't miss out."

Science Week

Science Week has blasted off with all students in the school landing on the idea of space exploration. A particular focus was on how scientists overcome setbacks and how it shapes their scientific thinking. Students in Prep to Year 2 made balloon rockets which flew across the classroom. Year 3-6 students were over the moon to be constructing bottle rockets and made a real splash launching them several meters in the air. Even the Kinders participated and shared their experience though a power point in assembly. Well done everyone for overcoming setbacks, learning to be resilient and persevere even when we face failures.



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Book Week

Thanks so much parents for your assistance and support helping us celebrate Book Week. Your children really enjoyed the dress up day and RIBIT day. It was wonderful to see the whole school dressed up as different characters from books and even so many books written by your children with their own characters in them.

We also enjoyed wearing our pajamas, drinking hot chocolate in the library, and learning about how words can change and impact lives. Reading is a central building block and powerful tool and it is so good that you support us in teaching and encouraging them in the love of reading and the power of imagination.



Book Covering Party

We invite all our parents to 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).

Headlice

Headlice has been detected in the school. Please be diligent in checking your child's hair regularly and only treat if required.

Gymnastics Timetable - Next Week

Mon 26/8	Tue 27/8
Year 5/6 1:30 - 2:50	Year 1/2 10:30 - 12:00
	Kinder 12:30 - 1:30
	Prep/1 1:30 - 2:50

Your Health Link Photographic Competition

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Competition Theme
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Competition Partners

Categories and Awards

- Primary and High School
- Eating the Rainbow
- Mobile
- Open
- People's Choice
- Program Cover Award

Prizes

- A family holiday to New Zealand
- Cameras and Films
- Healthy School Canteen prizes and a lot more...

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Prayer Points

Pray for our teacher aides as their work is invaluable, but often goes unnoticed.

Praise Points

Praise God for His creation and our ability to stand back and contemplate both the Creator and His handiwork.

Praise God for the rain we've received as our parched land so desperately needed it.