Channel Soundings

Term 2 - 27 May 2019

From the Principal

One of the distinctive differences at Channel Christian School is that we do all things to glorify our great God as creator, sustainer and redeemer of all of life. The other aspect is that this Christ-centered education calls for a response from staff and students.

To help teachers with this they use a resource called *Transformation by Design* as they plan their units. The units they design call for "threads", also known as action responses, qualities or characteristics that we desire students to develop. By choosing a common thread which runs through a whole unit we are giving students the opportunity to explore and ponder what it means to be Christ-redeemed, Christ-like and Spirit-led ambassadors on the earth. The authors of *Transformation by Design* have identified 23 action-response threads, but this is not a finite list. Each week I would like to explore one of these threads in the newsletter which I hope will give you some discussion starters.

Loving God - Thread 1

God is love. His love is abundant in mercy, justice, wisdom, beauty, joy, grace and peace. *We love God because He first loved us (1 John 4:19)*. God's greatest act of love came through the birth, death and resurrection of Jesus for our sins. Loving God means that we admire, enjoy, delight, desire and are satisfied in Him. To obey God is to believe, receive, follow, and remain in Him.

Response questions:

What does it mean to love God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength? (Matthew 22:37).

How do we respond to God's love?

How do we learn more about the character of God in this unit we are studying?

What opportunities are there for student to appreciate and express love for God in the classroom?

What does love look like in the classroom? How do we know God loves us besides Jesus' work on the cross?

God bless, Margaret Louw Principal

Events Coming Up

- * Huon Channel Cross Country Fri 31 May
- * Channel Choir to Eisteddfod Wed 5 June
- * Queens Birthday Public Holiday Mon 10 June
- * Photo Day Mon 24 June
- * Hoodwinked Thurs 27 June & Fri 28 June

Play Times

Play is key to physical, mental, intellectual and social well being of children.

School playgrounds and playtimes are vitally important to children for their fun and



relaxation as well as their physical health and well-being. We understand that some children, young and old, need some direction in their play during recess and lunchtimes. For this reason we have started lunchtime activities, which provides children with an opportunity to be guided by an adult in an organised setting. Every lunch time a teacher will run an activity ranging from skipping, to board games to marbles or digging in dirt. These will be announced at line up every morning. Our aim is to provide a safe and engaging environment for children who can at times feel isolated or unsure about social interactions.

The library is also open 3 times a week during recess: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.



Assembly this week CANCELLED due to Cross Country

Next week Prep/1 will share what they have been learning in their class.



Channel Choir at Hobart Eisteddfod

When: Wednesday 5 June, 10:00am

Where: Federation Concert Hall, 1 Davey Street, Hobart

The choir has been busy preparing for our upcoming performance at the Hobart Eisteddfod.

We are looking forward to singing A Million Dreams and The Call.

The Eisteddfod gives us a great opportunity to represent Channel and share our singing with other schools. It also gives us the chance to receive feedback from a highly respected choral adjudicator.

We will be travelling by bus together on the day, leaving school at 9:15am and returning at approximately 12:00pm.

Parents, carers, grandparents and friends are welcome to come along and be part of the audience!

Nathaniel Richardson Music Teacher





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School Photos

School photo envelopes are coming home with your child today. Details on how to order are outlined on this envelope.

If you would like to order a sibling photo, envelopes for these can be collected from the school office.



PRAYER POINTS

Thankful for:

A new family who have joined our community, with Zeb in Yr 4 and Raph in Yr 5. Please pray that they will feel part of our community quickly and settle into school routines.

Committed School Board Directors who provide strong Christian governance for our school.

Pray for:

Families who are affected by the cold weather and winter colds/flu.

Our new lunchtime activities. Pray that children may find a place where they can feel they belong.

Huon/Channel Cross Country this Friday. Pray that the students will have an opportunity to shine in their ability to run as well as supporting and encouraging each other.