# Channel Soundings

## Term 1 - 6 March 2019

## From the Principal

Last week I wrote about the importance of storytelling. The greatest story of all; God's love story, gives us hope.

This week I would like to talk about music.

Music is a universal language which appeals to our emotions and our intellect. At Channel we often talk about teaching the whole child, focussing on their social, emotional, intellectual as well as spiritual development. Singing songs and playing music is one way to do this. Good songs teach us truths and re-inforce what is taught in a way which reaches our emotions and opens opportunities for our students to learn. The other benefit of teaching through song is that singing, as a learning approach, knows no chronological boundaries and has the ability to break through age gaps.

At a church camp I attended last week, Mike Raiter, our guest speaker, talked about how singing at church is the greatest way to remember sermons. The same goes at school. Put facts like timetables or the books of the Bible and memory verses to song, you will remember and sing them for a lifetime.

So as a school community let's keep singing!

God bless, Margaret Louw Principal



"This is the day the Lord has made, We will rejoice and be glad in it."

## **Events Coming Up**

- \* Swimming Programme (P-6) 4 -15 March
- \* Public Holiday (Eight hours day) 11 March
- \* Twilight Fair 15 March
- \* Ride your Bike to School 22 March
- \* CST Cross Country 5 April

\*Please note - there will be no assembly for the next two weeks due to Swimming and School Fair.

#### Dru Point

Our school is situated in a beautiful environment, and Dru point is like an extended learning space. For our teachers to use it to its full potential we need your permission to allow the children to access this space, supervised by teachers, whenever an opportunity arises. The activities will range from regular Bush Kinder trips to other year groups checking the water quality in North West Bay, or finding different insectsto identify. Sometimes learning opportunities present themselves quite randomly and we will not be able to get permission forms out to you beforehand. For this reason we will write 1 risk assessment for the learning space at Dru Point and send you an invitation through Consent2Go asking for your consent. This consent will cover any trip to Dru Point at any time throughout the year for any year group.

If you have any queries about this please contact me.

Thank you for your patience with our new system, but I think we may have worked it out. We are looking for a 100% return rate on this consent request and will check that each family is receiving the correct information. Thanks again.

## Welcome New Staff

We like to welcome Mrs Tiffany Henderson and Miss Rose Knowles into our school community as learning support aides for Prep/1 and Kinder. They have been a true blessing to the students and the teachers already and we look forward to seeing them help students learn and reach their potential. I am sure you will all make them feel welcome in our school community.





## Blue Lagoon Camp - Year 3/4

During Week 3, Year 3/4 went on camp to Blue Lagoon Christian Camp and Conference Centre in Dodges Ferry. Praise God that we all arrived safely and experienced fantastic weather - albeit a little windy at times! The theme of our camp was 'Friendship' and all our activities were designed to help us build good friendships in our classroom. We learned that Jesus is a friend to all who believe in him, and how we can be friends like Jesus to each other. Friends who put others before ourselves. I encourage you to ask your children about what they learned. We spent most of our time playing, surfing, swimming, eating and generally having a brilliant time. Thank you to all the students for their excellent behaviour and participation while we were away. Thank you to Mrs Townsend, Mrs Molano, Mrs Mumford, Mr Smith and Mr Verdouw for looking after everyone so well.









































## Channel Twilight Fair – 15 March 2019 4.30pm-7.30pm

## One week to go!

Now is the time to bring in all those donations.

**Class donations** - Kinder and Year 3/4 need to bring items for Buy-Burst-Win. Prep/1 and Year 1/2 need to bring items for Tombola and Year 5/6 need to bring chocolate bars for the Chocolate Trailer game. These can be dropped off to class teachers.

**Pre loved clothes, games and books** - please make sure toys and games are in a good useable condition. No rips or tears in the clothes, and please make sure they are washed. No electrical items please. These items can be dropped off to the office from now on.

**Cakes** - cakes and slices sell very well. Please bring these to the staffroom the day before or on the morning of the fair. Please have the ingredients clearly written on your baked goods and remember no fresh cream or custard.

**Plants and produce** - any plants, fruit and vegies that you have to spare will be gladly received from Wednesday next week.

**Jams, chutneys and relishes** - can also be dropped off in the staff room any time. Please label the ingredients.

**Craft** - please bring these items to the school office as soon as possible so they can be priced.

Tell everyone - please spread the word of the fair to you friends, family and neighbours. Also, please like and share our posts on our Facebook event linked to the school page.

For those who are able, we would appreciate help with the pack up. Many hands make light work!!

We can be contacted at <u>fair@channel.tas.edu.au</u> and please LIKE and SHARE our Facebook event!

Mel Molano Anita Reynolds Bil Heit



## **PRAYER POINTS**

#### Prayer:

Pray for the Fair Committee as they put all their plans together this week. They are working tirelessly.

### Praise:

Praise God for the new addition to Nathaniel's (kinder) family, a healthy little girl named Cassandra.

Praise God for the opportunity to learn to swim and the safe travels so far.

## Ride to School

Join us for ride to school 22nd of March.

## 7:45 at 32 Derwent Ave, Margate.

We'll ride to school together.

Anyone that can ride a bike 5 km with no training wheels is welcome. Decorate your helmet for extra fun.

