

# CHAPEL MESSAGES FOR THE WEEK ENDING 21<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY 2020

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O le ala i le pule ma le manuia, o le tautua.  
The path to leadership and success, is service.

## MONDAY, 17<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2020

Good Morning All

Sun's shining, blue skies it's all good on the Farm today. Giving thanks.

WELCOME BACK to the Yr9s who were away last week on a 3 Day Camp. All Staff and students survived.

THANK YOU to the Yr9s who reflected in chapel this morning on their camp experience.

THANK YOU to Miss Lalakai for the Camp video presentation. Cool!

THANK YOU to Staff and students for School photos today.

THANK YOU to Mrs Jennette Finch for producing yet again another Collegian for the School. Wonderful memories of 2019.

The Inter-House ATHLETICS DAY is tomorrow here at Wesley starting at 9am. GO WELL to all our Houses!

We continue with our overall theme for the first weeks of this term 'OUR WHY.' This week the focus is on our School motto: Fide, Litteris, Labore - By Faith, By Learning, By Hard Work.

The Bible reading was from Proverbs 14:15-23 on page 787 in the Wesley Bibles.

v23 All hard work brings a profit, but mere talk only leads to poverty.

Introduced by the then Principal Rev Simmonds (1895-1923), the School motto reflects strongly the essence and spirit of the School.

By Faith, By Learning, By Hard work - the writer of Proverbs reminds us that all hard work will bring a profit. All three elements of the motto are vital, critical in our endeavours as a school to ensure that every student is provided with those opportunities to succeed and to realise their full potential. Our faith in God and in one another grounds us in a way of being that calls us to treat each person with respect and a regard that denotes them as worthy and valued.

Education is our core business as a learning institution, a learning which speaks holistically in its approach to affirming that our students' whole well-being is spiritually, physically, emotionally and academically in tune with who they are, their sense of self.

As a School we may not see immediately the fruits of our labour, but we trust in our work and the work God continues to do in and through each one of us. Our collective effort and hard work will see our students succeed and be the best people that they can be.

For every success big or small, substantial or minute, humungus or miniscule, it is an occasion to give thanks.

Have a blessed day.

## **TUESDAY, 18<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2020**

There was no Chapel message today.

## **WEDNESDAY, 19<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2020**

Good Morning All

A very warm start to our day. God is good!

THANK YOU to all our Houses for a very successful Athletics Day yesterday. Great participation! THANK YOU!

OUR WHY - Fide, Litteris, Labore - By Faith, By Learning, By Hard Work

The Bible reading was from Romans 12: 9-18 on page 1406 in the Wesley Bibles.

Scripture talks a lot about working hard and being happy about it while serving God in our workplaces, our homes, our school. Anywhere and everywhere we are, is the opportunity to work hard, be happy and serve God through whatever we are doing.

We are encouraged to always work with the thought that when we do so for God, then we will do our utmost to represent.

With that thought in mind, our work will always be intentional and purpose filled. We will be both conscience and conscious of our relationships with others, our work ethic and the way of our being.

God's word and our daily life teaches us that hard work will always bring blessing.

Hard work in school will lead to more wisdom, more knowledge and learning, a better job, more opportunities, etc.

In our workplaces hard work is an example to others, our hospitality is an example to colleagues, our manner speaks to our identity, our culture, our faith, our character, our values. Be a blessing!

Who says, "I'm going to do this and this," but then doesn't do any work?

Who wants the profit of labour without the sweat and hard yards?

When we're in sync and it sometimes takes some hard work with God's will, GOD WILL willingly strengthen our will for faith, for learning and for hard work.

Do everything we do hard out! The reading reminds of God's will for us ...

being devoted to one another in love, being sincere, clinging to what is good, being joyful in hope, patient in affliction, being faithful in prayer, practicing hospitality. When we work hard at doing God's will, when we learn the value of God's will, when we work hard to achieve God's will, then WE WILL represent in the most excellent way ...By Faith, By Learning, By Hard work.

Have a blessed day.

## **THURSDAY, 20<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2020**

There was no Chapel message today.

## **FRIDAY, 21<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY 2020**

There was no Chapel message today.