

CHAPEL MESSAGES FOR THE WEEK ENDING 14th AUGUST 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, 10th AUGUST 2020

Good Morning All

Was a beautiful start to the day on the Farm. God is good!

If we thought last week was busy this week is even more so with National Literacy and mathematics Weeks. There a week long activities and prizes to be won.

CONGRATYULATIONS to those students and staff who received their prizes from speaking te reo maori kuki airani last week.

THANK YOU to the group of Girls who performed this morning in bringing Cook islands language Week to an end.

CONGRATULATIONS to the 2nd XV and U15 White teams who won their games on Saturday.

SAFE TRAVELS to the Yr 12 Leadership students who will head away to the Coromandel today. Stay safe!

The theme for this week is 'KEEP THE FAITH.'

The Bible reading was from Hebrews 11:1-9 on page 1521 in the Wesley Bibles.

Faith is defined as complete trust or confidence in someone or something.

Faith in God is based on spiritual conviction rather than proof.

When John Wesley found God he described the experience as 'his heart was strangely warmed.'

Experiences of the spiritual conviction kind are the foundation to our having a faith and growing that faith. Many experiences touch us at the level of our hearts and so we feel things which move us to ask the deeper questions.

The reading from Hebrews reminds us of the great biblical leaders whose faith in action was solely grounded in their experience of God whose action in their lives, grew the faith of these great men.

God continues to speak to our hearts through experience. Our encounters with people can be so surprising at times and the impact upon us we feel at the very deepest level. It is these God sent moments which continually speak to God's action in the world in and through experience, in and through people and without our seeing God, we are convinced and convicted of a faith in something very real.

Have a blessed day.

TUESDAY, 11th AUGUST 2020

Good Morning All

A bit of a wet start to the morning but giving thanks always for the new day.

HAPPY LITERACY WEEK! HAPPY MATHS WEEK!

OUR PRAYERS AND THOUGHTS for the Williamson Family on the death of Rev Andrea Williamson from the Crossroads Parish, Papakura. Andrea's funeral will be this Friday 10am.

KEEP THE FAITH our Chapel theme for this week.

The Bible reading was from 2 Timothy 4: 5-8 on page 1502

THANK YOU to Mrs Faitala HOD English who spoke to the School on the importance of Literacy and its benefits.

KEEP THE FAITH speaks to perseverance, to persistence, to not giving in or giving up, to doing the hard yards and as the reading reminds us, when we do we will reap the benefits of our hard work. It's a promise!

KEEP THE FAITH enables us to hang in there in and out of season, pretty much all day everyday and so we become attuned, sensitive to the opportunities God sends our way and when we're feeling jarred and jolted sometimes by people and circumstances 'let's keep cool till after school,' let's not react so reactively.

KEEP THE FAITH speaks to the strength of who we are as God's people, each one of us doing the mahe of ministry here at school, in our homes and communities, our workplaces always and forever mindful that our lives are an offering poured out in ways that are pleasing and responsive to God's doing the mahe within us. Fragrant and pleasing.

Have a blessed day.

WEDNESDAY, 12th AUGUST 2020

Good Morning All

It's blue skies and the sun is out making way for a beautiful day.

Given where we are at as a region and country we give thanks for the goodness of fine weather.

CONGRATULATIONS to teacher Mr Pate Fihaki first time Dad and his wife proud parents of a new born Baby Girl.

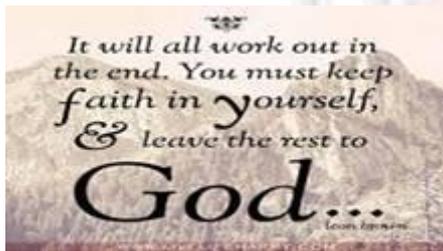
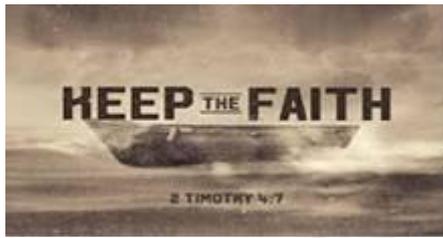
Our **PRAYERS AND THOUGHTS** for the Williamson family who mourn the loss of a much loved member of their family.

SAFE TRAVELS back to all our Yr 12 Leadership students and staff returning from the Coromandel.

SAFE TRAVELS to the Principal returning from Rotorua.

KEEP THE FAITH has been our theme for this week and now more than ever we are being asked to do exactly that as we move back into Lockdown Alert Level 3 as a region and Level 2 for the rest of our country. We KEEP THE FAITH knowing what we know and trusting that what we have experienced before will place us in good stead again. We can do this! We got this!

As our students return to their homes in readiness for the start to Lockdown at midday today, many of them live in the South Auckland area and particularly in Mangere. The encouragement to STAY SAFE could not be spelt out any stronger than it was as we gathered in chapel this morning. KEEP THE FAITH and stay calm, stay in our Bubbles and keep those whom we love close.



THURSDAY, 13th AUGUST 2020

There was no Chapel message today.

FRIDAY, 14th AUGUST 2020

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