

Channel Soundings

Term 4 - 27 November 2019

From the Principal

Last week I talked about diversity in community as a thread which teachers use to deliver curriculum to students. Today I would like to go a little deeper into this and discuss the thread: **Practicing Hospitality.**

God's love and invitation to be part of His family, extends to all people, from every tribe, language, people and nation. Jesus himself modelled how we are to love each other, to be **"others centred."** He shared meals with groups of people who were rejected by society, and showed compassion to all with an unconditional love. We too are called to live our lives in this way. Some questions to reflect on our life choices or our teaching, reflects a thankfulness to what Jesus has done for us:

- Are we welcoming?
- How can we use our gifts to show hospitality?
- Do all our students feel welcome in our classrooms?
- How do we cultivate a spirit of generosity in our students/teachers/school?
- How are we allowing our students to express their gifts of hospitality?

1 Peter 4:8-10 ***Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling.*** Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

God bless,
Margaret Louw
Principal



Events Coming Up

- Bike Week - 25 to 29 Nov
- Musical Evening - *Thur 28 Nov*
- Prep/1 to Snug Village - *Wed 4 Dec*
- Triathlon - *Fri 6 Dec*

Future Assemblies

Friday 29 November - **NO** assembly (bike week)

Thursday 5 Decemeber - Volunteers Thank You Assembly and Morning Tea at **9.05am**

Friday 13 December - Christmas Assembly at **1:45pm**

Wednesday 18 December - Year 6 Leavers Assembly at **1:30pm**

ICAS Assembly

It was great to see so many parents at our ICAS celebration assembly. Students in Year 3-6 were asked if they wanted to participate in this assessment, offered by the University of NSW Global. ICAS assessment is designed to recognise and reward academic excellence and is based on the curricula for the relevant year. The difference with these assessments over others like NAPLAN or PAT is that students are asked to demonstrate a deeper, integrated, and thorough level of learning. We celebrated all students who chose to participate in these challenging tasks. Well done to those who received a Credit or Distinction (top 10% of all participants), these results are an affirmation of your ability to learn and apply knowledge.



Volunteer Assembly

Next THURSDAY, 5 Dec at 9:05am, we would like to honour all our volunteers in an assembly followed by a morning tea. Please join us if you can.



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CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Safety after School

It is important for us to ensure that all our students travel home safely at the end of the day, whether that travel involves walking, driving in a car or on a bus. The list of people traveling on the bus often changes due to family commitments. There are a few things we would like to remind you of to ensure their safety:

1. Please contact the office and inform us whether a child is on the bus or not. Provide the office with information for the alternative mode of transport.
2. Children on the buses need to go to their line quickly.
3. All other children will wait in their lunch areas until bus lines have left and the first 2 buses are gone.

These small expectations will assist us to ensure we provide the duty of care your child deserves.

I want to thank you in advance for assisting us with this.

Working With Vulnerable People Card

In preparation for 2020, we would like to inform you that any adult who wants to help in our classrooms throughout the year will need to have a current Working With Vulnerable People card. You can apply for these online.

The safety of our students is extremely important to us.

TEACHER POSITIONS

Expressions of interest are invited from suitably qualified practising Christians.

Positions available:

Year 1-2 Teacher – Calvin
ECE/Primary Teacher – Channel
Year 2 Teacher – Northern
MDT Teacher (part-time) – Emmanuel
Humanities Teacher (part-time) – Emmanuel

For information visit cst.tas.edu.au/employment

To apply email hr@cst.tas.edu.au

Applications close Monday 2 December 2019



CST operates four schools in Southern Tasmania:

Calvin Christian School – Channel Christian School
Emmanuel Christian School – Northern Christian School

Bike Week

One of the highlights of the year has arrived. We have been changing gears as Bike Week rolls into our school. Many rides have already been completed, building up to the crescendo of Friday where many students in Years 3-6 will ride just under 20 kilometres, with others completing rides of less distance but just as challenging. Students have been learning how to safely share the road on their bikes with other traffic, getting a handle of simple road rules and receiving some riding tips to help make the uphill battle easier.



Prayer Points

Safety for the bike rides for the rest of the week.

The Year 6 students as they prepare to finish their Primary Years here at Channel.

Praise Points

The opportunity for children to participate in Bike Week. The development of a new skill and the perseverance that all children have displayed.