



Killara District Christian
Education Association

Advancing Jesus at Killara High School

Scripture Coordinator's Report: Term 1, 2013

Thanking God...

- Provision of Scripture teachers; Betty Chan, David Chen, Judy Heath, Al James, Jeremy Morris, Matthew Mulready, Michael Pippett, Peter Swann, Carson Wu
- Scripture timetable
- TAG Team
- New opportunity with YGod

Asking God...

- Increased scripture enrolment
- Holy Spirit to change lives
- Senior Seminars 28th March
- TAG
- TAG Team's godly leadership
- YGod

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*"You cannot be my
disciple unless you
carry your own cross
and come with me."*

Luke 14:27

It was a bumpy start to the year for me. After one day at school I found myself in hospital with myopericarditis, then a spell at home to recover. However, in God's timing, scripture classes began for the year upon my return to school in Week 4.

Scripture Teachers

God has graciously provided enough teachers to cover each of the 12 fortnightly classes, including 4 new teachers; Betty Chan (Evangelical Free Church, Lindfield), Jeremy Morris (Roseville Anglican), Al James and Carson Wu (Killara Anglican). Returning teachers are; David Chen (Evangelical Free Church, Lindfield), Judy Heath (Lindfield Anglican), Michael Pippett (Gordon Baptist), Pete Swann (East Lindfield Anglican) and myself.

Scripture Classes

Over the last 2 or 3 years there has been a noticeable drop in Year 7 students enrolling in scripture. Numbers have decreased each year by roughly 10 students. In 2013 only 75 out of 220 Year 7 students are doing Protestant Scripture. Why this is happening, I'm not sure. It is cause for concern. At the end of Term 1 we hope to send a letter home with students currently attending non-scripture, inviting them to reconsider choosing a scripture class. Please be praying for God to draw students in.

Classes have been timetabled similar to last year with fortnightly lessons for; Years 7 and 8 on Fridays, Year 10 (Terms 1 and 2) and Year 9 (Terms 3 and 4) on Wednesdays. Years 11 and 12 will have one seminar each term.

Year 7 have begun the topic God Speaks; an introduction to God's word, the bible. Year 8 are examining the Life of Jesus; his birth, baptism, miracles, teaching, death, resurrection, ascension and beyond... Year 10 began with the book of Jonah; God's mercy for those who repent. The Term 1 Senior Seminars will challenge students to Weigh the Cost of following Jesus, opposed to the cost of rejecting Jesus (Luke 14:25-33).

TAG

TAG is a lunch time group for students to seek Jesus & reflect Jesus. Students seeking to know Jesus meet him in the pages of the bible and in Christian community. Students already following Jesus are equipped to reflect Jesus to others. In 2013 TAG has changed from being a Year 7-12 group to being a Year 7-9 group. The hope is to cater to the specific needs of younger students. 2 Year 7 boys have joined us already. Please be praying for more! TAG meet on Fridays.

TAG Team

At TAG Team I meet with student leaders for training in reading the bible, prayer, leadership skills, and planning TAG meetings. We currently have a small, faithful group of Year 9 girls. Please pray for their spiritual growth and godly leadership. TAG Team meet Wednesdays.

YGod

In 2013 we will be starting an ISCF group for students in Years 10-12. We hope to engage students in their specific stage of life. YGod will launch on 13th March with an invitation for students to write questions to God on a banner, in exchange for Chupa Chups. Peter Swann will take on leadership of this group, with Paolo Arimado (Year 12 student from 2012), to be held Wednesday lunch times. Please pray for students to bring along their questions about God, and for God's wisdom in listening and offering answers.

1st Thursday Prayer Time

Supporters and parents are invited to Killara High School to pray for students and staff on the 1st Thursday of every month during term time. Term 1 dates; 7th March and 4th April, meeting 9:30am at Reception.

Thanks for your partnership in advancing Jesus at Killara High School.

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