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Term 2 | Thursday, May 5th, 2022 | Week 1



FRIENDSHIP

A message by the Primary Chaplain - Mr Jack Dance

In a time of war, a soldier notices his friend get shot in the frontlines. He immediately runs to go bring his wounded friend back from the field. Seeing all of this occur, the soldier's captain yells out to him, "It's of no use, he will be dead by time you reach him. You need to save yourself and leave him there. I don't want another dead." But the soldier continues to go against orders. He runs to get his friend and safely brings him back. The captain seeing the dead body of the friend on the soldier's shoulder said, "I told you it would be worthless, he's dead!" But the soldier replied to his captain with tears in his eyes "Sir, it really was worth it to go back and get him. You see when I got to him, he looked at me, smiled and said this as his very last words. "I knew you would come."

A powerful story?... I would have to say I found it to be very impacting the first time I read it.

I found it as a good reminder to firstly appreciate the incredible gift of friendship and the blessing it brings to our lives. But if we are not diligent, friendships can bring trouble instead of blessing. There's a saying I heard when I was younger that has always stuck with me, "You become like those you hang around with."

In the book of Proverbs, we find that the author is often dropping statements of 'gold' when it comes to the importance of not only having friendships, but having good friendships. It also gives wisdom on what to do or what not to do when it comes friendships.

Here are some examples:

- A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for a time of adversity. Proverbs 17:17 NIV
- One who has unreliable friends soon comes to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother. Proverbs 18:24 NIV
- The righteous choose their friends carefully, but the way of the wicked leads them astray. Proverbs 12:26 NIV

Friendships are a great gift. Let's be people who are wise with having great friends, but also aim to be a great friend to others as well.

Verse of the week:

"May the Lord bless you and protect you. May the Lord smile on you and be gracious to you. May the Lord show you his favour and give you his peace."

Numbers 6:24-26

Prayer points:

- Thank God for the wonderful term break we had to rest, spend time with family and reenergise.
- Pray for memorable moments and safety for the Year 7 class who are currently at Interlaken.
- Pray for those in our Geneva community that are fighting health battles.
- Thank God for His amazing love and many blessings!

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STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Kinder

Nicholas Berreto - for a great start back to Term 2!

Prep

Rhylin Martin - for his wonderful reading skills and reaching his first reading award.

Year 1

Meika Cooper - for being a kind friend and an enthusiastic learner. Great Job!

Year 2

Mitch Newton - for settling in well with a positive attitude and a smiley face.

Year 3

Samuel Quirk - for being kind to others and finishing his goals.

Year 4

Chase Newton - for settling into Geneva with a smile.

Year 5

Evie Scrimgeour - for her helpful positive attitude and kindness toward her classmates.

Year 6

Sybella Murphy - for a great start to Term 2. Well done!

Year 7

Landen Clarke - for being brave, courageous and for having a positive attitude.

Year 8

Daniel Heine - for being awesome at catching fish and for having a great work ethic in class.

Year 9

Charlee Gardam - for a huge effort in English journal writing.

Year 10

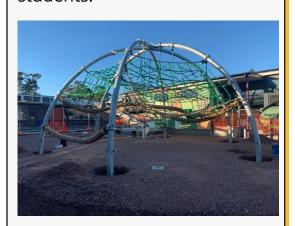
Brady Humble - for always presenting himself respectfully and in an orderly fashion; a great example for others.

Year 11/12

Sarah Marks - in appreciation of her enthusiasm, willingness to help, active participation and happy disposition

Playground Progress

In 2021 Geneva applied for and was awarded a grant which has allowed us to upgrade and install brand new play equipment. The Primary Playground used by Year 2 & 3 students will have a wonderful climbing structure. The oval will have two new areas which will be utilised by Upper Primary and High School aged students. The majority of this work has already commenced with hopes it will be finalised in the coming weeks! Thank you to Country Contracting and Ultimate Play for preparing and constructing exciting areas for our students.



Employee of the Week

This week we recognise and thank:

Mrs Emily Parker for the wonderful and relentless amount of work she does in the Office and around the school.

Mrs Sandra Jesshope for the amazing guidance and support she shows to staff and students. Thankyou!



INFORMATION

Parent Teacher Interviews

This week, you should have received a letter inviting you to book a Parent Teacher Interview for your child. These are a fantastic way to get involved in your child's education and discuss with the teacher their learning progress for the year so far. This year we are trialling an online booking system, SOBS, which allows parents and guardians to book interview times on the allocated dates. Accompanying the Parent Teacher Interview letter is a SOBS instruction leaflet. Please don't be alarmed by these instructions, the program is quite simple and the instructions are provided only because it is our first time using the program. If there is not a date or time available that is suitable, please contact the teacher directly to ogranise a mutual meeting time.

Parent Teacher Interview dates are as follows:

- Year 11 & 12: Tuesday, May 17th
- Kindergarten Year 6: Tuesday, May 24th and Wednesday, May 25th.
- Years 7 10: Monday, May 30th to Thursday, June 2nd.

Online bookings have already opened, please use the following URL to get started: https://sobs.com.au/pt3/parent.php?schoolid=2165

P&F PIE DRIVE

2022 P&F Pie Drive forms have been sent home. If you have not received a form, please collect one from the front office.

KEY POINTS:

- Orders due back Friday, May 13th with full cash payment, or directly to P&F via bank transfer. Bank details are as follows: BSB 067 402, Account Number 0091 1298. Please use your surname as reference.
- The page with the Smith Pie logo is the ONLY form that needs to come back to school. Please keep the other order form for your records.
- Pies will be delivered to school on Friday, May 27th. You will receive a text message or phone call from us once your order is ready for collection. As these are quite large, we encourage you to collect ASAP and avoid sending large orders with students travelling on a bus.

Fireworks Night Ticket Sales

Ticket sales for the Fireworks night are now open. To purchase your tickets head to

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/gene va-fireworks-and-bonfire-night-2022-tickets-304450839657

WHEN: Saturday, June 4th 2022

WHERE: Geneva, 197 Moriarty Road

WHO: You, your family & friends

HOW MUCH: \$6.00 per person (Children 4 and under free, must hold a ticket)

Gates open at 4:30pm, with the event starting at 6pm. There will be BBQ food and hot drinks available for purchase.

INFORMATION

Office Hours & Absentee Notification Procedure

As our school grows, we are continually updating procedures and practices that assist with the daily running of our school. Beginning this week, the office will be open from 7:15am for notifications of any student absences from school or to notify if they will not be on their bus. Please do this by calling us on **6426 1053** or texting us on **0490 455 617**, from 7:15am, we will then notify the appropriate teacher and bus driver.

The previous procedure of texting or calling the school principal or other staff via their personal mobile number for these purposes should now be avoided. We understand that text notification is a useful and convenient option for busy families so we have set up a mobile phone number dedicated to this. Please save this number in your phone for these purposes, thank you for your assistance.

Geneva Text Number: 0490 455 617 Office Phone Number: 6426 1053 Email: frontoffice@geneva.tas.edu.au

Shrek Jr - After School Rehearsals

During term two there will be afterschool rehearsals for production students from **3 - 5pm every Wednesday afternoon starting week 2**. There will also be two Saturday rehearsals, May 7 and 14, which are essential for blocking the show - your child is required to attend these.

Below are the key dates:

Wednesday 4th May 1:30pm-2:50pm

Saturday 7th May 9:30am - 3:00pm

Wednesday 11th May 1:30pm-5:00pm

Saturday 14th May 9:30am - 3:00pm

Wednesday 18th May 1:30pm-5:00pm

Wednesday 25th May 1:30pm-5:00pm

Wednesday 1st June 1:30pm-5:00pm

Wednesday 8th June 1:30pm-5:00pm

Wednesday 15th June 1:30pm-5:00pm

Tickets for Shrek Jr will be available to purchase in week 3.



We are excited to announce that we can finally invite family and friends to attend our Primary, Secondary and Whole School Assemblies!

This term, whole school assembly will be held at 9am in weeks 1, 5 and 9.

In the school weeks that do not have whole school assembly (2,3,4,6,7,8) we host separate Primary and Secondary Assemblies.

Primary Assembly is every Tuesday at 9am, and Secondary Assembly is every Thursday at 9am with both being held in the Assembly Hall in our Main Admin building.

All visitors must sign in at the office prior to attending assemblies.

Reminder:
P&F meeting this coming Monday, May
9th here at Geneva.

WEEK 1 PHOTOS



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Little Gems had their first playgroup this week!

Little Gems will operate each Wednesday (during school Terms) from 9:00am - 10:30am.

For more information, please contact littlegems@geneva.tas.edu.au :)



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