

Weekly Newsletter



HEAD DOWN, GET IT DONE!

In whole school assembly this morning, we heard about the rhinoceros. Their eyesight is not that good, but their sense of smell and their strength is something else. They have a very thick skin and so prickles, and thorns don't seem to hurt them and when they want to get something done, they put their head down and push through. We were encouraged to take some lessons from the rhino in our own lives. We often will have others hurt us, by their deeds or words. They can be like prickles that stick into us and are annoying and leave us hurt. If we act like the rhino, with 'thick skin' and don't let the hurtful things of others get to us, we will be all the better for it. We can also be like the rhino when we need to get a task completed. Instead of whining about it and complaining that it is too big or too hard, we can put our whole self into the job and just get it done. We have the added blessing of knowing that God hears, sees and cares for us. We can ask Him to help us in the difficult situations of life and He will!

"Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might." Ecclesiastes: 9-10

VERSE OF THE WEEK:

"Have I not commanded you?
Be strong and courageous.
Do not be afraid;
do not be discouraged, for
the LORD your God will be
with you wherever you go."
Joshua 1:9

PRAYER POINTS:

- Praise God for the summer holidays and time spent with family & friends.
- Thank God for the time to slow down, relax and prepare for the new school year.
- Pray for the 24 new families joining the Geneva community.
- Pray for the year ahead; that God would be at the centre and students would flourish in their education.

Geneva Christian College PROVERBS 3:6

STUDENT'S OF THE WEEK

KINDER:

Patricia Lancashire - for being kind and sharing when her friend was feeling sad

PREP:

Sage Moscicki - for taking her time and producing very neat work

Nicholas Barreto - for being an enthusiastic student in garden and picking the most weeds

YEAR 1:

Isabelle Wheatley - for a fabulous, encouraging attitude in Garden

Hunter Howells - for a wonderful start to the year and his great listening

YEAR 2:

Samiya Spaulding - for a great start to the new school year

Jobe Wigg - for his enthusiasm and great listening

YEAR 3:

Indy Richardson - for having a great start to year 3

Mitch Newton - for having super neat hand writing

YEAR 4:

Minka Snetler - for settling in well to Geneva

Harrison Jones - for settling in well to Geneva

YEAR 5:

Sophie Ralph - for her 'great work ethic, listening and positive 'can do' attitude in all of her subjects

Blake McIntee - for great listening and trying hard to do his best work

YEAR 6:

Riley Smith - for his great start to the school year

Marlee Crowden - for being friendly and kind to everyone

CONGRATULATIONS!

YEAR 7:

Addison Sheehan - for being friendly, making an effort to fit in and wearing her new uniform with pride

Jack Schelbach - for being polite, respectful, well-mannered and wearing his new uniform with pride

YEAR 8:

Larni King - completing both Scripture passages for the term

Will Humble - for completing his first Scripture passage

YEAR 9:

Hananya Meijer - for completing Proverbs 3:1-24 brilliantly

Joshua Walker - for opening the door for Mrs Lincolne

YEAR 10:

Ella Taylor - for making a great start to Geneva and looking great in her uniform

Cody Ewer - for making a great start to Geneva and looking very smart in his uniform

YEAR 11/12:

Amber King - for being most helpful to staff and students on the first day back

Manny Hollister - for persistence in learning his scripture passage



INFORMATION

A BIG BIG WELCOME

We are very excited to welcome 24 new families into our school community, right from Kindergarten through to Year 11. This means we have 44 new students joining us this year. What a blessing!! We pray that your journey with us at Geneva is a really blessed one and that you make many great memories as you continue your education here. We also want to say welcome back to all the 'old faces' too. It was lovely to watch as the buses pulled in on Tuesday morning and children getting off excited to be back and excited to see their friends again. We truly are blessed to live, work and be part of such a wonderful community at Geneva!

SCHOOL TIMES

A reminder that our school day commences at 8:45am and ends at 3:05pm and buses leave at 3:10pm. We ask that children arrive at school no earlier than 15 minutes prior to class. This will ensure that there is adequate supervision while they are on premises.

SCHOOL FEES

Every year we offer a discount for those families who pay their full years fee's in advance prior to the school year commencing. This discount of 5% applies to whole year fees that are paid in full by Monday, February 13th (TOMORROW). If you would like to pay your fees, please get in touch with the Front Office. If you are yet to receive your fee invoice please let us know or check your junk Email folder as they sometimes end up there.

BUS TAGS & APP

This week you will have received an email inviting you to our new Rollcall parent app, (if you have not received this email, please contact the office). This app will allow you to monitor where your bus is on the route, see if your child is on the bus, and take them off the bus if they are not traveling for any reason. We would encourage you to download the app and familiarise yourself with it so that you can manage your Child's travel. There are video tutorials in the invite email that you can watch that show you how to use the app. If you have any questions please email darren.eyles@geneva.tas.edu.au

INFORMATION

TERM DATES 2023

TERM 1:
February 7 - April 6
(9 weeks)

TERM 2:
April 26 - June 30
(10 weeks)

TERM 3:
July 25 - September 29
(10 weeks)

TERM 4:
October 17 - December 20
(10 weeks)

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB



Book club orders have been sent out. These are due back on Wednesday, February 22nd. Alternatively, you can order online at [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](https://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP)

STUDENT MEDICAL FORMS

Student Medical forms have been issued to each child and we ask that they are completed and returned to school as soon as possible or emailed to the Front Office.

PARENT CAR PARKING

Parents, when you arrive at school, please use designated parent parking areas. In the event of an overflow, you are welcome to use the staff parking area. We ask that no cars are parked in front of the bus shed at any time.

Thankyou:)



THE MUSICAL - THE LION KING

Secondary students will be involved in bringing the Lion King to the Latrobe Memorial stage during the last week of June this year. This show requires special preparation in the form of large puppet making. I am seeking parents and friends who may like to learn the art of puppet making or who already have experience, to share with others. As a group we would design the puppets, with individuals making components at home and then regrouping to create the animal puppets required for the Lion King. If you are interested in learning something new and enjoy creating things within a small group, please call Teresa Bentley on 0437706963.

INFORMATION

STAMP & COLLECTABLES FAIR

Are you interested in collecting stamps or coins or any other objects? The Devonport Stamp and Collectables Club are holding a Stamp Hunt and a 2c Coin Hunt for children at our Fair on Saturday 4th March at the Latrobe Memorial Hall from 9.30am to 2.30pm. Admission is \$2 adults children are free. Along with the Stamp & Coin Hunts there will be a free Stamp and Collectables fun bag available for all children. Hope to see you there. Enquires to Merilyn on 0407335487.

PARENTS & FRIENDS MEETING

Our first P&F meeting for 2023 will be held on Monday, February 20th at 10am. Everyone is welcome to attend.



COVID RAT TESTS

We have a surplus of RAT Tests so, over the coming days we will be sending home RAT tests with each student. Please look out for these in your child's bag.



NAPLAN - YEAR 3,5,7,9

National Testing for Year 3, 5, 7 & 9 students is usually conducted in Term 2. However, this year the testing has been moved forward and will be held in Term 1. The dates for testing are March 15-17.



MUSIC INSTRUMENT LESSONS

Would your child like to learn an instrument? At Geneva we provide opportunities for students to take lessons in piano, guitar, bass, drums and now violin, viola and cello. We are very excited to be able to pursue a strings program in 2023, and this will include lessons on a string instrument. More detail on that later, but for now, contact our music teacher, Peter Atkins if you are interested in starting music lessons. He can provide more information - peter.atkins@geneva.tas.edu.au.




WEEK 1 PHOTOS

Our amazing Learning Support Team



FEBRUARY 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	31	01	02	03	04
05	06 Week 1 	07 	08 	09	10 Canteen	11
12	13 Week 2 Year 10 Interlaken	14 Year 10 Interlaken	15  Year 10 Interlaken	16	17 Canteen	18
19	20 Week 3	21	22  Year 10 Interlaken	23	24 Canteen	25
26	27 Week 4	28	01 	02	03	04

MARCH 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28	01 	02	03 Canteen Outdoor Ed Hike	04
05	06 Week 5	07	08 	09	10 Canteen	11 Long Weekend
12 Long Weekend	13 Week 6 Long Weekend	14	15  Outdoor Ed/ Outdoor Leadership camp	16 Outdoor Ed/ Outdoor Leadership camp	17 Canteen Outdoor Ed/ Outdoor Leadership camp	18
19	20 Week 7	21	22  Year 7 Interlaken	23 Year 7 Interlaken	24 Canteen Year 7 Interlaken	25
26	27 Week 8	28	29  Year 8 Interlaken	30 Year 8 Interlaken	31 Canteen Outdoor Ed Hike Year 8 Interlaken	01

APRIL 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28	29 	30	31	01
02	03 Week 9	04 Year 11/12 Interlaken	05  Year 11/12 Interlaken	06 Last day of Term 1 Year 11/12 Interlaken	07 Good Friday	08
09	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25 Term 2 commences	26	27	28	29
30	01	02	03	04	05	06

