

Weekly Newsletter



BETTER GROWN UPS!

A message from our Principal

An old proverb relates the story of a person who repeated gossip –some rumour about a neighbour. Soon, the whole community had heard the rumour. Later, the person who spread the gossip learned that the rumour was untrue. The person was very sorry and went to an elder in the community who had a reputation for great wisdom to seek advice. The elder told the person, “Go to your home and take a feather pillow outside. Rip it open and scatter the feathers, then return to me tomorrow.” The person did as the elder had instructed. The next day, the person visited the elder. The elder said, “Go and collect the feathers you scattered yesterday and bring them back to me.” The person went home and searched for the feathers, but the wind had carried them all away. The person returned to the elder and said, “I could find none of the feathers I scattered yesterday.” “You see,” said the elder, “it’s easy to scatter the feathers but impossible to get them back.” So it is with gossip; it doesn’t take much to spread hurtful words, but once you do, you can never completely undo the damage.

Gossip is also a way we judge others, which isn’t our job. God is in charge of judging people, not us. Gossip ends up creating hurt, hate and envy. With technology as it is today, gossip gets to people more personally and so much faster, and our children are not exempt. It becomes a wide spread epidemic. A bush fire, out of control. Collectively, we need to talk to our children about the negative effect that gossiping has. We need to stomp this fire out and help our kids be better grown ups!

VERSE OF THE WEEK:

Give your burdens to the LORD, and he will take care of you.

Psalm 55:22

PRAYER POINTS:

- Pray for continued safety for the Year 7 camp at Interlaken
- Pray for the Athletics Carnival next week.
- Pray for our bus drivers on the busy roads.

School families to pray for:

- Ashdown
- Atkins
- Atkins
- Baldock
- Banks

Geneva Christian College PROVERBS 3:6

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

CONGRATULATIONS!

KINDER:

Patricia Lancashire - for doing a great job with her Math.

PREP:

Zander Cooper - for being a great class member and having an infectious enthusiasm for life

YEAR 1:

Kate Fairley - for caring for our class library
Charlie Tabuyo - for showing honesty

YEAR 2:

Pippah Whiteley - for having a great attitude in getting tasks done
Arthur Huxtable - for his willingness to complete all tasks

YEAR 3:

Kelly Fairley - for being kind to others and practising The Golden Rule
Chelsea Mukarati - for giving her best during PACE time

YEAR 4:

Mia Saltmarsh - for always working to the best of her ability in all subjects
Hudson Walsh - for picking up the play equipment in the playground

YEAR 5:

Skye Hannon - for her kindness and achieving 200% growth in her Maths Pathway test
Franklin Mansson - for his fantastic work ethic

YEAR 6:

Kayla Atkins - for being a fantastic role model in the Primary School
Matthew Roberts - for working hard to focus his attention on completing his work

YEAR 7:

Cailin Walters-Simpson for being hardworking, respectful as well as a great friend
Thomas Huxtable - for being respectful and always trying his best

YEAR 8:

Landen Clarke - for always having beautiful manners and for being so helpful at camp.

YEAR 9:

Hannah Wood - for asking intelligent, relevant questions in HASS class
Aaron Fittkau - for showing maturity towards his class work

YEAR 10:

Ebonii Direen - for her willingness to help others and showing responsibility
Thomas Cohen - for his fantastic work attitude and honesty in all that he does

YEAR 11/12:

Danika Dick - for displaying integrity in her respect for the opinions of others
Jenna King - for her friendly, cheerful and helpful nature

EPILEPSY DAY

Thank you to everyone that dressed up for our Purple Epilepsy Day on Friday. We raised \$342.00 which has now been donated to this worthy cause.



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)

IS ANYONE DRIVING TO MELBOURNE?

Is anyone driving to Melbourne soon? Mr Atkins has bought a cello for the school and needs to get it from Melbourne (Croydon). It can't go as regular luggage on a plane so if you happen to be driving back to Tasmania some time soon and could fit a cello in your vehicle, please let Mr Atkins know -
peter.atkins@geneva.tas.edu.au.
THANK YOU!!

HOUSE CAPTAINS

Introducing our House Captains for 2023

Shadrach

Captains - Rachael Robertson and Poppy Cassidy
Vice Captains - Addison Carroll and Angus Robertson

Meshach

Captains - Gabriella Scrimgeour and Liam Overton
Vice Captains - Ebonii Direen and Alessio Juen

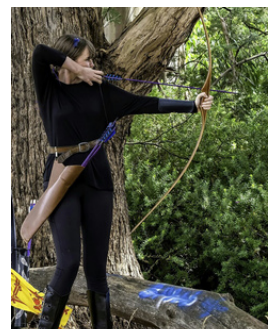
Abednego

Captains - Jenna King and Saxon McDermott
Vice Captains - Nazareth Mitchell and Xavier Murray



ACHIEVEMENT

Naomi Robertson from Year 9 recently participated in the Tasmanian State Muster in Archery. After completing a very challenging course with rolling targets, giant spiders and leech infested water, Naomi finished 1st and is currently the State Junior Champion. Well done Naomi!!



Fan Fiction Writers Workshop @ Devonport Library

Thursday 13 April 2:00pm – 4:00pm
Ages 12 - 18

Explore the exciting world of Fan Fiction!
Learn how to create compelling scenes and vivid locations using characters from your favourite novel, movie, anime or TV show. This workshop is perfect for anyone who wants to develop their creative writing skills, whether you're already a writer or just starting out.



Bookings are required for school holiday events. Secure your place by calling us or booking on Eventbrite. Devonport 6478 4230 or devonport.library@libraries.tas.gov.au



WEEK 7 PHOTOS



This little frog was spotted in our pond



Lion King rehearsal



THE 'FIERY FURNACE' ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Our annual athletics day is on THURSDAY, APRIL 6th here at Geneva. Our house teams are Shadrach (yellow), Meshach (red) and Abednego (blue) and they will seriously compete for points toward the FIERY FURNACE SHIELD, a highly sought after prize awarded at the end of the year! Your child has been allocated to a team. If they are not sure which one, please contact the class teacher.

WHEN

THURSDAY, April 6 commencing at 9.00am (for both Primary and Secondary, finishing around 2.45pm.

WHO

All students, parents, relatives and friends. Please come and make this a fun day.

WHAT

Events will include, running, vortex throw, jumps, water relay and lots more. There may be opportunities for Staff and parents to compete (depending on time)

WHAT TO WEAR

Students can dress in their house colours. Hats, face paint, streamers, balloons are all acceptable in their team colours. Staff have also been allocated to a house. This is a great time of competition and fun, so please get enthusiastic with your children. Don't forget your sunscreen.

WHAT TO EAT

Students can bring their usual cut lunch and drink with plenty of water to drink. Alternatively there will be a free sausage sizzle on the day for everyone to enjoy. Crisps, ice creams and drinks will be available for purchase at the canteen.



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  NAPLAN Outdoor Ed/Outdoor Leadership camp	16  NAPLAN Outdoor Ed/Outdoor Leadership camp	17 Canteen NAPLAN Outdoor Ed/Outdoor Leadership camp	18
19	20 Week 7	21 	22 	23 	24 Canteen Purple Day for Epilepsy	25
26	27 Week 8 Year 8 Interlaken	28 	29  Year 7 Interlaken Year 8 Interlaken	30  Year 7 Interlaken	31 Canteen Outdoor Ed Hike Year 7 Interlaken	01

APRIL 2023

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