



## IF YOU CAN'T SAY SOMETHING NICE ...

*A message from our Principal*

We use a small metal bit to put in a horse's mouth to direct them when we want them to go, stop and turn. A ship has a small fin or rudder, which is used to turn the ship in any particular direction. A tiny spark can start a massive fire so easily. What do these all have in common?

It only takes something small to make something big happen. The Bible describes our tongue in much the same way. Even though the tongue is a little member of the human body, if not used in the right way, can create offence, hurt and damage to others and to ourselves. We are told we even need to tame the tongue, as if it is wild and can be poisonous!

In the last couple of weeks at school we have had a few incidents involving, nasty words spoken, unkind messages sent, and very sadly, racist comments made. This is not the culture we want at Geneva and certainly not acceptable within our classrooms, families and community. Geneva has become known for its stand on bullying, disrespect and disobedience and I know all our families would support this position. So, this is a reminder to us all. Take note of what comes out of your mouth, what you write and how you react. Do you use kind, thoughtful, caring responses towards others? If you don't, then you need to start today. Because if you can't find something nice to say, then it's best not to say anything at all!

## VERSE OF THE WEEK:

'In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace.'

*Ephesians 1:7*

## PRAYER/PRAISE POINTS:

- Praise God for a fantastic Athletics Day today
- Pray for a safe holiday period
- Thank God for the sacrifice He paid for our sins.
- Pray for the Year 9 Interlaken Extended Stay next term

## School families to pray for:

- Bass
- Bateman
- Blackberry/Ezard
- Bond
- Broomhall

*Geneva Christian College* PROVERBS 3:6

# STUDENT OF THE WEEK

## CONGRATULATIONS!

### KINDER:

**All of Kinder** - for a great first term at school. Everyone has been willing learners, brave, diligent and kind

### PREP:

**William Hetherington** - for always striving to complete his best work and always being a helpful and kind student

### YEAR 1:

**Rafaella Whittle** - for her hard work and lovely attitude everyday

**Brooklyn Reid** - for great listening and being a fun friend

### YEAR 2:

**Lilly Chester** - for her bright and cheery greetings each morning

**Chloe Padman** - for her helpful ways

### YEAR 3:

**Summah Hannon** - for being kind to others and practising The Golden Rule

**Luca Fauvette** - for giving his all during PACE time and finishing his goals regularly all term

### YEAR 4:

**Riley Baldock** - for always being a bit of sunshine in the classroom

**Blake Malas** - for working extra hard to finish all his work for the term

### YEAR 5:

**Willow Nathan** - for trying hard to do her very best in all subjects

**Chase Newton** - for his excellent efforts and progress in Mathematics

### YEAR 6:

**Willow McDermott** - for working hard with a broken arm

**Oliver Robertson** - for being brave and sharing something difficult

### YEAR 7:

**Zinnia Mitchell** - for going beyond what was expected of her in being always willing and available to help out whilst we were at Interlaken

**Archer Nathan** - for doing his utmost to stay on top of his work in all his subjects

### YEAR 8:

**Larni King** - for upholding The Golden Rule by putting the needs of others before her own

**Georgia Cohen** - for a great effort in Maths Pathway throughout the term

### YEAR 9:

**Jessica Bateman** - for completing 15 math modules this term

**Rowan Edgerton** - for a great steady work ethic

### YEAR 10:

**Joshua Woodberry** - for perseverance in completing his work

**Jye Spaulding** - for having a cheerful demeanour

### 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

## EMPLOYEE'S OF THE WEEK

**Naomi Walker** - for serving the staff with amazing food

**Dallas Page** - for his dedication to Geneva

Thank you

# 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)

## FAMILY BUSHWALK

A family bushwalk will be held on Thursday, April 20th, starting at 10:00am. Join with other families to walk Lucy's Track (also known as East Ellis Track).

This is a 10km return walk, moderately easy track that follows Wilmot River to a grassy picnic ground. No bushwalking experience is required, but wear sturdy shoes and bring plenty of water and food. The start of the track is 700m from the Wilmot River bridge at the bottom of Gentle Annie Hill, about 20 minutes from Devonport.

Please let Briony O'Neill know if you would like to join on 0484 626 320 so that you can be notified if the walk is postponed due to wet weather.

## JUNIOR CHOIR

On Friday, March 31, the junior choir, Staccatos, went to perform at Oldaker Christian Church. Before the performance, we enjoyed the Bluff park for hot chips for! Thanks to Mrs Wigg and Mrs O'Neill (Millicent's mum) for taking us.



## OFFICE HOURS DURING HOLIDAYS

The office will be closed during the first week of the school holidays. It will re-open on Monday, April 17 from 8:30 - 4:00pm Please note: The uniform room will also be open for any uniform needs.

## A VISITOR FROM THE GOVERNOR OF TASMANIA

Last week our school had the privilege of hosting the governor of Tasmania, Her Excellency - Barbra Baker, for a tour around our school. She was welcome by our senior students and Principal who showed her around our facilities. We are very thankful and blessed by this opportunity.



# WEEK 9 PHOTOS



# ATHLETICS DAY





# APRIL 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28	29 	30	31	01
02	03 <del>Week 9</del> Year 11/12 Intersaken	04 <del>Week 9</del> Year 11/12 Intersaken	05 <del>Week 9</del> Year 11/12 Intersaken	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