

Weekly Newsletter



CHALLENGES: FACE THEM OR FEAR THEM

A message from our Principal

It is inevitable in this life we will all have challenges. Some of those are normal and natural as we navigate through stages of growth. Some, however come from left field and can either be caused by circumstance, others or even ourselves.

So how should we look at these challenges? Should we fear them and back off, not willing to face the situation? Or should we face them, wade through them, deal with them and move on? My own experience is this: more often than not, if I avoid the tough stuff, I find myself on the roundabout again, facing the same issue, over and over. Instead of facing the challenge, owning my part in it and learning from it, I have avoided conflict and tough conversations BUT found myself back at the same spot again and again. I believe that we are to learn from these challenges, not run from them. Don't get me wrong, I worry, cry, rant, and complain, but in the end I realise that if I don't face my challenges and learn from them, soon I'll be back facing them again. The best part for me, is that I know I am not alone. I might not have a person standing beside me at every moment, but I do have Jesus all the time. He has promised that He will never leave me or forsake me. Through the good times and the bad, Jesus is always there, gently guiding and teaching me, every step of the way! Jesus can be there for you too.

VERSE OF THE WEEK:

Be joyful always; pray continually.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-17

PRAYER/PRAISE POINTS:

- Pray for good weather and a wonderful time of fellowship together next week at our Book Fair!
- Praise God for a great first half of the Term.
- Continue to pray for sickness in our school (there seems to be a lot)

School families to pray for:

- Mansson
- Martin
- Marychurch
- Mather-Norris
- McCulloch

Geneva Christian College PROVERBS 3:6

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations!

KINDER:

Lyra Conway - for consistently doing what she's been asked to do 'right away and all the way'

PREP:

Isabel Blackberry - for working hard to learn addition and subtraction

YEAR 1:

Marlena Gold - for having a steadfast attitude towards her work

Charles McKerrow - for reminding others of The Golden Rule

YEAR 2:

Pippah Whiteley - for gently helping another student with a practical task

Enoch Shabi - for being a great team member when making pumpkin scones in the Kitchen

YEAR 3:

Lanika Woodhouse - for being a positive influence and practising The Golden Rule

Gideon Overton - for being a supportive and kind friend to his classmates

YEAR 4:

Minka Snetler - for reciting all her divisions within the first few weeks of the term

Jacob Urbanczyk - for reciting all his divisions within the first few weeks of the term

YEAR 5:

Madison Stebbeings - for her lovely manners and positive attitude to learning

Cassanova Von Rock - asking lots of questions and improved enthusiasm for learning

YEAR 6:

Lina Close - for having a great start to Geneva

Justin Saltmarsh - for working hard to stay focused

YEAR 7:

Zinnia mitchell - for being respectful, trying hard to do the right thing and doing her best to get her work done

Jude Hutchinson - for being respectful at all times and being a diligent and meticulous worker

YEAR 8:

Ginevra George - for showing diligence in completing assigned tasks

Brodie Stebbeings - for always being polite and diligent in completing his work

YEAR 9:

Cypsey McDermott - for a great effort in her Shakespeare oral presentation

Oliver Carroll - for evidence of good research in his Shakespeare oral presentation

YEAR 10:

Jesse Davenport - for a renewed focus on his work in recent days. Well done!

Ella Taylor - for using her initiative, pushing herself in areas that make her feel unsure, and for being brave!

YEAR 11/12:

Bella-Grace Bass - for her cheerful and friendly disposition

Caitlin Wilson - for her dedication to her studies along with her polite and well-mannered nature

EMPLOYEES OF THE WEEK

Narelle Gandini - for taking care in cleaning the school and the extra touch of folding the toilet paper

Mrs Natalie Atkinson - for shining her light so wonderfully and being a great support in Year 10

Thank You

INFORMATION

Geneva Parents & Friends Association

Time & Talent Auction

This Friday - 25th August

6:15pm viewing for a 6:45pm start

(Please bring a plate of supper to share)

Here are some of the items so far!

- Bottomless Breakfast for two at the Workshop Cafe
- 7 nights accomodation at 'The Islander' on Stradbroke Island
- Garden hamper
- 2 hour house clean
- Framed paintings
- Mechanical & Tyre Voucher
- New Golf Bag
- Day fishing at Interlaken x2 people
- Lots of home made jams, baking and sweets!
- and so much more.....

TOMORROW NIGHT!



WELL DONE

This week Larni and Jenna King chopped their hair off to donate to 'Variety Wigs for Kids Australia.' The girls have also raised over \$2,000 for this charity. Well done Larni and Jenna, we are very proud of you!



CONGRATULATIONS

We would like to congratulate Mr Dance on his recent engagement to his fiancé, Lise. As a school we are praying for them both as they plan for their wedding and prepare for marriage.



2024 TERM FEES

- 1st Child Per Term \$925
- 2nd Child Per Term \$425
- 3rd Child Per Term \$325
- 4 + children Per Term \$225
- 5 + children Per Term FREE
- Kinder Child Per Term \$725 (only child)

UNIFORM AND FEES

Dear Parents, we would like to remind you that upon enrolment of your child/children at Geneva, among other things, you agreed to support us by keeping your fees up to date and ensuring you children were wearing correct uniform and following our uniform guidelines. We would appreciate you attending to both these issues if there are fees outstanding and/or uniform needs addressing. Follow ups in both areas will continue to occur as needed and as the term progresses.

SENIOR DRAMA

The Senior Drama class are working on their new production *The Importance of Being Earnest* - set in the Victorian era of the 1890's. They require some props (that can be returned):

- Small (2-seater) outdoor garden setting (cast iron? wicker? etc)
- China tea set (plates, cup & saucers, milk jug, sugar pot, teapot, cake stand?)
- Two books that could pass as a Victorian journal / diaries. One needs to be very small
- Small purse to fit one of the diaries.
- A small box for keepsakes (letters)



INFORMATION

2023 BOOK FAIR!

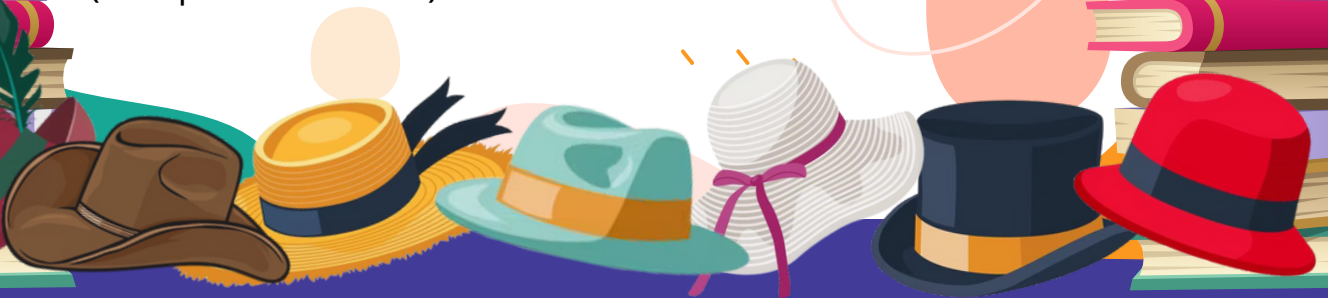


NEXT WEEK

We will be holding our Book Fair Day **NEXT WEEK** (week 6) on **Wednesday, August 30th**. The whole school takes part!

Students and staff can dress up, either as their favourite book character and bring the book along or dress up relative to this year's theme, '**Hats Off to Reading!**'. During the afternoon we have plenty of activities for everyone to enjoy. We will also have our book display in the assembly hall of our main building. Students will have the opportunity to go through the book display and make a wish list early in week 5. This does not mean you have to purchase these items, it simply means that your child has made a list of items they like. You can discuss the list with them and they can make their purchases on the Book Fair Day. This year we have books from Scholastic and Christian outlet, Koorong.

Parents will also have the opportunity to have a browse through the great selection of books we have. Books make great presents! You can do this at our Book Fair from 12:00pm. The **costume parade will commence at 1:45pm** with awards presented shortly after. We also hold a scrumptious free BBQ lunch with sausages, bread and sauce (GF option available).



WEEK 5 PHOTOS



AUGUST 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	Week 2	1	2	3	4 Canteen Historical/Retro Clothes Day	5
6	7 Week 3	8	9	10	11 Canteen Casual Clothes	12
13	14 Week 4	15	16 School Photos	17	18 Canteen	19
20	21 Week 5	22	23	24	25 Canteen Auction	26
27	28 Week 6	29	30 Book Fair	31		

SEPTEMBER 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	28	29	30	31	1 Canteen Casual Clothes	2 HAPPY FATHER'S day
3	4 Week 7	5	6	7	8 Canteen	9
10	11 Week 8	12	13	14	15 Canteen	16
17	18 Week 9	19	20	21	22 Canteen Casual Clothes	23
24	25 Week 10	26	27	28	29 Last day of Term 3	30