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WHAT A MIRACLE!

A message from our Principal

Today in whole school assembly I talked with the children about miracles. Their definitions were these: something that God did; a special event; an extraordinary event; something that is not a normal thing to happen. We read in the Bible of 37 accounts of the miracles that Jesus did while on Earth. His first was turning water into wine at a wedding in Cana. His mother, Mary, was there and she came to Jesus and said, 'the waiters have run out of wine, what should we do?' Jesus gave the waiters these instructions, 'fill up the water jars with water, right to the brim, then take a cup and ladle into the bridegroom's cup.' When they poured the water into the cup, it was no longer water, but wine. And not just any ordinary wine, but according to the guests, the best wine!

Jesus performed other miracles; He healed a man with leprosy, He raised a girl from the dead; He opened the eyes of blind men; He healed a man's crippled hand; He fed over 5000 people with just 5 loaves of bread and 2 fish. The list of miracles continues. No other man before or since Jesus has been known or written about in such a way. God performed a miracle for our family. When the doctors gave us two outcomes for dad after he suffered a severe stroke, neither were overly joyous, death or permanently brain paralysed. But they did not know our miracle working God. Dad woke up, without any affects from 'a massive clot beside his brain'. One moment the scan showed the clot, the next it was gone. This is the work of our God.

He is faithful! He knows your heart! He knows your situation! He is the answer to your every worry. He is loving & kind, fair & just and He sent His Son Jesus, born as a human; a baby in a manger in Bethlehem. He grew into a man, travelled the Judean countryside, bringing the message of hope to a hopeless world. This is the God we serve and this is the God we celebrate at Christmas. Do you know Jesus personally? If not, get a Bible and start reading about Him in Matthew Chapter 1. Don't stop until you have met Jesus, for He shall save you from your sins, and that is a promise and a mighty miracle.

Verse of the week:

You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you.

Isaiah 26:3

Prayer/praise points:

- Praise God for a wonderful 2023 school year and His many blessings!
- Pray for the summer break, for rest and a wonderful time with family and friends.
- Thank God for the wonderful season that is Christmas, and the reminder of Jesus's birth.

School families to pray for:

- Young
- Young
- Young/Delaney/Murray
- Ziesel
- Zwerver

General Christian College PROVERBS 3:6

INFORMATION

TERM DATES FOR 2024

Term 1 February 6-March 28 (8 weeks

Term 2 April 16-June 28 (11 weeks)

Term 3 July 23-September 27 (10 weeks)

Term 4 October 15-December 18 (10 weeks)

SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSURE

Our school office will be closed from Thursday, December 21st and re-opening on Monday, January 15th, 2024. All families will expect to receive 2024 Fee invoices and Start Up email in mid January.

We have scheduled the Uniform Shop to be open Monday, January 22nd & Tuesday, January 23rd from 10am-3pm both days.

FAREWELL FOR 2023

To our Geneva families, I would like to thank you for allowing us to partner with you to 'train up your children in the way they should go'. We have had a wonderful year, even with the ups and downs, we can not escape these in this life.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the wonderful Geneva team. Every single person here plays their part to make every day tick over. From our school Board, bus drivers, cleaner, housekeeping, maintenance, IT, finance, aides, teachers, compliance, learning support, archives, chaplaincy, right through to our administration team, we come together each day with the main purpose of seeing lives changed and lives flourishing. So a BIG THANKYOU to all of these people.

We all have witnessed incredible progress, transformation, effort and growth in your children and I am sure you have too. As you celebrate Christmas with your families, may you really come to know Jesus. He is the reason that our school is operating and will continue to operate in the years to come.

Merry Christmas to you all and a very happy & safe New Year, and I look forward to seeing you all in 2024. Rosemary Lincolne

Principal

YEAR 6 CELEBRATION LUNCH



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