

Weekly Newsletter



TRUTH AND GRACE

Do we often avoid the obvious for the sake of not making a fuss, perhaps hurting someone’s feelings or creating further issues? What does the Bible say about our conversations and relationships with others? God has a plan for maintaining or restoring relationships. Step 1 says if someone does a wrong against you, you must go to that person privately (not gossip to another) and attempt to resolve the matter. If this happens, then the relationship is restored. If not, Step 2, and then Step 3 are required. You can read this in Matthew 18:15.

I had a friend, I say had, as she died a few years ago. Its ok though, she is a Christian and so is now in Heaven, without suffering, pain or tears. During her sickness, we were talking about relationships, conversations and just telling it how it is. We discussed how people often avoid the actual point and just duck and dive around the main issue, or they tell others their woes but not the person they should be telling. Issues don’t ever seem to be dealt with, resolved or cleared up.

She said to me, “well I’ve actually got nothing to lose, I’m dying anyway, so I feel it’s ok for me to speak honestly”, and she did, to me! She highlighted some of the rough edges in my personality that needed to be smoothed off. Those words were hard to hear, but I loved her for that conversation and have definitely learned from it.

If relationships and conversations are just based on grace, and we don’t get pulled up or pull others up, then there can be the temptation to think doing the wrong thing is ok. Or if someone constantly is truthfully blunt without love, then their actions can be seen as judgemental and uncaring. The Bible tells us that “Jesus . . . was full of both truth and grace” John 1:14. We should follow His example and build relationships and have conversations with a measured amount of truth and grace.

Verse of the week:

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

Psalms 46:1

Prayer/praise points:

- Pray for a great Swimming Carnival tomorrow
- Pray for the Year 11/12 Interlaken Camp next week.
- Pray for the many upcoming events within our school, that they will run smoothly.

School families to pray for:

- Walker
 - Walsh
 - Walters-Simpson
 - Wheatley
 - Whiteley
- Geneva Christian College PROVERBS 3:6

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

KINDER:

Patrick Langan - for caring for our school and picking up rubbish in the playground

PREP:

Amelia Mitchell - for doing her guided writing with confidence and sounding out tricky words

YEAR 1:

Mia James - for beautiful school manners and kindness to her classmates

Charlie Tabuyo - for saying 'thank you' for small things and brightening our class

YEAR 2:

Meika Cooper - for working hard to achieve set goals

Samiya Spaulding - for working steadily and consistently each day

YEAR 3:

Millicent O'Neill - for applying herself to the work she has been asked to do (Proverbs 23:12)

Mitch Newton - for making every effort in and outside of the classroom (2 Peter 1:5)

YEAR 4:

Olivia Lambert - for always putting in a great effort with her goals, and her creative work in our Christmas crafts

Jacob Urbanczyk - for a great attitude with his work, and always writing neatly

YEAR 5:

Jax Miles - for improved focus on work and completing 9 modules in Maths Pathway

Skye Hannon - for being a kind friend

YEAR 6:

Whole Class - for their hardwork and enthusiasm in the Narnia play

Sophia Sully - for her charming and entertaining performance as Maugrim

David Ahanor - for his powerful performance as Aslan

Congratulations!

YEAR 7:

Hadassah Overton - for making an extra effort in her Math Pathways and PACEs

Nathan Veridiano - for having an exemplary attitude and an impeccable work ethic

YEAR 8:

Mary-Ann Roberts - for helping out with the Year 6 play

Gabriel Direen - for preparing a great zucchini slice, and showing good delegating skills

YEAR 9:

Annabelle Sully - for being Annabelle and for always doing her absolute best

Alessandro Finoia - for making a concerted effort to be the best version of himself

YEAR 10:

Maeve McDowell - for giving time to others and for helping fellow students with their English assignments

Jesse Davenport - for his 'big heart' in thinking of others by showing kindness

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to James and Kelsy Lincolne on the arrival of their daughter, Piper Mae Lincolne on November 28. Such a special precious blessing.



INFORMATION

SWIMMING CARNIVAL



Swimming Carnival is on **tomorrow** at Splash, Devonport. Events start at 10:30am. Parents, friends and relatives are most welcome to attend. **See back page for further details.**

REMINDER



There is **NO SCHOOL** on Friday, December 1, due to the Devonport Show Day.

TERM 4 IMPORTANT DATES

TOMORROW

Swimming Carnival (Thursday Nov 30th)

Show Day Holiday (Friday Dec 1st)

WEEK 8

Primary swimming commences (Week 8 & 9)

Year 11/12 Interlaken camp
(Wednesday Dec 6th - Friday Dec 8th)

WEEK 9

Primary swimming continues

WEEK 10

Thanksgiving & Presentation Night (Monday Dec 18th)

Seniors Dinner (Tuesday Dec 19th)

Last day of school & whole school picnic
(Wednesday Dec 20th)

Dear Narnia Cast and Crew,

I thoroughly enjoyed watching Narnia! The set, costumes and acting were brilliant! I am honestly jealous we did not do Narnia last year. You all put in your best effort and I was simply amazed at how well it was organised, the transitions in scenes were very uniquely beautiful!

Although you all did magnificent, there were a few people that immediately stood out. (My apologies if I don't know your name/role).

Margaret, your ability to change moods instantly was amazing, you could whine, and laugh so easily it was so believable. Your acting was so diverse!

Hunter, oh my word! You sounded like a drill Sargent, you suited this role so unbelievably well! I was shook. I could not comprehend how you were not laughing with the audience, whilst yelling out commands!

Abby, you made a wonderful mother! You had a calming, comforting tone with the 4 children. Abby, you really embraced the role of a mother!

Jon and Ella you fulfilled your role as a couple beautifully. You kept together and acted so strong willed even though your characters were meek animals.

Snow Queen, you were so strong willed, and knew what you wanted! You fulfilled the role perfectly. You were so believable with your acting.

Azlan, you were such a regal leader, you didn't make your character like the usual leader, you made the leader kind, caring yet so strong headed!

Mrs Macready, you suited this role amazing! You had the grace and maturity of a housekeeper. You were able to be very stern but in an instance you were able to be angry, but this angry was so believable!

I was so incredibly proud of all of you! I think that those of you who choose to be in our musical next year will be spectacular! Remember you have come this far don't give up!

From
Ebony, year 7

CAROLINE SMALL SCHOOL OF DANCE PRESENTS

ALICE in WONDERLAND

Short Pre Show Performances
THE LOST FOREST
Junior Ballet Students

Summertime Beachtime
Junior - Intermediate - Senior Jazz Students

LIGHTS OF THE SEA
Littlies Contemporary Students

SKY FULL OF STARS
Junior Contemporary Students

OCEAN DEEP
Intermediate Contemporary Students

SEASONALE MODERNO
Senior Contemporary Students

SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2023
MATINEE 1.30PM & EVENING 7PM

PARANAPLE ARTS CENTRE

TICKETS ON SALE NOW THROUGH THE BOX OFFICE OR ONLINE (*ONLINE BOOKING FEE APPLIES)
ADULTS \$36 | STUDENT/PENSIONER \$30 | CHILD 12YRS & UNDER \$25

WEEK 7 PHOTOS

This week, our Year 11/12 students continued their Community Service work. Mr Mace and Mr King together with a group of students attended the Northdown Cemetery for a community clean-up around the grave sites and grounds. An incredible sense of achievement was felt after ute and trailer loads of rubbish, weeds, concrete, glass, plastic and leaves, were gathered up and removed from the cemetery. A big thank you to all that volunteered their services on the day. One student even dressed up in costume for the day. It was good to give back and help out in our local community. The students also appreciated the delicious morning tea that was supplied.



Last Friday, we had a visit from the Devonport Aero Club. The students loved looking at their plane and I'm sure one day dream of flying one.



YEAR 6 'NARNIA'





SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2023 INFORMATION

Our Swimming Carnival is **TOMORROW, November 30th** at the Devonport Aquatic Centre (SPLASH). We will be competing against Australian Christian College – Burnie, North West Christian School and home schooling families. The programme will **commence at 10.30am for both juniors and seniors** (big and small pools). We will commence with the 100m and 50m events first, finishing with the Secondary Raft Race before commencing with the 20m events.

TRANSPORT

Students will travel to school as normal and leave for the carnival shortly after 9.45am. We aim to finish at 2:30pm | and return to school for normal bus runs home. Please let the class teacher know in your child's diary if you are taking your child to and/or from the carnival. **The Kinder students are not required to attend the swimming carnival and will remain at school.**

WHAT TO WEAR

All students are required to wear full sports uniform and bring bathers, towel, plastic bag and goggles. If your child is entering the 'raft race' they need to be sure they have a raft or floatation device for their team.

WHAT TO TAKE

- Lunch & water bottle
- Bathers (modest)
- Towel
- Plastic bag for wet bathers etc.
- Hat/sunscreen
- Jumper/coat

CANTEEN

The Devonport Aquatic Centre has a canteen where food and drinks can be purchased.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Please ensure that all of your children's items are named. This means bathers, towel, bag, school clothes etc. There tends to be a lot of lost property at the end of these events and we would like to minimise this as much as possible. Phone the front office with any queries and remember, parents, relatives and friends are all welcome to attend☺