

Weekly Newsletter



WE HAVE SO MUCH TO LEARN

A message from our Principal

This week a baby Tawny Frogmouth (bird) was found on the ground under the trees in the infant playground. It appeared that it had fallen from its nest, which we located very high up in a gum tree. We brought the baby bird home and towards the evening placed it back on the ground under the tree in a box and waited to see what happened. The baby bird clambered out of the box and attempted to walk and fly towards the base of the tree. That is where we left it, huddled, camouflaged against the sticks and bark. About an hour later we went back to check and the baby bird was nowhere to be seen. On closer inspection we found it, sitting on the perch beside its parents, 20 metres up in the gum tree. How did it get there? We still don't know. But what we do know is that God specially created these unique creatures. They mate for life; they nest in the same place each year, both parents incubate and feed the young and they take care of them, until they are ready to fly from the nest. It appears they even take care of them when they fall out of the nest. How wonderful this picture is of the Tawny Frogmouth family! As humans, we can learn so much from God's creation. I have often heard this said, 'you are behaving just like an animal'. But this is not true, animals behave the way God created them to. Read the poem on page 4 from a monkey's perspective 😊😊

**Verse of the week:**

The Lord gives strength to
His people; the Lord blesses
His people with peace.

Psalm 29:11

Prayer/praise points:

- Praise God for the beautiful weather.
- Pray for the second half of the Term, that we will finish the school year well.
- Pray for the Year 6 play which will be performed next week.

School families to pray for:

- Stebbeings
- Stephenson
- Sully
- Tabuyo
- Taylor

Geneva Christian College PROVERBS 3:6

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

KINDER:

Melody Russell - for having a servant's heart and putting other people's needs before her own

PREP:

William Hetherington - for a big improvement in his handwriting and pencil grip

YEAR 1:

Autumn Grossmith - for good writing effort and for careful listening

Charlie McKerrow - for hard work and creative thinking in Math

YEAR 2:

Macie Anderson - for being respectful to others by working quietly in class

Kudzai Mukarati - for having a positive attitude to learning and class work

YEAR 3:

Lanika Woodhouse - for putting in great effort to complete her work (Ecclesiastes 9:10)

Cooper Rouse - for being a responsible person and for making sure everyone is okay (Philippians 2:4)

YEAR 4:

Riley Baldock - for always having a happy disposition

Bailey Saltmarsh - for diligently doing his work without being distracted

YEAR 5:

Willow Nathan - for showing kindness to younger children around the school

Jake Mather-Norris - for completing 11 Maths Pathway modules

YEAR 6:

Ella Overton - for being helpful and having a willing to help attitude

Archie George - for great drama rehearsal

Congratulations!

YEAR 7:

Isabella Sheean - for having an extra great attitude and showing great application to getting her work done

Caleb Mosley - for making an extra effort with his Math Pathways

YEAR 8:

Bryce Newton - for a terrific effort in preparing delicious melting moments for us to enjoy on camp

Ace Moscicki - for diligently working to complete his goals

YEAR 9:

Kate Digney - for a huge effort in a difficult Word Building Test

Aaron Fittkau - for being a proactive worker

YEAR 10:

Addison Carroll - for her commitment to her assessment pieces

Elise Carman - for completing her first TASC subject

YEAR 11/12:

Grace Walters-Simpson - for her time and efforts in making coffees for staff each Wednesday

Ethan Martin - for his hard work in completing his Automotive project

EMPLOYEES OF THE WEEK

Mrs Marnie Struthers - for her love and care for the small people in our school

Mrs Sharon Eyles - for her creativity in our amazing classroom displays

Thank You

INFORMATION

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Book Club orders have been sent out this week. These orders are due back on Thursday, November 30.

Alternatively, you can order online at [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](https://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP)



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COOKIE AND SEED SALE DAY

The Primary Kitchen/Garden staff and students are holding a Cookie and Seed Sale Day **NEXT Wednesday**,

November 22 outside the Primary Kitchen during lunchtime. Cookies are \$1 each (max 5 each) and potted sunflower and tomato seeds are also \$1 each. All proceeds will go to Loaves and Fishes.



**Postponed to
next week**

TERM 4 IMPORTANT DATES

WEEK 6

Year 6 NARNIA Play
(Monday Nov 20th - Thursday Nov 23rd)

WEEK 7

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

Presentation Night (Monday Dec 18th)

Seniors Dinner (Tuesday Dec 19th)

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

MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

In Term 3, many student participated in the 2023 Australian Mathematics Competition. Participation was outstanding and the awards for high achievers are as follows:

Primary

Distinction
Sophie Ralph

Credit

Daniel Ahanor
Monique Carman
Matthew Roberts
Justin Saltmarsh
Kayla Atkins
Liam Baldock
Margaret Hume
Minka Snetler
Cassanova Von Rock
Keeley Forward
Maci Brownrigg
Max Murphy
Alistair Grossmith

Secondary

Distinction
Tom Butcher

Credit

Thomas Hartwell
Liam Overton
Tayissa Garwood
Oliver Carroll
Samuel Atkins
Georgia Cohen
Atticus Pacey



INFORMATION

GENEVA ORIENTATION DAY - 2024

ORIENTATION - 'MOVE UP'

Towards the end month, on Wednesday, November 29, the whole school holds an Orientation 'Move up' time (usually 2 periods), where students go to their next year's classroom and participate in conversations and activities relating to what they can expect the following year. Each class/subject teacher prepare activities and information to help prepare students for their 'move up' to the next class. The implementation of transition and induction activities ensures that students are supported in their transfer to the next class.

KINDER TASTER DAY: Also held on the same day as Orientation Day, Wednesday, November 29 from 10:45am-12:45pm is for parents and eligible new 2024 Kindergarten students, to meet one another, the teacher and get to know classroom procedures. If you are interested in Kindergarten for your child, in 2024 and have not yet had the initial interview with the Principal and a secondary interview with the Kindergarten teacher, please contact the school office to make these appointments.

From page 1

Three monkeys sat in a coconut tree
Discussing things as they're said to be.
Said one to the others: "Now listen you two,
There's a certain rumour that can't be true
That man descended from our noble race –
Why, the very idea is a disgrace!
"No monkey ever deserted his wife,
Starved her babies and ruined her life;
And you've never known a mother monk
Leave her babies with others to bunk,
Or pass them on from one to another
'Til they scarcely know who is their mother.
"And another thing you'll never see –
A monk build a fence round a coconut tree,
Forbidding all other monks to taste
And letting the coconuts go to waste.
Why! if I built a fence round a coconut tree
Starvation would force you to steal from me.
"Here's another thing a monk won't do:
Go out at night and get in a stew,
Or use a gun or club or knife
To take some other monkey's life.
Yes, man descended, the ornery cuss,
But brother he didn't descend from us!"

Author unknown

REMEMBRANCE DAY

I want to thank Peter Atkins, our music teacher and students, Maggie, Ben, Sam and Kayla for their attendance and participation in the Remembrance Day Service at Latrobe on Saturday. Although the service was not well attended by the public, our group represented the school very well and I am extremely proud of their efforts.
THANKYOU!



WEEK 5 PHOTOS



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