



Casual Clothes
Day tomorrow

TERM 1, WEEK 3, 2024

VERSE OF THE WEEK:

The Lord make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

Numbers 6:25-26

PRAYER/PRAISE POINTS:

- Continue to pray for students on Interlaken camps and Outdoor Education hike.
- Pray for relationships.
- Pray for protection and good health over out students, families and staff.

SCHOOL FAMILIES TO PRAY FOR:

- Barreto
- Bass
- Bateman
- Blackberry
- Blake

PARENTING - NEED HELP?

A message from our Principal

Parenting is a tough gig, isn't it? And I certainly don't profess to have had it all sorted, but when I think about it I am reminded of two quotes: The first one is from Clinical psychologist Jordan Peterson,

"Do not let your children do anything that makes you dislike them." At the risk of misquoting him, he went on to suggest that if you, who love your children dearly and see the best in them, are caused to dislike them because of their behaviour, imagine what others are thinking of them.

I do recall distinctly seeing attitudes and actions in my own children that I did not like and then realising that they were copying me, which really brings the point home that parenting begins with us and the attitudes and actions that we display to them. The second quote I heard was on Vision radio, where a women said, "Parenting is only hard when you do it right". She went on to say that giving your child a lolly in the supermarket when they are throwing a tantrum is easy, teaching them good behaviour, like self control and restraint, is hard. How true is that!

In our fast paced and hectic lives, it is hard work to take the time to parent well, and we often find ourselves at the end of our own rope, but if we do seek out good parenting advice, and we take the time to parent thoughtfully and thoroughly, we will see long term rewards. This is what the author of Proverbs was referring to when he said in Proverbs 22:6: *"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it."*

Parenting is hard work, but it is arguably the most important thing you will ever do in your lifetime. At Geneva, we seek to partner with you in helping your children find the right path. We can point you toward good resources and advice, the best of which of course are the Scriptures, where the model for a good healthy family life is laid out and a relationship with God that gives us the strength to carry it out. We do pray for you all and wish for you all good, strong, healthy family relationships and we are here to help, anytime! Please visit this link for more information - <https://families.org.au>

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

KINDER:

Khaos Woods – for being kind and sharing a puzzle when he saw that someone had missed out

PREP:

Lyra Conway – for being a kind friend

YEAR 1:

Isabel Blackberry – for taking care to do her best work

Jayger Crowden – for a great start and being so keen to work and learn

YEAR 2:

Mei Close – for overcoming fear and being brave

Harlan Cetaj – for being persistent and not giving up when work is hard

YEAR 3:

Indy Richardson – for being a helpful person in the classroom and in Garden (Hebrews 6:10)

Chester O'Neill – for putting his mind to the job at hand (Philippians 3:13-14)

YEAR 4:

Ariana Fourie – for working hard while producing a Limerick

William Wilson – for always putting in his best effort

YEAR 5:

Annebelle Davey – for listening and persevering when working on tricky things in her English and Maths PACEs

Samuel Quirk – for his wonderful focus and being willing to share his great ideas during English

YEAR 6:

Maci Brownrigg – for an excellent effort with rotational symmetry

Max Murphy – for an excellent 'Federation of Australia' report

YEAR 7:

Ella Overton – for working and participating in everything at Interlaken

Oliver Robertson – for being friendly, keeping a neat room at Interlaken and helping where needed

YEAR 8:

Estela Young – for her consistent effort, positive attitude, and willingness to help others

Andrew Fourie – for his persistent effort in learning his Scriptures, and getting them completed before camp

YEAR 9:

Kayla Spaulding – for a super attitude towards being a high achiever

Brodie Stebbeings – for clearly embracing the Year 9 classroom procedures and expectations

YEAR 10:

Hannah Wood – for a great start to Term 1

Oliver Carroll – for reciting both Scripture passages for the term

YEAR 11/12:

Gabriella Scrimgeour – for her outstanding help in the kitchen at Interlaken

Xavier Murray – for his helpful and considerate nature around camp

EMPLOYEE OF THE WEEK

Mrs Jenny Parker – for healing so many students coming back into school and for being a 'ray of sunshine'

Mr Jack Dance – for his dedication and love towards our students

thank you

WEEK 3 INFORMATION

TECHNOLOGY FOR SALE

19 x M1 13" MacBook Air – 250GB SSD
Storage – 8 GB RAM – \$750.00 each
(discounts for multiple purchase)

Apple Watch (series 6) – contact Front
Office for pricing

CASUAL CLOTHES

Tomorrow is Casual Clothes Day. Students may wear neat, modest casual clothes for a gold coin donation. All proceeds will go towards Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Appeal.

Casual Clothes Day is held in weeks 3, 6 and 9 of every term.

STANDARDISED TESTING

As part of whole school learning support, specific standardised tests and screener tests are administered throughout the year based on Classroom Teacher referral. The information gathered from these assessments is confidential and is used to monitor student progress and to assist in planning. If results indicate that further professional assessment is required, parents will be consulted. Please see the back of this Gen for more information.

2024 TERM DATES

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)

BOOK CLUB



If you would like to order from the Scholastic Book Club, please use the following link:

<https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/parent/BrowseCatalogue.aspx>

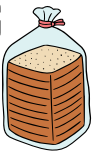
All orders must be placed by next Monday, February 26.

PARENTS & FRIENDS MEETING

Our first P&F meeting for 2024 will be held next Monday, February 26 at 10am at Geneva. Everyone is welcome to attend.



BREAD BAGS



Our Kitchen/Garden staff would like some empty bread bags for use in the kitchen/garden program. If you have any, please send them to school. They would be greatly appreciated.

TERM 1 DATES:

Week 3

Year 7 Interlaken
Year 8 Interlaken
Outdoor Education Hike



Week 6

Public Holiday
Naplan Testing

Week 8

Athletics Carnival
End of Term 1

HANDWRITING AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received the Handwriting Award:

Kinder – Archie Youd

Prep – Melody Russell

Year 1 – Otto Ziesel and Darcy Purton

Year 2 – Phoenix Delaney and Louie Smith

Year 3 – Samiya Spaulding and Payton Wyllie

Year 4 – Ava Konetschnik and Mason Blackberry

Year 5 – Celeste Meijer and Mason Parker

Year 6 – Chiara Finoia

Handwriting Awards are given out in Weeks 3, 6 and 9

WEEK 3 PHOTOS



YEAR 11/12 INTERLAKEN



YEAR 7 INTERLAKEN

