



TERM 1, WEEK 4, 2024

VERSE OF THE WEEK:

I guide you in the way of
wisdom and lead you along
straight paths.
Proverbs 4:11

PRAYER/PRAISE POINTS:

- Praise God for the beautiful weather we are still having.
- Thank God for a wonderful first half of Term 1.
- Pray for those who are feeling lost and don't know Jesus yet.

SCHOOL FAMILIES TO PRAY FOR:

- Braid
- Broomhall
- Browne
- Brownrigg
- Butcher

THE THREE FRIENDS

A message from our Principal

These are our house teams and they are also three young men mentioned in the Old Testament of the Bible (Daniel 3). When we read about these three, they are always mentioned together. Friends who went through thick and thin. We chose these house names long ago because of the friendship between the three and their care and support of one another. They were living as slaves in Babylon, taken captive from Israel. King Nebuchadnezzar set up a golden image of himself and commanded that all his officials bow down before it. All who failed to do so would be thrown into a blazing furnace. Certain officials informed the king that the three young Jewish men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, whom the king had appointed to high office in Babylon, were refusing to worship the golden statue. They were brought before Nebuchadnezzar, where they informed the king that "we do not need to defend ourselves before you in this matter. If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty's hand. But even if He does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up." The story has a very happy ending. When thrown into the fiery furnace, they did not burn, get hurt or even smell like fire. King Nebuchadnezzar looked in and saw not three, but four people in the midst of the fire and the fourth looked like the Son of God. These young men fully trusted in God and He took them through fire and out the other side. He can do the same for You!

Our House Captains were announced today in assembly. Congratulations to them all. We pray they will each lead their teams in integrity and enthusiasm.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

KINDER:

Chase Crowden - for being patient with a good attitude

PREP:

Eltani Spaulding - for being an encouraging friend

YEAR 1:

Maggie McGuire - for her enthusiasm in Math lessons

Otto Ziesel - for consistent and careful independent work

YEAR 2:

Emmerson Hewitt - for being a kind and respectful student

Hunter Howells - for using his time wisely in class and doing his best in every way

YEAR 3:

Maci McIntee - for taking initiative and asking to do extra PACES at home (Ephesians 5:15)

Ezra Ziesel - for being a quiet achiever when doing his work (Matthew 6:10)

YEAR 4:

Sapphire Snooks - for putting in an amazing effort this year and achieving great results

Patrice Howie - for taking responsibility with maturity

YEAR 5:

Zoe Heathcote - for her excellent efforts in Maths Pathway

Parker Smith - for completing all of his goals consistently in 'My Place'

YEAR 6:

Chiara Finoia - for a positive attitude and being a diligent worker

Franklin Mansson - for great manners and a hardworking attitude

Class of the Week in Assembly - Year 6

YEAR 7:

Kayla Atkins - for having an exemplary work ethic, being helpful and having a real servant attitude

David Ahanor - for his best effort in keeping up with all his work as well as always being respectful

YEAR 8:

Tahlia Stephens - for always being kind

Ebony Kremneff - for being so helpful on camp

YEAR 9:

Kaitlyn Overton - for achieving excellence - 2 x 100%

Sam Atkins - for finishing the Maths Pathway program in record time

YEAR 10:

Brydie McInnes - for a helpful attitude to all classroom work and for fitting in well to her new school environment

Alessandro Finoia - for a great start to his English assignment and a fantastic haircut

YEAR 11/12:

Marie-Ellen Haidau - for her perseverance and approach to her studies

Thomas Cohen - for his hard work, attention to detail and consideration of his classmates in Math Methods

EMPLOYEE OF THE WEEK

Mrs Mikala Wigg - for always being thankful and appreciative

Mrs Annie Miles - for doing an excellent job as Relief Teacher this week

thank you

WEEK 4 INFORMATION

TERM 1 DATES:

Week 6

Monday, March 11 – Public Holiday

March 12-14 – Naplan Testing

Week 8

Friday, March 28 – Athletics Carnival
End of Term 1

P&F DATES/EVENTS TO REMEMBER

Saturday, May 25 – Geneva Fireworks

Friday, June 21 – Pie Drive

Friday, August 23 – Time & Talent Auction

Saturday, October 25 – Trivia Night

PRIMARY ASSEMBLY

This year we are holding Primary Assembly every Thursday afternoon from 2.00pm–2.45pm in the Assembly Hall. We ask that parents make every effort not to collect their children earlier from school on a Thursday, so too allow for less disruption during Primary Assembly. If unavoidable, please let class teacher know and we can seat those students closer to an opening.

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)

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.



TECHNOLOGY FOR SALE

19 x M1 13" MacBook Air

- 250GB SSD Storage
- 8 GB RAM
- \$750.00 each



(discounts for multiple purchase)

1 x Apple TV HD 4th Gen
(Wifi only) with remote

\$75.00



2024 HOUSE CAPTAINS

Congratulations to the following House Captains for 2024:

Shadrach – Addison Carroll and Angus Robertson

Mesach – Gabriella Scrimgeour and Alessio Juen

Abednego – Nazareth Mitchell and Xavier Murray (absent)



WEEK 4 PHOTOS



YEAR 8 INTERLAKEN



NEW STAFF TO GENEVA

This year we welcome 6 new staff members. Over the coming weeks, we will introduce them to you and learn a bit about them.



Mrs Micah Fourie is a member of our senior TASC team teaching Psychology and she also heads up our 'Shine' program for the Highschool girls.

1. **What were you doing before you started at Geneva?** We came to Tassie from South Africa in January 2022 on a 2-year visa sponsored by Devonport Christian School. For the past 2 years I taught Year 1/2 and Year 5/6 at DCS. We have since received our permanent residency visas - yay!
2. **What are your hobbies?** I enjoy traveling, going to the beach, going on adventures with friends, and journaling.
3. **What is your favourite food?** Pretty much anything with almonds or hazelnuts, and pineapple on pizza 🍕
4. **What do you like about working at Geneva?** I love the genuine warmth of staff members and the way in which they visibly display their love for Jesus by the care and concern they show for others.



Mrs Eden Gilkes teaches HASS to our Year 9/10 students.

1. **What were you doing before you started at Geneva?** I was finishing my degree at the UQ whilst working at a Montessori primary school. I am also a mum to a very busy 4 year old.
2. **What are your hobbies?** I enjoy aerials and other circus skills, playing computer games, and watching a variety of shows.
3. **What is your favourite food?** My favourite food is chocolate, mash potatoes and Korean fried chicken - very healthy 😊
4. **What do you like about working at Geneva?** I love working with my Year 9 and 10 students.