

# The GEN

Term 1 | Thursday, February 17th, 2022 | Week 2



## DOGS OR CATS?

*A message by the Principal - Mrs Lincolne*

Some people love dogs, some people love cats, some people don't like either. Some people like roller coasters, others like sitting alone reading a book, or spending hours fishing, or playing golf, mountain bike riding, collecting shells, painting on rocks, writing poetry, the list goes on and on. What it indicates is that we are all so different in so many ways. But being different is not wrong, it's just different. For communities to function well and to flourish, there must be rules and regulations, but along side that, people also have a voice and a choice and not everyone's choices will be identical. That is OK! But it's when we think other's choices should match ours that things can go wrong.

God has a plan for society to live full and fruitful lives, hence at school, we try and live by The Golden Rule, "treat others as you would want to be treated". So, if your opinion, idea or choice is different from someone else, you don't ridicule, tease or coerce that person, you accept their choice, as their choice, and continue to treat them with love, respect and kindness. Our world right now is witnessing segregation and discrimination like never before. Let's not allow this type of behaviour or character creep into our school community and potentially destroy what is so lovely about it. Parents, talk to your kids about their choices, words and reaction to others, and bring before them The Golden Rule, it really can answer all of life's obstacles!

### Verse of the week:

"Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God." - Mark 10:27

### Prayer points:

- Thank God for a wonderful start to our 2022 school year
- Pray for Geneva students and families who are unwell and run down.
- Pray that we would find comfort and peace in God as we trust Him wholeheartedly with our lives.
- Pray for safety and memorable moments for our Year 11/12 class as they head to Interlaken next week.

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# STUDENT OF THE WEEK

## Kinder

Lillee Wilkins - for her amazing self portrait drawing.

## Prep

Jordan Thorpe - for being very brave at a new school. Well done!

## Year 1

Jamieson Wicks-Hughes - for kindly volunteering to do jobs when he sees a need.

## Year 2

Kelly Fairley - for always having neat and careful writing.

## Year 3

Keelan Woodberry - for fantastic reading aloud for the whole class.

## Year 4

Skyee Hannon- for settling in well at Geneva and starting the year of a high.

## Year 5

Oliver Robertson - for his fantastic start to a new school and displaying the values of Geneva

## Year 6

Ebony Kermneff - for contributions to class activities and discussions.

## Year 7

Brodie Stebbeings - for having exemplary manners as well as a great attitude in general.

## Year 8

Gypsey McDermott - for having a great attitude toward her school work.

## Year 9

Ike Lehman - for smashing through his Math modules and having a great attitude towards his learning.

## Year 10

Ella Scrimgeour - for her diligent application to her studies and positive contribution to classroom culture.

## Year 11/12

Caitlin Wilson - for demonstrating a great work ethic setting herself up for a very successful year.



# INFORMATION

## FOCUS ON THE FAMILY

Brett Ryan, the CEO of Focus on the Family, will be visiting our school on Tuesday, February 22, to speak with our students and staff from Years 5 – 12. Topics will be age appropriate and will cover some of the following important aspects that are affecting our youth today:

- Cyber safety
- Cyber bullying
- Sexting
- Pornography
- Appropriate use of personal devices

If you have any questions for Brett, please email them through to [questions@geneva.tas.edu.au](mailto:questions@geneva.tas.edu.au) and he will make time to address them while he is here. If you require further information, please do not hesitate in contacting the school or visit the Focus on the Family website <https://www.focusonthefamily.com>

## PARENTS & FRIENDS MEETING

Our Parents and Friends will be meeting next week on Monday 21st at 10:45am in the staff room. You are welcome to attend. Please sign in at the Front Office upon arrival.

## BUS REMINDER

For students who catch a bus each morning, we ask that they be waiting at their bus stop **at least 5 minutes** before their pickup time. This will ensure that the morning pickup runs on time and smoothly, thank you!



## SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

A reminder that orders for the first issue of Book Club Orders are due Friday 25th (next week)

## STUDENT MEDICAL FORMS

We are still waiting for some student Medical forms to be returned. We ask that they are filled out and returned to school as soon as possible or emailed to the Front Office please.



## UNIFORM

We take pride in our school uniform here at Geneva and believe it is important for school identity, discipline and creating equality amongst the students. We ask that you follow these guidelines:

**Formal Dresses:** Dresses must reach the knee when standing (bottom of the knee cap)

**Formal Shoes:**

Girls must have black, polished formal shoes. These can not be a lace up sneaker or ballet flat. Boys must have a lace up, polished shoe.

**Sports Shorts:**

Loose, all black longer length shorts.

**Boys' Hair:**

Short back and sides and off the ears and eyebrows. No razor cuts less than a number 3.

**Girls' Hair:**

Hair longer than shoulder length must be tied back off the face.

## IMPORTANT DATES

**22nd Feb:**

Focus on the Family Year 5 - 12

**23rd - 25th Feb:**

Year 11/12 Interlaken camp

**14th March:**

Public Holiday

**28th March:**

Life Choices presentation Year 7-12

**8th April:**

Athletics Carnival

**14th April:**

Last day of Term 1

# WEEK 2 PHOTOS

