

Weekly Newsletter



Casual Clothes Day
tomorrow

YESTERDAY, TODAY, TOMORROW!

You don't need to look very hard to realise that we celebrate every kind of idea or event by calling it the international day for something. I found these few very easily: World Thinking Day, Tell a Fairy Tale Day, Essay Day, Sword Swallowers Day, Donut Day, Cheesecake Day, Take your Dog to work Day and the list goes on. Who even thinks these things up and why should they become something we celebrate? My take on it is that someone, somewhere, swallowed a sword and got together with others to swallow swords and soon you had an annual event and so on! Anyway, yesterday was International Humble Day, and I personally think this is one worth celebrating.

There has been plenty of research completed about being humble. According to Forbes, humble people show better emotional intelligence and are more aware of others. They are more likely to help others and thus maintain stronger relationships. Humble people can make a difficult situation, much easier, because they put the needs of others before themselves. Many famous people say that humility is the most difficult of all virtues to attain and the younger you achieve the art of being humble the better. And guess what, research indicates that students who are humble, do better socially and academically.

Boasting is the opposite of being humble, so choosing not to brag about your successes and abilities can prove to be challenging. Our culture is more focussed on being self-centred and all about what we can get, instead of seeking the best for others. God clearly says in the Bible that He opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble (James 4:6). Proverbs 11:2 says 'with pride there is disgrace, but with the humble there is wisdom'. C.S Lewis said this, "true humility is not thinking less of yourself, it is thinking of yourself less. My challenge to you is this; don't just make one day a year the time when you show humility, but instead reflect on yesterday, do better today and continue humility tomorrow!

VERSE OF THE WEEK:

"Do not fear, for I am with you; Do not be afraid, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, I will also help you, I will also uphold you with My righteous right hand."

Isaiah 41:10

PRAYER POINTS:

- Pray that we would find comfort and peace in God as we trust Him wholeheartedly with our lives.
- Continue to pray for protection, good health and quick recoveries for our school community against sickness
- Continue to pray for peace in the emergency crisis in Turkey and Syria

Geneva Christian College PROVERBS 3:6

STUDENT'S OF THE WEEK

CONGRATULATIONS!

KINDER:

Jarman Smith - for being kind and compassionate to his friends

PREP:

Maggie McGuire - for being a joyful and enthusiastic member of our class!

Otto Ziesel - for always listening on the mat and using his manners

YEAR 1:

Autumn George - for her earnest approach to learning each day

Micah Lincolne - for his hard work and good attention in lessons

YEAR 2:

Sophia Lambert - for settling in well at Geneva and for her determination in learning Proverbs 3:1-6

William Sully - for a great attitude to learning new skills

YEAR 3:

Haddie Wigg - for giving her best in all her work
Billy Reid - for getting a score of 8.1 in the beep test in Sport

YEAR 4:

Dunay Van Der Schyff - for always being polite and respectful in class

Jayden Johnstone - for paying close attention and being engaged when we were making timelines in HASS

YEAR 5:

Peter Echikwonye - for his excellent, mature attitude to all learning tasks

Chiara Finoia - for her lovely, positive nature and trying hard with her PACE work

YEAR 6:

Sophia Sully - for working quietly and being very polite

Justin Saltmarsh - for great work in Auslan

YEAR 7:

Brianna Metcalf - for being a diligent worker and achieving her goals

Logan Dolega - for patiently and calmly accomplishing his tasks

YEAR 8:

Charlotte Johnstone - for having a great start to Year 8

Brodie Stebbeings - for having a great work ethic and for always being so polite

YEAR 9:

Georgie Stebbeings - for a fantastic attitude to her learning

Tom Butcher - for a hardworking attitude

YEAR 10:

Nazareth Mitchell - for starting the year with excellent work habits and having a cheerful, happy heart

Alessio Juen - for displaying a consistent, respectful attitude towards all staff and students

YEAR 11/12:

Madison Smith - for an outstanding start to her English course

Tom Bond - for commendable contribution and engagement in his Psychology classes

EMPLOYEE OF THE WEEK

Natalie Atkinson - for always having a smile on her face and being a good 'listener'

Dallas Page - for diligently keeping our grounds clear of wallaby poo

INFORMATION

BUS TAGS & APP

By now, everyone should have received an email inviting you to our new Rollcall parent app, (if you have not received this email, please contact the office). If your students are not travelling on the bus for any reason, please follow the following steps:

- Log into the Rollcall app
- Click on the 'Bus absence' tab at the bottom of your screen
- Click on the plus sign top right, and that takes you to a screen where you can remove your child from the bus, on one occasion, or for as long as is needed

By doing this, it helps our drivers and staff. It also, as we are not looking for students who are not travelling. If you have any questions please email darren.eyles@geneva.tas.edu.au

WOOLWORTHS

BRICKS

If anyone is collecting these and doesn't want them, we would love them for our Kitchen Garden program.



Thank you!!

THE LION KING

Secondary students will be involved in bringing the Lion King to the Latrobe Memorial in June this year. This show requires special preparation in the form of large puppet making. If you are interested in learning or know the art of puppet making, please call Teresa Bentley on 0437706963.

The following items (in ANY condition) are needed for our upcoming musical: raffia, straw, rattan webbing, cane baskets, bamboo placements. We don't mind broken or with holes. Contact Teresa Bentley on 0437 706 963

KOMODO

This year we are partnering with a student wellness program called Komodo. A summary of what Komodo does is that they make it easy for schools to do regular student wellbeing surveys from Year 1 - 12. Komodo sends a wellbeing survey every fortnight, which will ask students questions about how they are feeling, how school life is, what is happening in their world, etc. The survey takes all of about 2-3 minutes and students will do it on an ipad or their laptop. Once the survey is done the program will send the teacher and chaplain's a report with students who may raise issues or areas of improvement. This survey will also make it easier for students who don't feel comfortable speaking to others.

All information remains private and if any concerns are raised, parents would certainly be notified. If you do not wish your child to be involved, simply let the class teacher know. If you would like any further information, please feel free to contact the school chaplains: Mr Dance, Mrs Lincolne or Mr Eyles.

INFORMATION

TERM DATES 2023

TERM 1:
February 7 - April 6
(9 weeks)

TERM 2:
April 26 - June 30
(10 weeks)

TERM 3:
July 25 - September 29
(10 weeks)

TERM 4:
October 17 - December 20
(10 weeks)

NAPLAN 2023 - YEAR 3,5,7,9

National Testing for Year 3, 5, 7 & 9 students is usually conducted in Term 2. However, this year the testing has been moved forward and will be held in Term 1. The dates for testing are March 15-17.

NAPLAN RESULTS 2022

The 2022 NAPLAN results have been released with schools in the Latrobe municipality fairing extremely well amongst the 77 primary schools and 35 high schools ranked in Tasmania. Results are based on adding the scores for all five NAPLAN tests (reading, writing, spelling, numeracy and grammar) together and determining an average score. Geneva placed 16th in Primary School and 2nd in High School.

CASUAL CLOTHES DAY

Casual Clothes day is **tomorrow**, (Friday). Students may wear neat, casual clothes for a gold coin donation. All proceeds go to Samaritans Purse Shoebox Appeal.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN A STRING INSTRUMENT

We are very excited to be able to offer lessons in violin, viola and cello at Geneva. Starting next week, we have a wonderful strings teacher coming to the school on Tuesdays, so this is your opportunity to come and have lessons. We have a small number of instruments available to hire for those who don't have one. Our aim is to create a string ensemble or orchestra in the near future, but we are starting here with strings lessons. If you would like to know more then please email Peter.atkins@geneva.tas.edu.au. Lessons start Tuesday!



INFORMATION

CAR PARKING

Parents, please remember to not drive your car into the turning circle when buses are dropping off and picking up students. Please see the attached map to explain where suitable parking can be found. Thank you



INDOOR CRICKET

Stadium Cricket is played indoors with an extremely soft ball, and stadium friendly bats and wickets. This is an opportunity for families to make up teams of 8 players, and have a structured, fun game of cricket. Also, potential rosters for women, mixed, over 50s and men. John House, the co-ordinator of Stadium Cricket is organising a roster for this season, commencing in our school stadium on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon/evenings. Dates to be confirmed. If you would like to be part of this roster, please contact John either by phone 0407 561283 or email sportsongilbert@hotmail.com



WEEK 3 PHOTOS



FIRE TRAINING



FEBRUARY 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	31	01	02	03	04
05	06 Week 1	07 X	08 X	09 X	10 Canteen	11
12	13 Week 2 Year 10 Interlaken	14 X Year 10 Interlaken	15 X Year 10 Interlaken	16 X	17 Canteen	18
19	20 Week 3	21 X	22 X	23	24 Canteen Casual Clothes Day	25
26	27 Week 4	28	01 	02	03	04

MARCH 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28	01 	02	03 Canteen Outdoor Ed Hike	04
05	06 Week 5	07	08 	09	10 Canteen	11 Long Weekend
12 Long Weekend	13 Week 6 Long Weekend	14	15  NAFLAN Outdoor Ed/ Outdoor Leadership camp	16 NAFLAN Outdoor Ed/ Outdoor Leadership camp	17 Canteen NAFLAN Outdoor Ed/ Outdoor Leadership camp	18
19	20 Week 7	21	22  Year 7 Interlaken	23 Year 7 Interlaken	24 Canteen Year 7 Interlaken	25
26	27 Week 8	28	29  Year 8 Interlaken	30 Year 8 Interlaken	31 Canteen Outdoor Ed Hike Year 8 Interlaken	01

APRIL 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	27	28	29 	30	31	01
02	03 Week 9	04 Year 11/12 Interlaken	05  Year 11/12 Interlaken	06 Last day of Term 1 Year 11/12 Interlaken	07 Good Friday	08
09	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25 Term 2 commences	26	27	28	29
30	01	02	03	04	05	06

Tasmanian Tennis Academy

Term 1 2023 Registration is now open



Choose a sport your child can play forever...

To register go to www.coachpip.com

Pip 0438 687 542



Ages 3 and up



tennis
ACADEMY