



TERM DATES FOR 2009

Term1

Tues Feb 10th - Thurs April 9th

Term2

Tues April 28th – Fri July 10th

Term3

Tues July 28th - Fri Oct 9th

Term4

Tues Oct 27th – Wed Dec 16th

BUS TICKETS

Important! For everyone who usually buys bus tickets, they are now **60c** instead of 30c.

PRAYER CORNER

- ~ Praise God for his care of everybody over the school holidays.
- ~ Pray for fresh minds and busy fingers for the students and for energy and enthusiasm for the teachers in Term 1

BUS CONCESSIONS

If you have not applied for a bus pass concession and you believe you maybe eligible **please** apply. Go to:

www.transport.tas.gov.edu.au If you want to print a form and fill it out go to <u>Passenger Forms</u>. If you would like to apply online go to <u>Concessions</u>.

SCHOOL BANKING

If you would like your child to become involved with school banking get in touch with Rebecca in the school office and she will send you home a starter pack. For everyone who already banks, don't forget that Tuesday is bank day. So save up your pennies and soon you'll have pounds!

P&F MEETING

There will be a P&F Meeting this coming Monday, Feb 16 at 10:30 am in the morning tea room.

WELCOME BACK FOR 2009!!!!!







The Prep class enjoying their first week of school.

PREP REPORT

Hello from 5 little boys – Caleb, Jordan, Daniel, Joel and Bayden! We are so excited to be in Prep and have had a fun filled three days. Miss Martin has made us work hard and we have already learnt three letters – a, t, and m. Writing these letters has been fun and we are learning to hold our pencil correctly and write letters and numbers neatly. We really enjoy using our whisper phones too! On the first day we did some fingerprint painting and drew pictures of ourselves. We are learning about God and the beautiful things He made for us on each day of Creation. One of the cute things God made for us to enjoy was the baby rabbit that came for a visit to our classroom on Tuesday. He kept jumping out of the box and finding lots of hiding spots in the classroom. It was fun to paint on canvas. Our paintings look colourful and will be a special part of a display in our classroom. We are looking forward to our first swimming lesson today!

Medal Winners

Daniel - for being quiet and still in assembly **Bayden** - for showing kindness and love to others

Jordan - for lovely writing





The grade 1&2 class looking beautiful ©

1&2 REPORT

The Grade 1&2 class have settled in to school really well. There is so much for grade 1's to learn and remember and they are doing a great job. Congratulations to everyone for finishing their goals on the first day!

Medal Winner

Chloe - for neat writing

SCHOOL FAIR

Ladies and Gentlemen, role up, role up for the greatest Geneva School Fair ever!! We need your creativity, your energy, your generosity and your forms that you were sent during the holidays © Please send them back so we know who's doing what. Thanks for your co-operation and support. P&F

SUDENTS SHOULD BE INDIVIDUALLY ASSESSED

Individual student assessment is the key to avoiding applying the one-size-fits-all rule when teaching schoolchildren, says international education consultant Jane Jarvis. Dr Jarvis said, in Launceston, yesterday that education experts had worked out a long time ago that the same system of teaching didn't work for every student. "But to make sure that students are at the appropriate level for them to learn, there needs to be lots of ongoing assessment of student needs," she said.

The former South Australian counsellor, teacher and intervention specialist has worked with both gifted children and in special education in Australia and the US. "They are not the same but what I eventually understood was that the one-size-fits-all education process doesn't work for either gifted children or children with disabilities," she said. "There needs to be careful and ongoing assessment of student needs so that every student is at the appropriate level to learn, at a level of challenge."

Geneva uses Accelerated Christian Education (A.C.E.) teaching material for its core curriculum. The object of the A.C.E. program is to produce the best academic results by implementing the best techniques and procedures for the individual learner. After decades of development and evaluation, the academic philosophy of A.C.E. can be summed up in the following "Five Laws of Learning," illustrated by the donkey and the cart.

- 1. How heavy is the load? (assigning the level)

 The pupil must be placed on a level of curriculum where he can best perform. Level acknowledges that all students are different.
- How long is the stick? (setting the goal)
 The pupil must set reasonable and appropriate goals that he can expect to achieve in a reasonable and prescribed period of time. Goals reflect good judgment.
- 3. How effective are the controls? (providing the motivation and control)

The pupil must receive motivation through encouragement and support and achieve control through guidance and discipline in order to assimilate, use, and experience the educational material. Motivation is that inner desire prompted by the concerned supervisor/tutor.

4. How hungry is the donkey? (determining the measurement)

The pupil's learning must have appropriate measurement applied to the results. Measurement or results relates to accountability.

How big is the carrot? (ascribing the rewards)
 the pupil's learning must receive recognition and
 reward for it's value, effort, and significance.
 Reward is the proper recognition for the student's
 effort.



BUS TIMES

These are the anticipated bus times for 2009. Please *remember they are approximate*, as many things can happen to prevent buses being exactly on time. Thank you for your cooperation!!

PORT SORELL/EAST DEOVNPORT Mr Butler (0409 956 699)

	Morning	Afternoon
Mosley	7.55	4.05
Griffiths	8.00	4.00
Acheson	8.10	3.50
Kimber	8.10	3.50
Eyles	8.15	3.45
Lamont	8.30	3.30
Dorling	8.30	3.30
Colledge	8.30	3.30
Wachmer	8.40	3.20
Olsen	8.40	3.20
Jorda/Jago	8.40	3.20

ULVERSTONE/DEVONPORT/SPREYTON Mrs Sheehan (0488 614 918)

	Morning	Afternoon
Peck	7.45	4.05
Traill	7.55	3.25
Anderson	8.00	3.25
Bullocks	8.10	3.50
Lavers	8.10	3.40
Donald	8.10	3.40
Dacio	8.15	3.40
Joubert	8.15	3.45
Turner	8.20	3.45
Russell	8.30	3.30
South	8.30	3.30
Johns	8.35	3.20
Saltmarsh	8.35	3.20
Mott	-	3.25

DELORAINE

Mr Alexander/Mr Lincolne (0411 738 163/0418 390 843)

	Morning
Batten	8.10
Rouse	8.10
Brown	8.10
Clarke	8.10
Ulbrich	8.10
Wilson	8.10
Garcia	8.20
How	8.20

ACACIA HILLS/SHEFFIELD Mrs Cute (6427 2781) (0458 425813)

	Morning	Afternoon
Cute	7.55	4.05
Rogers	8.15	3.50
Bones	8.15	3.50
Payne	8.40	3.20