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11 February, 2010

Term 1, Week 1

DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday, February 27

Geneva School Fair

Friday, March 12

SCEE Swimming Carnival

TERM DATES 2010

Term 1 February 9 – April 1

Term 2 April 20 – July 2

Term 3 July 20 – October 1

Term 4 October 19 – Dec 15

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

You only live once, but if you do it right, once is enough.

- Mae West

P&F MEETING

There will be a Geneva Parents & Friends meeting next Tuesday 16th Feb at the school at 10:45am for all who can attend. All parents and friends of the school are most welcome. We would love to see you there ☺

PRAYER CORNER

~ Praise God for his protection over the summer holidays and for a new year full of potential

~ Praise God for a fresh, exciting start to 2010 and pray that the enthusiasm of the students and teachers will continue

~ Pray for the building projects going on around the school, for safety for the workers and that they will be completed in good time

~ Praise God for the dedication of the P&F to the school and pray that the School Fair coming up will be a success

OUR INCOMPARABLE LEADER

Hello again! Another year is before us. You and I will need God to help us through again. We thank Him for His enabling last year. I shared with our students something about our leader, the Lord Jesus Christ, in assembly this week. He is quite unique.

One way in which Christ was different to anyone who has ever existed before or since was that He never withdrew or modified any statement He ever made. I wonder how many of you could say the same.

Another thing that was notice about him was that He lacked a trait which we have often said is the trait of a great man, and that is the strength to apologise. But Jesus never once apologised for anything He did or said. It was not because people never got mad at Him. No matter what the circumstances were, He never apologised. Why? He was never wrong. He, unlike ourselves, was *never* wrong about anything!

Another amazing fact is that He never sought advice from anyone. Unlike Confucius, He was not well educated. Unlike Buddha, He was never enlightened. He always *knew*. Unlike Mohammed, who could neither read nor write, He was never ignorant. He knew everything. He never sought the advice of any soul. Solomon, the wisest man that ever lived, sought the advice of others, but Jesus never did. Why? Because He *knew* everything – because He is God.

Another amazing thing is that He never once troubled to justify His ambiguous behaviour. When He was asleep in the back of the boat and the storm came up and the disciples were panicking, what was Jesus doing? He was sleeping in the back of the boat! When they woke Him and asked, 'Don't you care that we're perishing?' did He start bailing out water? No. Instead He asked why they doubted and calmed the storm with a word.

What were Jesus' strong points? He did not have any – not one! To have strong points you must also have weak points and Jesus did not have any weak points. Jesus was altogether lovely in every way – the meekest, most humble, most patient, most loving, most gracious, most courageous, firmest, wisest everything! What a balance He had!

He came to do something the founder of no other religion ever did. He came to die – not simply to teach – He came to die for our sins.
- David Lincolne, Principal



GENVA SCHOOL FAIR

Ladies and Gentlemen, roll up, roll up for the greatest fair on earth... or at least it will be with the help of all willing families, students, teachers and stallholders! If you have any fantastic ideas or amazing skills that you have been keeping in the closet, now is the time to get them out, dust them of and put them to good use!

A note was sent home today with each student asking for your assistance to make the Geneva School Fair a fantastic event. It would be great if you could fill it out and send it back by Monday, February 15, so that everyone knows who is doing what and we can get everything running smoothly. Thank you so much for your assistance and your support.



KINDER/PREP

We love being big Prep children now! Lots of special work has been done this week. We have learnt the sounds a, t, m and have also been practicing how to write these letters. Writing the letters in the sand pit and with paintbrushes and water has been lots of fun. Our memory verse for the next few weeks is about the fruit of the Spirit. We are also learning a song to help us remember the fruits of the Spirit.

Medal Winners

Everyone – for beautiful behaviour on the first day of school

Maddy – for listening in assembly

Lachlan – for neat Bible story writing and colouring



GRADE 4-6

Grade 4/5/6 have made a good start for the New Year. All the students have demonstrated enthusiasm and willingness to learn. They are working steadily on their PACE work and are enjoying 15 minutes of P.E each morning. After working hard in the mornings the students have spent the afternoons participating in art, literacy and reading activities. The whole class is looking forward to commencing swimming lessons next week.



GRADE 7-12

When school started this year, the Grade 7-12's began in their newly renovated classroom. Many thanks to all those who have worked hard over the last few months so that we can enjoy a lovely new learning centre with carpet that reminds us all of a jungle and a bright red wall that can give you a head ache! LOL. We are very grateful to God for our new learning centre.

Students of the Week

Clare, Max, and Jacqui – for adjusting and settling in well to a new environment

HOME WANTED

Family of six require a home, big enough to hold all of us, anywhere within this area. Good, honest tenants. Eco-conscious. Character references available.

If you can help call 0448 925504

SCHOOL FAIR

Wanted - Jars with lids, preferably labels removed

- fillers for lucky jars

WELCOME

A very warm welcome to all our new students and families that have joined us in 2010!

- Noah Saltmarsh (Kinder)

- Max Bratina (Grade 4) and Clare Bratina (Grade 11)

- Jacqueline Hodgkinson (Grade 8)

- Max Tolputt (Grade 8)

We hope you have an enjoyable and blessed time here at Geneva Christian College.

WORKING BEE THANK YOU

A huge thank you to everyone who made an effort and came along to the working bee at Geneva last Saturday. Thank you to the Rogers, Cutes, Achesons, Lincolnes, Colledges and the other Colledges, Paynes, Lavers, Murphys, Bones, Hardys, Ulbrichs, Saltmarshes, Bullocks, Genevieve, Diana, Mrs Weeks, Mrs Sheehan and Ray Bain. We had a fantastic time of fellowship and did manage to get quite a bit of tidying up done as well. We could not have done it without your help. Thank you very much.



Above: Mr Joubert in his beautiful braces and the high-school boys playing a thrilling game of four-square!