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25 February, 2010

Term 1, Week 3

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**Saturday, February 27**

Geneva School Fair

**Monday, March 1**

The Ark Van at Geneva

**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

A diplomat is a man who always remembers his wife's birthday but never remembers her age.

- Robert Frost

## BOOK CLUB REMINDER

All book club orders need to be returned to the office, paid in full, by Tuesday, March 2.



## PRAYER CORNER

~ Pray for each teacher that they will be enthusiastic, loving and nurturing and that the students will flourish under their care this year

~ Praise God for the beautiful weather we have been having and pray that it continues for the school fair on Saturday

~ Praise God for the great effort everyone has put into fair preparation and pray that He will bless the fair and help all those who are serving on the day



## ...VIDEOGAMING

The gaming industry is now more profitable than the film business, yet the commercial exploitation of computer-based games is less than 40 years old.

If you have boys you probably have videogaming. Boys seem to need to establish themselves as winners, survivor, defenders, dominators and terminators! There are some girls that play, according to XboxLIVE but by far it is boys that spend so much of their free (?) time with the controller in their hands.

The blood splattered over the screen is one thing, but the time lost to this is a shame. Our homes should have constructive outlets to occupy our children. Hopefully they have the common chores to do around the house. Don't ever let a boy think that washing up, hanging the washing, making their beds or getting a meal ready is a woman's job! Father's need to take the lead. I don't call the above free time; they are compulsory family responsibilities.

To use free time better, kids need to spend some of it reading. It will be such a blessing for them. Get a project going that your child can be involved in. Also, what about board games with Mum and/or Dad joining in? Your kids will learn to lose! Get a variety going so they have some that they can win at. Parents need to be good role models here! Dad's can learn chess and play with their sons. Please don't play it on the computer though!

- David Lincolne, Principal

## GENEVA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE END OF SUMMER FAIR...

IS THIS SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27  
STARTING AT 10am  
ALL WELCOME!



### JUST A REMINDER...

- All cooking for cake stall needs to be brought to school on Friday afternoon or Saturday morning
- We need as many clean plastic bags as possible to put all sorts of wonderful goodies in at the fair. If you have any spare ones we would love them!

## ABSENCES

**If your child is absent or will be absent – you, the parent – must let the school know by phoning the office or writing a note in the diary. Please do not pass messages through other children. Thank you.**



### CASUAL CLOTHES DAYS – TERM 1

As a school, we will be continuing to support the Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Appeal. Casual clothes days throughout this year will help to raise money to purchase items for the shoeboxes and the \$8 cost to send each box. The two casual clothes days for this term are: **Week 4 -Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March & Week 7 - Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March.** Please continue to give generously to this worthy cause. We ask that a \$2 donation be given to the Shoebox Appeal on casual clothes days. Remember even a little can make such a difference and give so much joy to many needy families and children in other countries.



### KINDER/PREP REPORT

It has been very exciting this week to start blending letters into words. We love our reading lessons and Miss Martin is very pleased with our fantastic and enthusiastic efforts. Our seasons lesson this week was about summer and we made some paper sun hats. We enjoyed visiting the other classes and showing them our colourful hats and having a hat parade!



### MEDAL WINNERS

**Isaac** - for writing some beautiful number sixes  
**Maddy** - for showing kindness and love to others  
**Lachlan** - for listening in assembly

### GRADE 1-3

#### Trophies

**Jordan** – for working diligently  
**Shae** – for a nice tidy office

### GRADE 4-6

This week has been filled with excitement. This week the students enjoyed their first swimming lesson for the term. Taylah took some lovely photographs of the other students as they swam their laps. It really was a great afternoon. The students have all been working really hard to complete their daily goals. As a result of finishing early they are able to enjoy other activities such as silent ball.

#### Student of the Week

**Brooke** - for being a steady hard worker with a pleasant attitude



### GRADE 7-9

#### Students of the Week

**Mariah** – for showing a great attitude and working diligently

### GRADE 10-12

#### Students of the Week

**Erika** – for a great effort in completing a solid number of pages per day and tests during the week

### A 'DRIVING' LESSON

A teenage boy had just passed his driving test and inquired of his father as to when they could discuss his use of the car.

His father said he'd make a deal with his son: 'You bring your grades up from a C to a B average, study your Bible a little, and get your hair cut. Then we'll talk about the car.'

The boy thought about that for a moment, decided he'd settle for the offer, and they agreed on it.

After about six weeks his father said, 'Son, you've brought your grades up and I've observed that you have been studying your Bible, but I'm disappointed you haven't had your hair cut.'

The boy said, 'You know, Dad, I've been thinking about that, and I've noticed in my studies of the Bible that Samson had long hair, John the Baptist had long hair, Moses had long hair...and there's even strong evidence that Jesus had long hair.'

To this his father replied, 'Did you also notice they all walked everywhere they went?'