

DATES TO REMEMBER

Long Weekend

Monday, March 12

Swimming Carnival

Friday, March 23

Lamington Drive

Friday, March 30

TERM DATES 2012

Term 1 Feb 14 - April 5

Term 2 April 24 - July 6

Term 3 July 24 - Oct 5

Term 4 Oct 23 - Dec 19

CASUAL CLOTHES DAYS

Friday, March 2

Thursday, March 22

Thursday, April 5

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle." – Albert Einstein

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

Bridgett Higgs – 4 March

Bayden Rogers – 6 March



SCHOLASTIC ORDERS

We will still take Scholastic orders up until Friday, March 2.

PRAYER CORNER

~ Pray for each student as they learn and grow and make friends, that God would bless them and guide them on the path He has planned for them.
~ Pray that God would strengthen each member of staff and fill them with His love, patience and peace.

FAMILY PRAYER LIST

~ Costello
~ Cute
~ Dacio
~ Derham
~ Donohue

CASUAL CLOTHES DAY – TOMORROW!

Just a little reminder that tomorrow is the first casual clothes day for the term to help raise money for Samaritan's Purse. Students are allowed to wear neat, modest casual clothes. Don't forget to bring your gold coin donation.



WELCOME MRS MARKS ☺

We have been blessed with a highly skill teacher for Drama in the school. Mrs Jane Marks has joined us, taking Drama with both the primary and secondary students. We have heard lots of conversation, laughter and discussion coming from her classes. Thank you Jane and welcome to Geneva.

NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM – LITERACY AND NUMERACY 2012

In 2008, the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) commenced in Australian schools. The program is scheduled to continue in 2012 with all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 to be assessed using common national tests in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students in Tasmania have been participating in literacy and numeracy tests for a number of years, so there is familiarity with the test formats and the types of questions. The scheduled dates for the tests in 2012 are Tuesday 15 May, Wednesday 16 May and Thursday 17 May.

These national tests will provide information on how students are progressing against national minimum standards of literacy and numeracy skills expected for each year level, as well as performance across the whole range of student abilities. The results will support improvements in teaching and learning for students. Parents will receive an individual report that shows their child's results and a comparison of their child's performance against all other Australian students in their year level. The report will also indicate how your child performed in comparison to the national average and the levels of achievement expected at that year level.

For students in Years 5, 7 and 9, the results from the 2012 tests will provide parents and schools with important information on progress made since they last participated in NAPLAN testing in 2010. The best way you can assist your child is by making them feel comfortable about the nature and purpose of the tests, and assure them that the tests will give them an opportunity to show what they have learned in class. For more information about the national tests, including test samples, frequently asked questions, the test schedule and a parent information brochure, please visit the national NAPLAN website at: <http://www.nap.edu.au>



Some of the high school girls enjoying cooking ☺

IMMUNISATIONS

Immunisation forms were sent home with all Grade 6 and Grade 10 students a couple of weeks ago. We are still waiting for some of these to be returned. If you have not yet done so, please fill out and sign the immunisation form and return it to school as soon as possible!



KINDER REPORT

We are learning about shapes and zoo animals on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. We did some triangle stamping with potatoes and played in a triangle tent. We talked about lions and made some scary lion masks!

PREP REPORT

It has been exciting to start blending sounds into words this week. In our seasons lessons we talked about summer and made some beautiful summer hats to wear outside in the sun! The country for this week was France and we talked about the Eiffel Tower in Paris. We played "boule" (a ball game they like to play in Paris) and drew the Eiffel Tower. We are enjoying the Reading Eggs program on the computer.



Medal Winners

Gabriella – for being a quiet and diligent worker
Ellie – for listening and sitting beautifully in assembly
Bella-Grace – for listening and sitting beautifully in assembly.

KOORONG CATALOGUE

Please have all money and orders to school by Friday 9th March. Place in an envelope marked "Koorong Book Order".

GRADE 1&2 REPORT

This week has been very busy. As well as our PACEs, we are doing Mathletics, Art, Dance and swimming. Wednesday is a very bust day! We have been learning about money. Mrs Cute brought in a hole heap of one cent coins. We needed one hundred to make \$1.00! That was a lot!



Student of the Week

Jacoby – for a happy positive attitude

GRADE 5&6 REPORT

Week three has come and gone so quickly. The first round of testing has begun and we are having great results. On Tuesday, while we were waiting for our turns at swimming, we learned to play elastics. We have started drama this week and we all love it! This week we've cooked French tea-cake and in science we made rocks float.



Student of the Week

Georgia Marks – for working consistently and being cooperative

GRADE 7&8

Student of the Week

Makayla Turner – for and exemplary attitude

GRADE 9&10

Student of the Week

Amy Bryan – for excellent work in the class room – above and beyond the call of duty ☺



LAMINGTON DRIVE

Attached to each copy of the GEN this week is a lamington order form and letter. Each year the P&F run a lamington drive to raise money for the school. The lamingtons are delicious and keep really well in the freezer. They are great for an after school snack, when visitors pop in or in case of emergencies ☺ Please help us gather as many orders as possible and make this a fantastic fundraiser!

Port Sorell Gospel Chapel

16 Meredith Street Port Sorell

Welcomes you to a ladies fellowship afternoon on Saturday 3rd March, from 2-4 pm

A devotional bible talk on the Book of Kings, followed by afternoon tea. A trade table for missions will be available.



The period of the Kings in the Old Testament starts with a glorious beginning: a resplendent king and a celebrated new Temple, but ends 400 years later in ruin and despair for God's people. What went wrong? More importantly, what is God saying to us through this dark episode of Israel's history?

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