



# Gen

4, June 2009

Term 2, Week 6

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### Long Weekend (this weekend)

Monday, June 8

### Cross Country

Friday, July 10 (last day Term 2)

### Youth Foundations

July 12 - July 19

## TERM DATES

**Term 2** Tuesday, April 28 - Friday, July 10

**Term 3** Tuesday, July 28 - Friday, October 9

**Term 4** Tuesday, October 27 - Wednesday, December 17

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"It is impossible to shake hands properly with a clenched fist."  
- W.G.P.

## SWINE FLU INFO SHEET

There is a Swine Flu information sheet attached to each GEN.

## BUS DRIVERS

You **must** let the driver of your child's bus know if your child is not going to be on the bus! Thank you for your co-operation.

### Port Sorell

Mr. Butler – 0409 956 699

### Devonport

Mrs. Sheehan – 0488 614 918

### Sheffield

Mrs. Cute – 0458 425 813

### Deloraine

Mr. Alexander – 0411 738 163

Mr. Lincolne – 0418 390 843

## PRAYER CORNER

~ Praise God for the rain that we've had and pray that it continues ☺

~ Pray for the safe travel of our buses on the road in the wet.

~ Pray for the teachers, teachers aids and students at this half way point in the term. Pray that they will continue to be enthusiastic and productive for the last 5 weeks of term!

PRAY WITHOUT CEASING!

## THE SON

A wealthy man and his son loved to collect rare works of art. They had everything in their collection, from Picasso to Raphael. They would often sit together and admire the great works of art. When the Vietnam conflict broke out, the son went to war. He was very courageous and died in battle while rescuing another soldier. The father was notified and grieved deeply for his only son.

About a month later, just before Christmas, there was a knock at the door. A young man stood at the door with a large package in his hands. He said, 'Sir, you don't know me, but I am the soldier for whom your son gave his life. He saved many lives that day, and he was carrying me to safety when a bullet struck him in the heart and he died instantly. He often talked about you, and your love for art.' The young man held out this package. 'I know this isn't much. I'm not really a great artist, but I think your son would have wanted you to have this.' The father opened the package. It was a portrait of his son, painted by the young man. He stared in awe at the way the soldier had captured the personality of his son in the painting. The father was so drawn to the eyes that his own eyes welled up with tears. He thanked the young man and offered to pay him for the picture. 'Oh, no sir, I could never repay what your son did for me. It's a gift.' The father hung the portrait over his mantle. Every time visitors came to his home he took them to see the portrait of his son before he showed them any of the other great works he had collected.

The man died a few months later. There was to be a great auction of his paintings. Many influential people gathered, excited over seeing the great paintings and having an opportunity to purchase one for their collection.

On the platform sat the painting of the son. The auctioneer pounded his gavel. 'We will start the bidding with this picture of the son. Who will bid for this picture?' There was silence. Then a voice in the back of the room shouted, 'We want to see the famous paintings. Skip this one.' But the auctioneer persisted. 'Will somebody bid for this painting? Who will start the bidding? \$100, \$200?' Another voice angrily. 'We didn't come to see this painting. We came to see the Van Gogh's, the Rembrandts. Get on with the real bids! But still the auctioneer continued. 'The son! The son! Who'll take the son?' Finally, a voice came from the very back of the room. 'It was the longtime gardener of the man and his son. 'I'll give \$10 for the painting.' Being a poor man, it was all he could afford. 'We have \$10, who will bid \$20?' 'Give it to him for \$10. Let's see the masters.' The crowd was becoming angry. They didn't want the picture of the son. They wanted the more worthy investments for their collections. The auctioneer pounded the gavel. 'Going once, twice, SOLD for \$10!'

A man sitting on the second row shouted, 'Now let's get on with the collection!' The auctioneer laid down his gavel. 'I'm sorry, the auction is over.' 'What about the paintings?' 'I am sorry. When I was called to conduct this auction, I was told of a secret stipulation in the will. I was not allowed to reveal that stipulation until this time. Only the painting of the son would be auctioned. Whoever bought that painting would inherit the entire estate, including the paintings. The man who took the son gets everything!'

God gave His son 2,000 years ago to die on the cross. Much like the auctioneer, His message today is: 'The son, the son, who'll take the son?' Because, you see, whoever takes the Son gets everything.



## TOP DECK PROGRESS

The top deck is looking great thanks to the perseverant efforts of Mr Bullock and Mr Acheson. The decking is almost down and is just about ready to have the pitter-patter of little feet wearing it in. GREAT JOB GUYS!

## KINDER REPORT

Last Friday the Kinder students enjoyed going to the Latrobe library. They were able to spend time looking at the children's books and also borrowed some to take back to the classroom. The post office was also an exciting place to visit and after stamps had been purchased and stuck onto envelopes, the children very excitedly posted their special letters in the post box. We hope the mums and dads liked receiving their letters in the post!



## PREP REPORT

School is still lots of fun. We are working hard every day and especially enjoying our reading and math. Our adding is sometimes difficult, but we are enjoying lots of math games and activities that help us to add numbers easily. Our new math game where we jump from number to number is lots of fun. We did our last senses lesson this week. It was about "touch". We were able to touch many things that felt hot, cold, prickly, rough, smooth, round, soft and hard. With one activity, Miss Martin blindfolded us and we had to guess what an object was by feeling it with our hands. It was tricky when we had a glove on too!



## Prep Medal Winners

**Jordan** – for listening in assembly  
**Joel** – for writing neatly in his 'senses' book  
**Daniel** – for working well

## GRADE 1&2 Medal Winners

**Kalan** – working well and finishing goals  
**Becky** – for neat writing  
**Jacqueline** – for listening well in assembly  
**Winston** – for a tidy desk

## MS Readathon

The MS Readathon started on Monday, June 1. We have a number of students participating in this and would like to encourage them to read as many books as they can and raise money during the month of June.

## GRADE 3-6 Student of the Week

**Kelly** – for consistently scoring her work well and her cheerful manner

## GRADE 7-10 Student of the Week

**Amelia Mosley** - for working diligently and getting al her work done

## PERSON PROFILE



Jake Morgan

What is your middle name?

*I have two – Steven Russell*

What is your favourite flavor ice cream?

*raspberry*

If you could be an actor who would you be?

*Jackie Chan*

If you could have any car in the world what would it be?

*a black lamborghini diablo*



Where would you like to travel to and why?

*Holland – to see the sights*

What do you want to be when you finish school?

*an architect/builder so I can design and build!*

## FOR SALE

Booster seat and extension strap - \$250  
For more information call Sandra on 0428 234977

## ACCELERATE WOMEN

Accelerate Women is a businesswomen's networking program – with a difference. The aim of Accelerate Women is to not only provide a place to network and build relationships with like-minded women but to also provide educational opportunities to accelerate our networking skills and our professional and personal successes.

Devonport Chapter meets regularly every month in the board room at the Business and Employment Center (BEC) at 45 Best Devonport.

For more information contact Mandy on 0419 349 708

## WOMAN WITH FAITH



For more information check out the website :  
[www.womenwithfaith.com](http://www.womenwithfaith.com)