

# Geneva Christian College

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PROVERBS 3:6

6 August, 2010 Term 3, Week 3

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**Friday, August 20**  
Convention Registration Day  
**Monday, September 27**  
Student Convention

## TERM DATES

**Term 3** July 20 – October 1  
**Term 4** October 19 – Dec 15

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

I would rather walk with God in the dark, than go alone in the light.

## CASUAL CLOTHES DAYS

Thursday, August 26  
Thursday, September 16

## KOORONG BOOK ORDER

If you have a Koorong Book Order please return it by Tuesday, August 20.

## SCHOOLASTIC ORDERS

Please return all scholastic orders by Tuesday, August 10. Thanks!



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

Joseph Sparkes and Dakota Lamprey for Wednesday, August 11.

## PRAYER CORNER

~ Pray that students will behave on the buses and that the drivers will be able to concentrate.

~ Praise God for the Geneva Parents & Friends and for all they do for the school.

~ Praise God for the rain and the sunshine ☺

## PLEASE RACHAEL. THANK YOU WESLEY. SORRY CLARE. YOU'RE WELCOME LINTEN. HOW ARE YOU TODAY PAIGE? WELL THANK YOU MR LINCOLNE!

*"Put of... blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth... and put on the new man..."*  
Colossians 3:8-10

*"Laying aside all malice... and evil speaking..."* 1 Peter 2:1

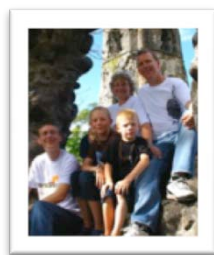
*"No man can tame the tongue. It is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we curse men who have been made in the likeness of God."*  
James 3:8-9

At least three writers in the New Testament were inspired by God to speak out against bad language. We, as parents, have a responsibility to train our children likewise. If we have a problem ourselves, we can ask God to help us.

At school we have decided that we ban even slang. Your children agree that even "Shut up!" is rude. Notice the ways that the Bible refers to bad language: blasphemy, filthy language, evil speaking and cursing. Instead we should let our *"speech always be with grace..."* Colossians 4:6 That means, as I told our students, that what we say should be attractive. We all can do it!

## STUDENT CONVENTION

There is now just 2 weeks until registration closes for Convention and 7 weeks until the Convention actually starts. A detailed note will go out on Monday to all families, so make sure you ask your child for a copy. Any quires, please phone the school office.



## SUPPORTING A MISSION FAMILY

God blesses us, so as we may bless others, and it is with this in mind that Geneva has decided to support a mission family in the Philippines. Jason and Karen Griffiths and their three children are serving God with Wycliffe Bible Translators, and Brodie, Shannon and Lachlan are home-schooling with A.C.E. We wish to support them, not only financially but also with prayer and letters of encouragement. We will let you know in the future how you can become involved.

## TOWN & COUNTRY FAIR

The Town and Country Fair is coming up fast! Please don't forget to return your slip and let us know if you can help. Thanks.

## WHEN YOUR CHILD IS ABSENT...

Please, please, please **PHONE THE SCHOOL** first thing to let us know that your child is absent!! Thank you so much for your cooperation in this matter!

## P&F GARAGE SALE

**When** - Saturday, September 18

**Where** - Geneva

**Who** - Anyone who needs to have a spring clean, who has some "un-used treasure" lying around or just wants to come for a browse!

**Cost** - \$10 per stall holder (please BYO table)

## KINDER & PREP REPORT

We enjoy playing math games and in one of the games this week we rolled a dice and had to peg the correct number of pegs onto Miss Martin's back and jumper. She looked like a spiky echidna! We had a break from knitting and sewing on Wednesday afternoon to do some painting! Hearing a story from the Bible is a special part of each day. At the moment we are working through the New Testament stories and are learning more and more about the amazing and miraculous things that Jesus did.



Maddy took this picture! Don't we all look lovely ☺

### Medal winners

- Isaac** – for being kind and thoughtful
- Maddy** – for being helpful
- Lachlan** – for working well
- Nathan** – for listening and obeying

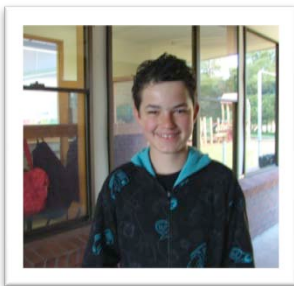
### GRADE 1-3

#### Medal Winners

- Joel** – for working diligently
- Kalan** – for working hard to learn the 7 times tables

### WELCOME

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome Corey Costello, grade 6, and Ashlea Costello, grade 8 and their family to our school. Welcome ☺



### GRADE 4-6

Everyone has had their heads down and been working very hard this week. Most of the students have begun their first round of PACE tests for the term. Mid week we welcomed another student into our midst: Corey Costello. Corey has been busy learning about his new school. We made some dazzling striped landscapes on Tuesday afternoon. They look great, but you can't look at them for too long because they are dazzling. With Convention coming up everyday is a big day. We are having to get stories and poems written. Along with writing letters, spelling tests and practicing for chess. There is even more to do! We have also been learning about what the Bible says about the tongue.



### Student of the Week

**Aidan Turner** - for a sunny and obedient attitude.

### Student achievement

**Amber Brosnen** - Willing attitude

**Makayla Turner** - Working consistently hard in class

### GRADE 7-9

At certain points in the Social Studies PACEs students are required to write an essay/story regarding a particular topic. Here is a portion of one of these written by Max Tolputt. This project required a story to be written through the eyes of a young convict who is released for good behaviour.

"1788: I was 27 and 10 months old when the ship dropped anchor in Botany Bay. Leaving the boat and arriving on shore we were plenty fearful, for the guards were now not under their office's watchful eyes and could have free rein to punish, mistreat and overwork us to their hearts content. Also, there was very little food available, meaning our very meager rations would be cut yet again.

Within the first 20 minutes we were put to work cutting down scrubs and trees. If you took so much as three seconds to catch your breath the guard would lash out and beat you.

In chain gangs, we would cut out roads, work lumber and stone and all manner of physically hard labourious tasks. Many a convict was lost in accidents, mining, quarrying, lumber preparation and maltreatment.

In 1795 I was released 5 years early on terms of good behaviour. I was given 10 acres of land to live on and managed to procure an occupation as a smithy's apprentice earning a wage of two pounds a week."

### GRADE 10-12

#### Student of the Week

**Sean** – for a great effort with his maths

### NAIDOC WEEK

NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life. Some of our students were involved this year and are pictured here at a flag raising ceremony.

