



29 August, 2013

Term 3, Week 6

DATES TO REMEMBER

Convention

September 23 – 26

TERM DATES 2013

Term 3 July 23 - Sep 27

Term 4 Oct 15 - Dec 18

VERSE OF THE WEEK

'Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He sent."'

~ John 6:29

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

Brock Browning/Milburn – August 30th

Charlotte Danen – September 5th



PRAYER CORNER

~ Praise God for His faithfulness & provision to Geneva Christian College over the years and pray for His continued blessing and strengthening.

~ Pray for students as they practice, plan and prepare for Convention. Pray that they will be productive and God-honouring.

~ Pray for the teachers during this very hectic time of year, that they will have patience, enthusiasm and wisdom.

~ Pray for our Country in the lead up to the election. Pray for wisdom and strength for Christian politicians, as they stand up for the truth.

FAMILY PRAYER LIST

~ Eyles

~ Finn

~ Forward

~ Callagher

~ Gatti

THE FEAR OF THE LORD

'The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom...' Proverbs 9:10 NKJV

In a world out of control, we like a god we can control: a comforting presence who blesses, provides and advises. Kind of like 'God in a box'. But when it comes to Christ, no box works. His contemporaries designed an assortment of boxes for Him, but He didn't fit in any of them. They called Him a revolutionary, but He paid taxes. They labeled Him a country carpenter, but He confounded scholars. They came to see His miracles, but He refused to entertain them. He was a Jew who attracted Gentiles, a rabbi who gave up on synagogues, a holy man who hung around with prostitutes. In a male-dominated society, He recruited females. In an anti-Roman culture, He opted not to denounce Rome. He talked like a king yet lived like a pilgrim. People tried to put Him in a 'box', but they couldn't. And we can't either; indeed we must not! '...The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding...' (Proverbs 9:10 NIV) Most of our fears are unhealthy. They rob us of peace and joy. But the fear of the Lord does the opposite. Ellen Davis writes: 'There is nothing neurotic about fearing God. The neurotic thing is not to be afraid, or to be afraid of the wrong thing. That is why God chooses to be known to us, so that we may stop being afraid of the wrong thing. When God is fully revealed to us and we "get it", then we experience the conversion of our fear... "fear of the Lord" is the deeply sane recognition that we are not God.'



STUDENT CONVENTION

We would like to reiterate the importance and usefulness of Student Convention.

For those of you who are new to the school it is a time each year where we gather together with students and staff from other schools and homeschooling groups who use the same Christian based curriculum that Geneva uses. Students have opportunity to participate and compete in all areas of schooling, including Academics, Platform, Music, Athletics and Art & Craft. The categories and events that are available all have purpose and meaning for your child's educational pathway, both now and for the future. We realise there is a cost to Convention, but please be aware that what you pay has been reduced, as the school subsidises the fee considerably. Convention is unique and something we firmly believe in. So we ask that you as parents encourage your child to work towards and participate in this most worthwhile event.



GRADE 1&2

Yesterday we went down to our new garden with Mr Stafferton and Mrs Cute. We planted some pea seeds, parsley seedlings, and got our licenses to use a wheelbarrow and small hand tools. It was lots of fun! We have also been writing a recount of a story that we read as a class



Student of the Week

Lilyanah – for trying hard with her work

KITCHEN GARDEN PROJECT

You have probably heard that Geneva has been accepted into the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program. This week the Grade 1 & 2 students began planting vegetables in our new garden area. In recent weeks the High School Horticulture Class has been working tirelessly to complete the garden area.

To support the classroom teachers in Grades 1 & 2, 3 & 4, and 5 & 6 the program is being coordinated by our School Chaplain, Mr Stafferton, assisted by Mrs Jenni Cute. There will be lots of opportunities for members of the School community and the wider community to support and assist the Kitchen Garden Program. Initially we are looking for potted herbs and perennial food plants for students to grow. Please contact Mr Stafferton on 0437966987 if you have something to offer, or if you would like to assist in any way.



CONVENTION HEALTH FORMS

We have sent home individual Convention health forms with each student. There are still some that need to be returned!!! Please do so as soon as possible. Thanks ☺

<p>Hearing God's Word in Rural Tasmania</p> <h1>Rural Bible Network</h1> <p>When >> Saturday 31 August 2013 11am to 4pm</p> <p>Register >> 10.30am at Latrobe Memorial Hall</p> <p>Cost >> \$20 [Includes light lunch]</p> <p>Bookings (before 18th August = \$15)</p> <p>Email: august.forum@ruralbible.net</p> <p>Online: www.RuralBible.net</p> <p>Txt or call: 0435 618 414</p>	<h2>The Unseen Hand of God</h2> <p>- opening the book of Esther</p> <p>At the 2013 August Forum, Karishka Raffel will be opening the book of Esther with us. Karishka will help us to think about how God is at work when we don't see Him.</p> <p>Now the Senior Minister at St Matthew's Anglican Church, Shenton Park in Western Australia, Karishka was born in London to Sri Lankan parents and was raised as a Buddhist. While studying law at Sydney University a friend gave him a copy of The Gospel according to John and he subsequently became a Christian. Karishka has served as Rector of St Matthew's since 1999. He is married to Cailey and they have two daughters. He loves curry, cricket and having gelato at the beach with his family but knows no pleasure so great as sharing the news about Jesus with people who have no idea who Jesus is or how much he loves them.</p>  <p><i>The Rural Bible Network provides opportunities for the rural community to enjoy opening God's Word with faithful Bible teachers from around Australia.</i></p>
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