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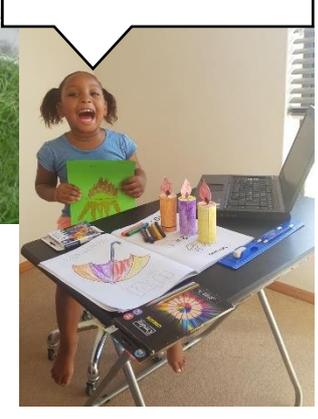
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Dear Parents,

We just like to remind you to please continuously check that the learner's work is being completed, especially the grades that do written work. We know it isn't easy, especially for moms and dads working at home. Thank you for your continued support, we couldn't have done it without you.

Who says Grade 000 is too young for e-learning? They are rocking it and doing a fantastic job and wanted to share with you why they love it! 😊

<p>Kwanda- "I like that I can keep going back and repeat my favourite exercises, songs and stories anytime I feel like"</p>	<p>Kim- "I can watch my stories on the laptop when it's story time."</p>	<p>Mila- "Mommy, I miss teacher Gabby and my friends but I also like school at home because it is fun!"</p>	<p>Dominic – "I have a lot of time to water my vegetable garden."</p>	<p>Oriana- "I am having a lot of fun learning with mummy and daddy, especially doing little experiments with grandpa!"</p>
				

Re-opening of schools:

As you are aware, the 6th of May was mentioned during yesterday's parliamentary discussion as the date for Gr 12 & Gr 7 to return to school. Please do not stress yourselves out over when we will be returning to our actual school building, we will contact you directly in this regard as soon as we receive the official notification from the DBE and the WCED with dates and conditions.

We are all concerned about the safety and wellbeing of our learners and together with our proactive approach to e-learning we are confident that our learners will cover the syllabus in the timeframe initially planned for the 2020 academic year without us having to return to the school building in haste.

We will make an announcement once we have all the information and considered all the options for a safe return to the school premises.

Message from our principal Mr. D Swart

As we continue to teach and learn and work in our virtual classrooms and offices, we do realize that some of our learners, parents and teachers are been stretched to their limits. It is not an easy task to stay cooped up in a home with other people day in and day out while everyone is competing for space – space to be who they are, space to voice their opinions, space to work and learn and also space to stay out of one another's hair. There are the 50 meals a day that the children demand, the time that you need to check on their schoolwork and explain concepts. There is also the time that you need to dedicate to your actual job if you are fortunate to be in a position where you can work remotely. None of this is easy and the more time we spend in lockdown the worse it gets.

Please remember when frustration is at its highest point...this too shall end! Things will return to a 'new

kind of normal' and you will have survived all the things you currently feel are killing you. I must admit, I have absolutely loved my time at home. I have taken time to relax and do nothing and I have taken time to do chores that I didn't have time for before. I have taken time to converse with myself, to heal and to replenish my spirit. I have not yet felt the frustration and the aggravation that others have experienced. Please bear in mind that when things return to normal it is going to be some time before you are able to have vacation and unlimited time with children and loved ones, so please use this time wisely and instead of complaining about everything that is wrong spend a few minutes each day been grateful for you and your loved ones, their health, the food you have and the time you have been gifted to spend with each other. Spending time with my loved one has been the most wonderful gift I have ever received.

Happy Birthday!

A very Happy Birthday to the following learner who celebrated their birthday this week. As you are unable to celebrate with friends or other loved ones, we send you lots of love.

Nouria Kalwiba Grade 2 28 April

Have a lovely weekend!
Primary School Teachers

Preschoolers Gr 000-Gr R

Planning for the week 4-8 May

Theme of the week:

Opposites

What we will learn this week:

Phonics: Letter Kk

Math: Number 10