



Riverside College

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Dear Parents,

As we get to the end of week 8 of E-learning and learners are preparing for the upcoming assessments and exams we would like to share a sincere thank you to all learners, parents and teachers. We all had to learn a different way of learning and teaching very fast. We have shown that we can do anything we put our minds to when the goal is clear and we want to achieve. We Thank You from the bottom of our hearts. The Primary school staff wanted to share some words of encouragement.



Happy Birthday!

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

Gr R	Zachary Rens	27 May
Gr R	Danielle Pillay	28 May
Gr 3	Misha Weber	29 May

Online classes

We have had really positive feedback regarding our e-learning. The grade 3's have been keeping busy with their online lessons. Here are some activities they have been doing.



Cecile and Zama with their cookies
Math – Measuring mass



Misha with her recycle truck
Life Skills – Using recycled material

Assessments and Exams

Each phase has sent out a separate timetable for the upcoming assessments (Gr00 – Grade 3) and Exams (Grade 4 – Grade 6). Please pay attention to the timetable/group that your child will form part of. All parents have been informed of the days and times of their child's assessment/exam. Please support us in this regard by sticking to the times provided. These are assessments that will be used to generate reports, so please make sure that your child is online at the appropriate time – we cannot make special arrangements for children who are late or who miss an assessment. In order for the results to be considered authentic all assessments have to be timed and controlled.

We would like to wish each and every learner well with their assessments/exams. Please remember to get enough sleep and to have a good breakfast.

Bus Service

The bus service will operate for the Parow/Panorama route for the exam period – only for those learners who are registered for transport. Please contact the office if you are using this service and would need it during this time.

Tuckshop Orders

The tuckshop will be open for pre-orders only during exam time for those learner's who are coming in to write exams.

Camp Fee

As you know, the learners were booked to go on camp in April. This was a booking that was made and paid for long in advance. When the lockdown was implemented, we preliminary postponed the camp to the 4th term. Should we not be able to go on camp later this year a credit will be passed on your last school fee invoice for 2020.

Important dates

End of Term 2	18 June
Term 3	14 July – 22 September – <i>Teachers return on 13 July – 23 September</i>
Term 4	06 October – 2 December – <i>Teachers return 05 October – 4 December</i>

These dates may vary from those given for Government Schools, but we have not missed a single class this term and therefore we do not need to shorten our holidays. Our learners have worked hard and deserve to have their break!

Winter school for Gr 12 learners will take place via Teams – dates and times will be sent out shortly.

Donations for Dunoon

There are over 200 children in Dunoon who are going hungry every day. Riverside College has been in touch with the lady who is running a soup kitchen for these children and we have offered to support them in terms of donations. We have appealed to our staff and we would like to appeal to our parent body to assist in donating goods to help these needy children.

They are in need of the following:

- Ingredients to make soup
- Bread
- Blankets
- Warm clothing (beanies, scarves, gloves, warm tops and warm pants)

We are going to do drop offs to Dunoon every Monday.

Parents are welcome to drop off any donations in the office between 08h00 and 12h00 daily.

Let's work together to help rescue these children who are in need of our help.

Message from our principal Mr. D Swart

*Children **do not** need to come to school in their uniforms during the exams, they must wear civvies. Matriculants must please wear their 'Matric jackets' with their civvies as they may not have many other opportunities to wear them under the current situation.*

We are appealing to all learners and parents who will come to the school to drop off or collect their children to please adhere to the safety measures and regulations that have been put in place for the safety of all concerned. We appreciate all positive comments and suggestions that could help us improve the measures we have taken, but please refrain from finding fault with everything you see. If you do not have something good to say, then please keep quiet. We are doing our absolute best – under extreme pressure - to protect the health and safety of all people involved and we are only going to achieve this if our outlook is that of looking out for one another instead of looking to find fault.

We have shared a video clip on Facebook to show you exactly what the procedure will be as your child arrives at school. There will be a safety officer on duty at all times during the exam time and if you are at school and you have any questions please do not hesitate to approach the safety officer and ask for assistance.

Stay safe and good luck with the preparations for the upcoming exams and assessments!

Have a lovely weekend!
Primary School Teachers