



Riverside College

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Dear Parents,

We welcomed our Grade 1 and Grade 3 learners back to school this week. It is great to have them back in class again.

On Sunday the 9th we are celebrating Women's day – which means that Monday the 10th is a public holiday. We would like to wish all the wonderful women of Riverside College a happy Women's Day.

"There is no limit to what we, as women, can accomplish." – Michelle Obama

"Where there is women, there is magic" – Ntozake Shange

"A woman is like a tea bag, you never know how strong she is until she gets in hot water." – Eleanor Roosevelt

Grade 2 news

The Grade 2's have been busy planning and making sock puppets for Art. They have already done the planning for the sock puppets and so far it looks amazing. I am very excited to see the final product and to see the sock puppets in action. Well done, Grade 2's.



Grade 3 – Dapper Muis

The Grade 3's had to do a presentation for Afrikaans Listening and Speaking. They dressed up as a mouse character and performed their poem, Dapper Muis online for Miss Crause. Great job, Grade 3's.



Important Dates

10 August	Public Holiday
Term 3	14 July – 22 September – <i>Teachers return on 14 July – 23 September</i>
Term 4	06 October – 2 December – <i>Teachers return 05 October – 4 December</i>
11 August	Grade 2 returning to school everyday
11 August	Grade 1 – 3 attending school everyday
17 August	Grades 4 – 6 returning to school
24 August	Aftercare will start operating at Riverside College – there will be NO holiday care at this time.
31 August	Grade 7 to 9 returning to school

Letter of exemption

Please remember to request the letter from the office and to return the signed document as soon as possible to ensure that your child is not deregistered from the Education Department.

Happy Birthday!

A very Happy Birthday to the following learners who celebrate their birthdays this week

3 Aug	Lathitha Nceba	Grade R
3 Aug	David Pillay	Grade 3
5 Aug	Abigail Nash	Grade 1
7 Aug	Demica Naidoo	Grade 1
9 Aug	Makgoshi Mamabolo	Grade 6



Tuck-shop

Tina will start serving food to the children from Tuesday the 11th of August. The children must please place their orders with her before school.

Message from our principal Mr. D Swart

I know that there is still a huge amount of fear and anxiety surrounding the pandemic. We are not sure of how much risk we are at of contracting the virus, how our children will cope, what it will do to the economy if it carries on much longer, what the future look like for our Gr 12 learners or how or children will pass if they are not at school? These are just a few of the questions that we have running around in our minds every second of every day, and that does not even start to express the amount of stress that we are under financially and in terms of our jobs or businesses. What we are experiencing is FEAR.

FEAR paralyzes...it steals our hopes and dreams and crushes our believe in ourselves and in all that is good and positive.

FEAR limits us to a reality in which we only see the negative and the scary stuff in life. A reality that causes us to panic and hide from the world and all that is in it.

FEAR takes our joy, our laughter and all that we once thought possible and it leaves us sitting in darkness...all alone.

The only weapon against this fear is YOU!

I personally did not experience the lockdown as negative at all because I got to share so much valuable time with my loved ones. I got to witness and experience a beautiful miracle – growth! Growth is the most beautiful thing to behold and to experience and I know that it is also one of the things that FEAR steals from us, but if we hold on and work through the fear then it is one of our most precious weapons!

Give yourself permission to grow and allow yourself to be awed by the growth in others, without the FEAR - also known as jealousy, self-loathing and feelings of not been enough. The journey you undergo when you allow this miracle to happen in your life is so precious that you will not allow FEAR to ever take it from you again.

Have a wonderful long weekend

Keep safe

Primary School Staff