



Riverside College

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Dear Parents,

Having compassion starts with having compassion for all those unwanted parts of ourselves, all those imperfections that we don't even want to look at. It is important to be kind to yourself, especially in the face of stress, danger and the uncertainty of the times we are in. You've already stuck with yourself for a lifetime. Why not improve this relationship?

"I was once afraid of people saying, "Who does she think she is" Now I have the courage to stand and say "This is who I am" – Oprah Winfrey

Teacher Gabby

Grade R news

The Gr Rs have been bonding wonderfully. They have all adjusted beautifully into the school routine and their new environment. They have been on the go since day one from doing little experiments, to getting their hands dirty in arts and crafts and with show & tell on Fridays, there is never a dull moment in our classroom.



Important Dates

- Term 1 – 1 February – 30 March (Teachers 31/03)
- Term 2 – 12 April – 15 June (Teachers 18/06)
- Term 3 – 20 July – 22 September (Teachers 23/09)
- Term 4 – 12 October – 08 December (Teachers 15/12)
- Test Series Gr 4 – 6 and Foundation Phase 15 March – 23 March

Other news

- A reminder that 'Distance PE' has started. Please ensure that your child has the correct PE uniform- white takkies, white socks, white shorts and the Riverside PE shirt. (This is only for Gr 4, 5 and 6)
- World Book Day- Thank you so much for all the donations that have come in.
- A friendly reminder to parents dropping their child off in the mornings, please don't park or wait in the teacher's parking.
- Please note that the gate will only open at 7:30am for learners to enter the school's premises.
- Please ensure to pack a spare mask in your child's school bag.

School Times:

| Grade | Starting time | Finishing time: Monday to Thursday | Finishing time: Friday |
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| GR 00 | 08:00 | 13:00 | 13:00 |
| Gr 1-2 | 08:15 | 13:45 | 13:15 |
| Gr 3,4,5,6 | 08:00 | 14:40 | 13:20 |

Stars of the week

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| Gr 00/000 | Mila Simpson | Gr 4 Nikhil Govender |
| Gr R | Ethan Weber | Gr 5 Nuha Mirando |
| Gr 1 | Kenzi Van Louw | Gr 6 Sinelizwi Bonongo |
| Gr 2 | Eden Sinclair | |
| Gr 3 | Zara Samuels | |

Happy Birthday!

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

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| Gr 2 | Miss Steyn | 02 March |
| Gr 6 | Haydn Crous | 02 March |
| Gr 6 | Liam Holden | 03 March |
| Gr 2 | Eden Sinclair | 05 March |
| Gr 1 | Onkgethile Mongalo | 06 March |



Tuck-shop

The tuck shop is open for those on the college premises.

Covid 19 Safety Policy

Please remind your child that they need to have a mask on at all times that covers their nose and mouth and that they must regularly wash their hands and sanitize. They are not allowed to be in physically contact with anyone and may not share food with one another. If we are going to keep our children, teachers and parents safe then we all need to comply with the safety protocols.

Message from our principal Mr. D Swart

There are times that I sit on social media sites and just flick through everything that is there, no particular reason really, other than just taking my mind off the day at work or looking to see what has happened in the world around me. There are some funnies and some motivational stories now and then but, on the whole, it is fairly boring and really just mind numbing. You know exactly what I am talking about, but then, once in a while something catches your eye and makes you scroll back to it.

This is a quote I saw that made me go back, and as insignificant as it seems at first it is actually a very powerful statement about life in general and about what we are teaching our children about life and about success.

Those with empty cups attract other empty cups and expect to fill each other up.

While those with their cups full attract other full cups to cheers life with.

Stacie Martin

Stop wasting your time, your talents and your efforts with people who are going nowhere because they are too busy complaining about everyone else and about how unfair life is and about what victims they are to the circumstances in their lives. We are here to experience this life in all forms and to celebrate all the experiences that we have, but celebrations don't happen with empty cups! Empty cups also make the most noise, so stop for a moment and look to see if you are making a noise or if you are celebrating because your children are always watching and learning from you!

PRESCHOOLERS GR000 - GR R

Planning for the week 08 - 12 March

Theme for the week: My Five Senses

PLEASE SEND THE FOLLOWING:

- Message Books daily

PLEASE REMEMBER:

- A change of clothing every day
- A healthy snack + Water/Juice
- No fizzy cooldrinks or sweets
- A spare mask

WHAT WE WILL LEARN THIS WEEK:

Letter: F f

Number: 6

Are we teaching our children to be kind and considerate and filled with compassion, or are we teaching them to be envious and jealous of everyone around them? Are we showing them how to celebrate our successes and how to show gratitude for the things that we do have in our lives, or is it only about what we do not have?

There are approximately 2.6Million recorded Covid deaths worldwide, and you are alive and reading this newsletter...we have so much to celebrate!! Please can we teach our children how to celebrate and live a happy and fulfilled life, because it is important for them to have hope and to look forward to their future with positive expectations and gratitude.

Have a wonderful weekend
Keep safe
Primary School Staff