



Riverside College

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Dear Parents,

The term has started at a good pace and is progressing well. Our learners have settled and are working hard towards the next target, namely the June exams. These are our formal exams which will cover both Term 1 and Term 2 work. It is important that all tasks and assignments are well done and handed in on time in order for us to get the best return on our hard work. Our learners need to work consistently at reaching the goals that they have set for themselves.

Our exam dates will be shared with learners and parents shortly, but we can expect the exams to take place from around the 31st of May to the 15th of June. Time is of the essence and we cannot afford to waste any time. We need to set up those study programs, cut down on social activities over weekends and set aside the time needed for studying.

If any of our learners are having a difficult time knowing how to study, how to organize their time efficiently or feel overwhelmed please do not let them hesitate to come and see me so that we can find a way of helping them.

I want all our learners and parents to know that we are here to help, to support, to encourage and to motivate as much as we can, but we need each individual to bring their part before we will see any kind of positive, sustainable results. We can do this!

Mr. Swart

Important dates

Term 2 – 12 April – 15 June (Teachers 18/06)

26 April will be a school holiday

Term 3 – 20 July – 22 September (Teachers 23/09)

Term 4 – 12 October – 08 December (Teachers 15/12)

Compulsory Extra lessons

Any learner receiving a mark below 50% on his/her report is required to attend extra lessons for that subject. A letter will be sent home explaining the days and times on which the lessons will take place and their attendance will be monitored. Only a valid medical certificate will excuse a child from these lessons. This is school policy, and it is in the best interest of our learners that they should attend these lessons diligently.

Covid 19 Safety Policy

Your child needs to have a mask on at all times that covers their nose and mouth. Each individual also needs to regularly wash their hands and sanitize. They are not allowed to physically touch, kiss, hug, or share food with one another. Our safety protocols are there to keep everyone safe and we need everyone to play their part!

Masks are not an excuse to have facial hair, so please note that your son still needs to be clean shaven at all times.

Winter Uniforms

Our temperatures are still fairly high at present and therefore we will not switch to winter uniforms until later in the term. We will keep you informed via the newsletter as things change.

Please note that in the event of it getting colder your child may not mix and match the uniforms, it is either full winter or full summer uniform.

Uniform Inspections

Please note that regular uniform inspections are held and when your child is found to not be complying with the school uniform requirements a letter will be sent home explaining what the transgression is and by which date it must be corrected. At this point a demerit is given if the corrective action has not been taken.

Sport and Cultural Program – Term 2

Please note that all sport, PE and cultural activities will commence in term 2, unless something drastic happens and we are placed into hard lockdown. This means that all learners will need to have the appropriate sport uniforms ready by the start of Term 2.

Only learners who have a valid – not older than 3 months – medical certificate will be excused from sport and only for the duration covered by the certificate.

Sport takes place every Monday from 14:30 – 15:15 which is part of the school day and this lesson may not be substituted for anything else.

PE for all grade's forms part of the Life Orientation syllabus and marks are rewarded for every lesson which forms part of the report mark each term. Therefore, the same rule applies with regards to the medical certificate needed for non-participation.

Message from our principal Mr. D Swart

It is the responsibility of all parents to ensure that forms, tests and other documents are signed and returned to school when so needed. Furthermore, your child needs your guidance and assistance in managing their time properly so that they are able to complete all tasks that are due. They also need you to help them organize their time and their weekend activities when it gets to exam times. As teachers, we can be as dedicated and as involved as we like but the responsibility still rests on your shoulders as the preparation for these tasks and exams takes place at home. I know this is a terrible burden because our children do not always do as we say or comply with our requests and demands, but in order for them to be the best they can be we need to take a stand and set the ground rules.

That is why we are the adults, and they are the children, because sometimes we need to guide, nudge and persuade them that we have their best interests at heart.

School Schedule:

Monday	18 Apr	Day 6	07:55 - 15:15
Tuesday	19 Apr	Day 7	07:55 – 15:15
Wednesday	20 Apr	Day 8	07:55 – 15:15
Thursday	21 Apr	Day 9	07:55 – 15:15
Friday	22 Apr	Day 10	07:55 – 14:00

High School Staff