



Riverside College

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3 December 2021

Dear Parents,

Sharpen your 'axe'

There was a newly joined woodcutter and the king was really impressed by his dedication towards his work. Out of encouragement, he started giving his best at work and in the first month managed to cut down 18 trees, which impressed the King. The following month the same effort only yielded 15 trees, and the third month, his best effort only gave him 12 trees. The king visited him and spoke to him about his decreased productivity. He explained that he might have lost his strength or have gotten too old to do the work. The king asked him "when was the last time you sharpened your axe?" To his surprise, he realized that he had not sharpened it once in the last 3 months! That was the only reason why he couldn't cut more trees.

The moral of the story is, it is good that you put in a lot of effort and hard work towards achieving your goals, but you should balance your life priorities by investing enough time with your family as well as personal time to relax and rejuvenate yourself, which would boost up your productivity. **Miss. Lotz**

Important dates

Term 4	12 October – 08 December (Teachers 15/12)
Fun Run	04 December
Textbook Sale (PS & HS)	07 December 2021
Carols by Candlelight	13 December & 14 December
Christmas Market	15 December & 16 December
Term 1 Start 2022	17 January (Teachers 13/01)

Important Information

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.

Carols by Candlelight

Please join us on the evenings of the 13th & 14th of December when we will be hosting an Angelic Carols by Candlelight event at Riverside College. We are still looking for all your empty 2L plastic bottles that we would like to use as holders for our candles. We hope that you are all as excited as we are to make this festive event an experience to remember. This event is for the parents, teachers and learners of not only Riverside College but also our community. Please spread find this and other events on our Facebook page and share them with everyone you know.

Christmas Market

We have over **50 exciting stalls** with a variety of goodies to huge to mention, ready to grab your eye and your hard earned cash on the evenings of the 15th & 16th of December. Please come and support all our exhibitors and make sure to get all your Christmas gifts, pet delights, toys, fashions and so much more right here. Not to mention the food trucks and take away delights that will be on offer. Do not miss out on this amazing event which will be setting the standard for all future markets! Riverside parents, learners and teachers, please like and share this event on our Facebook so that we can make sure to treat

everyone from far and near. We look forward to seeing and entertaining you and your family, so please save the date!

Message from the Principal Mr. Dave Swart

Our Grade 12 learners wrote their final exam this week!! Well done boys and girls and we truly hope that your effort and your dedication during the past few weeks will reap the rewards that you were aiming for. The results are only released in January 2022 and until then you must enjoy the end of the current chapter in your lives while you rest and prepare for the exciting new challenges and opportunities that you will be faced with in the new year.

Christmas is a time of giving and sharing with families and loved ones. Sharing good food, love, laughter and in the process making unforgettable memories. This year let us celebrate the good and the positive and let's spread as much love, peace and joy as we can. People don't need gifts, money or expensive material things as much as they need to feel that they belong, that they are loved and that they are important to the people around them.

Show your love and your support by giving and receiving the greatest gift of all...your presence, your kindness, your gentleness and your time. Time is the most precious gift we have to give to those who are closest to us. When time has run out there is nothing you can do or say to get it back, so while you have it why not share it and enjoy it with those who are important to you!

School Schedule:

Monday	06 December	07h55 – 13h30
Tuesday	07 December	07h55 – 13h30
Wednesday	08 December	07h55 – 11h30

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