



# Riverside College

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## Dear Parents,

In assembly this week Miss Barton spoke about setting goals and that a goal without a plan is just a wish. If we set goals, we need to take initiative even if it is just taking one small step towards it, at the end of the day it's one step closer to filling our goals. We need to put in work and effort into the goals that we want to achieve. If we get stuck or need assistance, there is always someone in our life who can help us. All we need to do is ask.

## Grade R news

The Grade R's have settled nicely back into the school routine and are ecstatic to be reunited with their friends. They have definitely grown taller over the holidays and louder too. 😊 The Gr R's have been very busy. From making dinosaur feet, to doing science experiments, to doing make and bake and Show & Tell. They are having a load of fun!



## Uniform Sales / Clothing Bank:

As parents are aware, uniform sales are done from the school office and it is not the best arrangement. It is for this reason that we are setting up a clothing bank where parents can buy uniform at dedicated times in a space separate from the office.

**Please note that the new times to purchase uniform are as follows:**

**Mondays: 7:15am – 8am & 2pm – 4pm**

**Tuesday: 2pm – 4pm only**

**Wednesdays: 2pm – 4pm only**

**(NO uniform sales on Thursdays or Fridays)**

## Important Dates

<b>Term 3</b>	<b>20 July- 28 September (Teachers 30/09)</b>
05 Aug	Cross Country Race at Theo Marais
05 Aug	Cake Sale
08 Aug	School Holiday
09 Aug	Women's Day
7-9 Sept	Intermediate Phase Camp

## Camp:

The camp dates will change to September 7 – 9, 2022 due to the Department of Education's finalised schedule. The location is unchanged.

## Special mention

On Friday, 5 August, Kenzi Van Louw in Grade 2 and Grace Attala in Grade 3 will be competing in a Western Cape Championships for Gymnastics competition. We wish Grace and Kenzi all the best and we know they will make Riverside College proud!

## Conquesta

The conquista takes place during class time. The children involved need to revise the years' work. The maths conquista children may bring a calculator in for the day. (no cell phone calculators).

## Teddy bear drive

We will be collecting new teddy bears (small to medium) to donate to the Children's Hospital Trust at the Red Cross Hospital. A date will be set when learners can start bringing their donated teddy bears to school.

## Uniform

Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform. A reminder that girls may only wear a stud earring or a small hoop earring. No sparkles like diamonds or diamantes.

## Primary School Times for Term 3

Please note that the whole Primary School will start school at 08:00 in Term 3.

## Eisteddfod

Some of our learners took part in the Tygerberg Eisteddfod during the past two weeks. Well done to each of them for their courage and the results they achieved! There are still two more learners who will participate in the coming weeks. Good luck to you as well! We are proud of you all!

## Stationery

Please replace finished or missing stationery. It is a new term and learners should have all the necessary items for school. They may not borrow from other learners

## Grade 12 fundraising events

The grade 12 class will be having fundraising events on the following days. Please allow your child to participate and contribute towards their fundraising campaign. The funds raised will be used towards their Matric farewell. The cost per event will be R10 per learner payable before the event.

**Funky hair day**                      **26 August 2022**

## Stars of the Week

Grade 00/000 Sarah Louw

Grade R Nsika Ncwane

Grade 1 Keyan Govender

Grade 2 Nicela Naude + Yasmine Kalwiba

Grade 3 Benjamin Liebenberg

Grade 4 Callan Swartz

Grade 5 Kelly Vicente

Grade 6 Sarah Hart



### **Happy Birthday!**

A very Happy Birthday to the following teachers and learners who celebrate their birthday this week.

Mr Swart	02 August
Mrs Boake	02 August
Gr 5 David Pillay	03 August
Gr 6 Taro De Taranto	04 August



## Message from the Principal Carlien Ellis

This topic is close to my heart... "Am I a perfect learner?" This is something that I come across every day at school. Many learners feel they do not fit the perfect "learner" picture. Today I want to tell all parents - it is okay if your child does not fit within the confines of the expectations set by social media, family, teachers, or themselves. We are all unique, made in our own particular way. We do not have to fit into any box. As parents and teachers, we are responsible for teaching our children to focus on their specific talents and ways of doing things and just be themselves. After all, happiness is all about being true to yourself. We must teach our children (and practice what we preach) to let go of who and what they think they should be! Have them focus on being their authentic selves.

You could say everyone is coming out of their own closet. Every student here is emerging their true self, but this journey brings with it anxiety and negative feelings. Our kids may start worrying about what others think and if they'll be accepted, that's why connecting with your child with authenticity and compassion is essential. However, you can't be compassionate to others without being compassionate to yourself first.

## **PRESCHOOLERS GR000 – GR R**

Planning for the week 8 -12 August

Theme for the week:

Land Transport

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

- Label all school clothing items clearly with your child's name.

WHAT WE WILL LEARN THIS WEEK:

Letter: Qq

Number: 13

A reminder: Don't change so people will like you, be yourself and the right people will absolutely love you!

I want to encourage parents, learners and teachers to be themselves, to embrace their authenticity.

Take a moment to consider your strengths and clarify your core values. It also helps to seek out like-minded people. Not only do we feel at ease with them, but they also help us grow and flourish in alignment with our true selves.

Remember, everyone has their own version of 'normal,' and none of us are right or wrong. Therefore, we should not expect to all be alike but rather respect our differences and value our unique skills. This is a valuable lesson to teach our children.

Have a lovely long weekend!

Primary School