



Riverside College

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02 December 2022

Dear Parents, it is the final stretch of the term. Assessments are done and the learners are looking forward to a well-deserved break. The Primary School would like to thank you for your ongoing support in 2022. It is always appreciated.

Grade R News

The Grade Rs have been very busy, from doing assessments to practicing hard for Athletics Day and their very special upcoming Graduation on the 6th of December. How precious is time? It flew by so fast. We don't realize it but we sometimes do take time for granted. I remember starting the year off with the Grade Rs and being taller than all of them and now it is the other way around. I must say, I am so very proud of each and every one of them. To see how they have grown not only in size but as individuals is such a beautiful sight to see. I cannot wait to celebrate their special day with them.

EXCITING NEWS!!! WE ARE HOSTING A PLAYDATE AT SCHOOL

We are excited to announce that we are hosting our first playdate on the 10th of December from 9am-2pm. We are inviting all grade 000-R parents to use this opportunity to book a spot for your child and a friend to come and enjoy a playdate at school. The little ones will enjoy a morning filled with activities, eats and treats while parents can have some much-needed free time!

Place: Riverside College

Cost: R280

Time: 09:00-14:00

Rsvp: hello@riversidecollege.co.za before 7th of December 2022

Important Dates

03 Dec	Interhouse Athletics
06 Dec	Grade R Graduation
06 Dec	Aftercare closes at 17:00
06 Dec	School closes for Term 4 at 12:00
06 Dec	2 nd hand book sale from 10:00 to 12:00
8 Dec	Grade R + 1 Orientation
10 Dec	Playdate
12 Dec	Report collection
12-15 Dec	Gift fair at Riverside College from 16:00-20:00
12 January	School reopen for learners

School fees for 2023

The 2023 invoices will be going out later this month and parents will notice that even though general costs have gone up exponentially since Covid-19, Riverside College have kept fee increases to below 10%.

Operating costs have increased by 22% year on year when compared to 2021 and 2020 budgets and although it does not make financial sense to keep the fee increase to below 10% we are mindful of the fact that everyone is suffering and feeling the pinch of the increased interest rates and other costs.

Our strategy to combat any financial shortfall is to increase our learner base for 2023 and in so doing ensure that the future of Riverside College is a financially sound one.

Any parent who is struggling financially is invited to contact the accounts department for financial assistance.

Honorable mentions

Morgan Cox for achieving 55 merits.

Keyan Govender for achieving 59 merits

Kayden Lang for achieving 57 merits.

Other News

School Uniform

Please ensure that the summer short sleeve shirt has a badge on the shirt.

Finishing times:

28 November to 5 December Gr 1 – 6 finish at 13:00.

Athletics

A reminder that the Athletics starts at 08:00 promptly on Saturday. Children need to line up in their lines in the morning line up by 07:30. We are hoping to finish by 13:30. May the best house win.

2nd hand book sale

Parents are invited to sell and buy 2nd hand books on the school premises on Tuesday, 6th December from 10:00 to 12:00

Report collection

Reports may be collected on Monday 12 December from 08:00 to 12:00 from your child's class teacher. Reports can be collected during office hours until Monday 19 December @ 17:00. The office will then be closed until Monday 9 January.

Stars of the Week

Grade 00/000 Lusanela Masingo

Grade R All! 😊

Grade 1 Christian Muthena

Grade 2 Kenzi Van Louw

Grade 3 Inam Mpengesi

Grade 4 None

Grade 5 Kelly Vicente

Grade 6 None



Happy Birthday!

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

Darren Diabanza	29 November	Grade 2
Benjamin Liebenberg	30 November	Grade 3
Ziya Fataar	01 December	Grade 1
Eljune Liebenberg	02 December	Grade 3
Yasmine Kalwiba	02 December	Grade 2
Teacher Gabby	04 December	



2023 Term Dates:

Term 1

Start Date: Teachers – 11 Jan, Learners – 12 Jan

20 March school holiday (long weekend)

Learners writing until 27 March

End Date: Teachers – 31 March, Learners – 29 March

Term 2

Start Date: Teachers – 11 April, Learners – 12 April

26,28 April school mid term

End Date: Teachers – 23 June, Learners – 21 June

Term 3:

Start Date: Teachers – 18 July, Learners – 19 July

10, 11 Aug mid term

End Date: Teachers – 29 Sept, Learners - 28 Sept

Term 4:

Start Date: Teachers – 10 Oct, Learners – 11 Oct

End Date: Teachers- 15 Dec, Learners- 13 Dec

Message from the Principal Carlien Ellis

The academic year of 2022 has come to an end! We have finally crossed the finish line and with full and grateful hearts.

Firstly, thank you to the staff for their hard work and dedication to making 2022 a memorable year. Your commitment, hard work and perseverance throughout all circumstances are much appreciated. I am grateful and blessed to tackle 2023 with such a strong team of passionate educators by my side. You all deserve a wonderful holiday with your family.

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PRESCHOOLERS GR000-GR R

Planning for the week: 5 – 6 Dec

Theme for the week: Christmas

Letter: A-Z

Number: Revision

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.

To our parents, a huge thank you for your commitment to our school. Thank you for honouring your payments and expressing unrelenting loyalty towards Riverside and your children.

To all learners of Riverside College, I am very proud of you all. Thank you for always giving your best and making the most of the 2022 academic year. You are privileged to grow and learn in such a lovely, caring and healthy environment but your gratitude shines through in your perseverance. The friendships you have built and the memories you have made this year will last a lifetime. You are all so loved, you are unique, and we appreciate each and every one of you.

Thank you to every member of the Riverside family. We had an extraordinary year filled with many stories of our triumphs and our challenges. When days were tough, we continued to push through, we succeeded and we became stronger as a team and as individuals. We are privileged to be part of such a great community where support is offered, and we can be present in the moment because every moment matters!

My wish for you is a blessed festive season. Be safe, be present and enjoy this much-needed time with family and friends. For those who may find this time of year difficult, fill your days with things or people that make you smile and take it one day at a time!

2023 is going to be a bumper of a year. We got so much planned already. We will start the new year rested and ready to make this another magnificent, successful school year.