



Riverside College

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Dear Parents,

It has been an eventful yet wonderful start to the year. Learners have adjusted beautifully and are forming meaningful relationships with their peers. You can definitely feel the Riverside spirit in the air this term. We are all ready and eager to commence the new school year with optimism and pride.

- **Teacher Gabby (Gr R)**

Grade R News:

The Grade Rs have adjusted beautifully and have been super excited to get the year started! They have been busy these past few days, from getting to know one another, to painting and dancing. The energy and fun never ends in our class! I am looking forward to seeing the Grade Rs grow as individuals but most excited to see how they break out of their shell and reach their full potential.



Important Upcoming Dates & Events:

24 Jan - Primary school parent meetings
01 Feb - Afrikaans Day
03 Feb - Cake Sale
03 Feb - Welcome Braai
04 Feb - Open Day & Road Runners
14 Feb - Valentine's Day and Activities
17 Feb - Random Act of Kindness Day
1 Mar - World Compliment Day

3 Mar - Cake Sale
3 Mar - Twilight Colour Fun Run
13 Mar - Exams Start
20 Mar - Special School holiday
21 Mar - Human Right's Day
27 Mar - Exams End
29 Mar - School Ends for Students

Other News:

Please note that Wednesday has returned to a normal school day with extra lessons on a Wednesday afternoon.

On Tuesdays we will still have sport during the school day as usual.

Extra murals and extra lessons

All extra-murals and extra classes commence on Monday 30 January.

Parent Meetings:

A reminder that parent meetings are on Tuesday 24 January.

Foundation Phase: 17:30 – 18:30

Intermediate Phase: 18:30 – 19:30

Principal message:

Welcome back to all parents, learners and staff of Riverside College. We are grateful that you entrusted us with your child. We are looking forward to a fun filled term and a spectacular 2023.

I would like to welcome our new teachers. We are delighted that you have decided to join us.

On behalf of myself and all of the team, we would like to extend our warmest welcome and best wishes.

PRESCHOOLERS GR000 – GR R

Planning for the week: 23 - 27 January

Theme for the week:

My Family

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: Bb

Number: 2

We all have our goals and dreams for 2023. We are all in different seasons of life. My wish for every parent, learner and staff member is to take every day as a new opportunity to build relationships, to better communication skills or to do what you have set out for yourself this year.

My motto for this year is: Just one small positive thought in the morning can change your whole day and don't wait for opportunities, but create them. I am going to strive to achieve this every day.

You might experience some "January blues", after a lovely holiday, or maybe a trip overseas and you are not ready for the rat race to begin and on top of it all your next holiday seems so far.

To overcome this nostalgia of the past summer it might help to take it easy for a while, do a workout to enhance your endorphins, try to stick to your sleep-wake up routine, take care of your diet and drink lots of water.

Strengthening your energy, proceeding at your normal pace, and following a **healthy lifestyle** are golden rules in order not to run into negativity and fatigue. Good habits to keep throughout the year, or – at least – until the next vacation!

We will keep pushing, excelling and use every opportunity that comes our way to ensure a good education, a happy child and satisfied parents in 2023.

Happy Birthday!

A very Happy Birthday to the following learners.

Arha Makka	Gr 1	06 Jan
Hlomla Bokoyi	Gr R	17 Jan

Have a great weekend.
Primary School Staff

2023 Term Dates:

Term 1

Start Date: Learners – 12 Jan
20 March school holiday (long weekend)
Learners writing until 27 March

End Date: Learners – 29 Mar

Term 2

Start Date: Learners – 12 Apr
26,28 April school mid term

End Date: Learners – 21 Jun

Term 3:

Start Date: Learners – 19 July
10, 11 Aug mid term

End Date: Learners - 28 Sept

Term 4:

Start Date: Learners – 11 Oct

End Date: Learners- 13 Dec

