



# Riverside College

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Dear Parents,

The December holidays have become but a memory to us and we are all in the swing of the new year, with its pressures and demands. It is at times like this that we need to sit back and remember that we are not machines on automatic, but human beings with lives, children and families. We need to take time to reflect and just be grateful for what we have. Life is a gift and we often forget that. I try to think of three things that I am grateful for while driving in to work each morning. Yes, sometimes it is difficult, but my three most important are:

- I am so thankful for all my family, in all four corners of the Earth.
- I am so thankful that I have a reason to get up each morning.
- I am so thankful for my amazing colleagues.

*Have you been thinking of what makes you grateful?*

Mrs Boake

## **Grade 4 News:**

The Grade 4's has been learning about plants and we planted bean seeds to watch grow over the period of about a week. This is not as romantic as it sounds because, not only do bean seeds grow in 7 days, but some also rot in 7 days. The issue is opening the classroom in the morning of Day 6 onwards, when rotting seeds are starting to hum. The idea is to mutter "Hier kom 'n ding!", take a deep breath, open the class and run to my table, plonk everything down and rush to open windows before taking my next breath. Some seeds do grow really well. We kept Lexi's plant for a few more days as it was doing so well. We also tried carrots and nasturtiums. The carrots eventually germinated. Well done Gr 4's! I hope some of you were able to plant your seedlings in soil!

## **Important Upcoming Dates & Events:**

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

## **Library:**

21/02 Gr 4 &6

22/02 Gr 5

28/02 Gr 2 Last visit

01/03 Gr 3 Last visit

## **Blazer Mondays:**

A reminder that Mondays are Blazer Mondays.

## **Stars of the Week:**

### **PRESCHOOLERS GR000 – GR R**

Planning for the week: 20-24 Feb

Theme for the week:

My five senses

**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: Ff

Number: 5

Grade 00 Matteo Sclafani  
Grade R Azrah Tasriet  
Grade 1 Mukundi Mherewa  
Grade 2 Alunamda Mooi  
Grade 3 Nicela Naude

Grade 4 Anelisa Mgoduka  
Grade 5 Tristan Willaims  
Grade 6 Anie Inyangudo



### **Library Applications**

If you are in the process of applying for a library card, please email the Edgemean Library with your application at : [edgemean.library@capetown.gov.za](mailto:edgemean.library@capetown.gov.za) This will save you time and queries can be answered more directly.

### **Interschools athletics**

Some of our learners participated in the Interschools Athletics on Tuesday, the 7<sup>th</sup> of February. They all ran their hearts out and did their best. Aden Taylor, in Grade 5, placed third in the 80 m final. Well done! We are proud of all of you.

#### **Happy Birthday!**

A very Happy Birthday to the following learners who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Gr 2	Morgan Cox	13 February
Gr 3	Izzudeen Sampson	17 February



### **EXCITING EVENT!!!**

With the sun still high in the sky, and temperatures in the mid 30's, we are all aware that summer will end sooner than anticipated, and with this in mind it is time for the annual Burgundy Estate & Riverside College 5 km **TWILIGHT Colour Fun Run** which is in aid of **Iris House Children's hospice and takes place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of MARCH.**

This 5km Fun Run takes place in the secure environment of Burgundy Estate and ends with the fun filled blast of colour as you throw your colour bombs in the air! Dress up as your favourite TV or book character, superhero or even as a clown, but make sure that you are ready to have fun.

This event was hugely successful last year and promises to be even better this year. Please bring yourself, your family and all the friends you have to enjoy this extraordinary day with us and know that it is all for a very good cause. Iris House is a very well-known NPO that does the most awe-inspiring work with children and families who are in need of respite care.

This event is for individuals and teams who want to exercise, have fun and enjoy an evening market in a fun and relaxed environment.

Entry fees are as follows:

R120 per individual which includes 2 colour bombs.

R450 per team of 4 members which includes 8 colour bombs.

There will be prizes for winners of the following categories: (male/female/child/pensioner + best dressed team).

Tickets: <https://qkt.io/C9RBv4>

Please hurry and book your tickets NOW!



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### Principal's message:

I would like to thank all the parents who joined us for the Welcome braai. It was a lovely evening filled with laughter and joy. We are looking forward to many more of these events this year. Our next big event will happen on March the 3<sup>rd</sup>! This is one of our signature events. This event is in aid of Iris House and we ask for your support so that we can offer our support to them. It will be brimming with colour and lots of fun!

This week was the week of love. I hope that you spoilt your loved ones. We had so much fun at school showing compassion to our peers and teachers. Let's stay in the spirit of spoiling each other with small gestures every day and not wait for those calendar days to show our love and appreciation.

Our teachers attended academic meetings this past week to ensure that we are following the guidelines of the WCED and that we are able to go above and beyond to support our learners with their academic goals. It is important for teachers to stay informed about what is expected of them and how they can empower their learners.

With all the athletics meetings done for the year, we will now be focusing on our academics, so that we are ready for the upcoming test series in March. I would like to encourage all learners to use their teachers, because they are your most valuable resource. Take time during the lesson to ask questions and attend extra classes.

To all our parents who stay committed to their financial obligations, we thank you!

May you have a blessed week ahead; that your obstacles are minor and insignificant; that you feel loved; that you have the support you require; and that all your stresses are under control. We cannot keep on driving if we have a flat tyre, and we cannot do everything and be everywhere if we do not fill our cup! Fill your cup this weekend with whatever is needed.

Have a great weekend.

Primary School Staff

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**SELLING?**  
ENJOY A WEEKEND AWAY ON US!

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