



# Riverside College

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**Dear Parents,**

What does it mean to be a hero?

Does it mean that a person should put on a cape, wear a mask and prowl at night to fight crime when no one else will? Or does it mean that you need to be bitten by a radioactive spider, have the ability to summon lightning at will, or perhaps fly?

When you hear the word “hero”, you automatically think of the kinds of heroes who have powers or incredible amounts of money that could buy them all the gadgets they could ever want. However, it should not have to be this way.

Heroes are people who help someone up when they have fallen, instead of laughing at them fall. Heroes are people who share their lunch with someone who did not have enough food to eat that day. Heroes are people who speak a kind word to someone who has had a bad day. To be a hero means to recognise that someone needs something, **and to do something about it.**

To be a hero, you do not need fancy suits or powers. All you need are eyes to see, ears to listen and a heart to understand and care. All you need is a smile on your face and to give gentle words to someone who needs it. I think we could all use a hero, but I think we could all do with being someone else’s hero too for a change.

**Mrs Menton**

## **Grade 5 news**

The Grade 5’s have had to dive right in this term, where the REAL Grade 5 work begins. They have started learning 6-digit numbers this week; a big change from the 4-digit numbers we were working with last term. To some, it seems a daunting task, but to them they aced it in 15 minutes! What a bunch of future mathematicians and world-changers we have in this bunch.

## **Important Dates**

**26/04 - Riverside College School Holiday**

27/04 – Freedom Day

Term 3 – 20 July – 22 September (Teachers 23/09)

Term 4 – 12 October – 08 December (Teachers 15/12)

## **Sport – Term 2**

Please note that all sport and PE will commence next week. This means that all learners will need to have the appropriate sport uniforms ready by the start of next week. All Grade 1 and 2 learners are allowed to come to school in their sports uniform on sports days. The Grade 3 to 6 classes will need to come to school in their school uniform on sports days (unless they have PE on that day) and will be allowed to change at second break for after-school sport.

Only learners who have a valid – not older than 3 months – medical certificate will be excused from sport and only for the duration covered by the certificate.

## **Other news**

1. **School uniform** – Learners are reminded to wear the correct Summer uniform until further notice.
2. **School bags have arrived so if your child needs to get a bag you can contact the office.**
3. A friendly reminder to parents dropping their child off in the mornings, please don’t park or wait in the teacher’s parking. The school bus needs to exit from the gate and cannot get past the parked cars.
4. Please note that the gate will only open at 7:30am for learners to enter the school’s premises.

5. Please ensure to pack a spare mask in your child's school bag.



## Happy Birthday!

A very Happy Birthday to the following learner who will celebrate his birthday this week.

Gr 4

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18 April

### **Message from our principal Mr. D Swart**

It is the responsibility of all parents to ensure that forms, tests and other documents are signed and returned to school when so needed. Furthermore, your child needs your guidance and assistance in managing their time properly so that they are able to complete all tasks that are due. They also need you to help them organize their time and their weekend activities when it gets to exam times.

As teachers, we can be as dedicated and as involved as we like but the responsibility still rests on your shoulders as the preparation for these tasks and exams takes place at home. I know this is a terrible burden because our children do not always do as we say or comply with our requests and demands, but in order for them to be the best they can be we need to take a stand and set the ground rules.

That is why we are the adults, and they are the children, because sometimes we need to guide, nudge and persuade them that we have their best interests at heart.

Please remember that our words need to be positive and encouraging at all times if we want them to have an upbuilding effect on our children!

Have a wonderful weekend!  
Keep safe  
Primary School Staff

### **PRESCHOOLERS GR000 - GR R**

Planning for the week 19-23 April

Theme for the week: Fire

### **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

### **WHAT WE WILL LEARN THIS WEEK:**

Letter: I i

Number: 9