



# Riverside College

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**Dear Parents,**

This week we celebrated Freedom Day. It is not just another public holiday, it's the day our beautiful country changed for the better. It is the day democracy and justice prevailed and the sacrifices and courage of the people of South Africa were finally heard.

Freedom Day is a reminder that we all can make a difference in our amazing country, no matter how small it might be. And when we work together for a brighter future, we can shake the world.



**Teacher Nicola**

## **Grade 00 news**

The Grade 00 and Grade R celebrated Earth day last week Friday with a Nature Scavenger Hunt. We spoke about how we can protect our planet and how we as individuals can make a positive impact on our environment. Its wonderful to see how enthusiastic and involved our learners are about our beautiful Earth and how much they want to make a difference.



## **Important Dates**

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 has begun. 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.

## **Winter Uniforms**

As from Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of May we will switch over into our winter uniforms.

### **Boys:**

Grey long pant  
Long grey socks  
White school shirt with collar  
School tie  
School Jersey  
School Jacket

### **Girls:**

Skirt **or** Grey school pant  
Long grey socks/tights  
White school shirt with collar  
School tie  
School Jersey  
School Jacket

## Uniform Inspections

### **Hair Policy**

Please note that the following pertains to all learners with regards to our hair policy.

1. No obvious colouring of hair or wearing of exotic hairstyles (Mohawk style, shaved heads, topknot, Mullet, etc.) will be allowed.
2. Girls and boys may grow their hair in a long style but in so doing they must ensure that their hair is neat and tidy at all times, no strands of hair to be hanging loose or alongside the face – all long hair that is shoulder length or longer is to be tied up or clipped back. Only Burgundy hair accessories may be used (elastics, alicebands, stretch hairbands & hairpins).
3. Braids and extensions are allowed as long as they are the same colour as your natural hair colour, can be tied into a pony and have no coloured beads, strips.

## Other news

1. **Cross Country League** – Learners will receive a letter when the league begins.
2. Please ensure that your child brings an extra bottle of water to school on the days they do P.E or sport.
3. **School bags have arrived so if your child needs to get a bag you can contact the office.**
4. 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.
5. Please note that the gate will only open at 7:30am for learners to enter the school's premises.
6. **Please ensure to pack a spare mask** in your child's school bag. The school does not have spares.
7. Be reminded as per our COVID-19 policy, if any learner shows symptoms or has come into contact with someone who has the virus, they need to self-isolate and go for a COVID-19 test before returning to school.

## Stars of the week

Gr 00/000	Mila Simpson	Gr 3 Ndikhangele Madlingozi
Gr R	Letlotlo Mokoena	Gr 4 Sgalosethu Nduli
Gr 1	Zachary Rens	Gr 5 Anotida Munakandafa
Gr 2	Mila Anthony	Gr 6 Luthando Lofani



## **Happy Birthday!**



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

Gr 1	Tshiamo Zuma	30 April
Gr 3	Nouria Kalwiba	28 April

## Message from our principal Mr. D Swart

Our children are our pride and joy, but at the same time they are also the ones who bring us the greatest and sometimes hardest lessons in life. It is wonderful to bring up confident and self-assured individuals who know what they want and who are not afraid to chase their dreams, but it is also important for us to remember that they still need to form part of a broader society. They still have to learn to co-exist with and share the planet with other individuals who feel just as strongly about things as they do.

These precious individuals need to begin at the bottom and go through the ranks of school, university and eventually work for a boss! A boss who is going to demand respect, demand that rules are followed, demand that there is loyalty and teamwork. A boss that is going to demand that they do what they are paid for without having to give them special attention and motivate them.

We are doing these young people a huge injustice by bringing them up to believe that everyone is going to treat them as though they are the single most important person in the world.

We need to go back to basics and teach our children what it means to treat everyone the way they would like to be treated, because the basis of every single relationship we ever enter into in our lifetime is based on mutual respect.

Please can we be the change we want to see in the world around us...

Have a wonderful weekend!  
Keep safe  
Primary School Staff

**PRESCHOOLERS GR000 - GR R**

Planning for the week 3-7 May

Theme for the week: Farm Animals

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:

Theme: Autumn

Letter: Kk

Number: 11