



Riverside College

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Dear Parents,

The Olympic Games are currently being held in Tokyo, Japan. From all over the world people are glued to their tv's or other devices to see if their favorite athlete is going to win the gold medal.

For two weeks, people forget their differences and experience a sense of patriotism. Young and old, black and white, wealthy and poor. We all have a common objective, and that is to support our fellow countryman to achieve the highest accolade that the sporting world has to offer. The Gold medal at an Olympic Games.

The Olympic Games also reminds us that success does not come easy. It takes preparation, planning and sacrifice to become the best athlete.

Success in life and at school can be viewed in the same way. To achieve your goals, you need to be well prepared, you need to have a plan and you need to make sacrifices. While you are on this road to success don't forget to enjoy what you are doing.

Mr. Ortell

Important dates

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

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

Women's Day 9 August (Public Holiday)

Important Information

Our Grade 12 learners will soon receive information regarding their Prelim exams, and we urge them to continue working at a steady pace to ensure that they reach the goals that they have set for themselves. It is vitally important that they attend classes every day and that they keep up with the workload. Falling behind will cause unnecessary stress and discomfort at a time when they should be focusing their attention on passing grade 12 and stepping into a new chapter in their lives.

Please encourage them to talk to you or to someone that they are comfortable with, regarding issues that are causing stress or anxiety, as an unhealthy buildup will lead to issues that could hamper them at this crucial stage in their journey.

Return to in person teaching

Our high school learners will be return to school on Monday, the 16th of August. School attendance will be in winter uniform and according to normal school hours.

Covid 19 Safety Policy

Your child needs to have a mask on at all times that covers their nose and mouth. Each individual also needs to regularly wash their hands and sanitize. They are not allowed to physically touch, kiss, hug, or share food with one another. Our safety protocols are there to keep everyone safe and we need everyone to play their part!

Masks are not an excuse to have facial hair, so please note that your son still needs to be clean shaven at all times.

Message from our principal Mr. D Swart

Be open to the good and the positive energy that surrounds you every day! Monday morning was one of those days on which I was pleasantly surprised by a totally random act of love. It happened when I walked into Applebee Kids and was greeted by the children all shouting “surprise” at the top of their lungs and then singing happy birthday to me!

It was the most incredible moment and I just realized anew how important it is to be fully present in each moment. Often times we are so busy and distracted that we don’t see or notice the small things around us that actually have the potential to change our lives for the better.

This is just one small example of how positive, loving energy can lift our mood, elevate our energy and the energy of those around us, for the better. I had a better day as a result of the children singing to me and sharing the love that they carry inside.

We are all stressed, and we all wonder what we could be doing better, faster and for more profit, but we need to take time and celebrate the small things, learn to appreciate the experiences and the moments we have as these are the things that join us together as families, friends and special beings.

I hope that you will enjoy the long weekend and take a moment on Monday to celebrate woman’s day and to share your light and your energy with that special woman in your life!

School Schedule:

Monday	09 August	Day 1	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tuesday	10 August	Day 2	07h55 – 15h15
Wednesday	11 August	Day 3	07h55 – 15h15
Thursday	12 August	Day 4	07h55 – 15h15
Friday	13 August	Day 5	07h55 – 14h00

Have a lovely long weekend!
High School Staff