



Riverside College

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Dear Parents,

Every day the world is developing. We have seen governments and ordinary citizens become more respectful of people's needs, more aware of inclusivity and more aware of celebrating one another's differences. We hold people more accountable for what they do, and increasingly more than ever, for what they say.

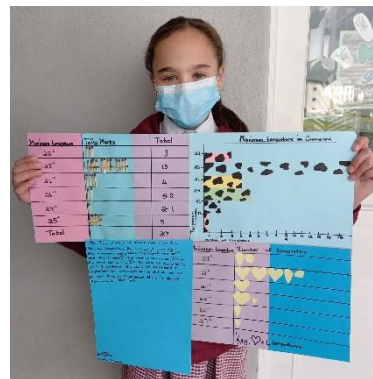
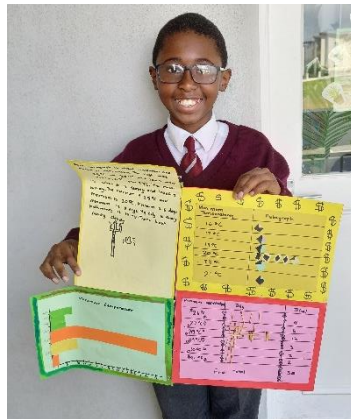
The more respectful and kinder the world becomes, the better it will be for all of us to live in. Kindness towards each other, kindness towards our environment and a sense of community are what we all need right now. Kind actions feel better than unkind ones. Respectful words feel good when we use them instead of harsh words. Being kind takes a lot of hard work, but the rewards are sweet for both parties involved.

Let us enter the weekend and the rest of the term with a heart less heavy and full of love and kindness towards our families, towards our friends and towards our children. Be the kindness role models that your children so desperately need. Show them how it is done, regardless of the circumstances. **“Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around – Leo Buscaglia.”**

Mrs Menton

Grade 5 News

This week we have been finalizing our reptile and insect artworks. The Grade 5's have been working hard for the past 5 weeks, allowing their inner artists to shine on the page through the medium of paint. We were also able to finish our data handling projects based on the weather conditions of their chosen cities around the world. Maths has never been more colourful!



Important Dates

Term 3 – 26 July – 22 September (Teachers 23/09)

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

Test Series 13 Sep – 20 Sep

Test Series timetables are available on our website.

Other news

1. A friendly reminder to parents dropping their child off in the mornings, please **do not park** or wait in the teacher's parking. The school bus needs to exit from the gate and cannot get past the parked cars.
2. Please note that the gate will only open at 7:30am for learners to enter the school's premises.
3. **Please pack a spare mask** in your child's school bag. The school does not have spares.
4. 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.
5. Learners should wear the P.E sports uniform on their allocated P.E days. If you are unsure of what days your child does P.E, please follow up with the classroom teacher.
6. Stationery – Please replace stationery items that are finished. Learners are writing assessments next week and will need fresh stationery supplies if needed.

Late Comers

Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time. The bell rings at 8am for morning line-up and then the learners go to class for registration. The Gr 00/00 – Gr 2 classes start at 08:15, therefore all learners need to be at school before 08:15 as it can be disruptive to the rest of the class when a learner arrives late.

Late Stayers

We are experiencing a problem with primary school children who remain at school after 14:40 and wait for older siblings in the high school, instead of going home. These children will now be placed in the aftercare and parents will be charged accordingly. We cannot have children making a noise and being unsupervised while the high school is still busy. Please make every effort to collect your child at the right time.

Conquesta Olympiad

The Olympiads will be written during school time after the given test of the day, starting from Monday 13 September and ending on Wednesday, 15 September. Certain children have been informed that they are participating.

Test Series

Please be aware that the Grade 4 to 6 learners will be starting their assessments next week Monday, starting with Mathematics. The Grade 1 to 3 learners will be starting their assessments next week Tuesday, starting with Mathematics as well. Please ensure that your children study well, eat healthily and get plenty of rest over the weekend.

Tik Tok Challenge

After all the serious challenges we have faced over the last 18 months we thought it fitting to promote the school in a fun way and for this reason we are launching a Tik Tok challenge for the whole school. Every class will create a fun Tik Tok video with their teacher. Our first Tik Tok is due to be posted on Facebook by our Primary school teachers. Have a look and please "Like" & "Share" with your friends and family.

Emblem Design

In keeping with fun competitions, we have invited all our learners to partake in the design competition which will see the official emblems that will represent our sporting houses, Cobalt (Blue) and Amber (Yellow) been launched by the winners. Riverside College is an institution that we want our parents, learners and teachers to be proud of, and through all these activities we are building a legacy and a story that we are all an integral part of. We encourage you all to be a part of this phase in our development and assist, motivate and encourage your children to play an active role in creating the future of their school. As with all competitions, prizes will be announced shortly.

Stars of the Week

Grade 00/000	Kim Mthethwa	Grade 3 Thabo Dlodlo
Grade R	Yveley Posnack	Grade 4 Nikhil Govender
Grade 1	Atang Mosoma	Grade 5 Kaobimdi Ihezue
Grade 2	Ria Ramaya	Grade 6 Luke Holland



Happy Birthday!



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

Gr 6	Jaden Harneker	08 September
Gr 1	Rumbidzai Chironga	11 September

Message from our principal Mr. D Swart

I would really like to remind parents, teachers and learners present and past, that we are all part of something very special that is been created on a daily basis.

You ask what we are creating?

We are creating a community, a family, a legacy and a piece of heritage that will be part of your and my story for generations to come. Every child and every family that has ever attended and been a part of Riverside College has contributed to this story! Whether you contributed 1 sentence or a whole paragraph is irrelevant, because only when these pieces are all put together do they become the whole story. They become the Riverside story that tells of the love and dedication that will not allow any child to be left behind, emotionally or academically, even during the tough times we are facing with the covid pandemic, we will always strive to do our best to ensure that each learner has a fair opportunity to perform and to achieve to their best ability.

We are not perfect, and we face many challenges on a daily basis, but we are dedicated to building a positive, supportive and caring legacy that we invite you to be a part of today, tomorrow and for many years to come.

In the spirit of building a great school for your children and for those who will come after them, we invite you to come and talk to Mrs. Ellis or Mr. Swart should you need to bring anything to our attention or should you need assistance of any kind

Have a wonderful weekend!
Keep safe
Primary School Staff

PRESCHOOLERS GR000 - GR R

Planning for the week 13-17 Sep

Theme for the week: Garden Visitors

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: Uu

Number :20