



# Riverside College

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**Dear Parents,**

Control Your Temper (Anger)

There once was a little boy who had a very bad temper. His father decided to hand him a bag of nails and said that every time the boy lost his temper, he had to hammer a nail into the fence.

On the first day, the boy hammered 37 nails into that fence.

The boy gradually began to control his temper over the next few weeks, and the number of nails he was hammering into the fence slowly decreased. He discovered it was easier to control his temper than to hammer those nails into the fence.

Finally, the day came when the boy didn't lose his temper at all. He told his father the news and the father suggested that the boy should now pull out a nail every day he kept his temper under control. The days passed and the young boy was finally able to tell his father that all the nails were gone. The father took his son by the hand and led him to the fence.

"You have done well, my son, but look at the holes in the fence. The fence will never be the same. When you say things in anger, they leave a scar just like this one. You can put a knife in a man and draw it out. It won't matter how many times you say I'm sorry, the wound is still there."

**Moral of the story:**

Control your anger, and don't say things to people in the heat of the moment, that you may later regret. Some things in life, you are unable to take back.

**Mr. Cronje**

## Important dates

Term 3	20 July – 22 September (Teachers 23/09)
Term 4	12 October – 08 December (Teachers 15/12)
<b>22 September</b>	<b>High School finish at 11:30.</b>
24 September	Heritage Day/Braai day
12 October	First day of Term 4.
20 October	Gr 12 Valedictory and also the last school, day for Grade 12 learners.
22 October	Founders Day celebration.
25 October	Gr 9 Subject choice meeting 18:30.

## Examination dates

Test series for Gr 7 – 11	06 Sep – 21 Sep
Gr 12 Prelims	06 Sep – 21 Sep
Gr 12 Finals	13 Oct      Final LO paper
	19 Oct      Final CAT Practical
Matric NSC exams	27 Oct – 1 December

## 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. Please note the deadline for entries is 14 October 2021.

## **Important Information**

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**

With the holidays coming up it is important to note that Covid is still very much a part of our everyday lives. We are still required to wear masks in public and observe social distancing in public places. Please adhere to these requirements in order to protect yourself and your families from contracting the virus. If you are old enough to receive the vaccination, then please do so. This will help to protect you and your family from the results of the virus and also will help you to not disrupt the rest of the academic year.

If you are going away for the school holidays, then please be safe on the roads and have a well-deserved rest! We look forward to a productive and successful final term when we return.

## **School Schedule:**

Monday	20 September	Day 1	07h55 – 15h15
Tuesday	21 September	Day 2	07h55 – 15h15
Wednesday	22 September	Day 3	07h55 – 11h30

Have a lovely weekend!  
High School Staff