



Riverside College

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Dear Parents,

Our Primary school learners have worked hard this term and we are so proud of all of them. Even in these difficult times they still manage to amaze me, with their positive attitudes and never give up mentality. I hope to see the same dedication and motivation next term.

Enjoy your holiday, you all deserve every fun filled minute of it. And remember- "Your biggest commitment must always be to yourself (Bridgett Devoue). So, take care of yourself this holiday and stay safe.

Teacher Nicola

Grade 00 News

Our theme last week was South Africa, it was wonderful to see how much the Gr00 enjoyed this theme. We made some delicious crackers with cheese, tomato and cucumber and arranged them into faces. The creativity of Gr 00 never stops. We also made grass skirts out of newspaper and string, the Gr00 enjoyed dancing to my enthusiastic drum solo with the grass skirts.



Important Dates

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

29 September

Reports sent out

12 October

First day of Term 4

20 October

Individual School Photos (Summer Uniform)

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.

Parents visiting their children at break

It has been noticed that parents are stopping to visit their children and chat next to the field. We request that you refrain from doing this as it creates difficulty for the teacher on duty and creates a scene for the other children. As teachers, we do not know who all the parents are, and you might be greeted in an unfriendly fashion.

Extra-murals, sport, extra lessons

Will commence in the second week of Term 4, from Monday 18 October. This is for Gr00-Gr6, a timetable will be issued next term.

We are very excited to add Robotics and Coding by Booster Kids into our Thursday programme. A demonstration lesson will be presented in the first week back so that children can see what they will learn. These lessons will be presented in 3 classes and takes place once a week.

Gr00-Gr R: only 15 learners

Gr 1-2: only 20 learners

Gr 3-6: only 20 learners

Contact 'Booster Kids' directly to book your child's place. A link will be attached to the newsletter (on email).

Summer Uniform

As from Term 4 all learners to wear summer uniform.

Parent Meetings

Will take place on Thursday 14 October from 15h00-18h00. If you would like to see your child's teacher, please notify them via email.

Absentees

If your child is going to be absent, please email the class teacher and the office staff info@riversidecollege.co.za, office@riversidecollege.co.za in order to keep our records up to date. A reminder to send doctor's notes in as soon as possible.

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.

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. To celebrate the holidays the High School teachers have created a Tik Tok video which will be posted on Facebook today. 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.

Stars of the Week

Grade 00/000	Bashir Alexander
Grade R	Xkylar Pillay
Grade 1	Esosa Edokpolor
Grade 2	Abigail Nash
Grade 3	Nouria Kalwiba



Happy Birthday!

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



Gr 1	Skylar Mahwehwe	21 September
Gr 4	Maison Viljoen	21 September
Gr 4	Anotida Munakandafa	23 September
Gr 3	Mikayla Awaseb	27 September
Gr 4	Nikhil Govender	01 October
Gr 5	Tenika Ramalu	01 October
Gr 1	Kenzi Van Louw	10 October

Message from our principal Mr. D Swart

Thank you all for another successful academic term! We know that it has been a very challenging year this far, but we trust that the school holiday will bring us all the much-needed rest and relaxation that we need.

Please remember to stay safe and wear your mask in public places and if you have not gone for your vaccination as yet please consider doing it during this break. We are all desperate to return to some form of normality, but for as long as we are being held ransom by this pandemic things are going to stay as they are, unless we do the right thing and protect ourselves and our loved ones by vaccinating.

Thank you to all our learners for their hard work and their results. Please allow for your child to relax and forget about school for a little while so that they can be recharged and fresh for the new term. Well done to each and every one of you who showed up every day and did the best you could, we are proud of you!

Have a wonderful holiday!

Keep safe

Primary School Staff