



Riverside College

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Dear Parents,

“Whatever the mind of a man can conceive and believe, it can achieve.” – Napoleon Hill

As a parent, no one knows your child and their potential, better than you do! The better you know and understand your child, the more you can help them achieve their greatest potential.

It is important to always encourage children to dream big and help them along their journey in achieving these big dreams. The quote above, is a beautiful reminder that everyone has the ability to achieve amazing things, if we put our minds to it!

Miss Dos Reis

News from the Grade 3 Class

The Grade 3s have been very busy learning all about Natural Disasters in Life Skills. We have learnt about the different types of natural disasters that can occur and how to stay safe during a natural disaster. The Grade 3s quickly learnt how fortunate we are to be living in a country where we are mostly safe from such disasters. The Grade 3s even created their own *Nature Picture Frames* using different items from nature to showcase just how beautiful nature can be before any storm.

Important Dates

Term 4	12 October – 08 December (Teachers 15/12)
12 November	Funky Friday
20 November	Interhouse Athletics
23 November	Prize Giving
Term 1 Start 2022	17 January (Teachers 13/01)

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. Please ensure that the correct P.E uniform is worn to school. Many children are wearing secret socks, which is not part of the uniform.
6. The weather is starting to get hotter, please ensure your child wears their Riverside College cap and brings an extra bottle of water, especially on the days they do sports and P.E. Please ensure that your child's water bottle does not break and has a screw lid. We are experiencing issues with the bottles breaking and leaking in the classroom.
7. Thank you for your patience in connection with the new extra mural, Booster Kids. The response was extraordinary.
8. **Extra Murals** for all children Gr 00 – Gr 6 will end on Thursday 11 November. That includes, Sport, Cultural and Extra Lessons.

Library

The learners will be returning to the Library from next week. This is the **last** opportunity for the learners to take out books.

Gr 4 & 5 09/11

Gr 6 10/11

Summer Uniform

A reminder that all learners must wear their full summer uniform from now on. The shirt must be an open collar and not have a top button. Boys must wear long grey socks that must be folded at the knee. Parents, please ensure that if your daughter is wearing a skirt it should fit correctly and it should not be shorter than 2cm above the knee.

Carols by Candlelight

On the evenings of the 13th to the 15th of December we will be hosting an Angelic Carols by Candlelight event at Riverside College. Please be so kind as to donate all empty 2L plastic bottles that we would like to use as holders for our candles. We hope that you are all as excited as we are to make this festive event an experience to remember. This event is for the parents, teachers and learners of not only Riverside College but also our community. Please spread the word and invite all your friends and family members to join us and add their voices to our choir.

Santa's Shoebox

After all the anxiety, anguish and pain experienced by so many during the pandemic, we would like to change the narrative and bring some love and joy to the less fortunate children at the Durbanville Children's Home this Christmas, with our very own Santa's Shoebox campaign. We are asking parents who are able and willing, to help us spread a little Christmas magic with a shoebox of goodies for these children. We have girls and boys of all ages in the home and it would be an amazing experience to share our hearts and our magic with them. It would give us the greatest pleasure to help spread the love and make a child's dream of having something small to look forward to this Christmas come true. It is not the size or the cost of things that count or matter to those that cannot provide for themselves, but rather the fact that someone else took the time and made the effort for them that warms the heart and soul of the receiver, especially when it comes to children.

Prize Giving

We will be hosting the annual Prize Giving on the 23rd of November 2021 on the field across from the school. Invitations will follow soon. We hope to see you all there.

The times for each phase will be as follows:

Foundation Phase: 8am – 10am

Intermediate Phase: 11am – 1pm

Funky Friday – 12 November

On 12th November we will be having a Funky Friday where all learners should come to school with either a funky hat or crazy pair of socks added to their summer uniform. The learners can either choose to wear funky socks or a crazy hat or even BOTH!

Absentees

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

Happy Birthday!

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

Gr 3 Aiden Taylor 6 November



Stars of the Week

Grade 00/000

Ilmeeyat Sampson

Grade 3 Mikayla Awaseb

Grade R

Ethan Weber

Grade 4 Misha Weber

Grade 1

Esosa Edokpolor

Grade 5 Basani Chabalala

Grade 2

Mila Booysen

Grade 6 Luthando Lofani



Message from our principal Mr. D Swart

Please remember that we are entering a very important and stressful period of year end exams. In order for your child to perform optimally, they need to be supported in more than just academics, you need to ensure that they get enough sleep, that they eat well balanced nutritious food and that they have enough time and a peaceful space in which to prepare for their exams/assessments.

They need to know that they can do this! Talk to your child and make sure that they are mentally prepared and ready for the exams. Ask if they need assistance, if they are feeling prepared or if they are anxious, in which case you need to give them the support and encouragement that they need to help them get into a space where they are feeling confident to write their exams.

If you need assistance with this then you need to ask for help and we will do what we can to assist them from our side. The last year has been a stressful one, and our children have had to adapt to so many different situations, but they have done extremely well in doing so and now we need to give them what they need in order to end this year on a high and a positive note.

Keep safe

Primary School Staff

PRESCHOOLERS GR000 - GR R

Planning for the week 2 - 5 November

Theme for the week:

Water 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:

Letter: X - Z

Number :1 - 20, Counting to 100