



Riverside College

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Dear Parents,

Two young frogs fell into a bucket of milk. Both tried to jump to freedom, but the sides of the bucket were steep, and no foundation was to be had on the surface of the liquid. Seeing little chance of escape, the first frog soon despaired and stopped jumping. After a short while, he sunk to the bottom of the bucket and drowned.

The second frog also saw no likelihood of success, but he never stopped trying. Even though each jump seemed to reach the same inadequate height, he kept on struggling. Eventually, his persistent efforts churned some milk into butter. From the now hardened surface of the milk, he managed to leap out of the bucket.

Success is not easy. In order to be successful in whatever task you set yourself, you need to have perseverance. Perseverance takes a lot of work. The more you persevere, the harder it gets. Good things are never had without the hard work that we put behind them. You reap what you sow.

Keep this lesson in mind over the next two weeks of revision and exams. Those who don't give up and are willing to put in the hard work when the going gets tough are in for a pleasant surprise. You never know what you are capable of until you try, try and try again.

Ms Menton

Grade 5 News

The Grade 5's have had a busy week revising for exams and keeping their minds focused on the last stretch before the end of the year. They have managed to keep their spirits up and their eyes on the prize. I am very proud of how far they have come and will continue to be proud when I see the fruits of their labour at the end of the term. Well done to every single Grade 5 learner for putting in their best efforts this year!

Important Dates

Term 4	12 October – 08 December (Teachers 15/12)
7 December	Textbook Sale (PS & HS)
20 November	Interhouse Athletics
23 November	Prize Giving
3 December	Variety Show - Foundation Phase
4 December	Fun Run
8 December	School finishes at 11:00
13&14 December	Carols by Candlelight
15&16 December	Christmas Market
Term 1 Start 2022	17 January (Teachers 13/01)

Extra Murals

All extra murals from Grade 1 – Grade 6 are finished. Unless otherwise informed by the teacher.

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. Kindly 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.

Library

The children can return books to the school and we will send them all into the library on Friday 3 December.

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 & 14th 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

Thank you for your amazing response to the Santa's Shoebox Drive. You are most welcome to send the boxes in once you are ready, for safekeeping at the school.

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

Examinations and Assessments

The Gr 1-3 Start their assessments on 29 November. Please ensure that your child is at school for all assessments.

The Grade 4-6 have been issued with a new examination timetable. The examinations have been moved forward to commence on 25 November and finish on 3 December.

Early closure of the Primary School

Kindly note that for the remainder of the term the Primary School will close at 13:00 (1pm). Please make the necessary arrangements.

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.

Honourable Mention

We would like to congratulate Anotida Munkandafa in Grade 5 and Cecile Laurette Dongmo in Grade 4 for achieving 55 merits. Well done on your wonderful achievement. Keep up the positive work you do. We are so proud.

Happy Birthday!

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



Gr 2	Teddy Wu	19 November
Gr 2	Lingomso Tonjeni	15 November
Gr 5	Nyiko Khoza	18 November

Stars of the Week

Grade 00/000	Kim Mthethwa	Grade 3 Annie Chen
Grade R	Buhlebenkosi Mofu	Grade 4 Maison Viljoen
Grade 1	Izzudeen Sampson	Grade 5 Amara Arulandu
Grade 2	Ria Ramaya	Grade 6 Mercedes Anthony



Message from our principal Mr. D Swart

It is such a beautiful feeling to experience knowing that you have all responded so openly and willingly to our request for the Santa shoe box drive. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your generosity at a time when everyone is feeling the pinch - financially and emotionally. I truly hope that you know how much joy, hope and love you will be bringing to the hearts of the children who will receive these boxes on a day that is meant to be spent with loved ones and good food.

We have a very busy few weeks coming up and we look forward to sharing all these experiences with you. The Christmas market will bring joy, magic and Christmas cheer to not only our parents but everyone in our neighborhood too. Please come and join us and help us create a Christmas season to remember.

Keep safe
Primary School Staff

We would like to say a big thank you to Catch of the day for donating the prize for our Tik Tok winners.

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