



# Riverside College

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Dear Parents,

With exams coming to an end there is something I want all of us to remember. Not everyone is good at writing exams – some learners might do so well during the assessments during the term, but struggle to do well when it comes to exams due to many reasons. Remember to remind your children to just do their best and that they should not beat themselves up if they get a lower grade than what was wanted.

Always know that a person's ability to do well on exams does not define their intelligence. We are all good at different things and that is what makes all of us so very unique. As Albert Einstein said:

***"Everyone is a genius. But if you judge a fish by its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing that it is stupid."*** - Albert Einstein, 1879-1955

Keep this in mind in these times and do not be too hard on yourself!

**Ms. Van den Ber**

## **Grade 5 News:**

These past few weeks of the second term have been a big step into what it really is like being in Grade 5, it has been fast paced and our days have been crammed with learning! The Grade Fives have shown so much perseverance and determination during the term.

I am sure all their hard work will pay off during the exams they have been writing and that they will be able to enjoy the fruits of their hard work and enjoy a wonderful chilly June/July holiday. They keep on making me prouder by the day. Let us keep up the hard work for the final few days of the term grade fives, you can do it!

♥ I'm so proud of you! ♥



## **Stars of the Week:**

Grade 000/R	Emma Bergstedt
Grade 1	Lefika Mei
Grade 2	Chelsea Arenz

Grade 4	No star of the week.
Grade 5	Angella Tshabalal
Grade 6	No star of the week.



**Happy Birthday!**

Happy birthday to the following learner!

**Annie Chen, 14 June (Grade 5)****Other news:****Special message:**

Don't forget to celebrate Father's Day on Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup> of June. Please accept our thanks and our appreciation for ALL who stand in those shoes every day, ready to stand up and be the example, make the sacrifices needed to help protect, shape and guide the many children that we deal with every single day, regardless of whether we are parents, teachers, spiritual caregivers or just ordinary people who are helping to shape and guide the future moms, dads, leaders and societies, people who will look back one day with gratitude in their hearts and then move forward to make an even greater difference because of the efforts we are putting in today! Dads do make a difference, lets show them some love!

**Winter accessories:**

We understand that keeping warm is important during the winter months. However, we ask that you please keep in mind our school colours when choosing winter accessories. To ensure that our learners maintain a uniform appearance, the following items are permitted:

- White or maroon scarves. (Black is not a part of our school colours.)
- No beanies.

Also, kindly keep to white or flesh toned undergarments and not coloured T-shirts. As well as socks – any other colour sock must be worn underneath the grey socks and must not stick out in any way.

We do understand that it is cold, but please adhere to the school rules regarding our uniform.

**Grade 12 Fundraising Events:**

The Grade 12 class of 2023 has put together a list of fundraisers they would like to host for their matric farewell. The cost is R20 per event.

- 21<sup>st</sup> of July PJ Day.
- 1<sup>st</sup> of Sept Rainbow Day for Spring Day.

**Absentees Notice:**

Flu season is upon us, and absenteeism is expected. As a friendly reminder, please notify the office by sending an e-mail to both [Info@riversidecollege.co.za](mailto:Info@riversidecollege.co.za) and [hello@riversidecollege.co.za](mailto:hello@riversidecollege.co.za) if your child will be absent from school. This will help us to ensure that your child's absence is recorded and that they do not fall behind in their schoolwork.

**UPCOMING PARENT WEBINARS**

Mr. Swart is hosting a number of parenting webinars over the next few weeks. During NALA parent feedback sessions many parents wanted guidance on a range of parenting struggles and it is with this in mind that Mr. Swart is inviting the parents of Riverside College to book their spots. We will shortly release the new dates for all the webinars that will be taking place in the near future.

**PRESCHOOLERS GR000 – GR R**

Planning for the week: 19 June – 21 June

**THEME FOR THE WEEK:**

Revision of terms themes

**PLEASE SEND THE****FOLLOWING:**

- Message Books daily

**WHAT WE WILL LEARN THIS****WEEK:**

Letter: Revision A – N

Number: Revision 1 – 12

## **Legacy Project and plaque:**



## **Principal's message:**

On June 16, South Africa will be celebrating Youth Day. We pay tribute, not only to the events of June 16, 1976, but also to the important role that the youth play in building a new democratic South Africa now and in the future. It is time to remind our youth that this day and the days that lie ahead are not simply there for them as individuals, but rather to remind them as the collective about the important role that they will be playing in the future. They are busy shaping the future and they are needing the guidance, the knowledge and the wisdom from all who walk before them to help them achieve the dream of a fair, safe and rewarding future. Please don't stop setting a healthy and well-balanced example to your children now, this is only the beginning.

## **Top 5 facts about Youth Day in South Africa**

1. ANC supporters at first called it Soweto Day, but the government changed it to Youth Day during Nelson Mandela's regime.
2. Nelson Mandela declared Youth Day an official public holiday in 1994.
3. Hector Pieterse, the schoolboy that the police killed in the Soweto Uprising protests that day symbolises the consequences of oppression around the world. The Hector Pieterse Memorial Museum is in Orlando West, Soweto.
4. Mzansi's states used to celebrate Youth Day on different days. The government made the 16<sup>th</sup> of June the official Youth Day date, and the UN made the 12<sup>th</sup> of August the International Youth Day.
5. June 2022 is the Soweto Uprisings' 46th anniversary since the incident happened. The National Youth Development Agency (NYDA) annually acknowledges the day through its Youth Action for Economic Freedom in Our Lifetime programme.

We need to appreciate Youth Day in South Africa by embracing the sacrifice of those who died for this country. To build a non-racial society and support young adults because South Africa needs these changes to grow.

At Riverside College, we are going to celebrate this Youth Day by writing a message to our older self, which we will then put into a time capsule box and bury on the school grounds until a future date when it will be dug up and the contents thereof revealed.

**2023 Term Dates:**

**Term 2**

**Start Date:** Learners – 12 Apr  
26 April - 1 May school mid term

**End Date:** Learners – 21 Jun

**Term 3:**

**Start Date:** Learners – 19 July

10, 11 Aug mid term


**End Date:** Learners – 29

end of the term, and it is vital school until the last day. The 6 and 7–11 will go on various Tuesday. The excursions are part of our expanded

The first-time capsule box was buried in June 2016, by our then primary school learners - many of them still with us today in Grades 11 and 12 - and they are currently digging up that original time capsule box. This is going to be an amazing “blast from the past” moment for those who were part of the original experience. It is going to be very interesting to see how they have changed over the past few years and how they feel about the things they buried on that day. No different to life



– what we put in today is what we are going to see in the future!

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19	21 June – Term 2 End: PS Students	on
20	@11:00	
19	July – Primary school parent meetings	

We are reaching the for all learners to be at learners in grades 4 – excursions on compulsory as they curriculum.