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Newsletter



So sporting of you!

Teacher Kathy and Coach Debbie would like to extend their sincere thanks to all the sports parents who sponsored cake sale goodies for last week's cake sale. The coaches raised over R3500 which is an amazing boost to their sports supplies. Thank you for your enthusiasm.

2018 Diaries...



We have been approached by a company called "Red Apple Publishers" who are custom making free of charge 2018 diaries for our senior primary pupils. These diaries are compulsory for all our seniors and will be highly visible at school and at home.

If you would like the privilege of advertising your company in the diary, Red Apple would love to include your full-page coloured advertisement on any page of your choice. They only require payment for your ad once the diaries are printed, so there is no risk factor involved. You may have the option of advertising exclusively in the Solid Foundations diary or in diaries with a far

greater school coverage (up to 150 000 pupils). Advertising in the Solid Foundations diary for a full year will cost R3300 once off.

If you are interested in this exclusive advertising offer, please either let the office know, or contact Red Apple directly admin@redapplepublishers.com.



Have you seen my daddy's muscles...

Have you seen my daddy's muscles?
They're bigger than a bus
I bet you he can pick up
A couch with both of us!



Have you seen my daddy's cell phone?
It's got Apps and slides and pings
It takes the coolest selfies
And can shake whenever it rings!



Have you seen my daddy's motor car?
It's the fastest by the way
It can beat your daddy's motor car
In races any day!



But have you seen my daddy's heart?
It's his bestest part you see
Because my daddy's heart gets ENORMOUS
Whenever he thinks of me!

Next week Sunday is Father's Day! We would like to invite all our daddies for an early cup of coffee in the hall (7h00 onwards) NEXT WEEK THURSDAY as Friday is a public holiday.



12 day senior primary exam count-down...

Remember to create a relaxed and organised atmosphere in your homes so that your children can develop healthy study habits for their exams. Talk through their envisioned study timetable, and offer them advice e.g. study the tougher/ least-liked subjects first before tackling the more enjoyable subjects, or study for 30 minutes and have a 5 minute break.

Nothing is quite as soothing as having a parent who cares enough to plan and plans enough to care!

Friday fun...

"Hammer and nails day" was a smashing success last week Friday (excuse the pun). Our Mickey Mouse pupils really enjoyed pounding into their projects thanks to your cooperation in supplying hammers (pic's will be up on the web today). We do have a wheel spanner and a sledge hammer in lost property (both were brought by confused budding mechanics and left behind). This week Friday "Enter Active Productions" are coming to put on their show for our Mickey Mouse pupils. We look forward to this great weekend starter.



Grade R and 1 testing...



Next week is "school readiness testing" week. All our Grade RR and R pupils will be subject to a test to determine their readiness for the next grade. Please note that we will contact you if we need to discuss the test results. All "non-contacted parents" can assume that their child has passed and is ready to progress at the end of this year. Although it may seem strange that we are school-readiness testing in June, we administer this test EVERY year at this time. The test results are based on the child's performance in June (we are not testing to see if they have already reached "December" milestones, but rather to see if they coping with the expectations we have of them currently). We would also gently remind you that it is our school policy not to accept children in the next grade if we do not deem them "school ready" after this test (see school website "policies/ assessment policy/ point 10). Although this may be contrary to the policies

of other schools, all of our families have signed acceptance of these publically available policies in their enrolment contract.

Areas that we test for are : logical reasoning, spatial awareness and copying of patterns and mathematics skills. You cannot prepare your child for the test, other than good night rests and a happy, calm home environment.

Spare "animals cards" ☺...

We do sigh and smile each time Checkers or Pick 'n Pay launches a new child-directed advertising campaign. Instead of fighting against the "animal card craze", some of our teachers have embraced it and even go as far as "swapping out" cards at the beginning of class to try and help our little people complete their collections. As the animal card promotion is drawing to a close, feel free to donate any spare animal cards you have and we will try to assist any little person who needs to complete their collection.



Magic shoes...

One of our Grade 1 pupils has swapped his size 13 shoes for size 12 shoes. Please check to see if your little one is wearing loose fitting shoes? Thanks.



Mickey Mouse book-bags...

Don't forget to return your bookbag tomorrow. Please give us your feedback by clicking on the bottom link. Remember that if you do NOT report broken or torn books, we will hold your family accountable for the damage!



<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1a0BdiF2bl2M3rqKzBb7IHQ3b3R4v46zO9jAXRStYbmA/viewform>

Prayerfully and playfully
The teachers



Classifieds...

- We're still looking for a granny flat or garden cottage nearby the school to rent? Please contact the office 011-976-5300.



Do you live in a townhouse complex and have a dedicated parking space?

Did you know? The allocation of parking spaces can be determined by the body corporate, depending on the type of ownership of that section. The responsibility of the upkeep of the parking space is yours. If there is maintenance required on the parking space, the body corporate may request you to conduct this maintenance. This information was brought to you by **LEPPAN NELMES ATTORNEYS** – your friendly neighbourhood lawyer.

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