

# Newsletter

11 October 2017

Welcome back. This term is a hop, skip and jump and we're at the end of the year. Even so, it's a term filled with important dates and exciting events!



## Young Entrepreneurs Day...

The long awaited Young Entrepreneurs Day is finally around the corner. As mentioned, the date is the 28<sup>th</sup> of October and the time is from 10h00 until 13h00.

We encourage EVERY child - from Grade RRR to 7 - to have a stall/activity on the day to experience the owning of a "business", the planning, setup and running of this enterprise and of course...enjoying the profits! Here are a few points to make the day successful:

1. Choose an activity that is fun for your child. (Experience has taught us that ACTIVITIES e.g. throwing water balloons, make a LOT MORE profit than selling toys or food). Some ideas that have been successful in the past include: beauty salons, busking, face-painting, tombola, "fishing" and crafts.
2. Book your stall by contacting the office with your stall idea (email or phone). The cost of a stall that uses electricity is R50 and 10% of the profits made, but stalls that don't use electricity only have to pay 10% of the profits made on the day. As a school, we do not make much at all on our Entrepreneurs Day, and we really rely on the honesty of our pupils and their parents to pay the 10% to prevent us from running at a loss!
3. We will let you know if your idea is accepted or needs tweaking. We only limit ideas if they are repetitive e.g. too many stalls selling ice-cream, or ideas that are too impractical or unsafe.
4. Come slightly early on the 28<sup>th</sup> to set up your stall (9h00 is perfect). We will supply school desks and chairs, but you need to bring any cash floats, umbrellas, posters or gazebos. If a school desk is too small, you might need to bring your own camping table and chair along.

This day is an extremely memorable highlight for our pupils. It's your opportunity to get involved in a tangible way as a parent in this fun, family project! Start inviting your friends and family to this day of young talent and original ideas!

## Ark's coming in two-by-two...

A reminder that the ARK project is drawing to a close NEXT WEEK. Please can we have all our little ARKS sailing back to school so that we can present them to the pupils of Apricot Tree School who will be visiting us on Thursday! We are really looking forward to their visit and we know that they will touch our lives just as we are sowing into theirs. (Any additional donations are welcome!)



### Parent's Meeting...

Don't forget our Parent's Meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> of October at 8h00 for our 2018 preschool parents and at 9h00 for our new 2018 Grade 1 parents. The meetings focus on the daily life of your child at our school and what you can expect as a parent. It is also an opportunity to meet your child's new teacher. The preschool meeting is not compulsory for parents who are very familiar with the school's operation (unless you would simply like to meet your child's teacher for 2018), but the Grade 1 meeting is compulsory for all our new Grade 1 parents. Please send a representative if you are unable to attend.



### Out with the old and in with the new...

Our Grade RRR and RR pupils have moved classes to the new preschool centre this week. The excitement levels are extremely high and the teachers are finding their feet as they settle into their new nests. Please feel free to pop in at any time to view the classes. We are busy with the finishing touches on the outside, but the classes and bathrooms on the inside are beautiful and up and running. With the move, Teacher Kathy and Teacher Estelle's "old classes" have been given to Mrs Babcock and Mr Swiegers. This has created less classroom sharing between teachers in our senior primary phase and a quieter and more spacious environment for all our pupils.



### Congratulations...



Well done Miss Mamapa (our receptionist) who has completed her Honours degree in Political Science. We are proud of you and excited that you are now launching into your post-grad certificate in education!

### Healthy bodies, healthy minds...

We would like to introduce a blanket "healthy food" policy at school. It is undeniable that children who are fed the correct food can concentrate better and have more energy for school work and play. Please note that the following items are not permitted for lunch at school (Monday - Thursday):

- Chips/ crisps
- Fizzy cooldrinks
- Sweets
- Chocolates
- Cake
- Cookies

If you want to spoil your child with a special snack, we would recommend the following healthier alternatives:

- Muffins
- Biltong
- Cereal bars
- Dried fruit or nuts



The teachers have been instructed to confiscate unhealthy food (which will be returned to your child on Fridays).

We do make an exception to this "healthy food only" policy on Fridays and cake sale days, which gives your child ample opportunity to relish in sweetness and satisfy their junk food cravings.

Please see this policy as our attempt to help your child be the healthiest and brightest they can be!

Prayerfully and playfully

The teachers

### Classifieds...

#### **3 Jack Russel Puppies for sale**

Jack Russel Puppies for sale. R300 each. There are three male puppies to choose from. All of them are brown and white. They can be taken immediately. They were born at the beginning of August 2017. Contact Marcel: 084 855 7535



#### **Work wanted**

Nthatisi Lekona is looking for a domestic work post full time. Sleep in or out. She is 30 years old. Contact number: 084-363-0164 or 076-491-2841



**Did you know?** Domestic violence can be more than just physical abuse. Emotional, verbal, psychological and economic abuse are all part of the domestic violence spectrum. Report such abuse to the Police Station and ask for a Protection Order to end the domestic violence.

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