

Newsletter

25 October 2017

Market Day Madness this Saturday...

It's the final countdown to our Young Entrepreneurs Market Day. Has your child picked an idea yet? If you are still head-scratching, the following is a list of some stalls that have already been booked:

Tupperware, boerewors rolls, ribbon bracelets, roti rolls, books and popcorn, chicken biriyani, fishing, water balloons, ice-cream cones, samoosas, toss the beanbag, smores, throwing wet sponges, candy floss, icies, nail painting, slush puppies, popping balloons for prizes, ginger beer, mulberries and lemonade, shuffle board, archery, "ball-sitting", busking, salt dough, sand art, face-painting, cool drink, drawing, water gun shooting, paper snowflakes, massage and pedicure, rockets in a bowl, shoe polishing, handbags, cell phone pouch and key holders, potato and spoon race, raffle, balancing coins on an apple, masks and "tattoos", coloured popcorn, "consult the child genius", jumping castle, cell phone covers, coloured hair-spray and car wash.

We are aware that the weather prediction is looking a little glum for the day, but we want to continue with our plans regardless, as we will move into the classrooms and hall as much as possible if it rains. If it is inclement, we would encourage you to still pop in and buy lunch regardless of the weather!



This is our young stall-owners' check-list for Saturday morning:

- Umbrella/ gazebo/ sunhat (optimism at its best!)
- Poster advertising what you're doing or selling
- Long extension cable (if you need electricity)
- Float (money box with change)

The school supplies school desks and school chairs for stalls. If you need a bigger table, you will need to provide your own. Stalls can be set up anywhere on the school playgrounds. (Please return the desks to the classroom you found them in at the end of the day).

Stall owners usually set up between 9h00 and 10h00 and the **Market Day usually begins at 10h00 and continues until 13h00.**

A gentle reminder that drinking and smoking are not permitted on the school premises.

We're looking forward to seeing you all on Saturday. Bring your friends and family members along for some wholesome and cute family fun!

P.S. A parent asked to do a "cookie/ cupcake decorating stall" and Mrs Helmbold declined as there was another person who had already booked this. The first person has cancelled. If you would like to still do the decorating stall, please remind Mrs Helmbold who you are!

Cake sales...

Teacher Kathy's class is hosting a cake sale tomorrow, and all our Mickey Mouse pupils can bring their change for a yummy break. Grade 4M are scheduled to host next week Thursday.



ARK feedback...



It was one of the most touching assemblies our school has ever witnessed when we had the Apricot Tree pupils join us for the handing-over of your ARKS last week Thursday. There was a tangible spirit of kindness, acceptance and grace amongst all our pupils. Apricot Tree will let us know how much was raised when they finally count all of your coins! Thank you for your blessing. It was so beautiful.

Stationery and Outings budget for 2018...

A reminder that we have released the Outings and Stationery costs for 2018.

If you would like those figures again, please look at our website and under the "fees" tab are all the amounts you need. You are welcome to pay in installments, but the final payment is due on the 1st of February 2018.

The senior primary pupils provide their own stationery, but we would like to make you aware that every pupil from Grade 5 - 7 needs their own homework diary and basic calculator. (These would be ideal Christmas gifts!)



Feedback please...



We are considering "Maraneman on the Vaal" as a possible senior primary campsite destination for 2018. Their rates are R430 per night. If we stick to a three night camp (like this year), we are looking at a total of R1290 per pupil. This price excludes the bus fee to transport our kiddies which would cost in the region of about R200 per pupil. Rounded off, the camp would cost about R1490. If, however, we make it a two night camp, we can bring down the price to approximately R1070. Please could you give us an indication of whether you would prefer a three night camp or a two night camp. We will base our decision on the majority feedback we get from you as parents.



Storks on a mission...

Congratulations to the Drayton family on the birth of precious Owen (11th October, weight 3,5kg), and the Mathebula family on the birth of beautiful Andzani (19th October, weight 2,7kg)! How exciting that precious siblings are being born and our families are growing. All the best with your new bundles of fun!

Soccer match...

Our junior soccer boys are invited to play a match this week Friday at Sunward Park Sports Grounds at 18h00. Please RSVP to Devin (071-470-6855) or Teacher Kathy (071-919-5921) if your child is able to attend.



Fabulous Fridays...

Our preschoolers had a wonderful Shadow Show on Friday. The teachers put on "Goldilocks and the Three Bears". This week Friday they'll be treated to a puppet show by "Puppetales" and next week Friday, "Antoinette's Marionettes" will join us.





Mickey Mouse book-bags...

Don't forget to return your bookbag tomorrow (Thursday). Please give us feedback by clicking on this link...



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

Teacher swap out...

Keeping you up to speed with some of the staff changes this year and next...

Teacher Kathryn joined us as a music teacher this term. She is incredibly talented and fun-loving and has fitted in so beautifully with our staff and pupils.

Next year, Teacher Cecilia will be doing support therapy at our school, and we welcome a new teacher for our Grade RRR class - namely Teacher Kerry-Ann. We're also in for a big swap with Teacher Freya (Miss Finbow) moving to Grade 4 and Mrs Muller (Teacher Candice) moving to Grade R! Both teachers are very excited about the change. Miss Mamapa will continue teaching Zulu for Grade 1 - 4 and Grade 7. Mrs Van Dijk will be handling Grade 5 and 6 Zulu. Miss Mamapa is also teaching Grade 7 EMS in 2018.

Mrs Wilkins and Mr Swiegers are splitting Grade 6 English. Grade 6M are taught by Mr Swiegers and Grade 6W are taught by Mrs Wilkins. Both classes will be following the same syllabus though. Mr Swiegers is still teaching history.

We have a Parents' Meeting on the second Saturday of the new school year, and you can personally meet the new staff and hopefully catch a glimpse of the magic and passion that we see, behind their "teacher faces"!



Congratulations to our spelling heroes...

The spelling bee was a smashing success and we would definitely like to repeat the exercise in 2018. Thank you to Mrs Babcock and Miss Erwee for co-ordinating the competition.

The winners of the 2017 bee:

Grade 1 - Tshepang Khaha

Grade 2 - Ndivhuwo Rembuluwani

Grade 3 - Zintle Mtsweni

Grade 4 - Buhle Mhlongo

Grade 5 - Shauna Joshua

Grade 6 - Setshego Mangokoane

Grade 7 - Lehlohonolo Nale and Rebecca Wasilwa



Classifieds...



Does someone owe you money?

DID YOU KNOW? There is an alternative to approaching a lawyer if the amount is below R15 000.00. Individuals may institute a claim in the small claims court at their nearest Magistrates' Court. The claim can be instituted against another individual or against a company. The services offered by the small claims court are free of charge.

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"I find if you rub sausage on your homework you greatly increase the odds of a dog eating it."

Prayerfully and playfully
The teachers