

Newsletter

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Power of the pen...

We have been approached Mr Paul Allen, by a concerned resident in Birch Acres who would like to legally close the shebeen in the little shopping complex on Maraboe Street. He has approached our ward councillor and he is now petitioning to gain momentum for his cause. As a school, we naturally support him.

Your child has been given a petition form in their suitcase today. If you agree with Mr Allen's vision, please collect as many signatures as possible and return the petition form to school BY FRIDAY (20^{th} April).





Watching our winter wardrobes...

Winter came quite early this year and we have noticed a general scramble for tracksuits and warmer clothing. Please remember that if your child wears a white "button up" school shirt, a bow-tie or button ribbon is required. Button up shirts may not be worn as open necked shirts. Maroon neck ties may be worn by senior primary pupils but are unfortunately only available from Boundary Silk Bazaar. Please take the time to label your child's clothing - especially the tracksuits. We are also noticing that some of our After Care pupils are cold when they get changed into civvies in the afternoons. Please start sending extra jerseys, jackets and warm socks.

Bright eyes...

A vigilant mom at the school reminded us that "Spec Savers" offers eye tests for kids up to the age of 12, for free. Even certain frames are provided free of charge.

If you are concerned about your child's eye sight, please check out their website and make a booking. Something so small and easy can really make a huge difference in your child's life!

www.specsavers.co.za/offer/kids-right-to-good-sight-2



What's in a name?...



The "nametags experiment" we've conducted this year has been moderately successful to date. We have thoroughly enjoyed hearing children addressed by their names all around the school property and have reaped the benefits of the personal touch the tags have created. Unfortunately, as to be expected with little ones, the tags sometimes get bumped off clothing while "playing rough" on the playgrounds.

With this in mind, we will not penalise pupils for NOT wearing

their nametags. We have, however, had a few parents asking if they can personally replace the missing nametags because they see the benefits of the concept.

The cost for individually ordered nametags is R60.

You are welcome to order through the office, but bear in mind, this is completely optional.

Mystery payment...

Don't forget to use your child's name and surname as a reference with all payments. We had a mystery payment made on the 11^{th} of April for R2500 and the reference was simply "Mpho". Is this yours?



Little people going on a big camp out...



Mickey Mouse pupils are having their "building tents" day this week Friday. We can't wait! Remember your check-list:

- An old sheet or old curtain (or more than one if you are able).
 Remember it will get dirty.
- A dozen pegs preferably old ones
- An old broom or mop (we need to use the wooden poles)
 Please label all items if you would like them to be returned after all the "camping" fun.

Netball and soccer reminder...

Don't forget that the Grade 4 - 7 netball girls are up against Olifantsfontein (19 April) tomorrow Thursday. Parents are welcome to watch!

Our mini-netball girls (Gr 1, 2 & 3) are scheduled for a match at Mooifontein next week Wednesday (25 April). As the soccer boys will be using the school bus, please can we ask mommies to assist us with the transport to Mooifontein next week.

Our soccer boys are playing Edleen today and will be playing Ashbury next week Tuesday (24th April) and Olifantsfontein next week Wednesday (25th of April). As we have a large number of soccer boys, we do rotate players for matches. Soccer teams will be announced at least the day before each match. Practice times will continue as per normal for non-playing boys, even if a match is scheduled for a practice day.





Upcoming cake sales...

Teacher Laura and Mrs Strickler are next up for hosting a cake sale. Their special day will be Friday the 4^{th} of May. Time to start dusting off your gran's recipe books folks!

Mickey Mouse Reading Programme...

Please remember to give us feedback regarding the books. It is an integral part of the programme! https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1a0BdiF2bl2M3rqKzBb7IHQ3b3R4v46zO9jAXRStYbmA/viewform



Prayerfully and playfully

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