Newsletter

6 February 2019

Why Solids is the BEST Foundation...

Every year our school participates in the Conquesta Olympiads. These are a series of examinations set by a private organisation (Conquesta) to gauge the level of a school's performance against other participating schools.

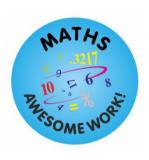


Conquesta has just under 1000 schools participating each year, from South Africa, Namibia, Swaziland and Botswana.

Solid Foundations has been awarded with a certificate for a placement in the Top 20 school selections.

We are so thrilled to announce the following results from the 2018 Conquesta Olympiads:

<u>Subject</u>	Grade	Ranking overall
Mathematics paper 2*	5	1 st place
Mathematics paper 2*	6	3 rd place
Mathematics paper 1*	7	17 th place
Natural Sciences & Tech	5	9 th place
Natural Sciences & Tech	6	8 th place
Natural Sciences	7	3 rd place
Social sciences (Geog and Hist)	5	1 st place
Social sciences (Geog and Hist)	6	4 th place
Social sciences (Geog and Hist)	7	2 nd place
English	7	9 th place



*Mathematics paper 2 is considered the "normal grade" Maths paper, while Mathematics paper 1 is a "higher grade/ advanced" Maths paper. Mrs Schreiber was VERY brave to attempt the higher grade paper with our Grade 7 pupils last year, and we are thrilled with a 17th placement! This year we have enrolled all three of our grades for the "higher grade" mathematics paper to be written in September. We are expecting a drop in our 2019 rankings as a result, but believe in avoiding complacency and stretching our pupils and staff with this new challenge!

Well done Solids!!!

Cake sale...

Grade 5V is hosting a cake sale for Grade 5-7 this week Friday. Please bring along your change (in your neck wallets) to show your support!



Who are you?



Please use your child's name and surname as reference for all payments to the school. We are trying to trace the owners of the following payments:

Paid R5000 on 31 January ref: 081-287-523-2560

Paid R1410 on 2 February ref: "outings and stationery"

Please also use your child's name and surname as a reference for any extra-mural payments to the coaches, companies and teachers. Teacher Kathy is battling with some nameless payments made into her account this month.

Love in the air...

Don't forget to buy your ribbons for Valentine's day this week. Mrs Obbes, Mrs Van or Teacher Estelle are collecting orders and will make their "secret ribbon deliveries" on the 14^{th} . The cost of a ribbon is R2.

Remember that:

Pink =I think you're cute

Blue = You show loyalty

Yellow = You're a great friend

You can also order badges to be delivered, at R5 a badge.

The last day to buy ribbons or badges is next week Tuesday.



Valentine's Day is civvies day at our school - please wear colours of love! All our civvies days are regarded as "mini-fundraisers". Please pay your class teachers R5 to wear civvies on the 14^{th} . All proceeds go to the Grade 7 farewell kitty.

Grade 4 - 7 is "Hooked on Books"...



Remember that "Hooked on Books" are entertaining our senior primary pupils with a literature show tomorrow. Pupils can purchase books presented in the show to read at home. If you would like to treat your child to this special gift, here are the costs:

Title	Author	Price
Boy Underwater	Adam Baron	R 160.00
Iguana Boy Saves the World with a Triple Cheese Pizza	James Bishop	R 160.00
Kat Wolfe Investigates	Lauren St John	R 150.00
Grandma Dangerous and the Dog of Destiny	Kita Mitchell	R 160.00
The Haven	Simon Lelic	R 170.00
I'm Just No Good at Rhyming and Other Nonsense	Chris Harris	R 150.00

Please ensure that all cash is kept in the school wallet around your child's neck for safe-keeping.

The dog ate my homework...

We are taking a radical stance against homework not done at present. Homework is uploaded daily on the D6 App. Please note that the school does have a computer available for pupils who don't have internet access at home for any homework projects. Mr Swiegers will arrange a personal time for each pupil who needs access to the internet on the computer in his classroom. Downloading and printing information is also possible. We charge R2 per black and white A4 print and R5 per coloured A4 print.





A camping we will go...

"Camp Discovery" has come in at R1490 per pupil for our senior primary group. The school doesn't make any profit on this fee. The camp dates are 26 - 29 November. You are welcome to start paying this amount off in increments to buffer the blow in October.

Netball, soccer and cricket news...

Netball and soccer has started this week. Please note that our pupils may only wear their official sports kits or black shorts and white shirts for their practices. Pupils who wear plain "civvies", PT clothes or house shirts will not be permitted to practise.

Kits are a compulsory requirement for all matches.

A reminder about netball times:

Tuesday

Grade 1-3: 13h05 - 13h50 Grade 4-5: 14h00 - 15h00

Thursday

Grade 6-7: 14h15 - 15h15

And soccer times:

Wednesday (at school) and Friday

(bussed to Mooifontein)

Grade 1-3: 13h30 - 14h15

Grade 4-7: 14h30 - 15h30

And cricket times:

Mondays

Grade R - 3: 13h30 - 14h15 Grade 4 - 7: 14h15 - 15h00





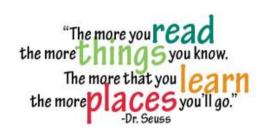
Meaning business with our uniforms...

Please do remember that our school uniform policy is available on our website. Pupils MAY NOT have comb-over hairstyles and shirts that have a top button must be worn with a tie or bow-tie (Grade 1-7). P.T. shoes may not have any coloured heels, or combined black and white branding or colouration. As per our policy, please stick to solid black or solid white colour only. We will be clamping down on incorrect school

and PT dress code. Please check that your child is decked out correctly for school each morning, and is a good ambassador of our smart school.

Preschool reading and vocabulary programme...

Please remember to return your book-bags (including the two laminated cards) tomorrow so we can supply you with new ones on Friday. Remember that you will NOT receive a new bookbag until we have had the previous one returned on THURSDAY. Bags returned on Friday will not be swapped.



Please remember to give us feedback on the condition of the books in your bag. Just click on this link, it'll really only take you 1 minute... https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1a0BdiF2bl2M3rqKzBb7IHQ3b3R4v46z09jAXRStYbmA/viewform



Flamingo SOS...

Miss van Wouw has volunteered to help in an ecological project focussed on relocating a group of 900 flamingo chicks whose habitat has been destroyed. Teacher Michelle is physically feeding these fluffy critters and could really do with your donations of:

- Frozen shrimp or sardines
- Nestum cereal (rice)
- Newspaper
- Containers to hold/ freeze food

We know that this is an unusual shopping list, but it is an unusually amazing project! Donations will be collected on Friday.

Classifieds...

- "StickyTags" will kindly like to offer your good school with products that will be very helpful to children, teachers, and parents. We offer various labels, namely clothing iron on's, shoe labels, pen/pencil/crayons wrap around, tags, tags for lunchboxes/bottles, book tags and small items such as erasers, sharpeners etc.
 You can also check our website on www.stickytags.co.za. Do not hesitate to contact me, Sylvester Katlego Tsatsi, on 0799373507 for any question.
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