

Newsletter

17 April 2019

On the hunt for book-bags...

Our preschool reading programme is such a blessing to us as teachers. Thank you for looking after the books and giving us your feedback.

This is quite unprecedented, but we seem to have lost two book-bags this week (Green 10 and Red 19). Please can you check if your child accidentally brought two home. If they did, one of them belongs to a very concerned little lady or gentleman, so please return it ASAP.

Owing to the short weeks and long weekend, please keep your book-bags for two weeks and <u>only return</u> <u>them next week Thursday</u>. We will not be handing out new book-bags until the 3rd of May. We will also not be



giving out new vocabulary words for next week, so enjoy the homework free break!



<u>Three, two, one, boom! ...</u>

Our senior primary children (Grade 4-7) have been invited to participate in Solid Foundations' first ever "Fun Science Fair" scheduled for the 8th of August.

We are explosively excited about this, and are stirring and mixing our students' imaginations to engage in this volatile fun! The extra incentive is that participation can translate into an extra 3% added on their cycle 3 NST mark, or even 5% if they make an Einsteinian effort. Please remember to return your enrolment form to your NS teacher before the end of the month (13 days' time). No late enrolments will be accepted, so get brainstorming and don't miss this chance.

Netball and soccer news...

Please take note of the following dates for matches this week and next:

17 April (Wednesday)	Netball	Mini-netball (Grade 1-3) matches at Mooifontein
23 April (Tuesday)	Netball	U10, U11, U12, U13 (A teams only) playing
		Maranatha
24 April (Wednesday)	Netball	Mini-netball (Grade 1-3) matches at Mooifontein

24 April (Wednesday)	Soccer	U11 and U13 (teams will be announced on Thursday and posted on the hall door) playing Nobel
25 April (Thursday)	Soccer	U11 and U13 (teams will be announced on Thursday and posted on the hall door) playing Cresslawn

A reminder that children must bring their full kits for all matches and will not be allowed to play if they are not appropriately dressed. All our U12 netball and soccer teams must also remember to return their Norkem Festival forms by tomorrow please.

Results from the matches played to date: Soccer results against Chloorkop U11 lost 5-1 U13 lost 4-0 Netball results against Willow View U10 won 7-4 U12 won 26-1





Save a tree ...

We go through enormous amounts of paper at a school. Please help us to save the environment and send all your used A4 paper our way.

Guard your heart...

One of the most dangerous things a parent can believe is that your child is "safe" on the internet. It has sadly happened several times in our little school that parents find their wonderful pupils on pornography sites. Speaking to principals in other schools confirms that the epidemic is wide spread. At Solids, we are protected by Google security through our school account. This is not necessarily the case at your home or on your child's cell phone. Pornography targets all ages and the young are particularly vulnerable. <u>We would not put this warning in our</u>



<u>newsletter unless we were deeply concerned about this issue</u>. We know that you are saying, "Not MY kid. Not MY home!" Sadly, this is the mantra of every tearful parent who has come to see us when their child has already been deeply exposed to porn or inappropriate language. Please talk to your child. Please check their browsing history and chat groups. Please limit their browsing without your supervision. We really strongly disapprove of large WhatsApp groups (don't allow groups bigger than one or two friends) and permitting unrestricted access to the Internet. Watch out parents - we beg of you as fellow guardians of our young- YOUR CHILD IS AT RISK!

<u>Thank you Tracker…</u>

We would just like to express our thanks to Tracker for their free monthly services for our school bus. You can also download the Tracker App that will pinpoint where the school bus is at any time. For any questions or advice on downloading, please chat with Michael McGregor or Carlo Van Zyl at the Tracker #My Safe Kidz & Schools Initiative



W: 011 051-7460, T: 011 040 1126 ,M: 061 454 5030. With the app, you can check out if the after school sports matches are finished and if the bus is on its way back to Solids.



School times...

After Care costs R800 per month or R80 per afternoon. In the spirit of fairness, if your child is left at school after 14h30 we will charge you for After Care for the afternoon. If your child does an extramural, we will not charge you as long as your child is collected within $\frac{1}{2}$ hr of the extra-mural's finishing time. This is why it is vital that you sign the check-out form at the gate. Some transports are taking liberties and only collecting children after 16h00. Sorry - you will get the bill, even if you weren't directly responsible.

Treating the elderly with kindness...

Don't forget your donation for the Allen park Old Age home. The collection for grocery items is closing by tomorrow, so jump in before you miss the chance to bless the elderly.





CompuIQ forms ...

Every year we are approached by CompIQ who asks us to distribute forms for their products. If we return a certain number of forms (even if you draw a line through it to show your disinterest and sign it), we get a small donation as a school. Please can you return the forms by next week Thursday.

Prayerfully and playfully The teachers <u>admin@solidfoundationsprimary.com</u> 011-976-5300

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