

Newsletter

10 July 2019

Welcome back...

It was a delicious winter break and we're recharged and ready to go. Term 3 is a busy term at our school, so keep reading the newsletters to stay abreast of your little one's world. Senior primary families; we have attached assessment plans for Term 3. They give you an idea of the tests, speeches and projects your child needs to prepare for this term. Please print this out and stick it on your fridge! Although it's never your responsibility to do your child's work, it is your responsibility to help them to plan ahead and use their time and resources wisely. Your training and help in these formative years will help them set a pattern of good work ethic for life.



Solids' Fun Science Fair...

It's less than a month to go and we are so excited about the approach of our first ever senior primary science fair (8 August). We are also chuffed that Raven Motsewabangwe (manager of the National Eskom Science Expo) has agreed to be our judge. The fair will be open to the public in the morning, so

you will get a chance to see all the hard work. Please help your child manage their time in preparing for the fair. They will not manage to complete their work if they only start the week before. With 29 days to go, it is definitely *G-for-GO* time! Remember to assist your child with a box or boards to mount their displays.

Coding classes...

Coding (programming) classes will only begin next week Thursday (18 July). They have extended their class time to two hours every week, instead of the originally planned one hour. Classes will be on Thursdays from 14h30 until 16h30. If you are still interested in enrolling, please contact Marcel at learn@digitank.co.za.



Looking smart...

Mathemba and MS uniforms are visiting our school on Friday morning again (6h30 - 8h00). Please make use of this opportunity to buy bowties, jackets, beanies etc.

We have noticed that a small percentage of our pupils do get creative during winter and their uniforms start looking "less uniform" than they ought. We insist that our pupils do look smart and carry the name of our school with pride in their dress. Please note that not having a bowtie or wearing the incorrect uniform is a demerit-worthy offence. We believe that smart pupils breed an atmosphere of smart thinking.

Testing week...

Our Grade RR and R pupils will be writing their school readiness tests this week. Outsiders are coming in on the 20th to write their admissions tests. If you still have friends or family who have not applied, please tell them not to delay, as it becomes exponentially more difficult to get a spot in our school after this test date.

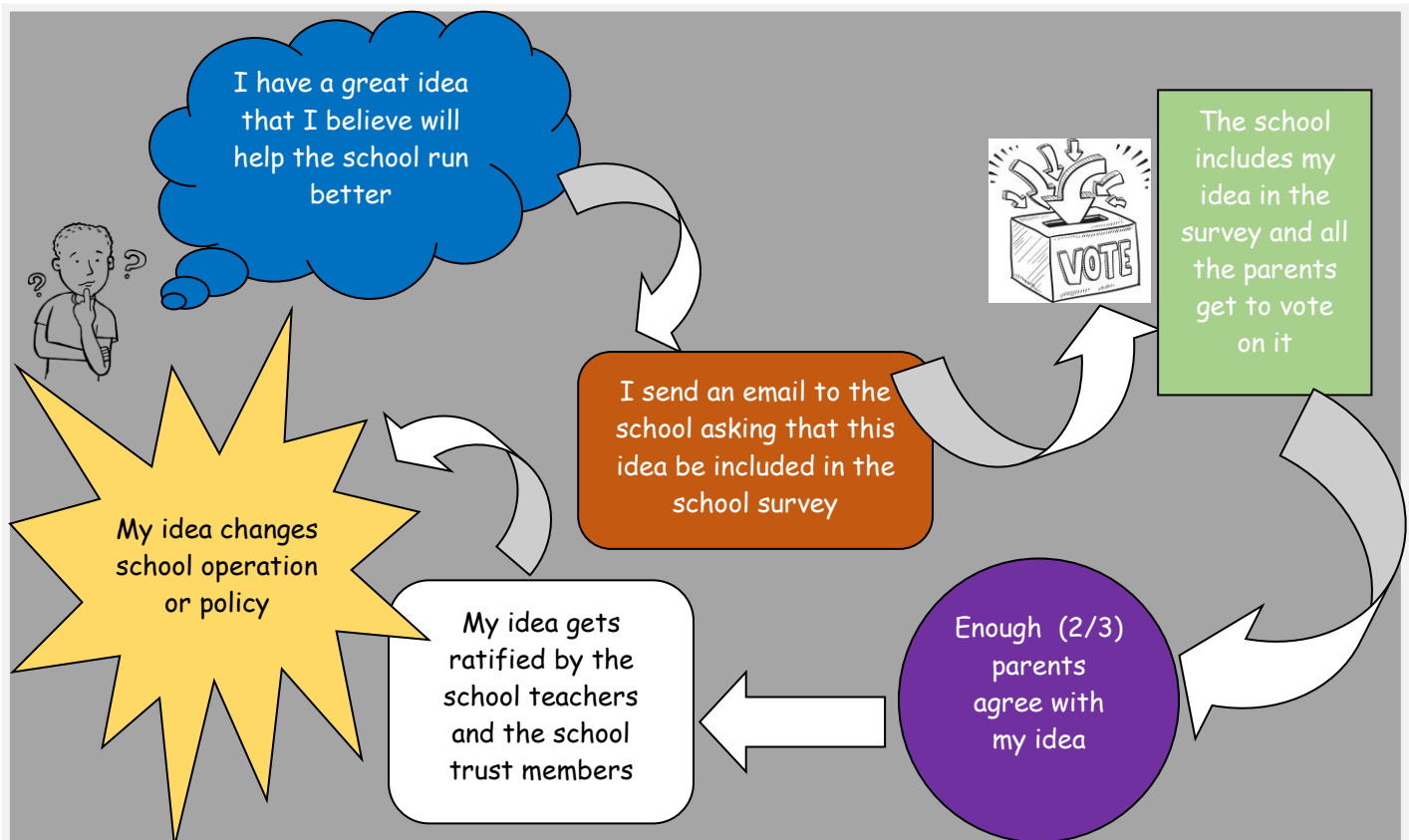


Pre-survey call...

Every year our school conducts a survey in the third term. The information we get from this survey is fed into the next school year's planning and budgeting. We take the survey results very seriously and it is your opportunity to make a huge impact on the management and operation of our school.

In the spirit of democracy, we would like you to present any issues or problems that you would like to be included as discussion points in the survey before we send it out. This includes any suggestions you may have to changing school policies (available on the school website for viewing) or issues that your family has discussed around the dining room table 😊. Please send your ideas to us before next week Tuesday.

Here is an illustration of how YOU can make change happen at Solid Foundations...





Preschool reading and vocabulary programme...

Book-bags and words will go out again on Friday. Remember to give us feedback about the condition of the books...

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

Preschool Friday treat...

The fireman is visiting our school on Friday. This is a thrilling show that is sure to leave our pre-schoolers fascinated and fire-safe.



Netball and cricket news...

Our under 10 and 11 girls played St Columbas yesterday.

The results were:

U10A won 11-8

U11A won 13-5

U11B lost 15-7



Please remember that the Grade 6 and 7 girls will be playing against St Columbas on Thursday.

Cricket matches are starting up in the week 22-26 July.

Prayerfully and playfully

The teachers

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