

# Newsletter

**25 August 2021**

## **Springing into Spring...**

We are all in the mood for some fresh spring news!  
The following fun activities are planned in celebration of spring:

### **Preschool (Grade RRR-R) Talent Show and Dress Up Day next week Friday**

All of our little people are invited to sing, dance, hula-hoop, wheelie, play guitar, tell jokes, whistle or yodel their way into stardom. Entries must be made via mom and dad writing a note or sending an email, and we recommend backing tracks (on a flash drive) for all little items. Please address your entries to Teacher Kathy.

Also remember to dress up for the occasion as spring is the perfect season for all pirates, princesses, superheroes and pets to come out of hibernation.

### **Whole school (Grade RRR-7)- Slush Puppies next week Wednesday**

Thanks to an extremely generous donation by Pholoso's mom (Grade 7) who owns her own "Slushdolls" company, the Grade 7s will be raising funds by selling slushies for R20 on Spring Day. Please place your orders immediately with your class teachers. Orders will close by next week Tuesday (31 August) because we need to know how many Slushies to cater for. Your child will not want to miss out on this special treat, so please place your order in time!



## **Time for uniform changes...**

As promised after our parental survey and the resultant new school uniform policy, uniform changes may be implemented as of Spring Day (1 September).

Our new school golf shirts (grey PE shirts) are available from Boundary Silk Bazaar. MS Uniforms is unfortunately still busy organising stock. (Both suppliers are also busy organising new tracksuits, but stock of these hasn't come in yet).

Please read carefully through the new school uniform policy, attached again for your convenience.

In summary, changes include:

1. Pupils may wear the new PE uniform or their formal traditional school clothes on any day of the week they choose, HOWEVER:
  - 1.1. Pupils **MUST** wear their formal traditional uniforms to school on their assembly days (Foundation Phase=Mondays and Senior Primary=Thursdays)
  - 1.2. Pupils **MUST** wear their informal PE uniform (old or new) on their PE day (see child's personal timetable)



- 1.3. If the child's PE day falls on an assembly day, the child must come to school in formal uniform and change for PE during break.
2. As of 1 September, if a child opts to wear the PE uniform on a day that is NOT his/her PE day, they **MUST** wear the new uniform i.e. grey golf shirts and the official school tracksuit pants (no substitutes permitted) or black KDA shorts (long length just off the knee). Rugby shorts are no longer permitted and we insist on long black KDA shorts for smartness and modesty. In other words, as of 1 September, if the child does not have a new PE uniform, the "old" PE uniform (coloured house shirts and rugby shorts) may **ONLY** be worn on the child's PE day, and not any other day of the week. Only the new PE uniform may be worn on any day of the week bar assembly-days (see point 1).
  3. After 2023, coloured house shirts will no longer be accepted as uniform.
  4. Pupils may continue wearing their current school tracksuits until 2023, after which the new tracksuit design will be phased in.
  5. Pupil PE takkies may be black or white or a combination of black and white, but with absolutely no colour on them (logos and laces included)
  6. Socks are still grey (short or long) for all uniforms

Please note that the new changes should not adversely affect any family financially, as pupils may continue wearing the clothing that they are currently wearing until 2023. By 2023, every family will have to invest in a new school tracksuit and grey shirt. Until then, **NO CHANGES ARE COMPULSORY**, and pupils can carry on wearing what they do right now!! It's only the pupils who want to wear PE clothes more regularly who will have to purchase the new PE uniform.

### **Welcome Miss van Staden...**

Mrs van Staden will be joining our staff next week Wednesday. She will only be taking over the Grade 2S class from Mrs Tosoni after her orientation and as of Monday the 6<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you to Mrs Tosoni for jumping in under very difficult circumstances, and for keeping the boat steady through a challenging storm.



### **News from our two patients...**

Mrs Savig and Mr Swiegers are both on the mend.

Mr Swiegers has been given medical clearance to begin work on Friday and Mrs Savig has been given medical clearance to begin again on Monday.

However, both teachers have only been instructed to return when they are



strong and comfortable enough to do so. We are very relieved that they have come through this bout without needing hospitalisation. Thank you for patience and your prayers.

### Well done, Eisteddfod stars...

These are our latest pupils who have braved the stage, and have attained beautiful results in the Kempton Eisteddfod...

Karabo Thoobe attained A++ for prescribed poetry

Tumiso Thoobe attained A+ for prescribed poetry

Maratwa Mkonza attained A for own choice poetry

Katekani Mangayi attained A+ for own choice poetry



### Final word on the dog food drive...

We have received thanks from Stafford Rescue Africa, Kempton SPCA and Triple M Kennels who each received a parcel of pet food from our drive. We even had one of our own families request to adopt a dog! What a happy outcome!

### Grade RRR-1 Reading programme...

Please return your bookbags tomorrow. Remember to report any damaged books by clicking on this link or sending us an email...

<https://forms.gle/hwZxp6ZHpd41NWrD8>



### COVID reminders...

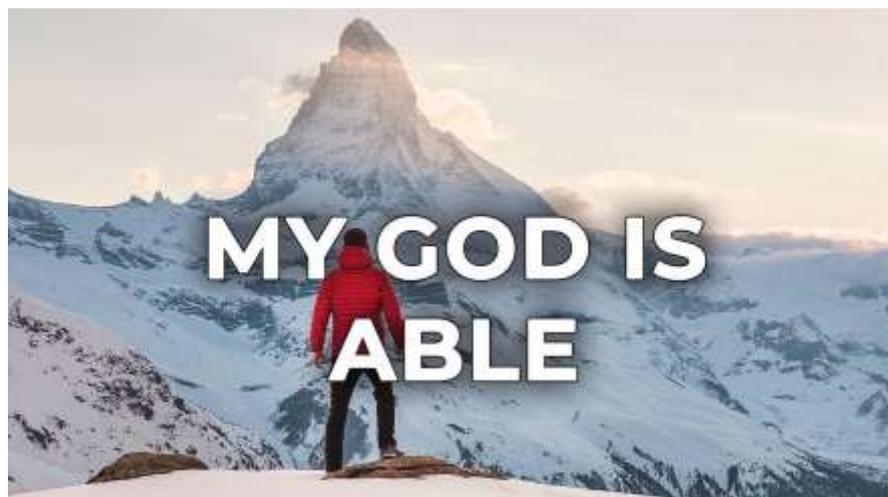
Just a reminder that if you test positive for COVID, all members of your household have to isolate for 10 days. Even if you split up your household after your positive result, or move into quarantine away from family members, you have exposed them to COVID during your contagious pre-symptom period. The 10-day isolation period still applies.

Prayerfully and playfully

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**Classifieds...**

**At school on Wednesday afternoons...**



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**Slushdolls...**

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