

Newsletter



17 August 2022

20 sleeps until our concert...

Tuesday evening, the 6th of September 2022 is our school concert. Solids usually celebrates a concert every second year. CoVid pushed the pause button on this tradition, but we are ready to get everything moving and grooving once again!

Venue: Kaleideo Church (Fiskaal Street, Glen Marais)

Date: 6 September

Time: 6:30pm for 7:00pm (concert is expected to end by 8:00pm)

Dress code for pupils: Jeans and coloured t-shirts (shirts supplied by school)

Ticket cost for parents: R100 pp

Tickets will be on sale in the office as of next week.

One great thing after another...



Our pre-schoolers are having a theatrical treat again this week Friday. On-Cue Theatre will be performing a mixed "puppet and actor" show. Next week, our whole school will be having science fun. We have Science Shows scheduled for Grade 1-3 (Monday), Grade 4-7 (Thursday) and preschool (Friday). Enjoy the smelly and bubbly magic!

Senior primary science Fair...

Now that we're back into the swing of a normal non-Covid school programme, we would like to remind our senior primary pupils about the end-of-term Science Fair! Every senior primary child (Grade 5-7 compulsory, Grade 4 optional) is requested to do a science or technology project. This will be for marks (Grade 5-7) and count a portion towards your last report for the year.

Parents - please get involved! You have one month left to guide your child in this quest!

Choose a problem to solve by making something (technology project) or a hypothesis to test (science project). The secret is...keep it simple!

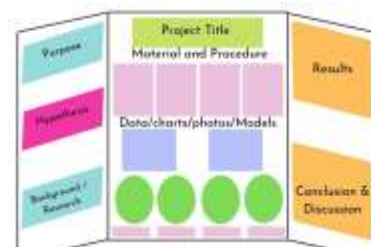
Do not simply repeat a science experiment/ technology project

you found on the internet. You will get penalised. Rather, ADAPT an experiment or design e.g. do not "make elephant toothpaste". Rather, try making elephant toothpaste with different temperature ingredients and record the reaction time for the different



temperatures. Alternatively, try your own experiment e.g. does my own toothpaste taste better after I've eaten certain foods or not?

For a scientific project, please try to follow this basic model in a poster format (ideally box cardboard folded into three doors that can stand upright and unsupported) ...



- Your title
- What are you going to do?
- What do you think will happen? (your hypothesis)
- Summarise some research about it (e.g. has it ever been tried? What happened with similar experiments) - remember a resource list
- What did you do? (**have photos or drawings**)
- Summarise your results/data **IN A GRAPH, or A TABLE**
- Explain your results
- Decide if what happened confirms or rejects your hypothesis

Preferably, repeat your experiment for the judges and fellow pupils at the fair (remember your ingredients and containers).

For the technology project the following format is advised...

- Title
- What was the problem you wanted to solve?
- Summarise some research about it- remember a resource list
- Draw a rough design (include a list of materials)
- Make your design
- Evaluate its effectiveness
- Adapt it (several times if necessary)
- Decide if it answers the problem
- Bring your posters and model to the fair



The date for the Fair is the 19th of September, 8h00-10h00. Go for it, little Einsteins! You have four weekends to nail this!



Bookbags...

Please remember your bags tomorrow.

Also don't forget to report any damaged books to:

<https://forms.gle/hwZxp6ZHpd41NWrD8>

Preschool theme for next week: Once upon a time... (Fairy Tales)

Caring for the elderly...

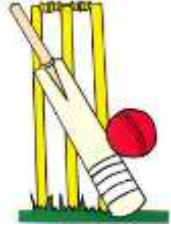
The Allen Park Old Age Home has asked for our help for their upcoming market day. The elderly living in the home are short of ingredients to bake and make yummy treats for their special day. Please can each child bring only **one** of the following items to school by next week Friday...

- Salt
- Pepper



- Sugar
- Oil
- Vinegar
- Tin of fruit
- Tin of veggies
- Rice
- Tin of condensed milk
- Serviettes

As usual, pupils who support the drive may wear civvies on Friday (26 August) as our "thank you".



Cricket news...

The cricket results for the week are:

Our mini cricket team drew against Maranatha and our senior cricket team lost to Kruinsig.

Keep trying team!

Netball news...

Our netball team played against Solid Beginnings this week.

U9 won 7 - 0

U10 won 20 - 0

U11 won 10 - 0

U12 won 19 - 1

There will be U12 and U13 practice tomorrow (Thursday).



We heard you...



We have been in contact with our school uniform suppliers regarding your request for thicker school bomber jackets with the additional option of black. MS Uniforms is presenting us with a sample soon, and Boundary has been informed of the colour change too. Changes to the school bomber jackets will NOT be compulsory for a very long while yet, so maroon bomber jackets are still totally acceptable. Thank you for your input.

Prayerfully and playfully

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