

# Newsletter



12 October 2022

## Welcome back...

Term 4 is a quick and intense term, and we are keen to see our pupils reach the finish line with flair. Enjoy it with us!

## After Care cancellations to avoid December payment...



With regret, we only accept cancellations for After Care up to the end of October. In other words, if you do not wish to pay for December (when we charge half price), your child will have to stop After Care at the end of this month. Please just notify the office. Attending after care in November means an automatic compulsory half-price payment for December, even if your child will not be using the service.

## New Coding and Robotics Course 101...

We are hosting a new C&R 101 as of next week. If your Grade 6 or 7 child has not done any C&R courses, you can enrol with Mr Swiegers or Mrs McIntosh to join "the C&R movement". The course will run on a Tuesday and Friday morning at 7h00 sharp (late-comers will unfortunately not be accommodated). Preference will be given to any Grade 7 pupils who have not done C&R 101 yet.



## Waiter please...



Norkem Park Spur has invited our Grade 7s to waiter on the 1<sup>st</sup> of November. Yes - it's your turn to tell those Grade 7s exactly what to do 😊! Please circle the date for your family's night out. It is really beneficial for our learners to serve and observe, all the while learning about the tough world of waiting tables. The school gets 10% of the proceeds and tips will be donated towards the Grade 7 farewell fund.

## Civvies tickets...

As has become tradition, the Grade 7s will be selling "civvies tickets" this term for the duration of Term 4. Your child can purchase a ticket for R10 from Mr Swiegers or Mrs Babcock and wear civvies on any day of their choice, as long as they hand in the ticket at the school gate when they enter in the mornings. Please remember that no ticket = no civvies (you cannot buy on the day you arrive in civvies, it must be done



beforehand).

In the past, some of our pupils have worn civvies every week by purchasing a stack of tickets. It's a fashionably fun way for our Grade 7s to raise funds and a great way for you to treat your child this term.



### Senior Primary Camp...

Camp Discovery has contacted us to confirm that they need PAYMENT IN FULL by the 4<sup>th</sup> of November. If your Grade 5-7 child is planning on attending camp this year, please pay the camp fees together with your school fees at the end of this month (by the 4<sup>th</sup>). Camp fees are R1910. Camp is scheduled from the 28<sup>th</sup> of November to the 1<sup>st</sup> of December. Please understand that we unfortunately cannot allow your child to go on camp if all school fees are not paid up-to-date.

### Circle the date...

We are excited to announce that our 2022 "Young Entrepreneurs Day" is scheduled for Saturday the 5<sup>th</sup> of November this year. We haven't been able to treat our children to this exciting event since before CoVid days. For our new families, "Young Entrepreneurs Day" means that each child in the school (from Grade RRR to 7) is invited to host a stall.

Although food stalls are successful, we strongly recommend "games-based stalls", as this is often less of an expense for parents e.g. if your child has a "toss-the-ball-to-hit-a-can-stall", you can sponsor a grand prize for the most successful thrower for the day.

All proceeds can be kept by stall owners, but 10% of the profits go to the school (we depend entirely on your honesty in this regard). If a stall requires electricity, you do need to purchase a R50 electricity ticket from the office beforehand.



"Young Entrepreneurs Day" is usually a fabulous family-fun day, with a sweet "homey" market feel, as our children are in charge! However, adults are most welcome to put up stalls too ;).

Please book your family's stall and give your idea in at the office, so that we do not have too many of the same kind of stall. We will inform you if your idea is being duplicated, which helps you to have some sort of monopoly on the day.

### Spelling bee winners:

Our Spelling Bee children were absolutely amazing in the last week of Term 3. They spelled words splendidly and we celebrated the following winners:

Grade 1: Dineo Modika (winning word = study)

Grade 2: Mohau Modise (winning word = penguin)



Grade 3: Siphokazi Nyadeni (winning word = diversity)  
 Grade 4: Nikhil Sharma (winning word = installation)  
 Grade 5: Karisa Motha (winning word = succumb)  
 Grade 6: Christian Chavula (winning word = gullibility)  
 Grade 7: Bontle Ledimo (winning word = thoroughfare)

Congratulations winners. You deserve an ovation!

**School fees for 2023:**

We have calculated our fees for 2023 and are so proud to announce that we have kept the increase to an absolute minimum. Herewith the fees for next year:



	Standard 12-month payment option 1 Jan - 1 Dec	Optional 11-month payment option 1 Jan - 1 Nov
Grade RRR	R2400pm	R2620
Grade RR	R2600pm	R2840
Grade R	R3150pm	R3440
Grade 1-3	R3550pm	R3870
Grade 4-7	R3900pm	R4250
After Care	R1000pm	



We have also calculated our "Shows and Stationery" budget for 2023. This total fee is due on the 1<sup>st</sup> of February, but you are welcome to pay beforehand.

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Outings and/or shows</u>	<u>Stationery (includes books for Grade 1-4)</u>	<u>Textbooks and work books</u>	<u>Total</u>
RRR	R1260	R710	Included in stationery fee	R1970
RR	R1260	R960	Included in stationery fee	R2220
R	R1260	R995	Included in stationery fee	R2255
1	R880	R1090	Included in stationery fee	R1970
2	R880	R1510	Included in stationery fee	R2390
3	R880	R1160	Included in stationery fee	R2040
4	R965	R1240	Included in stationery fee	R2205
5	R1235 (includes Mathletics software)	Purchase as required	R1395	R2630
6	R1235 (includes Mathletics software)	Purchase as required	R1610	R2845
7	R1235 (includes Mathletics software)	Purchase as required	R1520	R2755



## Terms for 2023...

If you are planning a holiday for 2023, herewith our school calendar for next year:

### Term 1

**11 January - 24 March**  
20 March special DBE school holiday  
21 March Human Rights Day



### Term 2

**11 April - 30 June**  
27 April Freedom Day  
28 April special DBE school holiday  
1 May Workers Day  
16 June Youth Day



### Term 3

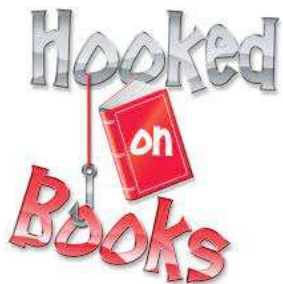
**17 July- 22 September**  
9 August Women's Day

### Term 4

**9 October - 5 December**

## 2023 here we come...

As we do each year, you will be receiving a new contract for 2023 this week, together with your "personal details form". Please can you check your details and make any edits in coloured pen. Please sign the contract for 2023 and the "personal details form" and **return both of these by Friday**. Pupils who do so may wear civvies on Friday as a "reward" for returning their forms timeously.



### Let's get them reading...

"Hooked on Books" is visiting our Grade 1-7 pupils tomorrow. If your child starts talking about a book that they've been introduced to through the show, you might want to purchase the book as a treat. You can do so through this link (and get 10% discount!)...

<https://www.exclusivebooks.co.za/page/hooked-on-books-2022>

Our school has purchased all the books that are presented in the show, but there is usually a high demand to read these books, and your child might need to wait before taking them out of the class libraries ;).

### Bookbags...

Your book bags will be sent out on Friday.

Please report any damaged books to:

<https://forms.gle/hwZxp6ZHpd41NWrD8>



The Preschool theme for next week: 3,2,1...blast off!

Prayerfully and playfully

The Teachers

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065-574-5855 (emergency number only available 7h30 - 14h00 on school days. This number is for any incidences of our land-lines being down due to load shedding or general internet outages. This number will not be answered after school hours or during weekends or holidays).

**faith (noun)**

1. A feeling, conviction, or belief that something is true or real, without having evidence.

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