## 10 April 2024

# Newsletter

#### Report feedback...

Grade 1-7 pupils have received their first report card for 2024. If you would like to meet with any teacher to discuss the report, please confirm a time with the office (011-976-5300) or admin@solidfoundationsprimary.com.

#### Direct contact...

We have been getting some requests about the direct contact email addresses and telephone numbers of our staff.

Unfortunately, we do not give out teacher telephone numbers unless they specifically want their number made public. We also do not permit class WhatsApp groups at our school. In certain instances, teachers may create a broadcast group at their discretion. Please do not have an expectation that every teacher at Solids is comfortable with WhatsApp or broadcast communication. Most are not. For your convenience, here are the email addresses of the academic teaching staff:

Teacher Estelle	Gr RRR	emeintjes@solidfoundationsprimary.com
Teacher Jayde	Gr RR	jproudfoot@solidfoundationsprimary.com
Teacher Kathy	Gr RR	kathysadler3@gmail.com
Teacher Michelle	Gr R, Grade 7 Technology	mbabcock@solidfoundationsprimary.com
Teacher Shirley	Gr R	mcdshirley@gmail.com
Mrs Coetzee	Gr 1	mcoetzee@solidfoundationsprimary.com
Mrs Greyvenstein	Gr 1	ggreyvenstein@solidfoundationsprimary.com
Mrs Moodley	Gr 2	elizabethmoodley07@gmail.com
Ms van Staden	Gr 2	charlainevstaden@gmail.com
Mrs van der Merwe	Gr 3	erasmusjade5@gmail.com
Mrs Savig	Gr 3	vikingsavig@gmail.com;
Mrs Harris	Gr 4	kharris@solidfoundationsprimary.com
Mrs Le Roux	Gr 4	cleroux@solidfoundationsprimary.com
Mrs Diamond	English Gr 5-6	bdiamond@solidfoundationsprimary.com
Mrs van Dijk	Maths Gr 5-6	isabelladijk@gmail.com
Ms Mamapa	Geo Gr 5-7, Hist Gr 5-7, EMS Gr 7	mmamapa@solidfoundationsprimary.com
Mrs McIntosh	Afr Gr 5-7	bmcintosh@solidfoundationsprimary.com
Ms Masemola	NST <i>G</i> r 5-7	lmasemola@solidfoundationsprimary.com
Mrs Obbes	Computers Gr 1-7 and LO Gr 5-7	cobbes@solidfoundationsprimary.com
Mr Swiegers	Maths and English Gr 7	jswiegers@solidfoundationsprimary.com

Please note that teachers may not necessarily look at their inboxes daily. Alternatively, you can email the school directly at any time (<a href="mailto:admin@solidfoundationsprimary.com">admin@solidfoundationsprimary.com</a>) and we will ensure that your message gets forwarded <a href="mailto:immediately">immediately</a> to the correct teacher.

# Wheelie fun times ahead for preschool

On Friday the 26th of April, our preschoolers will be having "Bicycle Day" at school. We would like to give you



sufficient warning so that you can borrow a bike from a friend or relative if you do not already have one. Our preschool pupils will get the opportunity to ride their bikes altogether in our school parking lot, with the teachers acting as traffic officers and as petrol pump assistants!

Please note that all pupils riding bikes MUST also be wearing helmets. If you do not have a bike or helmet, you have three weeks to scramble something together for this super fun day! It really is a memory-making one.

Rollerskates, skateboards and scooters are also welcome on the day, but might not be as easy to navigate.

# Looking ahead towards camp...

Every year our senior primary pupils (Grade 5-7) are invited to attend a school camp after their final exams. This year, we're off to Camp Discovery, which is a favourite venue with pupils and staff alike. The camp dates will be 1 December (Sunday) to 4 December (Wednesday) and the cost is R2200 per pupil.

You are welcome to pay this amount as soon as you're able, or to pay off this amount in smaller increments. The final date for all camp fees to be in is the first week in November. Should you wish to pay for the camp in monthly instalments between now and then it'll translate to approximately R320 extra per month.

Any camp fees payments can be made into our normal school account, but use your child's name, surname and "camp" as your reference please.





### It's coming on the hour, and herewith the 7 o'clock news...

Does your child have dreams of becoming a radio announcer? We've been approached by SAUMAHD Radio (www.saumahdradios.co.za) who have started a Kids' Radio Academy in Braamfontein. The academy will run courses on Saturdays from 9h00 to 12h00 or from 12h00 until 15h00 for an eight-week period. The cost of the course is R500 pm. Participants will learn about radio production, presentation and news reading. If you are interested, please contact Nani at 083-994-7222

## Snuggling up...

A reminder that all preschool pupils who opt to have a snooze in the afternoons for After Care need to have their own blankie from home. We have noticed that many of our little ones take their blankies home and don't return them. It does help if they have something soft to snuggle under in the afternoons, especially as we go into cooler weather.



# All the best, Mrs Diamond...

We wish Mrs Diamond all the best as she hikes the Otter Trail this weekend. We're sure that her English classes are going to be filled with exciting stories on her return.

#### Something sweet...

Teacher Jayde's Grade RR class will host the first preschool cake sale of the term on the  $26^{th}$  of April (Bicycle Day). We're looking forward to that treat!

# Classy classics...

As you are aware, our school runs a senior primary violin and cello programme to encourage our pupils to enjoy and explore the beauty of music. We would strongly encourage you to introduce your child to a musical instrument full time. The East Rand Youth Orchestra runs from St Dunstans College in Benoni, and allows young musicians of all abilities and ages to join. They are performing this coming weekend on Saturday at 14h30. Why not take your child to have a look and see if this is a world that they would like to join or explore further? Tickets will be sold at the door for R140 (adults) and R100 (children).

#### Reading programme and pizza reminder...

Remember to return your bookbag tomorrow morning. Please report badly damaged books to us on:

https://forms.gle/hwZxp6ZHpd41NWrD8

or with a general email if you'd prefer.

Remember that pizza orders for Friday will be taken in tomorrow at the office for R35.

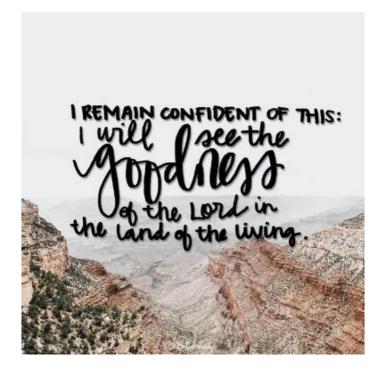




#### Counting cars...

We are aware that there are official looking persons counting cars and taking pictures of traffic flow around the school. The Birch Acres community has been petitioning the municipality to create an enclosure by blocking off certain roads. One of these roads is Korhaan Street. We have mentioned to the representatives of the road-closure committee that our school's parents will need to have access through the gate on Korhaan during peak hour traffic. The car-counting process is part of a traffic impact study.

Prayerfully and playfully
The Staff of Solid Foundations
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# Classifieds...

