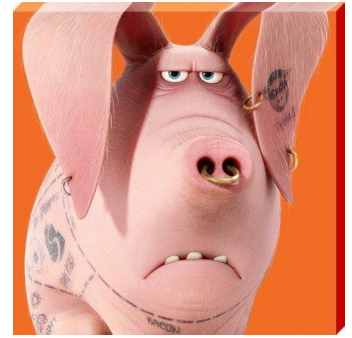


15 October 2025

Newsletter



Hello term 4...

Thank you for your patience and support during this very smelly and messy start to the term. Extreme cleaning of the FP playground is underway and we hope to open the playground again very soon. Rest assured, all affected ground is being chemically treated and sanitised, and the playground is getting brand new silica sand and new bark chips.



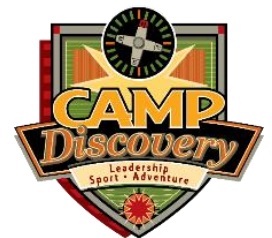
With this nasty business almost behind us, we are looking forward to a fun annual highlight... in two weeks' time, we will be celebrating our school's annual "Young Entrepreneurs Market Day" and Open Day. The big event is planned for Saturday the 1st of November from 8h00 until 12h00. Please encourage your child (Grade RRR to 7) to have their own stall for the day. It is an invaluable experience, teaching them how to run their own little business. The cost for a stall is 10% of the profits made. We rely on our families' honesty in this regard, and we ask you, as parents, to assist pupils in calculating 10% of the profits to donate to the school on the day. As mentioned in last term's newsletter, we have opened stall bookings - and have already had some great ideas proposed. Please either email or call the office

to tell us your stall idea, so that we can eliminate duplicates as much as possible. Adults and companies are welcome to have their own stalls too. Note that due to our limited solar electricity supply, if you are planning an electricity-drawing stall, please bring your own generator. We will have to cap the number of stalls that can use school electricity on the day, and charge an additional R50 for all stalls that do use the school's electricity.

Feel free to invite all friends and family to enjoy the morning with us - spread the word as it is usually a very cute family day!

A'camping we will go...

Our Grade 5-7 camp to Discovery is rapidly approaching (30 November - 3 December). Please note that camp fees and forms are due by the 7th of November. We need to provide our final numbers to Camp Discovery by the 7th.



Upcoming cake sales...

We are in for a bumper cake sale next week Friday. Grade RS, Grade 3V and Grade 6 (combined classes) will all be hosting! Start saving your pocket money for this mountainous mouth-watering event.

Outings shows and stationery fees for 2026...

We have finally received feedback from our all of our suppliers and we have calculated the "Outings, Shows, Stationery and Book" fee for 2026. Please note, that unlike previous years, payment of the 2026 fee **is due by the 1st week of JANUARY 2026** and **not February like previous years**. We



STRONGLY recommend that you settle this fee as soon as possible to avoid the "flat-pocket post-Christmas problem". Parents are welcome to break up payments over the next three months to soften the blow. A heads up though, **all January school fees as well as the "Stationery, Books, Outings and Shows" fee are due before any pupils may begin schooling in January.** Any family who has not completely settled this balance may not begin the 2026 school year with us, as we will regrettably regard non-payment as a declaration of voiding your 2026 contract.

Herewith the 2026 amounts:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Outings and shows</u>	<u>Stationery (including books for Grade 1-4)</u>	<u>Textbooks and workbooks</u>	<u>Total</u>
RRR	R1620	R850	Included in stationery fee	R2470
RR	R1620	R1050	Included in stationery fee	R2670
R	R1620	R1200	Included in stationery fee	R2820
1	R1120	R1400	Included in stationery fee	R2520
2	R1120	R1650	Included in stationery fee	R2770
3	R1120	R1600	Included in stationery fee	R2720
4	R1280	R1750	Included in stationery fee	R3030
5	R1190	Purchase own as required	R1700	R2890
6	R1190	Purchase own as required	R1650	R2840
7	R1190	Purchase own as required	R1800	R2990

2026 calendar...

If you were planning family holidays for 2026, here are our term dates for next year:

<u>Term</u>	<u>School Opens</u>	<u>School Closes</u>	<u>Special school holidays and public holidays affecting school term</u>
First	14 January	27 March	21 March: Human Rights Day
Second	13 April	26 June	27 April: Freedom Day 1 May: Workers Day 15 June: GDE school holiday 16 June: Youth Day
Third	20 July	23 September	10 Aug: Woman's Day observed 24 Sep: Heritage Day
Fourth	12 October	4 December	



"Let's get out there!" drive...



Each class has selected a cute "mascot" that students can take turns "babysitting" over the weekend. The idea is to take the class "mascot" out the house, on a walk, to a museum or even on a hike! Children are encouraged to take a selfie with themselves and their mascot - out in nature or having a fun cultural experience - and post it on social media with the hashtag Solid Foundations (#solidfoundations). You can also send your best photo to admin@solidfoundationsprimary.com and we will start including some of the pics in our newsletters.



Grade 5-7 Assessment plans...

We have attached the Term 4 assessment plan (including the exam timetable) to the email sent out with this newsletter.

Contracts for 2026...



As you are aware, our school operates with 12-month contracts. We will be handing out our new contracts for 2026 this week. Please sign and return all paperwork (contracts and personal information forms) before Friday the 24th October. Pupils who return their signed forms by next Friday may wear civvies as their reward.

Our shining stars...

Last term ended on such a high with our Science Fair and Bees (Spelling and Mathematics). Here are the winners who wowed us but have not been announced yet:

Science fair winners...

Grade 5

- 1st - Lerato Molefe
- 2nd - Jody Dharmalingum
- 3rd - Junior Mohapi

Grade 6

- 1st - Siphokazi Nyandeni
- 2nd - Nobuhle Maronga
- 3rd - Kimberly Jaravani

Grade 7

- 1st - Safiya Hoosen
- 2nd - Andile Muyambo and Nokubonga Xaba
- 3rd - Lerushan Govender

Spelling bee winners...

Grade 1 - Patrick Gera: winning word 'easy'

Grade 2 - Vidal Govender: winning word 'underground'

Grade 3 - Caleb Mayibeki: winning word 'ancient'

Grade 4 - Neoentle Monkoe: winning word 'appreciation'

Grade 5 - Leruo Segeri: winning word 'pomegranate'

Grade 6 - Siphokazi Nyandeni: winning word 'procrastinate'

Grade 7 - Amu Ngobeni: winning word 'calinthenics'

All grades ventured into their supplementary list, which means that winning words were not pre-studied and memorised, but spelled from the child's own ability. Well done!

Senior Primary Maths Bee Winners:

Grade 4

- 1st - Neoentle Monkoe
- 2nd - Nobuhle Mapanga
- 3rd - Malwandla Ntimane

Grade 5

- 1st - Melo Zuma
- 2nd - Leruo Segeri
- 3rd - Kairav Govender

Grade 6:

- 1st - Siphokazi Nyandeni
- 2nd - Masego Masiase
- 3rd - Tlotlo Molefe

Grade 7

- 1st - Nikhil Sharma
- 2nd - Isabella Johnson
- 3rd - Otlotleng Ramfate

Be careful little eyes...

Please remember to keep a very close eye on what your children are watching. Cellphones are particularly dangerous devices unless monitored. The current statistic is that more than half of our pupils will be exposed to pornography on cellphones before they even get to high school. They are also exposed to inappropriate violence on platforms like TikTok. Please be vigilant!



Pizza and bookbags

Grade RRR-2 will be getting their new bookbags on Friday. Report any badly damaged books to us on:

<https://forms.gle/hwZxp6ZHpd41NWrD8> or with a general email if you'd prefer.

Pizzas can be ordered as usual in the office tomorrow and hotdogs and tuck will be available on Friday.

Civvies vouchers...

As a fun Term 4 fundraiser towards our Grade 7 farewell, Mr Swiegers and Teacher Kathy will be selling civvies vouchers for R10. Pupils can purchase vouchers and wear civvies on any day of Term 4, as long as the voucher is presented when entering the school grounds in the morning. Enjoy breaking out those runway outfits and support Grade 7 at the same time!



Something to smile about...



Congratulations to Kairav and Vidal Govender and their parents on the arrival of a baby brother on the 19th of September. Baby Mayur arrived at 7:50am, weighing 2.9kg. Both big brothers are obsessed with him already and are taking their roles very seriously. Congratulations!

(Please feel free to keep us informed if any other babies arrive to expand our Solids family. We would love to announce their arrivals too!)

Your child may still wear a South African springbok shirt on Fridays with jeans or black pants, to show their support for our rugby team.

Prayerfully and playfully

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