

Newsletter

18 February 2026



Conquesta Olympiad results for 2025...

As we do each year, last year, Solid Foundations participated in the international Conquesta Olympiad, competing against nearly 900 schools in South Africa, eSwatini, Namibia and Botswana.

We are thrilled to announce that we were placed in the top 20 of all participating schools again.

Natural science Grade 7: 3rd place

Natural science and technology Grade 6: 8th place

Mathematics Grade 5: 9th place

English Grade 6: 12th place

English Grade 5: 14th place

Natural science and technology Grade 5: 14th place

Mathematics Grade 6: 17th place

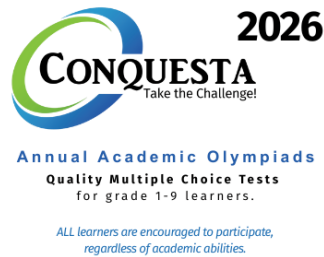
Mathematics Grade 7: 19th place

Natural science and technology Grade 4: 20th place

English Grade 2: 15th place

English Grade 1: 11th place

This is an incredible achievement and we congratulate our teachers and pupils for amazing us, yet again, with their excellent standard!



GOLF BUDDIES

BENEFITS OF LEARNING GOLF:

- Investing in a lifetime sport.
- Builds Confidence.
- Develops coordination and balance.
- Emotional Growth.

First swing to forever golf.

R230 per month

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GOLF LESSONS

New extra mural...

We have a fun new extra-mural starting at Solids, namely private golf lessons! The golf lessons will take place at school on a Tuesday afternoon directly after class. The monthly rate is R230 per month. If you are interested in signing up, please contact Coach Louw directly on 082-576-8585. We trust that the alumni who wins the South African Open in 2040 remembers their primary school fondly!

How do I study?

Mr Swiegers will be offering his annual "How to Study" course this coming Saturday. All Grade 4-7 pupils and parents are invited, especially if they have not attended this course before. The course will run from 8h00 until 11h00 on Saturday and the price is R150 per pupil. Please pay Mr Swiegers directly on the day (do not deposit the money into the school account). We really trust that it will help our young scholars who are starting off in their careers as life-long students. Good study skills are invaluable from Grade 4 to adulthood, and will certainly help our children to get those great grades.

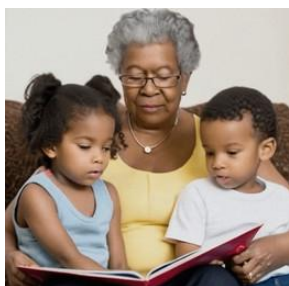


Strange deposit...

We received a strange deposit into our school account with the reference of "Orbis Foundation" for an amount of R20 000 on the 12th of February. Please let us know if this is your payment.

It's your turn...

It's time for Grade RRN (Teacher Nicki's) and Grade RS (Teacher Shirley's) children to go to the optometrist to have their eyes tested this Friday, and to have their surprise ice-creams at Steers. Please remember that they must wear shoes and sunscreen, and have an extra bottle of water to take along. As before, preschool pupils NOT going will enjoy a day of "baking" at school.



Pizza and bookbags

Grade RRR-2, please return your bookbags tomorrow so that you can get a new one on Friday. Please report badly damaged books to us on: <https://forms.gle/hwZxp6ZHpd41NWrD8> or with a general email if you'd prefer.

You can place orders tomorrow for your child to have pizza on Friday (optional). Orders for pizza are taken in at the office for R40.

Upcoming cake sale...

Teacher Kathy's class will host the first preschool cake sale of 2026 next week Friday (27 Feb). A reminder that participation in cake sales is completely voluntary at our school, and the funds raised from cake sales goes directly into buying classroom luxuries. If your child's class is hosting, it means that you are invited to bring baked goodies, cookies or sweets for your child's teacher to sell.



The zoo that comes to you...

Our Grade 4-7 pupils are going to enjoy some wonderfully weird and fun animals tomorrow, when the "Mobile Zoo" visits our school. We trust it'll be a feathered and scaly treat for our senior pupils.

Save the date...

Please circle Saturday the 14th of March on your calendars. It'll be our annual Sports Day, which is a huge highlight for all of our pupils, from Grade RRR to Grade 7! More info will follow in upcoming newsletters.



Highschool options...

A reminder that our Grade 7s need to select their high school of choice this term, assuming they wish to go to a private high school in 2027. Our recommended local, non-government, feeder high school options include:

- Ashton International College -IEB and Cambridge combined (Open Day: Saturday, 28 February from 09:00 to 12:30).
- Curro Serengeti
- Maranatha Christian School (Open day: Thursday, 12 March 2026, from 16:00 to 19:00)
- Pinnacle Hill Colleges - Founders Hill or Rynfield (Open day: 14 March 2026 from 8:00 to 12:00. This day clashes with Solid's Sports Day. Please note that we will allow Grade 7 pupil to arrive slightly later at Sports Day, as our Sports Day starts at 9h00. Alternatively, Pinnacle will welcome private visitations on other dates).
- Ridgewood College
- Shangri La Academy (Open Day: 3 March - please contact the school for details)
- St Dustans College



Solid Foundations fully prepares our pupils to enroll at any of these choices, but please enroll early! Also, ask about their bursary application process when your child writes their entrance examinations, as some schools don't necessarily advertise these options, but do have them!

Prayerfully and playfully

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Classifieds...

Looking for a private tutor after school hours for your Grade 1-3 child?

Ntshuwu Enoch Netshilungwi has done his teaching practicums at Solid Foundations. He currently has a Bachelor of Education degree (Foundation Phase) and would like to work at Solids after school hours with Grade 1-3 pupils who are struggling in any academic area, working on CAP-alignment, homework support, confidence building and overall academic assistance.

Programme Overview:

- Literacy (phonics, reading, comprehension)
- Numeracy (number recognition, basic operations, problem-solving)
- Homework support and revision

Schedule:

- 2-3 afternoons per week
- 1-2 hours per session

Pricing:

- R100-R150 per session per learner (parent-funded)

Please feel free to contact Mr Netshilungwi at 063-542-1857 or email netshilungwindi@gmail.com

Get out there!

Our mascots are having so much fun! Remember to send your pictures to admin@solidfoundationsprimary.com.

