Newsletter

28 October 2026



Market Day and Open Day are FINALLY here!

Our Young Entrepreneurs Market Day - and the 2027 Open Day - have arrived and we are super excited about the 52 little stalls that will be selling fun or delicious things at school on Saturday between 9h00 and 12h00! Don't forget our giant water slide (remember your costumes) and other inflatable fun activities! If you bring a friend, age 3 to 12, who is not a Solid Foundations pupil to our Market/Open Day, you and your friend may slide for free (those without a friend will be charged R20 to slide all day).

If you are hosting a stall, please remember the following:

1. You can set up any time between 7h30 and 9h00 in the morning.
2. You can choose any location on our playgrounds to set up.
3. Please remember a float (change), a poster (explaining what you're selling or doing – and the price) and a table cloth or table decorations if you want a smart looking stall.
4. You can use ANY tables and chairs from ANY classroom or playground for your stall, as long as you return them CLEAN to the **same place** you collected them from.
5. You may need a calculator to work out your PROFIT on the day and pay 10% of this amount **to the office before you leave.**
6. Remember a generator, braai or gas if you need to keep food warm. The school's electricity supply will regretably only be channeled towards the inflatables.
7. Please can all cooldrink/water stalls set up **near the school gate entrance**. We have found, from previous years' experience, that families battle to locate you unless you are in a noticeable place or have a noticeable sign. If you have indicated that you are selling cooldrink, please have a sufficient amount of stock!





The weather reports predict a beautiful day so we're hoping that the water fun will go down particularly well in 31 degrees. Please invite your friends and family to this occasion, especially those who have young children and would like to see why Solid Foundations is the school of your choice. Teacher Kathy, Miss Mamapa and Mr Swiegers will be hosting a "Solid Foundations Information Table" to answer any questions about the school and to give tours to any parents who would like to view the grounds.

As the school is open to the public on the day, please do not leave your young child unsupervised, as we do not have the same measures of security in place that our pupils would normally enjoy on a weekly school day.

We can't wait to see all of you there!

Embroidery day tomorrow



Did you know that we spend a good portion of each morning's line-up holding up lost property for pupils to claim? This is a real photograph that was taken to give you an idea of the amount of lost property that accumulates IN JUST ONE DAY on the playgrounds. Please send your clothing to be embroidered by the seamstress. She will be collecting tomorrow and will return your embroidered clothing by next week. The process is really simple:

1. Write what name, nickname or surname you want embroidered on a slip of paper.
2. Attach the paper to a shopping bag (staple it or tape it on).
3. Pop all clothing items into the bag and give it to your child's teacher.
4. Calculate the total amount of letters that will be embroidered (R1,50 x number of letters in the name x number of clothing items) and send this money to school in an envelope or your child's money bag. Please try to send the correct amount.

Help us to stop the lost property plague by labelling your clothing so that we can quickly return items to their rightful owners.



Cake sale…

This week Friday is our last cake sale for 2027, and all grades are invited to buy something delicious. The following classes are hosting: Grade RS (Teacher Shirley), Grade 1V (Mrs van Vuuren) and Grade 6 (combined classes).
A reminder that cake sale participation is voluntary, but cake sales are a wonderful way of showing your support for your child's teacher. Proceeds from the cake sales go into classroom luxuries and classroom pets. Thank you for your support in this fun activity throughout the year!

Final charity drive for 2026…



Each term our school selects a charity or cause to support, and as is tradition, this final term we express our love and appreciation for the school janitors who tirelessly serve our children and keep the school looking great. We have 8 janitors and it would be appreciated if each family could bring a grocery item to show your appreciation. Pupils who bring a grocery item may wear civvies on Friday the 13th of November, when we hand over the items to our very grateful cleaning staff.



Outings, shows, books and textbooks for 2027…

A reminder about our annual outings, shows, books and stationery fees due before any child starts school in January 2027.
Please budget for this. You are welcome to pay it off in increments (before the 8th of January).
Please note that these fees are considered a part of your required school fees. No family may begin schooling in January unless the "Outings, Shows, stationery and books fees" are paid in full, together with January school fees. This is usually quite a challenge after Christmas, so please look ahead…

Grade	Outings and shows	Stationery (including books for Grade 1-4)	Textbooks and workbooks	Total
RRR	R1685	R820	NA	R2505
RR	R1685	R1050	NA	R2735
R	R1685	R1250	NA	R2935
1	R1175	R1530	Included in stationery fee	R2705
2	R1175	R1660	Included in stationery fee	R2835
3	R1175	R1600	Included in stationery fee	R2775
4	R1122	R1880	Included in stationery fee	R3000
5	R1300	Purchase own as required	R1760	R3060
6	R1300	Purchase own as required	R1670	R2970
7	R1300	Purchase own as required	R1850	R3150

Although Grade RRR through to Grade 4 pupils, are given stationery at the start of the school year as part of your "Outings, Shows, Stationery and Books" budget, parents need to purchase satchels or backpacks (Grade RRR-R) and sturdy suitcases (Grade 1 upwards). However, Grade 1-7s, please ensure that your child has got their own basic stationery at home too, to do homework, as the school-supplied stationery often remains at school when your child goes home in the afternoons. Grade 1 and 3 pupils, please keep your blue plastic book bag (the one you take home daily) and your chair bags from 2026, as you will re-use them in 2027.

For our Grade 5-7 pupils, we do **not** supply stationery (to help with your pocket – you can re-use most of your Grade 4 stationery), so please make sure your child has got the following basic stationery for 2027:





-pencil bag
-blue pen
-HB pencil
-sharpener
-eraser
-30cm long ruler
-coloured pencils
-scissors
-Pritt glue
-coloured pens /fine liners (felt tip pens) for studying
-highlighters (used in class too)
-homework diary (any type – but light weight is recommended)
-non-scientific calculator
-Maths set (only required later in the year. Maths teachers will communicate exact requirements closer to the time)
-coloured plastic A4 envelopes/ coloured bookbags to keep different subject books together in your suitcase (recommended but not compulsory)
-a small fold-up umbrella kept in your suitcase for rainy days at school

Happy shopping for these great Christmas stocking-fillers!



Last call for After Care un-enrolment…

A reminder that we do not accept After Care cancellations/ un-enrolments after this week Friday. If your child has not un-enrolled by Friday, you will be charged for November (R1000) and December (R500), whether or not you use the service.

Wrapping up camp enrolments…

Camp is always an incredible opportunity to make memories and to unwind after the final exams. A reminder that all senior primary camp forms and fees must be returned and paid in full by the 8th of November. With regret, we cannot

accommodate any late payments. The cost for the camp is R2200.

Congratulations to our coders…



Mrs Obbes held an exciting voluntary coding challenge for all 2026 coders. 53 pupils participated and we would like to congratulate the following winners:
1st Nobuhle Maranga
2nd Malwandla Ntimane and Yashveer Mootheram (tied).



Fun shows and outings this week…

Our Grade 1-3 pupils were spoilt with an educational show on frogs this Monday. The preschoolers will be finding out more about "The Wonders of the Ocean" in a show on Friday.
We are very sorry that our Grade 4s fieldtrip to Montecasino Bird Gardens has been postponed. Our school bus developed a strange knocking sound this week. We will notify you about the new date as soon as we have feedback from the mechanics and we are sure that our children can be driven safely to-and-from their field-trip.

Pizza and bookbags



Grade RRR-2 will receive new bookbags this week Friday. Please report badly damaged books to us on: https://forms.gle/hwZxp6ZHpd41NWrD8 or with a general email if you'd prefer, so that your family will not be held accountable for the damage.
As usual, 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. Hotdogs will be sold on Friday, but the tuck shop will be closed due to cake sales.

School will naturally be closed on Election Day next week Wednesday.
Prayerfully and playfully
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Classifieds…



Get out there…

The weather is great and your child is revving to explore. Turn off the screens and head out the door into the wonderful world around us.









