

Term 2 Week 2

From the Head's Desk

25 April 2024

ADJUSTED CLOSING TIMES

We are aware of how busy some of our children are and the distances some of them travel on a daily basis to get to and from school. With this in mind we have decided to make the following changes to **Grade 4, 5 6 and 7** school times; **(Only Monday's time changes)**

Monday	14h00
Tuesday	15h00
Wednesday	15h00
Thursday	15h00
Friday	13h10

Cubs to Grade 3 remain unchanged

To facilitate this change, we will run our sports programme on a Tuesday and Thursday and Clubs on a Wednesday from 14h00 until 15h00.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

We are presenting Peter Pan this term. Mrs Brokensha will communicate with parents as to who is required for rehearsals on a Monday.

Not all sporting fixtures fall on these days. Dates and times of fixtures will be communicated to you in good time by the coaches.

This change also allows for more coaches to be available for each sporting code as we have a very limited number of staff.

EXCITING NEWS

The upgrades to our hall are well advanced. The building work is completed, the ceiling installed, lighting commissioned and work on the curtains and sound system has begun. We look forward to Peter Pan being presented in a brand new and top-quality theatre!

In addition to the hall upgrade work has been done in the pre-primary (new sliding doors leading onto the playground in Grade 000 and walls removed and windows installed in the Grade 00 classroom to allow for more light and improved airflow). New doors have been built in both the boys and girls toilets and change rooms at the back of the hall to allow for easier access and we are starting work this week on extending the seating facilities on the main field. This will provide shade and comfortable seating along the length of the field.

We have made many changes and improvements during the last two years and with your support our aim is to continue to improve our special school and to provide the best possible facilities for the pupils of Riverview.

Brendan Bailey

Week ahead:

Grade 4-7 Standardised Test: 29 April - 3 May: Afrikaans.

Tuesday 30 April - U/9-Open Netball @ Malelane Primary. Wednesday 01 May - Worker's Day - Public Holiday. Thursday 02 May - U/9-Open Netball @ Clivia.

Selati Fun Run

Riverview will be participating in the Selati fun run that will take place on Saturday 11th May 2024 at the Malelane Golf Club.

Entry forms have gone out this week. The last day for submission at the school office is **Monday 29 April.**

An <u>entry form</u> and <u>R50</u> is required for every child for the 2km ; 4.9km fun run.

An entry form and R50 is required for every parent/guardian for the 2km ; 4.9km fun run.

All children that are running/walking the 2km or 4.9km race must be accompanied by a parent/guardian/adult.

- * Please ensure details are filled out clearly and correctly.
- * Please put your child's grade on family and friends entry form so Selati tags can be sent home with your child.
- * Please staple/group family entry forms together to make it easier for us to send the Selati fun run race numbers home with the correct children.

Adults must book online for the 10km and 21km race directly at www.entrygeek.co.za



Please can every single child in the primary school have their costumes made and ready by the 10th May.

Please encourage your children to learn their words, if they are saying lines in the play.

Chat to me if you are unsure about the costume your child is wearing.

Thank you - Mrs Brokensha.

Grade 5 Natural Science

This week the Grade 5 pupils did two experiments where they investigated the properties of metals and nonmetals. In the first experiment they used apples and lemons to determine which of the two will better react with corrosion on metals and will remove the corrosion. In the next experiment they boiled water to determine if metal and non-metals react to heat the same way. They discovered that metals conduct heat and that non-metal materials will lose their heat after a certain period of time.





English Language Day

English Language Day is celebrated all around the world on the 23rd of April, the day Shakespeare was born and died. English Language Day serves as a platform that gives opportunity to people to celebrate the diversity and heritage of the English Language.

Dressed up as poetry characters, Grades 1 to 3 recited poems in group formats. Stories like Jack and the Beanstalk and The Elves and the Shoemaker were some of the famous stories acted out by Grade 4 to 7 for English Language Day.



















Pre-Primary News

This week the Cubs started with their insect theme. Insects are small invertebrates, whose bodies have a hard outer casing. They have six legs and feelers called antennas, many have wings. The ladybug are very helpful in the garden as they eat bugs that are harmful to plants. The colour of the ladybug sends a message to its predators that it tastes bad or maybe poisonous. They are active from spring to autumn.



The Grade 00 class learnt all about Autumn this week. How the leaves changes colour and the air become colder. We enjoyed going around the school in search of different leaves and using them for our beautiful artwork.



"... the basic law of children's creativity is that it's value lies not in it's results, not in the product of the creation but in the process itself." - Vygotsky The Grade 000's revised their colours whilst sorting blocks and building bright castles.



The Grade Os loved engaging in all Bird Theme Maths and Phonic activities during the past 2 weeks. We have learnt about the characteristics of a bird and birds that don't fly. Especially penguins as it is world penguin day 25th April.



On Saturday the Pre-Primary Teachers had a wonderful morning engaging with and training ECD teachers from the outlying areas of Nkomazi.





"If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peacefully with all"

Romans 12:18 ESV



Moms in Touch would like to invite you to join us to pray for our children and our wonderful school.

Tuesday mornings under the school trees. God works through praying Mothers. Covering your children in prayer, will help give you peace for every aspect of their lives!

If you would like to join or if you have any prayer requests you can contact Liziwe on 082 480 3138.

When we try, we fail. When we trust, He succeeds.

Corrie Ten Boom.