

Term 4 Week 9

From the Interim-Head's Desk: Prize-Giving Speech

04 December 2024

I welcome you to our annual prize giving, for 2024. I hope you will enjoy this morning's important event, during which we recognise the achievements gained by children throughout the year. As always, it is not possible for every child to win a prize, whether it be in the classroom or on the sports' field.

To those who do win an award, "Well Done" indeed on your achievement! You have worked hard and well and you fully deserve your award.

To children who do not win a prize today, do not give up; if at first you do not succeed, make sure you persevere until you, too, are able to win in 2025.

We held an amazing Leavers' Dinner on Friday night, during which we bid farewell to our Grade Sevens. Congratulations go to Mrs Meyers and Mrs de Kock for their hard work and determination in getting the event organised. Thanks, too, go to the other members of staff for all their efforts.

Sadly, we say Farewell to three of our staff members;

Mrs Damm, who has been our Bursar for over 8 years and who has performed her work most diligently; we wish her well in her new post at Uplands College;

Mrs Granville departs after some 7 years of hard work and dedication in the Pre-School; she will be furthering her studies as from next year;

Mrs Jearey has been our Senior Primary English teacher for four years; she and her husband will be retiring and moving to KwaZulu Natal. We wish both of them all of the very best for the future.

Our teachers have, as always, worked hard and well throughout the year, doing their utmost to get through the various (lengthy) syllabi before the end of the year. This can be something of a thankless task and all the teachers are commended for their dedication and sterling efforts during 2024.

Grateful thanks, too, go to all our industrious Cleaning Ladies and Groundmen. Theirs is a thankless task, which they perform very well. We often receive compliments from parents and visitors on the appearance of the grounds and buildings.

Special thanks, as always, go to our administrative members of Staff, Mrs Rutherford, Mrs De Kock, Mrs Damm and Mrs Ferreira. These diligent ladies are well-used to working under pressure and they perform their duties admirably.

We acknowledge, here, our appreciation to Mr Andre Els, our Estate Manager - Mr Fix-It!

We also appreciate, very much, the support received from many of our parents during this year. Long may this continue!

I should mention that we are still in the throes of identifying a replacement Head for Riverview. As such, I shall continue to act as Interim Head/School Administrator for the First Term of 2025.

Derek Reynish

School closing times for 2025:

Preschool:Monday to Friday: 12h30Junior Primary and Senior Primary:Monday:Junior Primary 13h30Senior Primary 13h30Tuesday - Thursday:Junior Primary 13h30Friday:Junior Primary 13h00Senior Primary 13h00



JUNIOR PREP PRIZE GIVING 2024

First in Class

Grade 1 Jack Rhodes, Grade 2 Awande Mkhabela, Grade 3 Kensey Havemann



Special Awards



Jnr Sportsman Mabuthonke Mdhlovu



Nzimande



Reading Trophy Mukhethwa Bereda



SENIOR PREP PRIZE GIVING 2024

First in Class







Elsje Goosen Grade 4

Rushda Patel Grade 5

ugo Vieira K Grade G

Reamohetse Mahlats Grade 7

Sports Awards



Snr Sportsman Hugo Vieira Snr Sportswoman Nobuciko Mabunda





SENIOR PREP PRIZE GIVING 2024 Special Awards



Coco Van Aardt Christian Trophy Micaela Fourie



Chiyoka Trophy Snr Reading Reamohetse Mahlatsi



Esselen Creative Writing Trophy Siyanda Mfuphi



Esselens & Engelbrecht Trophy Afrikaans Creative Writing Sebastian Damm



Malelane Business Chambers Economic Management Science Trophy Muhammed Patel



Cultural Award Khutšo Molapo



Simon Lombaard Leadership Trophy Khutšo Molapo



Debbie Palmer Perseverance Trophy Welcome Madlazi



Headmaster's Trophy For Service to the School Daniël Bosman



Robberts Academic House Point Trophy (Rollers)



Riverview Rhino Challenge (Seniors)

Grade 7 Farewell

Grade 7 boys and girls went to town arriving all dressed up for their Grade 7 farewell function on Friday night on the Riverview deck. Parents and staff also attended the function. It was an opportunity for the Grade 7s to present their gratitude toward their parents for their contribution during their time at Riverview. Mrs Lize-Marie Dreyer, who had the Grade 7's as her register class earlier in the year, gave a lovely summary and motivational advice to each Grade 7 before handing out their gifts. We wish each Grade 7 all the best for their future endeavours.





Carols by Candlelight Picnic

Families arrived with colourful blankets and festive picnic baskets on Monday night to enjoy the Carols by Candlelight picnic just before the lovely rain came pouring down. Candles created a soft and special atmosphere while the audience was entertained by singers and readings from children. Thank you to all the families who attended the evening and to the little girls in red dresses who added cuteness and colour to our last event of the year.



Merry Christmas!











Pre-Primary News

The Pre-Primary children enjoyed a fun-filled end of year party. Waterplay and definitely the jumping castle was the star of the day!

We as a Pre-Primary Staff wish all the children and parents a Merry Christmas!



















For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on his shoulders. And he will be called: Wonderful Counselor, [a] Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.



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