

Riverview Reporter

Champions Inspired by Values



Term 3 Week 9

From the Head's Desk

12 September 2024

Those parents who drop their children off at school will have seen that construction on the new access road has begun. We have several other projects that we are busy with and the school continues to update and improve its facilities:

The access road should be 100% ready for use at the beginning of the 4th term.

By that time, we plan to erect a concrete fence that runs along the length of the Pre-Primary from the beginning of the Cubs playground until the entrance to the carpark.

A ceiling on the deck area has been installed and the walls will be painted soon.

The old library is undergoing an upgrade with a large world map being placed on the wall and all desks and chairs being upgraded.

Raubex are in the process of levelling the area at the end of our existing field and we look forward to be able to make use of this area soon.

Raubex have been contacted (**AGAIN**) to erect signage along our new road and to paint appropriate road markings on the brick paved road. This is stipulated in the contract and the continued delays in this process are very frustrating!

Future projects include redesigning the parking area to ensure a safe, less dusty and smooth flow of traffic and erecting appropriate signage at both the vehicle and pedestrian access points to the school.

It is unavoidable that during the construction phase of our access road, that parents will be somewhat inconvenienced. Please bear with us and drive extra carefully!

A few years back I listened to a talk given to parents by a lady who was the deputy head of a boy's high school of close to 1500 pupils. She had 4 children of her own and many, many years of teaching experience. She said that regardless of how you parent and the values you instill in your children, at some stage the following were guaranteed:

Your child will lie to you

Your child will disappoint you

Your child will engage in behaviour you have advocated against

That does not mean they are bad children, poorly parented or life-long offenders. It is also not something they have learned at school. They are just normal children, testing boundaries, taking risks and growing up. You do not have to accept their behaviour and excuse their transgressions, but a severe knee-jerk reaction may end up being more damaging than a more measured response. One action does not define them or set their course for life. It is important that as parents and teachers we use every opportunity to learn, grow and strengthen relationships while modelling the behaviour we expect to see in our children.

Have a great weekend

Brendan Bailey

Week ahead:

Grade 4-7 Standardised Test: 16-20 September: Afrikaans.

Friday 13 - Grade 7 EMS Market Day.

Tuesday 17 September - Grade 3 and 4 outings.

Wednesday 18 September - Cubs outing.

Thursday 19 September - Argentum Corona.

Friday 20 September - **School closes 10h00**

School re-opens for the fourth term on Tuesday 08 October.

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**GRADE 7
ENTREPRENEURS
DAY**
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13 September 2024
First Break
LOTS TO BUY!
Eats, games, drinks, plants and much
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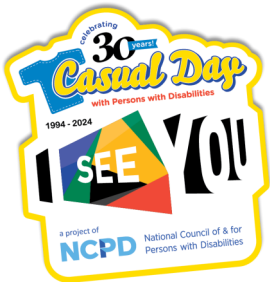
From the Sports Desk

A Fantastic End to the Season and Exciting New Beginnings

As we wrap up the hockey and cricket season, we are thrilled to announce that our Inter-house cricket was dominated by the Hornbills, who showcased exceptional skill and teamwork throughout the event.

We would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all the coaches who have worked tirelessly with our players, helping them grow and succeed on the field. Your dedication and commitment have been invaluable.

Looking ahead, we are excited to kick off our cross country, athletics, and swimming programs next week. We can't wait to see our students continue to thrive and excel in these upcoming sports!



**Thank you for your support
we raised R3620.00!**

Casual Day

The school supported Casual Day last Friday by purchasing a R20 sticker and wearing casual wear in support of children with disabilities. The Junior Prep came to school in Spring hats in celebration of Spring.

The best hats were voted as follows: Jeandré Fourie (Gr 1), Mianique Canada (Gr 2) and Kensey Havemann (Gr 3). Thank you all for supporting this worthy cause.



Mpumalanga Show

Last week Thursday the Grade 2—7s went on a field trip to the Mpumalanga Show at the Mbombela Stadium. We enjoyed going through the farm animal section. We saw many big and interesting animals that we had not seen at the show before. The Ankole cattle were a big highlight due to their massive horns and size. Some children were lucky enough to go into a pen and touch the Alpacas. We then moved onto the Dinosaur Expo, where we went through two Exhibitions. How lucky are we to have been able to be up close and personal to these dinosaurs and see their true size. The children enjoyed browsing through the different stalls and purchasing goodies for themselves. A lovely, fun day with perfect weather.



Grade One trip to the Lurie Farm

Grade One The grade one's went to the Lurie's farm last week. It was a lovely morning. The children were able to feed the cows and horses. They saw how mealies, beans, and sunflowers grow. A ride on the back of a truck to the Mango orchard was great fun. Thank you to the Lurie's for hosting us.



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Pre-Primary News

This week the Cubs learnt all about flowers. Flowers are all around us, reflecting the changing of seasons and the wonders of nature. Why are flowers important? Flowers attract pollinators (insects and birds) which means that plants are able to reproduce and survive. Flowers protect seeds as they grow. The sunflower is one of the most well known flowers, it is especially known for its ability to show movement based on the sun. Sunflowers deliver healthy snacks and a useful oil.



The Grade 000s enjoyed a morning filled with adventures at Eco Kids.

The children searched for hippos along the river walk, collectively built a hippo puzzle, examined skulls and had the opportunity to learn about and touch snakes.

A special thank you to Kim Carlton and her team for a morning the children won't forget.



The Grade 00 class inspecting a beehive up close. They could see the bee's carpenter inside the hive and smell the honey, concluding our "Insects" theme. "Bees are the batteries of orchards gardens, guard them." - Carol Ann Duffy



The Grade 0s had a lovely day in the KNP on Friday. They enjoyed being in the school bus and the morning's game viewing. We even managed to spot a pride of lion resting in the shade. The visit to Berg en Dal camp was great fun, beginning with a talk on trees, and a picnic at snack time. The children and Mrs Tapson, would also like to thank Kim Carlton, for all she helped with on our trip.



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.

You open Your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing.

Psalm 145:16 NIV