



# What's Happening @LRS?

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

**“The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today.”**

H Jackson Brown, Jr

### **WELCOME BACK:**

Dear Leicester Road Parents and Learners.

As we enter term four the “final stretch” of 2024, I encourage everyone to strike a balance between maintaining your academic rigour and taking care of your well-being. With final exams on the horizon, it's crucial that you stay focused, organized, and disciplined in your studies while also making time for rest and reflection.

I trust that over the holidays, you've had an opportunity to reflect on your goals and progress you have made this year. Now is the time to put that reflection into action

As we approach the last few weeks of this year, I wish all students, staff, and families the best of luck. Let's finish the year with a 100% pass rate.

### **HOMEWORK FOR INTERSEN PHASE LEARNERS: (i.e. Grades 4 to 7)**

The greater majority of our learners do their work well and hand it in on time. They bring great pleasure to their educators! However, some Intersen Phase educators have been experiencing difficulty getting some of the weaker learners to apply themselves diligently. We appeal to parents, who are aware that their children are weak and irresponsible, to become involved in their school work. Please follow up daily the homework written in the school books to ensure that your children achieve the standard of competency required for promotion at the end of the year. Our ongoing advice to our learners is: **DON'T JUST DO IT ..... DO IT RIGHT.** Homework and projects will, as always, be carefully planned to enable our Intersen Phase learners to be prepared for their weekly tests. (Children are assessed continuously throughout the year.)

### **A Good Daily Procedure Especially for Grades 4, 5, 6 and 7 Learners:**

- 1 Do homework according to the homework diary and the following day's timetable. Have your parents check and sign.
- 2 Check the day's timetable for other matters requiring attention, e.g. sports kit for Physical Education lessons.
- 3 Empty suitcase daily and pack it according to the timetable for the next day.
- 4 Leave at home all books which are not required.
- 5 Prepare tog bags and extra-mural kit for the next afternoon's activities too.
- 6 Thank your parents/family for what they do for you.

### **ENROL YOUR CHILDREN NOW FOR GRADE R:**

Parents of children, who require Grade R in 2025, should ensure that their application for admission to our Grade R class is completed timeously. Grade R is for children turning six in 2025. Grade R is run privately by the School Governing Body. Therefore, no fee subsidies will be granted.

### **EXAMS:**

These will be held from Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> until Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> November. If any children are absent during this time, a doctor's note is compulsory. **EXAM TIMETABLE TO FOLLOW.**

### **Preparation for Exams (Controlled Tests):**

Have you, as a parent, prepared your children for the exams (Controlled Tests)? Please spend time with your child and check the following:

- 1 He/she is doing revision every day.
- 2 Ensure that the exam timetable is visible in a prominent place.
- 3 Also ensure that the study scope is visible.

Please check the website for further tips and help regarding the exams.

#### **COLLECTION OF CHILDREN AFTER SCHOOL:**

Our school day ends at 14h00 Monday to Thursday and 12h35 on Fridays. The only children who should still be at school after this time are those **legitimately taking part in an extra-mural activity**. It has come to our attention that some children are being left to wait at the gate very late! Have you considered the following?

- It is not fair on your child – especially in the cold/hot weather.
- It is not necessarily always safe for your child to wait alone.
- Boredom usually leads to trouble.
- If an accident occurs – who is there to give assistance?

When you enrolled your child/children at Leicester Road Primary, you signed the consent forms agreeing to get your child/children to school on time and to collect them after school on time. Please be considerate and adhere to this agreement.

#### **EXTRA-MURAL ACTIVITIES – SLIP SLAP SLOP (SUN PROTECTION):**

The extra-mural programme for the fourth term commences this Monday. Some days we experience brilliant sunshine and heat. We, therefore, recommend that our learners:

- Slip on a school sport shirt – which has a high collar.
- Slap on a Leicester Road School cap or hat – preferably with a wide brim.
- Slop on sun protection cream – especially on the face, neck, hands and arms.

We appeal to parents to ensure that all physical education and swimming outfits (including towels) are clearly marked with learners' names. We also ask parents to help their children pack their cases on the days they have these activities. Our office becomes inundated with items which have been 'left at home'. We are trying to teach learners responsibility and organisation skills and would appreciate it, if you could help us in this regard. An organised learner is a happy learner. Please ensure that your children (boys and girls) bring a cap for swimming. Children should also be reminded to drink water throughout the day. Extra Murals start on the 7<sup>th</sup> October.

#### **PARENTS EVENING (BY INVITATION ONLY):**

Our Parents evenings will take place for all grades on **Wednesday, 9 October 2024** from 16h00 until 18h30. Letters for invited parents have been sent out already, please check with your child if they received one.

#### **PARENT'S EVENING - TERM 4 ALL GRADES (R – 7)**

**Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> October 2024**  
**16h00 until 18h30**

**All Educators will be based in their classrooms.**

**Miss Sekotlong, Mrs Van der Walt & Mrs Gardener will be in the library.**

#### **GRADE R GRADUATION:**

The Grade R Graduation will be held at the school on Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024 from 8:30 until 12:00.

#### **CHILDREN LEAVING THE SCHOOL:**

If your child will be leaving our school at the end of this year, please advise Ms Consillia Mtungwa in writing ([admin@lrschool.co.za](mailto:admin@lrschool.co.za)) as soon as possible in order for her to timeously prepare Transfer Cards. We also require this information for 2025 enrolment purposes.

Yours in Education,  
Mr KWM DRIVER  
School Principal

  
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