

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

“If you want to get somewhere you have to know where you want to go and how to get there. Then never, never, never give up.” Norman Vincent Peale

A REMINDER:

The school holiday commences on 14 June 2024. Learners are to be present at school daily. Academic work continues until the end of term.

HOMEWORK:

Your child should have homework every day. Please do not allow him/her to tell you any differently. Homework must be done every day; where no written work is set, learners need to:

- 1 Read over the content of the subjects taught that day.
- 2 Prepare for forthcoming tests.
- 3 Learn spelling.
- 4 Revise Mathematics.
- 5 Reading should be a daily activity.

Good progress and good marks cannot be achieved, if homework is not done. Please make a concerted effort to monitor your child's homework critically and sign his/her homework diary every day. After all is said and done, we want our children to achieve. Homework teaches children additional skills such as responsibility, time management and organisation.

COMPULSORY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE – ABSENCE OF CHILDREN FROM SCHOOL DURING SCHOOL HOURS:

As teaching time is so vital, parents are requested to make all medical and dental appointments after school hours. In the case of urgent appointments with specialists, who consult only during mornings, please observe the following procedure:

- a) A letter stating the reason and the time of departure must be directed to the class educator. This letter will be sent to the Office for the sanction of the Principal.
- b) The child must be called for at the Office by a responsible person, whose ID must be shown, and a form must be signed stating that the child is being fetched early. Under no circumstances may a child be removed from the classroom during school hours without prior consultation with the Principal.
- c) Children, who have music or ballet examinations, will be allowed to leave the school, provided such examinations have been sanctioned by the Principal and written proof thereof has been submitted to the School Office.
- d) Any child, who misses more than 3 days of school, is required to submit a doctor's letter on his/her return.
- e) Needless to say, taking children out of school unnecessarily puts pressure on the child and the educator and is contrary to the South African Schools' Act.
- f) Taking children out of school early to go on holiday or to go away for a weekend sends the wrong message to your child and to others. Academic time should not be abused.
- g) If a child misses a cycle test, a doctor's note must be shown.
- h) Children should stay at home when they are ill as they get distressed when they are sent to school.

Educators may not be asked to re-teach subject matter missed or to send work home in advance if parents make arrangements to go on holiday during school time.

SICK CHILDREN:

Parents, who are contacted, are expected to collect sick or injured children within an hour. We do not have the facilities to keep children at the school for longer than that. Should there be a delay, kindly organise for an alternate person to collect your child and telephone the School Office to advise the secretaries who will be fetching the child.

INTERCLASS SOCCER AND NETBALL DAY – 8 June 2024

PARENTS' SPORTS DAY:

Reminder about the Interclass Sports Day which will be held this **Saturday (8 JUNE)** from 07:30 until 12:20.

This is a fun day where you and you children can have fun together.

Not all parents are able to do sports, however, any family member over the age of 18 can represent you in this event (moms please come along and show the dads your soccer skills). Please send in the reply forms the school sent out last week so that we can have the correct logistics for Saturday's fun.

An entrance fee of R5 will be charged per person, this will be payable at the gate.

Last but not least remember to dress warmly.

1. Learners may come to school in approved sports gear (**CLASS COLOURS/THEME**).
2. Bring sun protection – hats and sun block.
3. Teachers to explain order of events the day before.
4. All pupils are to remain with their teams at allocated places so as to ensure that matches commence on time.
5. No inappropriate dress will be allowed – no ski pants/cycling shorts.

07H45 – 08H00	Register Classes
08H00 – 08H10	Boys to the field and Girls to the courts
08H15 – 11H45	Soccer and netball commences
11H55 – 12H05	Awards
12H05 – 12H10	Return to register class and dismissed

Class Colours:



Grade	Teacher	Colour
RA	Mrs Marrian	Green
RB	Ms Ndava	Red
RC	Mrs Stewart	Blue
1A	Miss Arokiam	Blue
1B	Mrs Minnie	Green
1C	Mrs Merrifield	Red
1D	Miss Da Fonseca	Blue
2A	Mrs Hinckley	Green
2B	Miss Loddó	Red
2C	Mrs Du Toit	Blue
3A	Miss Whitehead	Green
3B	Miss Arnott	Red
3C	Mrs Frederick	Blue
4A	Miss Ali	Green
4B	Miss Anthony	Red
4C	Miss Singh	Blue
5A	Miss Smit	Green
5B	Mrs Vose	Red
5C	Mrs Sumungal	Blue
6A	Mrs Merrington	Green
6B	Mr Makanjee	Red
6C	Mr Vadival	Blue
7A	Miss Harker	Green
7B	Mrs Aldworth	Red
7C	Mr Zagt	Blue



NEWS FROM THE MEDIA CENTRE: (Outstanding Library Books)

Would parents please help us by checking whether their children have any school library books at home. If this is the case, kindly return all outstanding books to the school as soon as possible.

SHOPPING CENTRES – A WORD OF CAUTION TO PARENTS:

We are aware of the practice of dropping children off at the different big shopping centres where they are left free to entertain themselves. We bring to parents' attention the following for careful consideration:

1. Children meet people not known to parents who perhaps would not be approved of if parents knew them. These people are often of the wrong age group.
2. Children, who are left on their own, tend to become mischievous; they don't always tell the truth about what they are doing and may be tempted to transgress.
3. Prevention is better than cure. Drug abuse is rife. Prevent problems from developing, rather than having to deal with the results.

If your child says, "... but all the other children are allowed to", don't be fooled or made to feel guilty. Sensible parents say no when their children's safety, security and well-being are at risk. Don't give in to child pressure!

LITTER:

Parents, please encourage your children to be proud of their environment and clean up after themselves.

MANNERS:

Some of our learners, especially in the Senior Phase, have forgotten to:

1. Greet staff members and visitors to our school.
2. Move out of the way of adults when passing them in a corridor or pathway.

The matter of manners is small, yet of great importance, as good or bad manners create first impressions.

SCHOOL SECOND-HAND SHOP:

If parents have any items of school uniform which are no longer needed, kindly mark them with your name, surname and telephone number and send them to the School Second-Hand Shop.

SCHOOL REPORTS:

We request parents to please file their children's reports in a safe place for future reference. On a few occasions, we have had a number of requests to print past reports for learners because these have been lost. This ongoing task causes unnecessary inconvenience to the admin staff. We would appreciate your co-operation in this regard.

END OF TERM REPORTS:

Learners will be receiving their Term 2 reports on Friday, 14 June, the day the term ends. Reports will not be handed out earlier. Reports for absent learners will only be available on this day from 12h00 until 13h00 ONLY from the school hall. Reports not fetched by **13h00**, will be given to learners next term.


MOTHERS DAY TEA – A MESSAGE FROM MRS FREDERICK:

The Foundation Phase educators and learners prepared a wonderful Mother's Day Tea for all the special Mothers of Leicester Road School on Friday the 12th May 2024. Grades R- 3 worked so hard in putting together special Mother's Day songs, which they had practiced for the whole week. The learners and educators enjoyed singing their songs. All Foundation Phase teachers worked together as a team to make the day a great success.

Mother's Day is a very special day of the year. Life doesn't come with a manual; it comes with a mother. When you are a mother, you are never alone in your thoughts. A mother always must think twice, once for herself and once for her child. Being a mother can be tough, but always remember in the eyes of your child, no one does it better than you.

We really appreciate all the mothers who attended and missed those who couldn't make it. A big thank you to all the mothers for the amazing donations of biscuits and cupcakes. As a school, we really enjoyed spending the morning with you celebrating Mother's Day.

Yours in Education,
Mr KWM DRIVER
School Principal

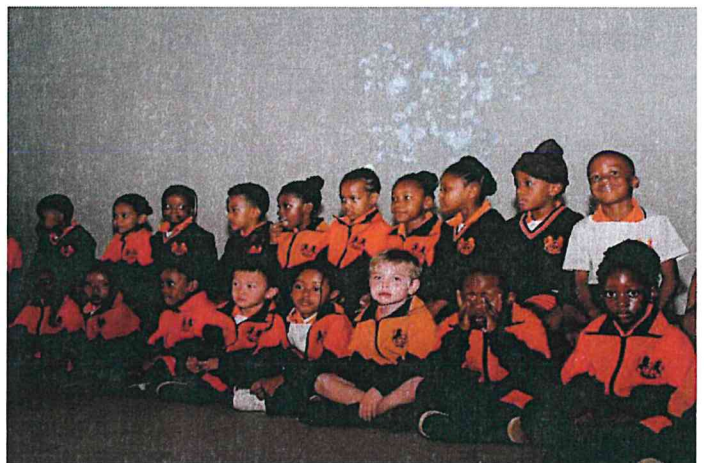


Sign

4-6-2024

Date

MOTHERS DAY TEA



WINTER WONDERLAND DRESS - UP



A STAR IN THE MAKING



Congratulations to Gugu in Grade 7. She has made it to the provincial soccer team. Well done Gugu, we are proud of you.

★ Well Done! ★
★ So proud of you! ★

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2025 CALENDAR FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Public and School Holidays 2025	
01 January	New Year's Day
21 March	Human Rights Day
18 April	Good Friday
21 April	Family Day
27 April	Freedom Day
28 April	Freedom Day' observed
29 April	Special school holiday
30 April	Special school holiday
01 May	Workers' Day
02 May	Special school holiday
16 June	Youth Day
09 August	National Women's Day
24 September	Heritage Day
16 December	Day of Reconciliation
25 December	Christmas Day
26 December	Day of Goodwill

Weekends

School days

Special school holidays

Days for administration

Public holidays

School holidays

SUMMARY OF 2025 CALENDAR FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Duration	No. of weeks	No. of days	No. of public holidays	Actual no. of school days
(13) 15 January - 28 March	11	53 (55)	1	52 (54)
08 April - 27 June	12	59	5+3	51
22 July - 03 October	11	54	1	53
13 October - (10) 12 December	09	43 (45)	0	43 (45)
Total	43	209 (213)	7+3	199 (203)

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