

# NEWSLETTER



27 February 2019

Can you believe that there are only three weeks of school remaining for term 1? It feels as if we have just begun the term.

I pray that you are strong in the Lord and that you are still keeping your eyes focussed on your creator. As this term draws to a close and the learners become more tired, they need to be motivated:

When a child is young, parents are the motivators, allowing them to feel good when success is achieved and teaching them to try again and to persist when results are not good. If this job has been done well, then as a child continues to grow, self-motivation should take over. Children should enjoy their successes and strive to beat the odds. Parents should still celebrate with them and encourage them throughout life though.

### How can I help my children be motivated in school?

- Talk about school regularly. It's impossible to overemphasize how important it is to discuss your child's school experiences.
- Display your children's achievements for all to see
- Point out your children's progress. As your child learns and improves in school, compare recent results to results from the past. Show your child that he or she is making progress and has reasons to feel proud about these accomplishments.

Have fun!

## Calendar of Events

Wed, 27 Feb	Reader Leader Forms in Grades 1 - 7
Fri, Sat, 1 & 2 March	Dads and kids Camp
Mon, 4 Mar	Reader Leader Ceremony
Tue, 5 March	Parents' Meeting
Wed, 6 Mar	Sci Fest Begins
Sat, 9 March	Archery - Buffalo
Mon, 11 March	Bathurst Show entry forms in. Hearing Screening
Thurs, 14 Mar	Reports issued, Bathurst Show art handed in. Tourism students Game Drive
Fri, 15 March	SCHOOL CLOSES @ 10a.m.

These dates may be changed as the term progresses.

## COMING SOON

Please take note of all the events on the calendar.

- **Bathurst Show Art:** The money and slips for entries must be handed in by the 11<sup>th</sup> of March and the art must be in by the 14<sup>th</sup> of March.
- **Conquesta:** Money and slips in by 1 May, please.

- **Hearing Screening:** On the 11<sup>th</sup> of March the children have the opportunity to have their hearing checked by an audiologist. The cost of the screening is R100. We highly recommend that all children have their hearing tested if they have not already had it done. Money and slips in by the 5<sup>th</sup> of March.
- **Travelling Book Shop:** I know this is a very early notice, but we encourage parents to send R10 per month to school until the travelling Bookshop arrives in August. That way the children will have some saved money to purchase their own book.
- **Photos:** Also an early notice, Rob Owen will be at school on the 16<sup>th</sup> of April to take photos of the learners in Grade RRR – 3 and in Grade 12. Grades RRR – 3, please complete the order forms. Grade 12's will all have their photos taken and parents may decide if they want the photos or not. The forms were issued last week. Grade RRR – 3 must please pay their money and return their forms by the 10<sup>th</sup> of April.
- **Dads and kids Camp:** 1 – 2 March. The forms have gone out to all parents up to grade 8. This is an amazing time for dads and their children to bond and also for dads to meet other dads. Please join us. Mr Sterley so looks forward to meeting with you.



- **LOST PROPERTY** – Lost property may be collected from the office from now on. All lost property enquiries must go through the office only.
- **DROP OFF AND COLLECTION:** Please remember that parents may not ride onto the Green Fountain property unless they have business to attend to in the office. Learners must be dropped off and collected at the junior playground. Late collections will be receiving an invoice to cover the costs of late supervision.
- **VALENTINES DAY:** The little learners had such a wonderful time showing off their beautiful costumes. Well done to the families who helped their little ones look so smart. The winners were Michael, Leon and Jadrian. The Outreach to the old-age home was very special as members of our Worship team sang and danced for the elderly and blessed them with cards, prayers and chocolates.
- **ARCHERY:** Our learners participated in the archery shoot at PAHS last Saturday. The following learners did our school proud: Hannah Ford, Rebekah Meiring and Isabella Becker who all medalled. Well done!
- **CRICKET RESULTS:** 30 Jan – our U13 boys played cricket against PAHS and lost by 5 wickets. 14 Feb – the little guys played mini-cricket vs Shaw Park. ESCA scored 25 runs and Shaw Park scored 5.2 runs – so a win for us! 17 Feb – the U11 learners played a match against Shaw Park and won by 40 runs! ESCA scored 106/6 and Shaw Park scored 66/7. Another win! Well done to all the boys!

Enjoy the last three weeks of term.

Mrs Payne