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Our theme for
this year is:

Accept and
Embrace
CHANGE

Once upon a time at CityKidz...

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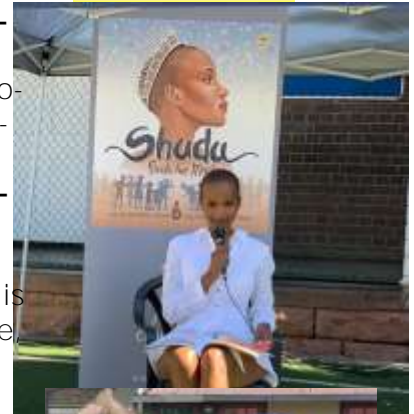
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We were captivated on Tuesday by the visit of Miss South Africa 2020, Shudufhadzo Musida. Our Grade 1 - 4 learners were entranced as they listened to **Shudu read her story book. "Shudu Finds Her Magic" is Shudu's story of struggle and hope, of falling and getting up again. Set in a small village in Limpopo it tells a tale of bullying and the power of friendship.**

"Shudu Finds Her Magic" reflects Shudu's real passion for mental health: "For me personally, mental health is something that is not really spoken about. Unfortunately, it is considered a taboo subject that is often engaged with, not to rehabilitate but to shame so I want to bring that conversation into the open. It's time our society stands together to confront this."

Shudu's engagement with our learners was certainly inspiring and is a highlight that will be remembered by everyone at CityKidz. What do we remember most about Shudu on her visit? Was it her words that she shared with the students? Was it her gorgeous looks? On the contrary, it was her smile that left a lasting impression on all of us. It is a smile born from pain brought forth to inspire others. It is a smile representing black excellence in all its glory.



Special points of interest:

Controlled Tests start
22nd Nov-26th Nov

20th November
Gr RR and R Grad and
Grade 1 Prizegiving
Grade RRa and RRb-
09h00 – 10h00
Grade RA, RB and RC-
10h30 – 11h30
Prizegiving Grade 1
12h00 – 13h30

Grade 7 Farewell
Happy Valley
02nd December

Friday 03rd December –
Learners last day
Prizegiving Saturday
4th Dec Grade 2 and 3 -
08h30 – 10h30
Grade 4,5,6 and 7
11h00 – 13h00

New Parent's Meeting
06th Dec 8:30 – 10:00.
6th December



A School Making a Difference

CityKidz is truly the little school that could. The teachers, management and maintenance staff of CityKidz add that extra touch of magic that impacts the lives of its children for the better. All staff follow a strict code of conduct that emphasizes the rights and dignity of every single child. However, simply following a set of rules is not enough for our staff. We seek to plant seeds into the lives of our children that enhances their growth and potential for the future.

However, how do we do this in such a challenging time period with so much happening? From COVID-19 to the rampant looting of businesses across the country, South Africa has faced many challenges to protect its progressive constitution. CityKidz looked in the face of diversity and change and it will not allow extraneous variables to prevent it from exposing its children to positive and life-changing opportunities.

CityKidz believes that its children must excel in the classroom. Extra lessons are offered in the morning before school in order to assist learners be the best that they can be academically. Difficult concepts are taught that learners may have issues with. English, Afrikaans and Mathematics are core subjects that determine whether or not learners are promoted to the next grade. By helping struggling learners, they are able to complete their school career in time.

It has truly been a heart-warming experience to see children so dedicated to their academic progress. Another way that learners are supported is through teacher/parent meetings. In these meetings, the progress or lack of progress of each child is discussed. This allows teachers to provide intervention methods that can be followed by both the parents and the child being discussed. As one can see, CityKidz is truly dedicated to helping its children shine bright through interventions that extend beyond the four walls of the classroom.

Furthermore, children are given the opportunity to shine by exposing them to new ideas and situations that they would not find in their communities due to extraneous variables such as lack of infrastructure or lack of funding. These trips truly allow our children to dream big and learn new concepts. Climbing onto a bus and going to new places is truly an exciting endeavour for our children as many of them have been denied access to such luxuries.

Our Grade 1 learners went to Honeydew Mazes and flexed their cognitive muscles in solving puzzles and mazes. Other grades went to some fantastic places such as the Rietvlei Zoo Farm where our grade RR and R learners managed to see some animals and have a mental picture of the fine beasts that they had learned about in the classroom. Other trips included the Grade 3 and 4 visit to the Lion Park and the grade 6 visit to the South African Airways Aviation Museum. These visits are much more than simply trips for the sake of going somewhere. These field trips are designed to inspire our learners to dream big and to broaden their horizons.





CityKidz also believes in improving upon the leadership qualities of its learners. Grade 7 learners were taken to Konka in which they spent a few days participating in team building activities that flexed their leadership muscles. The trip was truly enjoyed by our future leaders and even the teachers themselves. After this camp, prefects and monitors were elected and these learners are given the responsibility of assisting teachers with duties and leading learners in the lower grades. CityKidz believes that every child should be given the opportunity to be a leader, and this inspires hope and positivity amongst the learners who could potentially become our future politicians and even presidents.

CityKidz also wants their students to express their creativity. This is done through the numerous civvies days it has had **throughout the course of the year. From Father's Day and Mother's Day to national holidays such as Heritage Day** were celebrated. Even a Pajama Day was had, and Spring Day were also celebrated. This allows the learners to express themselves and dress up in unique outfits. However, what makes these days truly special is seeing the cultural influences on each child's interpretation of the event. Many of our students come from different areas and even countries, thus meaning that there is great cultural diversity in the school. Our civvies days thus allow for a sense of pride amongst groups of learners who may be discriminated against in their communities due to xenophobia.

Finally, CityKidz helps its learners through that extra personal touch which separates it from other schools. This is **especially true with the boys' and girls' breakfasts that were held for Grade 6 and 7 students this year. Boys and girls** were spoken to separately in two gorgeous events where they were spoiled with meals and spoken to by inspirational guest speakers. By listening to speakers who the learners could truly relate to, they were able to take away some hope that their lives could amount to something incredible and that they could potentially change not only their communities, but the country.

Another personal deposit made into the lives of the children was when Pastor Willie came to speak into the lives of the Grade 6 and 7 learners. He discussed the concept of forgiveness with them and how they can be set free in this regard. Another great event was a visit from the health department where the Grade 6 and 7 learners were spoken to about basic hygiene and safe sex practices.

What else could possibly be added to all these great events? Well, Miss South Africa paid the school a visit and read from her book *Shudu Finds Her Magic* to the Foundation Phase.

CityKidz is a school that truly seeks to make a difference in the lives of its learners. However, CityKidz does not take a blanket approach where only a general intervention is taken. The school looks at each learner as an individual and seeks to understand how this specific learner can be helped. May the future of each learner at the school shine bright in a country which needs some illumination in these trying times.

Rudi Rheeders



Controlled Tests – Timetable

Monday 22nd November First Session 08h00-10h00 Break 10h00-10h30 Second Session 10h30 - 12h30	Session 1: Maths Gr 4,5, 6 & 7 Session 2: Technology Gr 7 All children leave at 12h30
Tuesday 23rd November First Session 08h00-10h00 Break 10h00-10h30 Second Session 10h30 - 12h30	Session 1: English Gr 4, 5, 6 and 7 Session 2: Life Skills/PSW Gr 4-6 Session 2: Life Orientation Gr 7 All children leave at 12h30
Wednesday 24th November First Session 08h00-10h00 Break 10h00-10h30 Second Session 10h30 - 12h30	Session 1: SS- Hist Gr 4, 5, 6 & 7 Session 2: Afrikaans Gr 4, 5, 6 & 7 All children leave at 12h30
Thursday 25th November First Session 08h00-10h00 Break 10h00-10h30 Second Session 10h30 - 12h30	Session 1: SS- Geog Gr 4, 5, 6 & 7 Session 2: EMS Gr 7 All children leave at 12h30
Friday 26th November First Session 08h00-10h00 Break 10h00-10h30 Second Session 10h30 - 12h30	Session 1: NS- Gr 7 Session 2: NS/Tech- Grade 4/5/6 Session 2: Creative Arts Gr 7 All children leave at 12h30



Grade 7 Entrepreneur's Day

My experience about entrepreneur's day was very exciting. It made me trust in my team and the bull ride was a very exciting moment to share with my friends, team. It also taught me how to make money and it should me my mistakes in marketing. Divine Okonkwo 7B

Entrepreneur's day has taught me that no matter how old you are you can always start up a business. Through dreams and goals we were able to pull it off. Communication was the key in our group that we were able to do a lot of money. It gave me time to get to know most of my customers and my business partners. I had fun and I enjoyed it while it lasted. Makgotso Berlina Motsoari Grade 7A

It was such a fun experience. I really felt how stressful and fun it is to run a business. One of the things that I learnt is that there will be challenges but if you never give up and if you have passion you will always achieve. I know that I could become an entrepreneur one day. Alicia Xulu 7C

My experience of the day was extraordinary and I had fun. We had to draw the kids' attention by making and mixing all sorts of things. I was running around trying to market the things I was selling and that was exhausting. We had to make sure that the things we were selling were mouth-watering and at a reasonable price. At the end of the day I was so tired but I was also joyful, because I got to experience what it's like running a business and making a profit. Martin Makgopa 7C

I really enjoyed entrepreneur's day, us as the grade 7s were supporting each other and helping each other It was really a great success than I thought it will be although we made a bit of a loss and not a profit. The games were very exciting and interesting that it was convincing everyone to go play more than one, the food was very colourful and appetising. I also like that we all shared the money equally and everyone was happy about it and there were no complaints. Thabisile Pearl Nkomo 7C

I enjoyed that we were supporting each other and working together as a team. Team work helped boost our moral, it generated creativity, and brought better business results. As a team we took a financial risk of selling notebooks and at the end of the day it turned out to be a healthy risk, all our books were sold out within an hour. I would like to thank the entire CityKidz learners for affording us the opportunity to test our entrepreneurial skills on them. I am grateful for the profit that we made I was able to pay back the loan I got from my mom, thanks to all my team members for pulling their weight to make the day a success. Siyamthanda Ncube 7B



BEHAVIOUR BANK - MOST MERITS

Most Merits Term 4 Weeks 3 and 4 - ending 05 November 2021

Grade	Name	Surname	Grade	Name	Surname
Grade RRA	Michael	Lunga	Grade RRB	Khanyankosi	Ngwenya
Grade RA	Nhlanhla	Mthlane	Grade RB	Gerard	Zulu
Grade RC	Mnqobi	Msipha	Grade 1A	Tshenolo	Motsatse
Grade 1B	Owami	Ndaba	Grade 1C	Emuhle	Motha
Grade 1D	Kamogelo	Mdhuli	Grade 1E	Sinothile	Phakathi
Grade 2A	Miracle	Ajuru	Grade 2B	Kabelo	Maxhakana
Grade 2C	Mbalenhle	Ndlovu	Grade 2D	James	Moyo
Grade 3A	Mvelo	Mthembu	Grade 3B	Nokulunga	Ndhlovu
Grade 3C	Mandlenkosi	Vuma	Grade 3D	Owenkosi	Sibanda
Grade 4A	Alwande	Magwaza	Grade 4B	Hope	Gumede
Grade 4C	Nkanyiso	Thebekwana	Grade 4D	Yoliswa	Madyibi
Grade 5A	Obakeng	Madikane	Grade 5B	Nthabiseng	Mpeke
Grade 5C	Olerato	Malape	Grade 5D	Abongwe	Nongogo
Grade 6A	Luthando	Mabaso	Grade 6B	Diarra	Mabusa
Grade 6C	Nonhlanhla	Mohulatsi	Grade 7A	Makgotso	Motsoari
Grade 7B	Divine	Okonkwo	Grade 7C	Shaun	Chukwu



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find opportunities
to make someone
smile, and to offer
random acts of
kindness in
everyday life.*

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Warm Regards

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