

**Mad Hatter's Tea Party – Morning Tea on Saturday, 25 January, from 8.30 am – 11.30 am!**

**New Parents Grade RR, R and Grade I—meet and mingle with other new parents and staff. Prizes for the best hats!**



## Attendance and punctuality

GOING TO SCHOOL - WHY IT'S SO IMPORTANT

School attendance is important because the law requires it. As a parent you are legally responsible for making sure your child gets a fulltime education. This means registering a child at school and making sure they attend regularly. Lots of people think that missing the odd day at school here and there can't do much harm. But even taking a short amount of time out can be a problem. Your child might fall behind in their work and not be able to catch up. If there are gaps in their knowledge, they will suffer when school assessments come around. There could be other problems too. Children who miss school are missing out on the social side of things, which affects their ability to make and keep friends.

REGULAR ATTENDANCE MEANS PUNCTUAL ATTENDANCE

School begins at 7:40am, your child must be in line-up ready to start the day by this time. If your child arrives after this time they will receive a demerit. If your child arrives after 8:00am they will sit in the pick up zone until the next lesson and receive a demerit. The morning session gets marked as an unauthorised absence.

Doors Open 7:00am ; Registration 7.40am : Late after 7.40am : Unauthorised Absence after 8.00am.

Arriving on time for registration is important as late arrivals can be disruptive to the class and embarrassing for the child who is late. Children can miss important information during registration. Please be punctual.





# School Fees

Parents must please ensure that they meet all their financial commitments with respect to the school.

The Finance Department wishes to reiterate that school fees need to be paid in advance.

Please do not allow your school fees to go into arrears. Sadly, if accounts are not up-to-date we will have no choice but to deregister your child immediately.

As an independent school we may exclude a learner when fees are not paid, because the

parents have broken the legal contract to pay fees. You have the option of sending your child to a non-paying government school.

School fees can be paid at the school's finance office using debit or credit card or by direct deposit into the school's bank account. No cash will be accepted.

### Bank Details

First National Bank

**ACCOUNT NUMBER :**

62549374974

**NB: Use your Reference number**



# Sports Uniforms

Dear Parents, please make sure your child has the correct PET uniform on Wednesdays. As well as on the days they have PET.

The house colours are:

**Roan** - Red

**Eland** - Yellow

**Impala** - Green

The correct PET uniform consists of:

-their house shirt

-navy blue shorts

-plain black takkies ONLY

-CityKidz sunhats or caps.

We acknowledge that our school uniform shop is currently out of stock. In the interim a plain t-shirt in the correct house colour will be allowed.

Learners in the incorrect PET uniform will be issued with demerits and will not be allowed to take part in planned activities.

Please also make sure that your child has the correct CityKidz school bag. Until the supplier has stock we will allow ONLY plain black or navy blue bags. NO other colours maybe be brought to school.



## DIARISE: Sports Day

Saturday 8th  
February  
WITS Education  
Campus -  
27 St Andrews Rd  
Parktown



## What's happening the following week?

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
27/01	28/01	29/01	30/01	31/01
Foundation Phase Collect children at 13h30 CASS/FAT	Foundation Phase Collect children at 13h30 CASS/FAT	Foundation Phase Collect children at 14h15 CASS/FAT	Foundation Phase Collect children at 13h30 CASS/FAT	Foundation Phase Intersen Phase Collect children at 13h00
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## Foundation Phase

It is the beginning of new decade and we were all excited to welcome new learners to our school. A total of one hundred and thirty-two learners in Grade RR, R and Grade1 started the school year with huge smiles on their faces. Some were nervous but quickly settled down and joined their peers to take advantage of the fun activities that the teachers had prepared. They were made to feel at home by the comforting hugs and friendly faces of

their teachers.

It has been a busy week and a half for our little ones, from making new friends, learning their teacher's names, memorising the layout of the school, to walking and marching in straight lines. We take this opportunity to wish all the new learners a successful and fun school year.

We are looking forward to welcoming our new parents to our CityKidz family this Saturday, 25th January 2020 for the Mad Hatter's tea party. **Mrs C Moyo Deputy Principal FP**



## Intersen Phase –Intermediate and Senior

Transition from primary to intermediate phase

The move from primary school to intermediate phase means several major changes for all children. Most children will cope with these changes and feel accustomed to the changes by the end of the first couple of weeks. In contrast children who have not only transitioned from primary school to intermediate phase but have also changed schools may take 2-3 terms to learn to navigate their way around the school and may require ongoing support throughout their school days to allow them to fully access the curriculum.

If there has been little preparation for the huge changes that occur between primary and intermediate phase, this leaves the child floundering and results in difficulties for the child to access the curriculum and makes it much harder for them to make friends. The first few weeks are crucial in developing new peer

groups.

Change in the school environment can make the child have major "wobbles" and make them feel anxious. Anxiety about lack of control of their environment can lead to the child feeling panicky all the time and this has a knock-on effect on their performance. They may lash out at others or withdraw into themselves in a form of self-protection.

### What is different in Intermediate Phase?

No personal desks and the use of pigeon holes to store belongings.

Subject specific teachers.

Homework – there is a greater volume and the expectations are different.

The need for greater organisational skills and meeting deadlines.

Key transition difficulties

Negotiating the way around their timetable. Independently organising their work and managing their own timetable.

Learning new teachers' names and their expectations and styles of teaching.

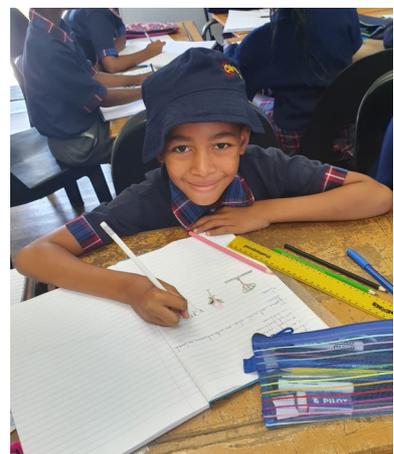
Learning about the appropriate books and tools required.

Carrying books around all day – no central place to return to – therefore increasing the chances of losing books or having incorrect stationery and books for the next class.

In PE, coping with more complex activities such as changing in/out of their PE kit.

Coping with new topics they have not studied before.

**Mrs T Krain Deputy Principal IP**



# BEHAVIOUR BANK

The following learners have received the most merits for the week ending 24/01/2020 . We are very proud of you!

Grade	Name	Surname	Grade	Name	Surname
Grade RR	Kamogelo	Gubelana			
Grade Ra	Mufarowashe	Kanoyangwa	Grade Rb	Nathan	Maphosa
Grade Rc	Tshenolo	Motsatse	Grade Rd	Thandolwami	Lebepe
Grade 1A	Ipeleng	Musi	Grade 1B	Peniel	Dube
Grade 1C	Thabiso	Matumba	Grade 1D	Lulo	Dayi
Grade 2A	Lwando	Tladi	Grade 2B	Lubabalo	Cebekhulu
Grade 2C	Sentle	Makgalemele	Grade 2D	Nanette	Chingono
Grade 3A	Tlhalepo	Sefotlho	Grade 3B	Kayla	Chimufombo
Grade 3C	Keith	Dube	Grade 3D	Omphile	Ngcobo
Grade 4A	Asanda	Maphosa	Grade 4B	Asanda	Sibanda
Grade 4C	Rutendo	Nyamadzawo	Grade 4D	Christian	Ndlovu
Grade 5A	Nosipho	Chauke	Grade 5B	Lilita	Nti
Grade 5C	Johanna	Chengu			
Grade 6A	Chichi	Okonkwo	Grade 6B	Gugu	Hadebe
Grade 6C	Michael	Khumalo			
Grade 7A	Ayanda	Fuyana	Grade 7B	Thamsanqa	Ndlovu



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## Spelling Bee Words



accomplishment	adenoids
accordingly	adequate
accurate	adjustment
achievement	admire
acquaintance	admission
acquisitive	admittance
acquittal	adolescence
acres	adornment
acrostic	adulation

## GENERAL KNOWLEDGE QUESTION FOR THE WEEK

Which creature of legends is a symbol in both Wales and China?

Answer to question in our last newsletter.

What is the slang name for a live musical performance ? **A gig**



## Quote for the Week

*Everyone wants some magical solution for their problem and everyone refuses to believe in magic.*

*The Mad Hatter – Alice in Wonderland Lewis Carroll*

**Warm Regards**

Mrs S REYNOLDS  
PRINCIPAL