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Dear Parent/Guardians

YOUTH DAY



On 16 June 1976, the youth of South Africa had had enough. They were tired of overcrowded classrooms, under-trained faculty staff, poor facilities and separation in schools. However, what really tipped these learners over the edge was the decision to make Afrikaans a language of instruction at secondary school level. This naturally made learners very upset, so they took to the streets and protested against the Bantu Education System of the time. This protest was a long time coming considering the state of affairs of the Bantustans in which black individuals were forced to reside. I'm sure that you have all seen the photo of Hector Petersen being carried away by his friend after he was killed by a police officer during the protest.

So, what does this event which happened a long time ago mean to us today? To be honest, it means a lot. Because of this event, the anti-Apartheid movement really got going, ultimately leading to the emancipation of the black population in the country. However, education itself is still not equal despite the anti-Apartheid movement. There is still a large gap between the rich and the poor and the level of education that they can afford. Many schools catering to lower-income groups are overcrowded and under-funded by government. Meanwhile, there are some schools where the yearly fees are above R80 000 per year boasting sports facilities and new-age technology. The country is still far away from reaching equal education for all. Even the #FeesMustFall movement was inspired by the 1976 Soweto Riots. Even in higher education there is a big difference in lived experience between the rich and the poor.

CityKidz finds itself within an interesting sphere. It seeks to address this inequality in basic education by offering quality instruction at an affordable rate. CityKidz believes in equal opportunity for all, and we sincerely hope to see your child thrive in secondary school and beyond. So, enjoy Youth Day and rest assured that your child is in a school which seeks to address the inequalities of the past.



Being African

Being African is a blessing in disguise, these blessings are both unique and a pleasure. The uniqueness of being African can be seen in the food we eat, the way we dress and how we present ourselves, as well as our dignity. People in Africa are blessed to be a part of this continent and traditional, as well as cultural values are highly respected and practiced. Though this might be the case, there is a huge majority that

follow religious customs, almost half of Africa's population believe in Christianity.

In relation to traditional and cultural values, the Zulu culture for example still observes the custom of *lobola* where the groom pays a certain negotiated amount of money to the bride's family. This is known as dowry/bride price. Also, there is a custom known as *ukuthwala* in which the groom's family kidnaps the bride without her or her family's consent.

Some people are referred to as "coconuts" meaning that they believe in both Christianity and traditional/cultural values. What makes us truly African is our cuisine and our attire, this plays a great and significant role in our lives.

Written by Asanda Maphosa and Sandra Chauke - 6B

Marvellous Mobiles

A mobile is a type of sculpture that is formed of delicate components which are suspended in the air and move in response to air currents. Our grade 4s did a marvelous job coming up with beautiful colourful mobiles as part of their Creative Arts projects. They went all out of their way using shapes and lettering to showcase their creativity.



Important Dates

What's happening over the next two weeks ?

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
20/06	21/06	22/06	23/06	24/06
Continue with Week 12 work for Term 2	Continue with Week 12 work for Term 2	Continue with Week 12 work for Term 2	Continue with Week 12 work for Term 2	Term Two ends Children depart at 11h00
18/07	19/07	20/07	21/07	22/07
SCHOOL HOLIDAY	THIRD TERM BEGINS			Parents Meeting tomorrow morning Sat 23rd July

Our Slumber Party was no snooze fest!

Our Slumber Party was a day our children have been waiting for since the beginning of the year! The children and staff were given the opportunity to wear their snazzy, snuggly jammies to school. Each grade had a fun-time-slot to groove to DJ Unity Mauzah. It was the perfect wintery day to get cosied up in warm attire and dance off the cold. Thank you to the Grade 3 teachers for organising, the maintenance staff for running to classes with the yummy orders, teachers for managing the programme so that it ran smoothly and to everyone who participated. It was truly a fun-filled, memorable day.



Wowza...how time flies for our RR and R's

Term 2 is nearing the end and even though it is now officially winter in South Africa, the love that warms our hearts as a CityKidz Family can be felt when in and around the Grade RR and R classes.

This past term has meant changes for our Grade R learners. It's the time to begin preparing for Grade 1. We started with Assembly attendance, homework been sent home, and more independent activities for our learners.

The jungle gym is a favourite activity for the Grade R's as they develop their gross motor skills. Safety first as the class teacher keeps a watchful eye on them as they learn to climb, slide and whirl down the fireman pole.

Inside the classroom Grade R learners have enjoyed mixing paint to mix new colours for example, what colour do you get when you mix red and yellow. Yessss..... orange! The Grade R learners also enjoy forming their names and sounds using different colour play dough. The learner's knowledge over the past term has developed monumentally and we are super proud of each and every one of the learners in our care.

Grade RR learners have spent the second term working on their fine motor skills and have learned to use a pair of scissors. Again, we are always mindful of safety first as the Royal Kidz and Baby Sharks are supervised by their teachers as they are taught how to hold their scissors in one hand and their paper in the other. At the beginning of the term, most learners were hesitant, but now they are confident when completing this activity. We are proud of our little Grade RR learners as they continue to prepare for Grade R next year. Grade RR's have developed their gross motor skills in the past term by doing Yoga and making shapes with their little bodies. Our little babies are thriving in their fun, loving, learning environment.



Our RR and R's

We did a quick question and answer activity with the Grade RR and R classes. The questions asked were: What do you love about CityKidz? What do you enjoy—learning or playing at CityKidz? How do you feel about your teacher?

GRADE RRa - Ayabonga - I like attending CityKidz with my friends. I enjoy playing soccer with the boys and learning to count on my fingers. I love Mamma King!

GRADE RRb - Nondumiso - I attend CityKidz because I love it! I enjoy playing with the toys with my friends. I love Ma'am Fati Fati 14 times! Which means lots and lots.

GRADE RA - Kairo - I attend a clean school and we pick up litter each day. I enjoy building tall towers with the building blocks. I love Ma'am Booyesen because she's a good teacher!

GRADE RB - Mpho - I enjoy coming to school because Ma'am Lisa is here. I enjoy learning new Sight words and when we are sad, Ma'am Lisa gives us a hug!

GRADE RC, Kayler - I enjoy school because I love to learn. I enjoy Creative Writing and love sharing stories about my family. I feel big, big love for Ma'am Aliyah because she takes care of me!

As the saying goes: Out of the mouths of babes!

Ma'am Aliyah joined our Team recently and says that it has been awesome to get to know the CityKidz Family and her little learners as they are curious and have captured her heart without a doubt.

As the Grade RR and R team, we are looking forward to Term 3 where we will meet our Parents once again for a heart-warming chat and handover reports. We are planning a trip to Rietvlei Animal Farm with our little ones and will share all the juicy details with you before the end of Term 2 in order for us



QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

Youth is happy
because it has the
capacity to see
beauty.
Anyone who keeps
the ability to see
beauty never
grows old.

Franz Kafka

Previous Newsletter's
answer

From left to
right, blue, yellow,
black, green and red.

General Knowledge
question for the week

Who recently
celebrated a platinum
jubilee ?

Spelling Bee

frivolity
fruition
fugitive
further
futility
gadgets
galactic
gallivant

genesis
genetics
genuine
geometry
gestation
gesture
ghost
gigantic

Most Merits Term 2 Weeks 11 and 12 - ending 15/06/2022

Grade	Name	Surname	Grade	Name	Surname
Grade RRA	Ziyanda	Phiri	Grade RRB	Reatile	Mokgalagadi
Grade RA	Ntokomalo	Ngcobo	Grade RB	Angel	Makgopa
Grade RC	Kayler	Ndebele	Grade 1A	Miracle	Obidnima
Grade 1B	Bonolo	Molifi	Grade 1C	Thembaletu	Khumalo
Grade 1D	Remoratile	Mateza	Grade 2A	Lubanzi	Xulu
Grade 2B	Buhlebenkosi	Ncube	Grade 2C	Bonolo	Sipheko
Grade 2D	Morena	Matshoba	Grade 3A	Paballo	Mokhatla
Grade 3B	Donato	Madisha	Grade 3C	Lerato	Shabane
Grade 3D	Tumelo	Mathabatha	Grade 4A	Phalo	Maqukanya
Grade 4B	Osego	Fuleni	Grade 4C	Chinyereze	Elugwu
Grade 4D	Reatile	Kgathle	Grade 5A	Lethabo	Raditau
Grade 5B	Siphesihle	Mbatha	Grade 5C	Jade	Ndlovu
Grade 5D	Mpumelelo	Zondi	Grade 6A	Koketso	Dlamini
Grade 6B	Khwezi	Kumalo	Grade 6C	Nokukhanya	Mpungose
Grade 6D	Lethabo	Makoa	Grade 7A	Londiwe	Duma
Grade 7B	Enhle	Ngwane	Grade 7C	Relebohile	Mpofu



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Warm Regards

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