



Kidz Chronicle

The magic of uncertainty

Dear Parent/Guardians

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African Day-Civvies



Africa Day, also known as African Union Day commemorates the formation of the Organization of African Unity (OAU), which later became the African Union (AU). At CityKidz Africa Day is a day of celebration that promotes unity, understanding, and appreciation for our continent's wonderful heritage.

Africa Day is celebrated every year on 25 May. It is an opportunity to celebrate African diversity and success and to highlight the cultural and economic potential that exists on the African continent.

Africa Day celebrations acknowledge the progress that Africans have made while reflecting upon the common challenges we face in a global, regional and local context.

The OAU designed a flag to represent all African countries and there are 54 stars which represent each country on the continent. What is so special about this flag is the fact that there are no borders dividing the countries. We are one people, one Africa.

The atmosphere today was one of great excitement and joy with the rhythm of beating drums and joyful singing setting the tone. In celebration of the day, our learners came dressed in their traditional heritage clothing. Rich patterns, vibrant colours, and unique designs were in abundance and our learners looked fabulous.



Dancing is an integral part of African culture, and our learners practised their dancing to showcase their unique traditions. They took enormous pride in their dances and were impressive indeed with each dance having its own unique rhythm, movements, and symbolism. Africa Day at CityKidz was

a fantastic celebration, a day not to be missed!



Grade 4 The power of music and dance

Aiming to develop our learners holistically, CityKidz has taken music to another level. The initiative by the principal to outsource the services of Downtown Music Hub has brought more life to our learners as they enjoy each and every moment in the music classroom. Music has changed the lives of many. It makes you feel happy, it calms you down and it gives you peace. It boosts your self-esteem.

Dance is a universal language, a worldwide human expression of release and joy through movement and there are so many moments, alone and shared, in which we dance simply because it's good for our souls.

Some people love to dance freely and wildly in the privacy of their own homes, not caring about form or technique, but simply wanting to let go and lose themselves in the flow of the music.

Our Grade 4 learners were and are have the time of their lives by learning how to do the square dance you can see the eagerness on their faces that speaks a thousand words.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
29/05	30/05	31/05	01/06	02/06
05/06	06/06	07/06	08/06	09/06
Exams Start School Dismissal Times: 12h30	Exams School Dismissal Times: 12h30	Exams School Dismissal Times: 12h30	Exams School Dismissal Times: 12h30	Exams School Dismissal Times: 12h30

SAVE THE DATES: CONTROLLED TEST/EXAMS Term 2

05/06/ 2023 Monday	First Session: 08h00-10h00 Grade 4 and 5 Break: 10h00 - 10h25 -Funky Factory Grade 6 and 7 Break 10h00 - 10h25: Field Second Session: 10h30 - 12h30 Dismissal Times: 12h30 Children are to go to his /her homeroom teacher and continue with revision, additional work, or oral assessments BEFORE released for breaks.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Session 1: English Gr 4, 5, 6 and 7 • Session 2: EMS Gr 7
06/06/ 2023 Tuesday	First Session: 08h00-10h00 Grade 4 and 5 Break: 10h00 - 10h25 -Field Grade 6 and 7 Break: 10h00 - 10h25: Funky Factory Second Session: 10h30 - 12h30 Dismissal Times: 12h30 Children are to go to his /her homeroom teacher and continue with revision, additional work, or oral assessments BEFORE released for breaks.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Session 1: SS- Hist Gr 4, 5, 6 and 7 • Session 2: Afrikaans Gr 4, 5, 6 & 7
07/06/ 2023 Wednesday	First Session: 08h00-10h00 Grade 4 and 5 Break: 10h00 - 10h25 -Funky Factory Grade 6 and 7 Break 10h00 - 10h25: Field Second Session: 10h30 - 12h30 Dismissal Times: 12h30 Children are to go to his /her homeroom teacher and continue with revision, additional work, or oral assessments BEFORE released for breaks.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Session 1: Maths Gr 4,5, 6 & 7 • Session 2: NS/Tech- Grade 4/5/6 • Session 2: NS- Gr 7
08/06/ 2023 Thursday	First Session: 08h00-10h00 Grade 4 and 5 Break: 10h00 - 10h25 -Field Grade 6 and 7 Break: 10h00 - 10h25: Funky Factory Second Session: 10h30 - 12h30 Dismissal Times: 12h30 Children are to go to his /her homeroom teacher and continue with revision, additional work, or oral assessments BEFORE released for breaks.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Session 1: SS- Geog Gr 4, 5, 6 and 7 • Session 2: Gr 7 Technology
09/06/ 2023 Friday	First Session: 08h00-10h00 Grade 4 and 5 Break: 10h00 - 10h25 -Funky Factory Grade 6 and 7 Break 10h00 - 10h25: Field Second Session: 10h30 - 12h30 Dismissal Times: 12h30 Children are to go to his /her homeroom teacher and continue with revision, additional work, or oral assessments BEFORE released for breaks.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Session 1: Creative Arts Gr 7 • Session 2: Life Skills/PSW Gr 4/ 5 & 6 • Session 2: Life Orientation Gr 7

Please note: we revert back to our usual dismissal times after the exam/controlled Test Week. Teaching continues and CLASS will also take place.

Have you handed your pet food in yet?

Get a merit once yours donation is in! (Merits for all food collected per child)

Each child in the winning class will achieve 5-five additional merits at the end of the year!!!!



GRADE RR and R

Term 2 began with a chill in the air as Autumn and then Winter makes its way through Gauteng but our little learners and their teachers hardly felt it as our hearts were filled with so much joy and warmth as we reunited after the holidays.

The first month of the second term has been rewarding as we have seen growth and improvement in all learning areas, inside and outside of our classrooms. Magical moments of fun is the name of the game at CityKidz! Thank you, Ma'am Lisa for coming up with this magic slogan!

Our little learners are taken care of daily as we continue to develop them holistically. The learners are taught the basic concepts in Term 1 and in Term 2 more difficult concepts are introduced in order for the little learners to prepare for the next Grade in 2024. This is done in a simplified manner through play. Our learners enjoy each and every activity that is planned for them by the Grade RR and R Team. Whether it be a focus or outside play activity as seen in the photos.

We would like to encourage all Parents to do the following with our learners:

1. To make everyday a "read-a-book" day/evening because as we all know a home without a book is like a house without windows! This in turn encourages our little ones to want to learn to read and write as they grow older.
2. Encourage our learners to tidy up the spaces they use for play and their sleeping areas in the evening before bedtime. We just love the saying "Excuse the mess, our children are busy making memories".
3. Encourage the learners to be responsible for their Winter Uniform and little belongings.
4. Encourage KINDNESS towards their fellow learners and adults and to greet with a huge smile. The Grade RR learners will quickly tell you they are not fine - they are Fabulous!!!!

Thank you to our Grade RR/R Parents for your 'paw - sitive' support



AFRICA DAY CELEBRATION THE CITYKIDZ WAY







Hello, my name is
Pretty Ndlovu



I am a Grade 2C teacher.
I have been at CityKidz since 2021. I
have a strong passion for teaching and
enjoy working with kids.

My favourite activity is
listening to music, singing
and knitting.

My family, especially my dad
motivated and inspired me.

My nickname
is Preen

"Don't try to be perfect,
try to be better than
yesterday."
(Interview questions
guru.)

Hello, my name is
Siduduzile Tshuma



I am teaching Grade 2B at
CityKidz. My dream is to
make an impact on each
child I teach.

My favourite activity is
creative writing.

I enjoy teaching and
reading.

I am a God fearing
woman and I love my
family so much.

I grew up to become a woman
who can not spend a day without
children by her side.

Meet the team

Hello, my name is
Sibongile



My dream is to have my
own school one day.

My favourite saying: If there is
no way, create one. One thing
about me: Spirituality grounds
me.

I love children and my
biggest inspiration are
my two lovely boys and
my family

My nickname
is Sbosh

What motivates me: Seeing my
learners try their best. Our
principal's continuous support and
motivation and working with the
best team. "Foundation phase
teachers"

Meet the team

Hello, my name is
Aliyah Johnie



My dream is to be
able to travel and change
the world one child at a
time

I enjoy spending time in nature.
I love taking pictures of the
beautiful sites.

My favourite classroom
activity is Mathematics.

My nickname
is Johnie.

My favourite quote is from
Dr. Seuss. He says "Today you
are you, that is truer than
true. There is no-one alive who
is Youer than you."

MEET THE TEAM

What motivates me at work?
Seeing the learners excited to learn new content.
The unity among my colleagues.

Who inspires me?
My grandmother is my inspiration. She's taught me resilience, unwavering faith and concentration. I love unity and kindness because of how she'd always unite the entire family during difficult times. She is my biggest fan and motivator.

I enjoy...
I like creating music, reading motivational books, writing, and performing theatre plays. I love adventurous activities because through them I got to conquer my fears.

Who am I?
I am Mr Siyanda Ndlovu, the Grade 5A homeroom teacher. I also teach Social Sciences and Creative Arts.

My favourite saying:
"Have an attitude of gratitude".

Something personal...
My side-hustle is music. I am passionate about the Arts.

WHAM!

CALLING ALL SUPERHEROES!

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Who am I?
I am Mrs Saaliha Ahmed, the Grade 5B homeroom teacher. I also teach Grade 5 English.

MEET THE TEAM

Who inspires me?
My biggest inspiration is my family. Life was not always kind, but they have taught me that through perseverance and faith, the impossible is possible.

I enjoy...
Outdoor adventures, reading a good book, trying new recipes, and watching old-school Bollywood movies.

My favourite saying:
"It's your attitude, not your aptitude, that determines your altitude."

BOOM!

What motivates me at work?
My team! I have a super team who is always willing to go the extra mile for our learners and for each other. In the Grade 5 team, there's no cutting corners!

Something personal...
I am an academic – nerd at heart and absolutely love travelling! Whether local or international, I have a fridge magnet from every place I've visited.

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MEET THE TEAM

Who am I?
I am Mr Senele Thabede, the Grade 5C homeroom teacher. I also teach Social Sciences and Life Skills.

My favourite saying:
"Learn today, be a master tomorrow."

What motivates me at work?
My learners. They are my everyday motivation. They encourage me to go the extra mile for our lessons. They are the reason I wake up ready to take on the working day!

Who inspires me?
My family and friends are my inspiration. They inspire me to strive and always do my best in everything I do. I am a success today because of my family and my friends. They always remind me that life is all about humanity and giving more is the key to receiving more.

I enjoy...
I like exploring different outdoor activities as it gives me the opportunity to connect more with nature. I enjoy reading books, novels, and science fiction as they expand my knowledge.

POW!

Something personal...
I enjoy passing on knowledge to others. I create Matric Accounting study guides, with the help of my former lecturer.

Who am I?
I am Miss Chante Botha, the Grade 5D homeroom teacher. I also teach Grade 5 Mathematics.

Who inspires me?
My dad who is a quadriplegic for 21 years now is my biggest inspiration because no matter how difficult life is for him he still has the best humour anyone can ever have.

I enjoy...
Spending time with family, playing with my dogs, reading, painting and being creative.

What motivates me at work?
Seeing my learners being excited to participate during the lessons and seeing them having a light bulb moment for the first time, when they actually start understanding the work we are doing.

ZAP!

MEET THE TEAM

My favourite saying:
There is no greater power than faith and there will be no greater army than one driven by it - Sherrilyn Kenyon

Something personal...
My nick name given to me in school was Emmy.

KABOW!

CALLING ALL SUPERHEROES

QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

Teacher appreciation makes the world of education go around.

Helen Peters

General Knowledge question for the week

Where would you be if you were standing on the Spanish Steps?

Answer to the question in our previous newsletter.

What element is denoted by the chemical symbol Sn in the periodic table?

Tin is a chemical element with symbol Sn

Behaviour Awards

Most Merits for Term 2 Weeks Ending 26th May 2023

Grade	Name	Surname	Grade	Name	Surname
Grade RRa	Nkosinathi	Nkosi	Grade RRb	Ellen	Ndondo
Grade Ra	Makabongwe	Ngcobo	Grade Rb	Chantal	Bvute
Grade RC	Thingo	Mazibuko	Grade 1A	Unengoni	Chidaya
Grade 1B	Kgositlile	Mabapa	Grade 1C	Kungawo	Mhambi
Grade 1D	Bonolo	Petele	Grade 2A	Jayden	Shusha
Grade 2B	Jodan	Pieterse	Grade 2C	Samkelo	Mabaso
Grade 2D	Grace	Gwabeni	Grade 3A	Ethan	Ndebele
Grade 3B	Mikayla	Katono	Grade 3C	Mufarowashe	Kanoyangwe
Grade 3D	Bonolo	Sipheko	Grade 4A	Keabetswe	Mokwena
Grade 4B	Simphiwe	Sithole	Grade 4C	Samantha	Mujeri
Grade 4D	Lubanzi	Shange	Grade 5A	Eze	Onyinyechi
Grade 5B	Patience	Gumbo	Grade 5C	Kamogelo	Modisane
Grade 5D	Phalo	Maqukanya	Grade 6A	Hope	Gumede
Grade 6B	Mokoetla	Tumelo	Grade 6C	Luganda	Dube
Grade 6D	Dumoluhle	Ncube	Grade 7A	Mathabo	Makoa
Grade 7B	Abongwe	Nongogo	Grade 7C	Siphesihle	Mayana

Spelling Bee

euphoria
evangelist
eviction
evolution
exacerbate
exaggerate
examination
exceptional

exclusion
excursion
execution
exemplary
exhaustion
exhibition
exhort
expansive

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