



Kidz Chronicle

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CityKidz Pre & Primary School

Dear Parents/ Guardians

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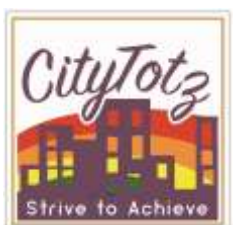
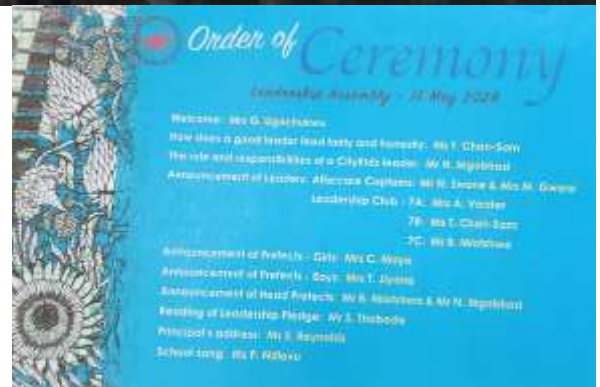
CityKidz Leaders

The lead up to the Leadership Club announcement has been a quite a journey, a journey that started last year when the learners had their Leadership Day at Edu-Camp Farm. The purpose of this day was for team building, to foster collaborative skills and to empower learners outside of the traditional classroom setup. This year, the learners have been mentoring other learners and they sat in workshops. In the workshops, the Grade 7 teachers focused on the qualities of leaders, particularly focusing on our school and its needs. They also had a moment of personal reflection through a personality questionnaire, led by Ma'am Annalene.

Leading is like being the captain of a ship. Not everyone on board gets to hold the wheel, but every person plays a vital role in reaching the destination. The navigator, the engineer, and the crew may not stand at the front, yet the journey would fail without them. Leadership is not only about being chosen to lead today — it is also about preparing, serving, learning, and growing for tomorrow.

For those who were not chosen, do not let disappointment convince you that you are unworthy or incapable. Sometimes, being overlooked is not rejection; it is redirection and preparation. Your value is not determined by a title or position. Continue showing up with excellence, humility, and dedication. Seeds planted in silence often grow into the strongest trees.

A true leader is not only the one who stands in front, but also the one who encourages others, remains faithful in small responsibilities, and keeps moving forward even when unnoticed. Your time, your opportunity, and your purpose are still ahead. Keep growing, keep believing, and never stop becoming the person you are meant to be.









School Leaders

Girls:	Boys:
1. Nompumelelo Buthelezi	1. Lulo Gcolotela – Deputy Head Boy
2. Lesego Dhlamini	2. Ayibongwe Hadebe – Prefect
3. Peniel Dube - Prefect	3. Tumelo Mathabatha – Prefect
4. Hope Makgopa – Head Girl	4. Jonathan Chengu – Prefect
5. Nokuthula Mbatha - Prefect	5. Hlompho Lediga
6. Kesaoboka Modimakwane	6. Eleazar Mazana – Head Boy
7. Catherine Mokhosi - Prefect	7. Paballo Mokhatla
8. Naledi Motsoari - Prefect	8. Abdullah Moodey – Prefect
9. Mbalenhle Ndlovu – Prefect	9. Zanenhle Ncube – Prefect
10. Enzokuhle Ntshulana – Prefect	10. David Okonkwo - Prefect
11. Lumonge Bakama	11. John Bambo – Prefect
12. Kim Dube - Prefect	12. Deane Mlotshwa – Prefect
13. Khwezi Khumalo - Prefect	13. Mattanah Ndebele
14. Keabetswe Mokwena	14. Thando Dube
15. Samantha Mujeri - Prefect	15. Chidera Ibelo – Prefect
16. Mikhongelo Ngobeni	
17. Ashley Shava	
18. Chinenye Aigbojie	
19. Darlene Dube	
20. Dineo Khomane	Aftercare Captains:
21. Sphiwokuhle Maduna	1. Thandolwethu Mthethwa – Boy
22. Hope Mathobela - Prefect	2. Unarine Nenugwi – Boy
23. Kayla Mavura – Deputy Head Girl	3. Asanda Khupe – Girl
24. Purity Mohlaba	
25. Kgatliso Mokgosi	
26. Nokulunga Ndhlovu	
27. Omphile Phouagae	
28. Success Ugochukwu - Prefect	
29. Asante Vunguvungu - Prefect	
30. Sinobuhle Yoyo - Prefect	



Why Leadership Matters at CityKidz:

Primary school years are foundational in shaping a child's character, confidence, and sense of responsibility. When leadership skills are introduced early, children learn how to communicate effectively, solve problems collaboratively, and make thoughtful decisions. These abilities positively influence both academic success and social development.

Leadership education at this stage is not about creating authority figures; it is about helping children understand values such as integrity, empathy, resilience, and teamwork. A learner who feels empowered to contribute ideas in class today may become a confident innovator, community leader, or mentor tomorrow.

The role of the Leadership Club:

The fundamental role of the Leadership Club is to build compassionate leaders through everyday experiences. Leadership development does not always require formal programs. Often, the most meaningful lessons emerge through everyday school experiences. Teachers play a vital role by creating environments where learners feel heard, respected, and encouraged to participate. Experiences such as encouraging peer mentoring, rotating group leadership roles and involving learners in decision-making. These experiences teach accountability and help children recognise that leadership is rooted in service and positive influence.

As usual, there was much excitement and nervousness ahead of the announcement. The Grade 7 team and School Management Team had a rigorous selection criterion which culminated in 50 learners being chosen to join the Leadership Club. The learners will be divided into two groups, and they will rotate weekly to their duties. We wish them all the best in the leadership journey.



Last Friday's assembly was filled with excitement and joy as new leaders were chosen. Learners cheered loudly when the names of the selected leaders were announced, and smiles could be seen all around. The atmosphere was full of pride, hope, and encouragement. Friends congratulated one another, showing unity and support for the new leadership team. It was a memorable moment that reminded everyone of the importance of teamwork and responsibility.

A good leader is someone who is honest, respectful, and willing to serve others. Good leaders listen carefully, make fair decisions, and set a positive example for everyone. They encourage teamwork, help solve problems, and inspire others to do their best. Leadership is not only about being in charge, but also about caring for others and working hard to make the school a better place for everyone. Thanks to the Grade 7 teachers for planning such a memorable day.



Sports Day Tomorrow 23rd May

Sports Day Hopes

Tomorrow is our much-anticipated Sports Day, and everyone is excited to take part in the different activities and events. We are all hoping for a clear and sunny day so that the games can continue without interruption. Sports Day is a special occasion where learners get the opportunity to show teamwork, sportsmanship, and their athletic talents.

Although the weather forecast suggests that it may be quite cold, learners, teachers, and parents are encouraged to come prepared. Wearing warm clothing, jackets, hats, and comfortable shoes will help everyone stay warm and enjoy the day. Bringing water and snacks is also a good idea to keep energy levels high throughout the events.

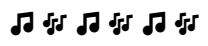
There will also be delicious food available for everyone to enjoy during the day. A variety of yummy treats and meals will be on sale, making the event even more exciting for learners and families. Menus and food options will be posted on the groups so that everyone can plan ahead.

No matter the weather, Sports Day promises to be a fun-filled and memorable occasion. Let us all support one another, participate with enthusiasm, and make the day a great success. We look forward to cheering for our teams and creating wonderful memories together.





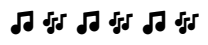
Music Matters, Totz Tambouriners



Music is vital for our Totz development. It acts as a powerful emotional outlet, fosters social skills through collaboration and boosts self - confidence. Making it a holistic tool for learning and well - being.

Music helps structure daily routines (e.g., clean up songs, direction songs and naptime) and aids in self - regulation with soothing music calming our Totz and lively music energising them.

Our musical instrument we explored this week was the: Tambourine and the Totz had so much fun holding the tambourine and tapping it gently to hear the sound it makes. Tap 1, Tap 2, Tap 3 - Wiggle Wiggle your body was the name of our tambourine song!



CityTotz Team 2026





CIVVIES
R10

Join us for a
Fun Celebration
 of **African Culture**
 and **Diversity.**

@CityKidz
29/05/2026

Dress Code: Items of African Prints.



AFRICA DAY CELEBRATION
29/05/2026

<p>COMBO 1</p> <p>R40</p> <p>PAP, BOERWORS AND CHAKALAKA</p>	<p>COMBO 2</p> <p>R40</p> <p>PAP, CHICKEN AND CHAKALAKA</p>
<p>TOTZ COMBO</p> <p>R30</p> <p>HOTDOG, OROS AND MARSHMALLOW</p>	<p>MARSHMALLOW, DOUGHNUT</p> <p>R20</p>
<p>HOT CHOCOLATE</p> <p>R15</p>	



Grade 1 Trip

On 07 May 2026 the Grade 1 learners embarked on an educational and enjoyable trip to Gold Reef City. Despite the chilly weather, the learners showed great resilience and enthusiasm, bracing the cold to fully participate in and enjoy the day's activities.

The learners were delighted to experience several new rides that were not present during our previous visits. A particular highlight was the uphill car ride, where the car was pulled to the top before descending at high speed, which elicited much excitement. Other attractions enjoyed included the Teacup, Shongolo (Caterpillar) Elephant ride, Bumper Cars, and Horse ride and many more. Each ride was met with joy and laughter, and the learners demonstrated excellent patience while queuing.

Beyond recreation, the excursion provided a valuable learning opportunity aligned with our upcoming Life Skills topic on Safety. Learners were guided on the importance of buckling up securely before rides and using the zebra crossing correctly when moving around the park. They applied these safety practices throughout the day with great responsibility.

The day concluded with a nutritious lunch and a cool drink which the learners enjoyed together before boarding the bus for the return journey to school.

We extend our sincere appreciation to the principal, parents, and organisers who contributed to making the trip safe and memorable for the Grade 1 learners. The experience was both enriching and fun, and it reinforced important safety lessons in a practical setting.

Kind regards,
Grade 1 team.







Croc City Chills and Thrills

Our Grade 5 learners enjoyed an exciting day at Croc City Crocodile and Reptile Park. Although the weather was chilly, the cold did not dampen the enthusiasm and excitement of the day and our learners enjoyed many hands-on experiences.

They Grade 5s learnt about crocodile behaviour, habitats and the important role that reptiles play in the ecosystem. Throughout the day, learners discovered many interesting facts. They learnt that Nile crocodiles can live up to 100 years and can grow to about 6 metres in length. Learners were fascinated to hear about the strength, survival skills and behaviour of these powerful reptiles. A highlight was the opportunity to hold a real crocodile egg, a baby crocodile and even several snakes. Our learners were amazed by how calm and fascinating these reptiles were up close. The interactive demonstrations allowed learners to overcome fears, ask questions and learn more about these incredible creatures.

The much anticipated "Croc City Flyover" zip-line was a thrilling experience for our brave Grade 5s. The flyover is a series of 2 zip-lines of 75 metres each over the croc enclosures. Learners whizzed above the crocodiles yelling with excitement. A special Croc City certificate was given to each intrepid participant.

Despite the cold weather, the outing was filled with smiles, curiosity and excitement from beginning to end. Our Grade 5 learners returned home with wonderful memories and newfound knowledge of the natural world.





Grade 5 Trip





You're number 1 –One

The Importance of Learning About the Number 1 in Grade RR

Learning about the number 1 is an exciting and important step for Grade RR learners. It is often the very first number children learn to recognise, say, count, and write. Understanding the number 1 helps build the foundation for all future maths skills.

When children learn about the number 1, they begin to understand the idea of quantity. They learn that **“one” means a single object, such as one ball, one apple, or one toy. This helps children make connections** between numbers and real-life objects around them.

Activities such as counting one item, tracing the number 1, colouring, singing number songs, and playing counting games make learning fun and meaningful. These activities also help improve fine motor skills, concentration, and memory.

Learning the number 1 also builds confidence in young learners. Every new number they master makes them feel proud and excited to learn more. Positive early experiences with numbers encourage children to enjoy maths from a young age.

Parents and teachers play an important role by practising numbers at home and in the classroom. Simple daily activities such as counting one spoon, one shoe, or one teddy bear can help reinforce learning in a fun and natural way.

The number 1 may seem small, but it is the beginning of a wonderful learning journey. With encouragement, play, and practice, Grade RR learners can develop strong early maths skills that will support them throughout their school years.







SkyeKid Poems by Grade 7



Enzokuhle Ntshulana 7A

Vultures circle the sky
 Silent shadows soaring high
 Patient eyes scan the land
 Moving where death leaves its hand
 Though many fear their darkened wings
 They help the earth more than most things.
 Cleaning what is left behind
 Part of nature's careful design.

SkyeKid, shy kid - Sethu
 Sithole 7A

SkyeKid, shy kid, flies so
 high
 Big dreamer of your wide
 world to explore
 Collecting leftovers, dis-
 ease, carrion
 You keep our earth clean
 So we can carry on.

Fly High – Peniel Dube 7A

Fly high SkyeKid
 So misunderstood
 You, who actually protect, detect and
 react
 to our beautiful world
 Diseases decrease because SkyeKid is free.
 More life to vultures, more life for humans,





Feel Good Story: Collection 01 June

In a world where some may dismiss a stolen pet as “just a dog,” one rescue operation proved that every life matters.

This past Sunday, LEGENDARY GUARDIANS EXCLUSIVE PROTECTION (LGEP) once again demonstrated why they are so highly respected — not only for their top-tier protection services, but for their dedication, courage, and compassion.

After assisting PawsRehoming our charity with the evacuation and recovery of a stolen dog, the LGEP team refused to stop there. Acting on new information and leads, members of the team pushed deeper into the heart of Angelo Informal Settlement in pursuit of the primary suspect responsible for the theft.

The operation was not just about recovering a pet — it was about restoring hope to a devastated owner and standing up against the growing issue of animal theft. For many families, pets are not possessions; they are beloved companions, protectors, and family members. LGEP understood that perfectly.

Their fearless commitment to helping reunite this dog with its rightful owner speaks volumes about the kind of people behind the badge. It takes heart, determination, and genuine humanity to go beyond the call of duty in situations like these.

PawsRehoming and the community of CityKidz extend their deepest respect and gratitude to LEGENDARY GUARDIANS EXCLUSIVE PROTECTION for their relentless efforts, professionalism, and unwavering compassion.





Super Study Skills – Learning Can Be Fun!

Did you know that studying can be like training to become superhero? Every time you learn something new, your brain grows stronger, faster, and smarter! Study skills help children become confident learners and make schoolwork feel much easier and more exciting.

One of the best study skills is being organised. Keeping books, pencils, and homework neat and ready helps you save time and stay focused. A tidy study space can help your brain think clearly and do its best work.

Another great skill is reading every day. Reading stories, instructions, or school books helps improve vocabulary, spelling, and imagination. Even reading for just 15 minutes a day can make a big difference!



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Taking short breaks while studying is also important. After working hard for a little while, stand up, stretch, drink water, or take a quick walk. Your brain needs small breaks to stay fresh and active.

Did you know that asking questions is a smart thing to do? If you do not understand something, asking a teacher, parent, or friend can help you learn faster. Great learners are curious and never afraid to ask for help.

Using fun ways to study can make learning exciting too! Try using colourful notes, flashcards, songs, rhymes, or games to remember important facts. Learning does not always have to feel serious — it can be creative and fun.

Most importantly, believe in yourself! Every child learns at their own pace, and mistakes are part of learning. The more you practise, the more confident you will become.



So get your books ready, sharpen those pencils, and let your brain power shine. Studying is not just about school — it is about discovering how amazing you really are!





Exam Timetable

EXAMS/CONTROLLED TESTS 2026: Note that each subject has 2 papers, a departmental and an internal one.		
05/06/ 2026 Friday	First Session: 08h30-10h30 Grade 4 and 5 Break: 10h30 - 11h00: Funky Factory Grade 6 and 7 Break 10h30 - 11h00: Field Second Session: 11h00 - 13h00 Dismissal Times: 13h00 Children are to go to his /her homeroom teacher and continue with revision, additional work, or oral assessments BEFORE released for breaks.	Session 1: English Gr 4, 5, 6 and 7 Session 2: Coding and Robotics Gr 4, 5, 6 and 7
08/06/ 2026 Monday	First Session: 08h30-10h30 Grade 4 and 5 Break: 10h30 - 11h00: Funky Factory Grade 6 and 7 Break 10h30 - 11h00: Field Second Session: 11h15 - 13h15 Study Times- 13h15-14h00 Children are to go to his /her homeroom teacher and continue with revision, additional work, or oral assessments BEFORE released for breaks or the end of the day. Dismissal Times: 14h00	Session 1: Afrikaans Gr 4, 5, 6 & 7 Session 2: SS- Hist Gr 4, 5, 6 and 7
09/06/ 2026 Tuesday	First Session: 08h30-10h30 Grade 4 and 5 Break: 10h30 - 11h00: Funky Factory Grade 6 and 7 Break 10h30 - 11h00: Field Second Session: 11h15 - 13h15 Study Times- 13h15-14h00 Children are to go to his /her homeroom teacher and continue with revision, additional work, or oral assessments BEFORE released for breaks or the end of the day. Dismissal Times: 14h00	Session 1: Maths Gr 4, 5, 6 & 7 Session 2: NS/Tech- Grade 4/5/6 Session 2: NS- Gr 7
10/06/ 2026 Wednesday	First Session: 08h30-10h30 Grade 4 and 5 Break: 10h30 - 11h00: Funky Factory Grade 6 and 7 Break 10h30 - 11h00: Field Second Session: 11h15 - 13h15 Study Times- 13h15-14h00 Children are to go to his /her homeroom teacher and continue with revision, additional work, or oral assessments BEFORE released for breaks or the end of the day. Dismissal Times: 14h00	Session 1: SS- Geog Gr 4, 5, 6 and 7 Session 2: EMS Gr 7
11/06/ 2026 Thursday	First Session: 08h30-10h30 Grade 4 and 5 Break: 10h30 - 11h00: Funky Factory Grade 6 and 7 Break 10h30 - 11h00: Field Second Session: 11h15 - 13h15 Study Times- 13h15-14h00 Children are to go to his /her homeroom teacher and continue with revision, additional work, or oral assessments BEFORE released for breaks or the end of the day. Dismissal Times: 14h00	Session 1: Life Skills/PSW Gr 4/ 5 & 6 Session 2: Gr 7 Technology
12/06/ 2026 Friday	First Session: 08h30-10h30 Grade 4 and 5 Break: 10h30 - 11h00: Funky Factory Grade 6 and 7 Break 10h30 - 11h00: Field Second Session: 11h00 - 13h00 Dismissal Times: 13h00 Children are to go to his /her homeroom teacher and continue with revision, additional work, or oral assessments BEFORE released for breaks.	Session 1: Creative Arts Gr 7 Orals/Reading: 4, 5 and 6 Session 2: Life Orientation Gr 7



Aftercare - Leaf Prints Fun, Messy

This week in Friday Fun Aftercare, we put down our homework and picked up leaves. Yes, leaves! We tried autumn leaf printing, and it turned out to be one of our favourite crafts yet.

First, we went outside and collected fallen leaves. We looked for different shapes – some small and smooth, some big and bumpy with veins. Then we painted the underside of each leaf, pressed it onto paper, and peeled it off like a magic trick. Every print was different.

Almost everyone loved the surprise moment of lifting the leaf. "It looks like a real fossil!" one learner said. We also enjoyed choosing colours – red, orange, gold and even a little green for the mixed leaves. The best part? Getting our fingers a bit messy and laughing about it together.

We learned more than just how to make a print. Here are some things we discovered:

- The vein side matters. If you paint the wrong side of the leaf, the print comes out blurry. We learned to look closely.
- Less paint is better. Too much paint makes a blob. A thin layer shows every tiny line. That taught us patience. Nature is an artist. One learner said, "I never noticed how detailed a simple leaf is until now."

We turned our prints into cards to take home, a big autumn tree on the wall and bookmarks for our reading books.





Behaviour Bank Awards Term 2

Most Merits for Term 2 Week Ending 22 May : Year 2026

Grade	Name	Surname	Grade	Name	Surname
Grade RR	Zyion	Sikhosana	Grade Ra	Ziminathi	Sithole
Grade Rb	Cayden	Ndlovu	Grade Rc	Tondani	Mavhandu
Grade 1A	Egypt	Joseph	Grade 1B	Nicole	Shiba
Grade 1C	Nkosenhle	Maluleka	Grade 1D	Onalerona	Fakathe
Grade 2A	Amahle	Siwela	Grade 2B	Aganang	Mokgosi
Grade 2C	Celine	Manamela	Grade 2D	Huntley	Myron
Grade 3A	Nondumiso	Mlotshwa	Grade 3B	Lonwabo	Jokazi
Grade 3C	Atipaishe	Musadaidzwa	Grade 3D	Thingo	Ndlovu
Grade 4A	Travis	Gyasi	Grade 4B	Rejoice	Ghahikeng
Grade 4C	Mnqobi	Ncube	Grade 4D	Kamogelo	Gola
Grade 5A	Kgaogelo	Mokwena	Grade 5B	Nqobile	Mkhuzo
Grade 5C	Chisom	Mhlambe	Grade 5D	Onyinyechukwu	Gwabeni
Grade 6A	kalkidane	Teshome	Grade 6B	Ndalo	Malobane
Grade 6C	Thandolwethu	Mabona	Grade 6D	Nooryn	Omar
Grade 7A	Naledi	Motsoari	Grade 7B	Mpfumo	Maringa
Grade 7C	Brandon	Lukongwa	CityBabez	Milani-Nande	Matseka



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
25/05	26/05	27/05	14/04	15/05
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
18/05	19/05	20/05	21/05	22/05
CASS FP and IP Sports Practice RR-1	CASS FP and IP Sports Practice 2&3	CASS FP and IP Sports Practice 4&5	CASS FP and IP Sports Practice 6&7	23 May Sports Day



General Knowledge Question

Where is the lowest natural place, having being crowned the deepest place on Earth?

Answer to the question in our last newsletter.

A camera inspired the original logo of what social media platform? Instagram



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*The earth is what we all
have in common*

Wendell Berry



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| opportunity | orchestra |



Warm Regards

Ms S Reynolds

PRINCIPAL

