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Japari Newsletter



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Dear Parents

Communication

Communication within a school is very important. With this in mind two documents are compiled and sent to parents at the beginning of each year, giving parents a lot of relevant and important information. These are the Commencement Letter and the School Structure Document. These can be found under Resources on the d6 Communicator. Parents are urged to please read these documents if you have not yet done so. In essence, the Commencement Letter covers staffing changes, The School Executive, school fees and due dates, compulsory events and co-curricular activities, holiday and leave requests, term dates, uniform and hair regulations, jewellery, lateness, learner absence, Mobile phones/electronic devices.

The School Structure Document elaborates on the eight departments within Japari and the procedure to follow with regard to communicating with these departments. An example of this could be; "How does a parent communicate a concern with a child's learning?". If parents have any concerns with regard to their child's learning, we encourage them to communicate with the school by making an appointment to see their child's class/subject teacher first. Often, any concerns can be dealt with during this meeting. If parents are still unsatisfied with this meeting, an appointment with the relevant Department Head, can be made. The Department Head can escalate this to the Deputy Head or Headmaster if necessary. A number of such examples can be found in the School Structure Document.

Unfortunately, the existence of parent/class WhatsApp chat groups, as discussed earlier this year, instead of being a good method of sharing important information regarding your child's day at school, becomes a replacement for talking to the Teachers. Often information via WhatsApp groups is not based on fact but is hearsay and can heighten concerns rather than reduce them.

If parents have any questions or concerns, make an appointment through the front office, and meet with the teacher concerned. This meeting, will, in most cases, be sufficient to resolve the matter quickly and efficiently.

Most of the time these WhatsApp/Chat groups can be a great resource for sharing information, receiving updates and reminders about school events, as well as sharing parenting advice. Most of the time, these group chats are an enjoyable place to be.

And then there are those unfortunate times when someone in the group may say something inappropriate, annoy others or embarrass themselves. This may lead to anything from mild rebukes to a no-holds-barred slanging match, which filters into people's real life relationships. Do not let this happen to you!!

Grantley College

On a much lighter note, we thank the Principal and her Marketing Assistant from Grantley College, for a very informative and enjoyable session held at the School yesterday morning.

Regards

Steve Rees
Headmaster



Please like and share us on Facebook





22 June

School closes at 11:00 for the mid-term break

02 July

School re-opens

07 July

Ladies' Breakfast

13 July

Foundation Phase Cup Cake-Along

16 – 20 July

Reading Week



This car was seen reversing into a resident's driveway on 04 June in an attempt to travel against the flow of the one-way system in Dundalk Avenue.

WAIT
DO NOT THROW AWAY!

Our Art Department is looking for old carpet samples and outdated/old maps or map books. Please send to school if you have any of these

Dear Japari Moms

The staff would like to host a "Winter Ladies" Breakfast on Saturday 07 July. We have booked one interesting speaker which will then allow us to eat, socialise and enjoy a few super craft and jewellery stalls.

The speaker, Megan Stephens, specialises in Women's Health Physiotherapy, as well as the education of women throughout their various life stages.

Our menu will be similar to previous years – a Continental Breakfast with good coffee and a health smoothie!

Please support us, as we would like to "spruce up" the girls' playground by purchasing tables and benches for them to enjoy sitting comfortably under the new shading. The tickets will be selling at R100.00 per head as from 01 June. Please bring your daughters, sisters, grannies and friends. The morning will be short from 09:00 to 11:00, but well worth it!



Thank you for your support!

REPLY SLIP

Mrs/Ms _____

I would/would not like a ticket for the Ladies' Breakfast on 07 July.

(Tickets will be sold from the Bursar's office – Lorraine Maratheftis)

Name and grade of child: _____

Numbers of tickets: _____



WEEKLY PROGRAMME

WEEK ENDING 15 JUNE 2018



Mon 11 June	Grade R-3	Soccer Practice	13:10 – 14:00	Zoo Lake
	Grade 4-7	Soccer Practice	14:10 – 15:30	Zoo Lake
	Grade R-3	Netball Practice	13:10 – 14:00	School
	Grade 4-7	Netball Practice	14:00 – 15:15	School
	Grade 4-7	Chess	14:00 – 15:00	
Tues 12 June	Grade R-3	Soccer Practice	13:10 – 14:10	Zoo Lake
	Grade 4-7	Soccer Practice	14:10 – 15:30	Zoo Lake
	Grade R-3	Netball Practice	13:10 – 14:00	Zoo Lake
	Grade 4-7	Netball Practice	14:10 – 15:15	Zoo Lake
	Grade R-3	Tennis Practice	13:10 – 14:00	Zoo Lake
Weds 13 June	Soccer Matches (for selected boys only) vs Kings Robin Hills			
	U9/U10	Away	15:30 back at school	
	U12/Open	Home	16:00 back at school	
	Culturals			
	Grade R-3	Crafts	13:15 – 13:45	
Grade 4-7	Marimbas	13:45 – 14:15		
Grade 4-7	Choir	14:15 – 14:45		
Thurs 14 June	NO NETBALL MATCHES			
	Grade 1-3	Chess	13:15 – 13:45	
	Grade 5-7	Computers	13:50 – 14:20	
Friday 15 June	Mini Soccer TBA			

PLEASE NOTE THAT SHIN PADS ARE COMPULSORY FOR SOCCER PRACTICE AND MATCHES

FROM THE SPORTS DESK

On Friday we played our Mini Soccer at Zoo Lake. Well done to all the boys - again we won one and lost one with the three goals being scored by Tinevimbo Tswatswa - 2 and Ona Masondo - 1. The boys are really playing wonderful soccer and it is such a joy to watch. A big thank you to the parents, who come out and support every Friday afternoon. Thanks to Mrs G and Mrs Powell for coming to watch out budding stars playing their favourite sport.

On Saturday we played an U9 Soccer Festival at Cedarwood School. A wonderful morning of soccer. The coldest morning with the first frost arriving so the morning was freezing with the children slipping on the field during the first matches. We played five games of which we won one, drew one and lost three. To my wonderful parents who braved the cold and got the children to Cedarwood by 07:30, I so appreciate your effort and I am sure you enjoyed watching your boys play as well as getting out into the fresh air. Well done to Matthew Letsoala for his two goals during the course of the games. The boys had a wonderful morning and so enjoyed the experience. Thanks to my coaches and parents once again. Some wonderful defending and speedy running as well as wonderful passing and awesome kicking.

On Wednesday we played Holy Family. The U9s played at home and played the most beautiful game. They lost 0-1. This was really not a good reflection of the game at all. Wonderful team work and the player of the week goes to our goal keeper – Gino Capkovic. The U10s lost due to the wonderful setting up of the Holy Family U10 side. They played a marvellous game working our boys really hard. Keep on working boys – player of the week goes to Dylan Berz. The U12 and Open side played away. The U12s won 3-0 – on a winning streak at the moment and the goals were scored by Thando Khumalo -1, Lebone Molewa -1 and an own goal from Holy Family. Boys, coach Patrick is really proud of you all – Player of the week goes to Molemi Mxongo who played like a superstar. The Open side lost 2-1 with no goals being scored by our boys – Some beautiful saves by Gabriel Gardner-Hattingh, lots of running by Yadah Garrine. Plenty of goal shots being taken but unfortunately not going into the net. A much improved score from last week boys – hopefully on Friday we are back on our winning streak. Player of the week goes to Gabriel.

Looking forward to our festival at Bellavista this afternoon.

Mandy Wheeler
Head of Sport

Mini Soccer – 01 June



Soccer Festival Cedarwood – Our Champs

