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Japari Newsletter



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Dear Parents

Read-A-Long

Thank you to all our parents who attended this morning's Read-A-Long. This is always one of my personal favourite events as parents are able to really relax and spend quality time with their children. It was great to meet and chat with many parents and see the wide variety of books read! All the children I spoke to were able to tell me in great detail what they had read.

Our weather was overcast, but luckily no rain. The overcast weather did ensure that everyone kept cool. Delicious muffins, tea, coffee and juice ensured that all participants had the required energy!! A big thank you to Miss Roberts and our wonderful Reading Department who organised and set up everything and to all members of the staff team that helped make this event so enjoyable and successful.

Parent Support Group

Japari is re-establishing our Parent Support Group. Parenting in the 21st Century is extremely challenging and hard work. Our children's journey at Japari is often a bumpy one with potholes, hills and valleys. This brings extra challenges to us as parents. There may be days where you feel all alone in your struggle. Maybe you have been so busy taking care of your child's needs, in addition to the rest of the family, that you have not had the opportunity to seek encouragement from those who have trekked a similar road.

Sometimes, all you need is to bounce ideas off another parent who has been down a similar path. Connecting with others who can relate to your journey can offer long-lasting friendship and fellowship.

Japari is excited to have the services of a social worker, Dana Labe, who will be running the Parent Support Group. Dana is a qualified social worker who holds a BA (Hons) in Social Theory, cum laude and an MA (Social Work) cum laude. She has been in private practice for 18 years. Prior to entering private practice, Dana worked as a Director of FAMSA Grahamstown, and before that she held positions at Johannesburg Child Welfare and NICRO.

Parent Support Groups initially will meet once a term at 18.30 for 19:00. Wednesday 03 April is this term's meeting, held in the Staff Room. The Topic is Emotional Regulation or How To Help Your Child Calm Down.

These Support Meetings are confidential. Japari Staff do not attend. Please diarise this date. Remember, you are not alone, there are others out there that can relate to your circumstances.

Regards

Steve Rees

Headmaster



REQUEST FROM THE ART TEACHER

If you have any of the following items for re-cycling, please send to the Art Room

Corks (urgent)

Plastic cutlery

Straws

Many thanks to the parents who attended the Grantley College Breakfast on Wednesday

DATES TO DIARISE

FEBRUARY

15 Inter-House Swimming Gala

21 School closes for mid-term break

26 School re-opens

MARCH

14 Grade 7 Mentor & Monitors Assembly

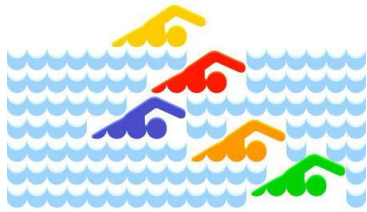
21 Human Rights Day

APRIL

03 Parent Support Group

06 BIG Walk – this is a compulsory school event

12 School closes for the end of Term I



WEEKLY PROGRAMME
WEEK ENDING 15 FEBRUARY 2019



Mon 11 Feb	Grade R-3	Cricket Practice	13:10 – 14:10	Zoo Lake
	Grade 4-7	Cricket Practice	14:10 – 15:30	Zoo Lake
	Grade R-3	Swimming Practice	13:10 – 14:00	Zoo Lake
	Grade 4-7	Swimming Practice	14:00 – 15:15	Zoo Lake
	Grade 4-7	Chess	14:00 – 15:00	
Tues 12 Feb	Grade R-3	Cricket Practice	13:10 – 14:10	Zoo Lake
	Grade 4-7	Cricket Practice	14:10 – 15:30	Zoo Lake
	Grade R-3	Swimming Practice	13:10 – 14:10	Zoo Lake
	Grade 4-7	Swimming Practice	14:10 – 15:15	Zoo Lake
	Grade R-3	Tennis Practice	13:10 – 14:00	Zoo Lake
Weds 13 Feb	Cricket Matches vs Yeshiva College (selected boys only)			
	Commonwealth	home	17:00	back at school
	Ter Horst	away	16:30	back at school
	Cultural Activities			
	Grade R-3	Crafts	13:15 – 13:45	
	Grade 4-7	Marimbas Session 1	13:15 – 13:45	
	Grade 4-7	Marimbas Session 2	13:45 – 14:15	
Grade 4-7	Choir	14:15 – 14:45		
Thurs 14 Feb	KFC Mini Cricket (selected boys only)			
	Rosebank Primary		15:00	back at school
	Grade 1-3	Chess	13:15 – 13:45	
	Grade 5-7	Computers	13:45 – 14:15	
Fri 15 Feb	INTER-HOUSE SWIMMING GALA – ZOO LAKE – 09:30			
	Swimming Gala (for selected children only)			
	Crawford Sandton	away	16:00	back at school

TENNIS CHILDREN PLEASE BRING THEIR OWN TENNIS RACKET

From the Sports Desk

Congratulations to the following children on being chosen as House Captains and Vice Captains:

Kilkenny: Mikele Ferreira - Captain
Lara Botes – Captain
Thabo Meko - Vice Captain

Dundalk: Lungisa Khaile – Captain
Riley Feldman – Captain
Kwezi Gesha - Vice Captain
Luko Zibi - Vice Captain

Athlone: Joshua Van Rensburg – Captain
Joely Grunthal – Captain
Judd Grunthal – Vice Captain
Amber Van Wyk – Vice Captain

Please note that the Inter-house Gala is on Friday 15 February at Zoo Lake Swimming Pool. We hope to start by 9:30. Once the gala is over the children will be taken back to school – they may NOT leave the pool with their parents.

A reminder that children should come to school in a house coloured T-shirt: Kilkenny – Red, Dundalk – Green and Athlone – Yellow, their Japari PE shorts, socks and takkies as well as their swimming costumes. Parents are most welcome. Japari team swimmers have a gala later that day so may not go home once we get back to school.

The Commonwealth and Ter Horst cricket boys played against Houghton Muslim Academy on Wednesday. We were so lucky to get the match in with the strange weather we are having. The Commonwealth side won their game. Well done to the fielders this week with Zach Carpel getting a beautiful catch as well as Matheo Mabaso and Thabo Meko. Not the best bowling this week boys but I know it took you a while to get used to the pitch. Wonderful batting by Zach who made 37 of which he got 4 6s and 2 4s – T20 here we come! Beautiful running between the wickets by Lungisa Khaile and Blayden Carr.

The Ter Horst side lost. Again beautiful batting by our superstar Regan van der Walt who made 50 and he also got a wicket. A bit more work in the nets boys to get those runs. A lot of wides and no balls with the bowling this week but I know that this will improve by the end of the season. Listen to the coaches, boys.

The KFC Mini Cricket Match against Craighall was great fun. One or two new boys playing their first match with great excitement. Beautiful bowling by Matthew Letsoalo who got 2 wickets and 6 runs, Declan Rossol - 1 wicket and 8 runs, Matteo Levitt - 1 wicket and 1 run, Hamza Limbada - 1 wicket and 8 runs, Ona Masondo 1 run and a maiden bowling over (no runs given away), Milo Sonqishe 5 runs and a maiden over, Joshua Nunes - 4 runs and a maiden over, Ogbonnia Enwerem - 1 run. Great fun was had by all especially the coaches and myself encouraging the boys to run between the wickets and catch the balls.

Regards
Mandy Wheeler
Head of Sport



KFC MINI CRICKETERS



COMMONWEALTH TEAM vs HOUGHTON MUSLIM ACADEMY

HIGH SCHOOL EXPO



MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION ABOUT YOUR CHILD'S HIGH SCHOOLS

**ALL WELCOME - VISIT THE EXPO AT
BRYANDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL**

19 FEBRUARY 2019,

14:00 – 18:00

131 Cumberland Avenue, Bryanston

Exhibiting High Schools

Brescia House	Heronbridge College	Potch Girls
British International	Hermannsburg	Redhill School
Bryanston High	Hyde Park High	St Mary's DSG
Crawford Lonehill	King Edward VII	St Peter's College
Dainfern College	Michael Mount Waldorf	St Stithians College
EduInc Boutique School	Parktown Boys	Steyn City Schools
Fourways High	Parktown Girls	Treverton
Greenside High	Penryn College	Woodridge College

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TERMS - 2019

Term 1 : **Wednesday 16 January – Friday 12 April**
Half-term break - close 21 February – return 26 February
Public Holidays: Thursday 21 March – Human Rights Day

Term 2 : **Tuesday 07 May – Thursday 08 August**
Half-term break - close 28 June – return 08 July
Public Holiday: Sunday 16 June – Youth Day
Monday 17 June - Holiday

Term 3 : **Tuesday 10 September – Friday 06 December** (subject to change)
Half-term break - close 24 October – return 29 October
Public Holiday: Tuesday 24 September – Heritage Day

AFTERCARE

Aftercare facilities are available Monday to Thursday until 17:00. This includes lunch and supervision of homework and play.

Casual as well as fulltime attendance is catered for and parents are billed accordingly.