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# Japari Newsletter



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Dear Parents

## Big Walk

Thank you to all the parents and friends of Japari who attended our Big Walk on Saturday 11 May. We had perfect May weather and the large numbers of participants had a really fantastic time. Even the obstacle course was popular!! We were treated to delicious refreshments with our boerewors rolls selling out in no time!

A big thank you to Mrs Wheeler and all the teachers and parents who helped on the day. The competition between our children to see who had walked the most laps was very intense!! The success of holding our Big Walk in May, could result in us scheduling our 2020 Big Walk at the same time.

Please remember to send your sponsorship money or donation to school before the end of the month.

## School development

The Board have decided to upgrade the front entrance of our school. This will entail a single entry and exit gate in place of our existing two entry and exit points. It will also include a new heightened boundary wall, guard house and children's waiting area. This is an exciting development and will improve not only our facilities but also our security.

There is a lot of preparatory work to be done before building can proceed. We will keep parents informed of our progress. If any parents would like to assist us with donations towards this project, please contact our bursar, Mrs Maratheftis on [bursar@japari.co.za](mailto:bursar@japari.co.za), or on 011 646 2132.

## Big Jon

Raphael Latouf's, (grade 3) Granddad, Big Jon, has begun his 5000km journey in support of dyslexia and Japari. Please note his progress further on in this newsletter. His final destination is Spain. This is an incredible gesture of goodwill and commitment and we are in awe of his strength, perseverance and determination to succeed.

We will keep parents updated and track his progress in the weekly newsletter.

Kind regards

Steve Rees  
Headmaster



**JAMES SECCOMB, GRADE 4, HAS SECURED HIS LEAPING WOLF BADGE AT CUBS. THIS IS THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE BADGE A CUB CAN EARN AND IT IS THE EQUIVALENT OF A SPRINGBOK AWARD IN SCOUTS...CONGRATULATIONS**

Learners at Japari are obligated to undergo a full Psycho-Educational Assessment if they have never had an assessment before or if an assessment was conducted more than two years ago.

This allows us to gain insight into their current strengths and challenges and enables us to implement the appropriate learning support.

Our Educational Psychologists will be contacting parents if their child's records are not up to date. Should you wish to set up an assessment, please contact:

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**WEEKLY PROGRAMME**  
**WEEK ENDING 24 MAY 2019**



Mon 20 May	Grade R-3	<b>Soccer Practice</b>	13:10 – 14:10	Zoo Lake
	Grade 4-7	<b>Soccer Practice</b>	14:10 – 15:30	Zoo Lake
	Grade R-3	<b>Netball Practice</b>	13:10 – 14:00	School
	Grade 4-7	<b>Netball Practice</b>	14:00 – 15:15	School
Tues 21 May	Grade R-3	<b>Soccer Practice</b>	13:10 – 14:10	Zoo Lake
	Grade 4-7	<b>Soccer Practice</b>	14:10 – 15:30	Zoo Lake
	Grade R-3	<b>Netball Practice</b>	13:10 – 14:00	Zoo Lake
	Grade 4-7	<b>Netball Practice</b>	14:00 – 15:15	Zoo Lake
	Grade R-3	<b>Tennis Practice</b>	13:10 – 14:00	Zoo Lake
Weds 22 May	<b>Soccer Matches (for selected boys only)</b>			
	U9/10 vs Orban School		Away back at school	15:45
	U12/Open vs Orban School		Zoo Lake back at school	16:15
	<b>Cultural Activities</b>			
Grade R-3	Crafts	13:15 – 13:45		
<b><i>There will be no choir or marimbas as the hall is being used for a function</i></b>				
Thurs 23 May	<b>Netball Matches (for selected girls only)</b>			
	U10/11, U12 and Open vs TBA			
	Grade 1-3	Chess	13:15 – 13:45	
	Grade 5-7	Computers	13:45 – 14:15	
Fri 24 May	<b>Mini Soccer (for selected boys only)</b>			
Zoo Lake back at school at 14:45				
Sat 25 May	Open Netball at SAHETI – details to follow			

**SHIN PADS ARE COMPULSORY FOR SOCCER PRACTICE AND MATCHES**  
**CHILDREN HAVE TO HAVE THEIR OWN RACKETS FOR TENNIS**

## **From the Sports Desk**

Welcome back to soccer and netball season.

We are very proud of Lebone Molewa who made it through to The Discovery Football Festival which was held over 3 days at Old Eds. We wish him every success and hope he plays like a superstar and makes it through to the next round.

On Wednesday the boys played against Bellavista. The U9 and U10 played away at Bellavista. The U9s won 4-1 with the goals being scored by Matthew Letsoalo – 2, Kanalelo Hlapane – and Declan Rossol – 1. Well done boys. Coach Calvin was so proud of you all and you played like superstars. The U10 lost 4-2 with the goals being scored by Jaiden Mochochoko and Vuyani Mabindisa. A little more team work and the goals will come boys. Player of the week goes to Stuart Whitton for his awesome defending and Kanalelo Hlapane.

The U12s and Open played at home. Wow the U12 was like watching a dream team play. The boys all played with such heart and as a team and the goals came thick and fast. The goals were scored by Vuyo Sithole – 2, Molemi Mxongo – 2, Blayden Carr 1 and Tisetso Lenkoe -1. A very difficult choice for player of the match, but it goes to Noah Hlongwane (defender) and Vuyo Sithole. Boys, I saw such an improvement in so many of you and was super excited to be part of the Japari team.

Keep it up boys, a brilliant game. The Opens also won with goals being scored by Thando Khumalo - 1 and a penalty and Matheo Mabaso – penalty. The boys played a match better second half and Coach Patrick and I were proud. Some good defending and some wonderful saves by Judd Grunthal. A fabulous afternoon of soccer at Zoo Lake, Japari and a wonderful start to the season.

The netball girls played their first games of the season against Sandhurst Preparatory. We lost all the games. The U10/11 side worked extremely hard and lost 3-5 with the goals being scored by Khensani Shiluvane - 2 and Giorgia Lockhart-Barker – 1. Well done to both girls considering neither of you have played shooter. Two beautiful goals were scored by Tegan Milner for the U12s. The Open girls tried but no goals were scored. Players of the week go to Khensani, Karabo Khopotse and Amber Van Wyk.

We definitely need to work on the passing and defending ladies. Coach Lisa and I were especially proud of all the new netball players in the Japari teams and we are sure that our next games will be awesome.

**Mandy Wheeler**

**Head of Sport**

# BIG JON UPDATE

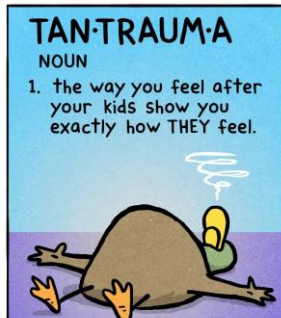


"I Have walked over 150 kms last 5 days..."

The older guy with the Grey hair is Bogdan.. He set up Camino Polaca across Poland.. Was an honour to meet such a man... And I had the honour of walking alone with him for 3 days.. Really got to know him... The Camino he set up is over 700kms"

Donations can be made using the following link:  
<https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr>





## Parenting Support Group

Wednesday 19 June 6.30 for 7pm

### “How to help your child to calm down”

Dana Labe is a Clinical Social Worker who has been in practice for more than 30 years. She will be offering a discussion group for parents on how to help your child to calm down. The evening will take the form of some input followed by an opportunity for discussion and learning from each other.

In this group we will consider:

- What is happening for your child when they “lose their cool” and what they are trying to communicate
- Some strategies for preventing “hyper-arousal” and for promoting good emotional regulation
- Some strategies for self-care for parents

#### Term 2 dates

**Monday 06 May – Thursday 08 August**

***Half-term break - close 28 June – return 08 July***

Public Holiday: Sunday 16 June – Youth Day

Monday 17 June – Holiday (Youth Day observed)