

Rosebank School

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Newsletter #7

AFTERCARE

We are unfortunately still struggling with a group of parents who are not collecting their children on time after school and even though the facility is available for after school care, they are not taking the opportunity.

From Term 2, we will be forced to report any parent who has not collected their child on time to the relevant departments. Leaving children unsupervised constitutes neglect. We will be keeping a record of all children who have not been collected straight after school, are not involved in an extra mural activity on that afternoon or are not enrolled in Aftercare.

Aftercare is still available at a cost if you are not able to collect your child after school. Please ensure that they are enrolled, so that they can be supervised and kept safe.

OUTSTANDING LAF 2022

A reminder again about the 2022 LAF (LEARNER AFFILIATION FEE) payment which was due before Term 1 2022 began.

There is still an alarming number of parents who have not paid the 2022 LAF . Please ensure that you do so by the end of the term.

The banking details are:

SCHOOL BANK DETAILS:

BANK: **NEDBANK**

BRANCH: **THE MALL, ROSEBANK**

ACC. NO: **1977009042**

CODE: **197705**

TYPE: **CURRENT**

REF: **USE YOUR CHILD'S ACCOUNT NUMBER**

The LAF covers the following items and helps your child to be ready and prepared for the start of the new school year in 2022:

- Exercise books
- Activity books (Foundation Phase)
- RPS front book covers
- Plastic protective covers for exercise books
- Photocopy paper
- Whiteboard (Foundation Phase)
- Ear & Eye Tests
- Photographs
- Presentations & visits in some grades

There are still far too many children whose LAF fee has not yet been paid, this is unacceptable and is hindering the teaching and learning process.

SCHOOL FEES



A very big thank you to all parents who are diligent in paying their school fees, we are very grateful.

- Parents, who continue to default on their obligations to pay school fees, put the school in jeopardy in terms of being able to offer quality education to the learners enrolled at the school.
- "The South African Schools Act¹ provides that "a parent is liable to pay the school fees determined in terms of section 39 unless and to the extent that he or she has been exempted from payment in terms of the Act."
- The enforcement of the payment of school fees in South Africa is **essential** to the rights of children to receive suitable education.
- It is simply not possible for the State to provide proper education to all at state expense.
- The school relies on the payment of school fees to pay staff salaries, maintain the school buildings, pay utility bills, just to mention a few.
- It is not fair to the parents who are dedicated payers to carry the costs of even those who make no attempt.

Please do the right thing and pay your outstanding school fees.

SUBSIDY DUE DATE 17 MARCH 2022



- If you believe that you qualify for a subsidy in school fees, please contact Mrs B Motsoane (finance@rosebankprimary.co.za) to set up an appointment to collect the subsidy application and confirm your details on the administration

system.

- The forms **cannot** be emailed and may not be collected on your behalf by anyone else.
- The SGB is responsible in determining the allocation of subsidies.
- A reminder to parents that Rosebank Primary School is a Section 21 school and therefore school fees are due and payable.
- Please be aware that your application for a subsidy, **does not automatically** mean that you will be awarded a subsidy.
- Subsidies are determined by means of a calculation, based on BOTH PARENTS joint GROSS income. If one parent is deceased, it is imperative that a death certificate is attached.
- Any other financial commitments that you may have **DO NOT AFFECT** your obligation to pay school fees.
- The payment of school fees should be your first priority. Gym memberships, car repayments, bonds, etc do not have any influence on the payment or non-payment of school fees.
- By enrolling your child in a Section 21 school, you acknowledge that school fees are charged and are due to the school.

The cut-off date for all applications for subsidies is **Thursday, 17th March 2022.**

Payment of school fees should be the top priority of your financial responsibilities.



RPS Alphabet Dress-Up Day



Dear Parents,

To have some **educational** fun, children will be drawing a letter of the alphabet from their class teacher, and we will be having an **alphabet dress -up day!**

Children will have to come dressed as a **noun** representing the **letter** of the **alphabet** they have drawn.

Our Dress Up Day Will Be On:

Friday, 11th March 2022

Cost of the dress up will be **R 25, 00**

We look forward to your support!



Prizes for the **class** who is able to represent the **entire alphabet** the most creatively...**TEACHER INCLUDED!**

SPORT

CRICKET

Last week due to the lightning and bad weather conditions , we have had to cancel all matches.

The fixtures for this week are as follows:

- Rosebank (TER HORST Team) will be playing against Blairgowrie Primary School away.
- Rosebank (COMMONWEALTH Team) will be playing against Craighall Primary at home.
- The Mini Cricket matches will continue at home against Radford House this Thursday.
- The Rosebank (U9 Team) will be playing their matches against Parkview Junior at home this Thursday.



Good luck to all teams for their matches this week.

UNIFORM INSPECTION 28TH

- It is important that **all** pupils come dressed to school in the full school uniform, even on PE days.
- Learners should be wearing their uniforms with pride.
- Tatty jerseys and uniforms with holes should be replaced. These look untidy and unsightly.
- Pupils are to pack their set of PE clothes in their sports kit and only change into them for the lesson.
- They are required to change back into the full school uniform at the end of the PE lesson.
- There will be a uniform inspection on the **28th of February 2022**.
- Please ensure that you are wearing the **correct full school uniform**. Those children found to be defaulting will be given a detention.



PHYSICAL EDUCATION

- It seems that there are far too many parents and learners who are taking their own decision to not participate in their PE lessons.
- We are fortunate enough to have a swimming pool and a qualified swimming instructor to teach the swimming.



- Swimming in Term 1 and 4 forms part of the curriculum at Rosebank Primary School and is compulsory. Just as you cannot choose to not do English or Maths, you cannot choose not to do PE. It is a compulsory component of the Life Skills Curriculum.
- It is becoming an ongoing battle for the teacher who has a curriculum to get through as well as assessments to finalise for the term. **PE is a compulsory component** of the syllabus.
 - Just as exercise books, stationery and textbooks are the requirements for subjects such as English, FAL, Maths, NS, etc, so is the PE uniform a requirement for participation in the Physical Education lesson. Please check the day before the lesson to ensure that your child has every item required for PE labelled and packed in their kit.
 - This applies to all learners from Grades 1-7. Learners **DO NOT** have the option to abstain from PE participation unless a medical certificate is produced excusing them from a particular lesson.

LATE COMING

- It is with great concern that we note that there are still far too many learners that are late for school daily.
- Please start the school day early enough to get your child to school timeously. Often learners arrive and a class has started an assessment.
- Late coming upsets, the teaching & learning process. It is disruptive to the child, the teacher and the class that has begun the lesson.
- The names of learners that are late will be recorded and they will be given a detention after receiving three warning letters.
- Punctuality is an important life skill that must be instilled into children now to equip them for later.



NO BULLY PLEDGE

- At the start of term 1, ALL learners signed a NO BULLY PLEDGE.
- This pledge clearly states that Rosebank Primary School is a NO BULLY ZONE!

- Parents are urged to speak to their child/ren at home about this very important topic. Please reiterate that there is no place for a bully in our school.
- Parents, please read the following to your child even if they are in the Senior Phase:



1. Every child& adult has the right to feel safe in the school environment.
2. Every learner enrolled at the school has the right to be at the school.
3. Every learner has the right to belong and the responsibility to ensure that no one feels out of place.
4. Every learner has the right to learn and the responsibility to ensure they abide by the rules of the school.
5. They have the right to respect and the responsibility to ensure they respect all individuals and the property of the school.



ALLXS

We unfortunately only have 40 children who are using the ALLXS card.

Due to this, we are considering terminating the contract with ALLXS, as the annual cost is not benefitting the school in terms of becoming a cashless school.

We will however continue with the Karri App but unless the number of users increases, ALLXS will no longer be used at the school for any payments.

DEPARTMENTAL HEADS' REPORTS

SBST DEPARTMENTAL HEAD – Mrs Jugdav:



Basic Education
Health
Social Development

Week 6

SBST – Integrated School Health Programme

The Departments of Health, Basic Education and Social Development provide health services to learners in schools through the Integrated School Health Programme.

For your child to receive these services we need you to give permission by completing the consent form sent home to the relevant learners.

The first school health services may include the following:

1. Checking your child's health (body, eyes, ears, teeth, TB and other conditions)
2. Deworming (Grades R– 7) one tablet, that is swallowed
3. Routine immunisation (against measles, polio, tetanus and diphtheria) and may include immunisation during disease outbreaks response.
4. Immunisation against Human Papillomavirus (HPV) which causes cervical cancer later in life (for Grade 4 girls, nine years and older and Grade 5 girls who received their 1st HPV dose in Grade 4 during the HPV Vaccination Campaign of the previous year).
5. **The second dose of HPV immunisation is given at an interval of 5-6 months after the first HPV Vaccine dose**
6. Treatment for common health problems if needed (worms, scabies, lice)
7. Health education
8. Mental health and psychosocial support.



You can come with your child to school on the day when the school health team visits. You will be informed if your child needs to be referred for any other services.

Please contact the school principal for any enquiries or additional information about these services **OR** if you have given written permission and you want to withdraw.

The Grade 5 girls will receive their HPV vaccine in the middle of March.

Please return the completed form to the school as soon as possible if your child was given one.

FOUNDATION PHASE DEPARTMENTAL HEAD – Mrs Barnard:

Last week with a lovely treat from Sea Harvest and McCain, the children were captivated with the presentation and enjoyed delicious fish and chips. 🍷

We URGE ALL parents in the Foundation Phase to pack their children's costumes on PE days. Some children have yet to bring their costume, and this is having a huge negative impact on their Life Skills Physical Education results for the end of term report. 🏠

Litter has become a big problem in the school. Please encourage your children to throw rubbish away in a dustbin. Their learnt behaviour at home carries through to the school environment. Please encourage this awareness for a cleaner, healthier environment. 🗑️

Thank you.

INTESEN PHASE DEPARTMENTAL HEAD – Miss Modibedi:

Cycle Test

The Cycle Test for Grade 4-6 is Personal and Social Well-being (PSW) and Grade 7 learners will be writing Life Orientation (LO). Please ensure that your child is adequately prepared for this assessment.

Parent Responsibility



Both parents and teachers play a vital role in educating a child however, parents are a child's first teacher. They teach essential life and academic skills while providing love and support that help the children healthily develop. When parents and teachers partner in the education of the learners, there will be great achievement.

Monitoring homework

It is very important for parents to monitor their child's work at home. We currently have a number of learners who come to school daily with their work not done, incomplete and instructions not followed. It is evident that some parent's involvement is non-existent at home. This is getting frustrating for educators on a daily basis.

Parents are encouraged to check their children's books daily and ensure that instructions are followed, and work is correctly completed, sign assessments and support their children. With the help of all parents, huge improvement will be evident in the children's work.

If parents are meeting difficulties, please communicate with your child's teacher, we are in this together.

Behaviour

Parents to please speak to their children regarding acceptable behaviour at school. Teachers are spending far too much time dealing with discipline issues at school and that is taking time away from

teaching and learning. Better behaved children will create a happy environment in and around the classroom.

PE Clothes

PE is a compulsory school subject. Please ensure that your child brings the necessary PE clothes and participates full in the PE curriculum.

STAFF NEWS

GDE ADMIN STAFF TRAINING (2022/02/21 - 2022/02/25)

- Mrs B Motsoane and Mrs S Leopeng are away on GDE training for the week. If there are any admin queries, please forward via email to Mrs M Zagwazatha for this week.
- If you should need to make an appointment to see Mrs B Motsoane regarding school fees, subsidies or other finance related matters, please contact her directly via email for next week.

We thank you for your understanding in this regard.

STAFF TRAINING (2022/02/21 - 2022/02/26)

- Most of our teachers continue with GDE meetings and training during this week.
- Miss Shaw- Taylor will be attending a Principals Function this Friday,

Saturday, 26th February 2022

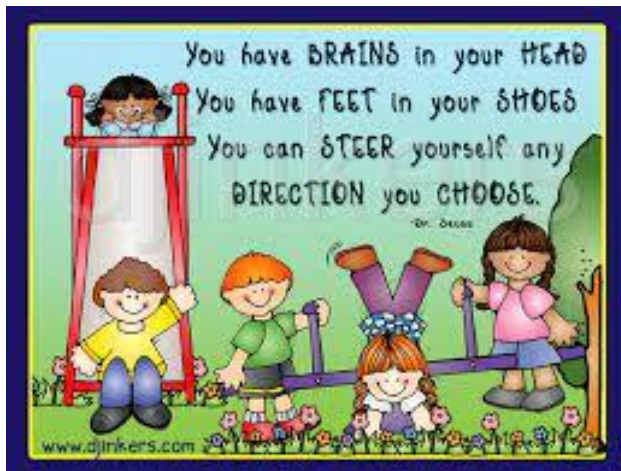
We would like to wish **Miss J Taylor** a fabulous birthday. May this birthday bring loads of happiness & success!



MOTIVATION FOR THE WEEK

“WISDOM begins in WONDER.”

By Socrates



ADVERTS

Cool Ideas

