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Newsletter #8



Welcome to the last month of the first term. It has been a busy but productive term thus far.

As the term comes to an end, we look forward to the holidays.

We wish all teachers and learners who are busy with finishing assessments and finalising this term's marks well.

UNIFORM INSPECTION

- A uniform inspection took place on Monday, 28th February 2022 at morning line up.
- All learners in the wrong uniform or those who had missing items of uniform were given a first warning to correct their uniform.
- A second inspection will take place at the next line up.
- Those that **do not** rectify their attire by then will be given a compulsory detention. Transport arrangements will need to be made as the learner will not be excused from the detention.
- A school uniform shows one to which school you belong, it should be worn with pride. All uniforms that are not in a good condition should be replaced. It is very untidy and unsightly.
- The majority of incorrect items is the white school shirt. The white shirt must have the school badge on the front pocket. This correct shirt is available at the School Shop.



FUNDRAISING

What is the importance of fundraising?

- Fundraising activities **can determine the future of your school.**
- All fundraising efforts can ensure there are adequate funds to support all of the school's activities to ensure that the school is functioning optimally.
- Fundraising events can **help with the purchase of additional classroom resources as well as to pay for extracurricular activities and other important needs of the school**, such as computers, printers, science equipment, art supplies, and much more.
- Whilst we strive to do our best to facilitate successful fundraising events, we must stipulate that participation is not compulsory.



EASTER EGGS

FOR SALE

@ R5,00 each.

Children may purchase the eggs directly from their teacher.







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!

LAF

- There are still many learners across the grades that still have not paid their LAF.
- This is unacceptable. How can we expect the teaching and learning process to flow smoothly if we are not adequately prepared?

- A reminder again that this fee was meant to be paid prior to the start of the new academic year.
- Learners whose LAF is not paid will be unable to participate in exciting shows and events organised by the school as the money for these comes from LAF.
- Please do the right thing for your child's education, ensure that the LAF is paid.

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**

(Alternatively, use your child's name & surname and 2022 class)

MASKS

- Please ensure that your child has a spare mask in their bag for emergencies.
- Ensure that the mask that your child uses is a strong one that fits them properly, covering the mouth and the nose.
- If a child requires a mask in future, they will be able to purchase a disposable one from the front office for **R10,00** each



END OF TERM REPORTS

We have set up a system where in future, the end of term reports will be sent to parents via their email address. This is in line with the POPI Act and also to ensure that parents receive the reports. We have had incidents in the past where children have informed their parents that reports were not given out or they have simply not handed the reports to their parents. This will also solve the problem if a parent needs a copy of the report, as you will have it saved as a soft copy and be able to print when and if required.

It is very important that you ensure that the Front Office has an up-to-date email address for you to receive your child's report. We also use this system to send out the monthly school fee statements.

If you believe that the email address on the system may be incorrect or outdated, please complete the reply slip at the end of the newsletter or send an email to roseps@rosebankprimary.co.za or melissa@rosebankprimary.co.za, asking the ladies to correct your email address.

ABSENTEEISM

We are experiencing a high rate of learner absenteeism. It is a parent's responsibility to ensure that their child is at school every day of the academic school year.

We have learners who are frequently absent for a day a week. This is unacceptable, as work is missed and important concepts that are covered are not then understood.

As with any absenteeism or leave policy, a doctor's note is required for the third and every subsequent day that your child is off sick, within an 8-week timeframe.

Please also note that no learner may be excused from attending school to go on holiday. The school academic calendar is structured in such a way that all learners attend school on the required number of school days as stipulated by policy.

Please ensure that unless sick, your child is at school on every school day. We follow the full weekly timetable.



HPV VACCINES



- The first dose of the HPV vaccines is scheduled to start this month. Parents of learners due to receive the vaccine will be contacted.
- These will be administered at school by the relevant health care nurses.

DEPARTMENTAL HEADS' REPORTS

SBST DEPARTMENTAL HEAD – Mrs Jugdav:



SBST – Childline School Programme

After receiving numerous complaints from parents, learners, transport drivers and teachers regarding bullying, abuse, indecent exposure, body shaming, cyber bullying and other topics pertaining to learners' well-being at school, the SBST has taken a decision to remind everyone of the structures that we have in place to deal with these issues.

We have organised for Childline in Johannesburg to visit the school over the course of a week (7th to 11th March 2022). Childline runs school-based programmes for primary school children from Grade R to 7, where they come to the school as a team, visiting each class and hold class talks, an educators' workshop on how to identify abuse and handle disclosure, as well as handling bullying and other matters. They will also spend two afternoons at the school doing brief counselling with learners. If they identify any at risk children, they will then refer these learners to their counselling department after obtaining permission from parents.

The programme will run from the 7th to the 11th March 2022. The following topics will be included in the presentation:

1. Child Abuse and Disclosure Presentation:

- A 1-hour teachers' workshop that covers Child Abuse (Definitions, Dynamics, signs and symptoms) and how to handle a child's disclosure of abuse in a sensitive and appropriate manner.
- During this workshop, the school is also given feedback on the issues that were identified in their school.



2. Class by Class Talks that cover Life Orientation Curriculum learning areas:

Grades 1-4: (A fun, age-appropriate educational presentation)

- Discussion of Childline
- Similarities between girls and boys (with regard to feelings and bodies)
- Naming of body parts and informing children how to keep their bodies and feelings safe
- Good and bad touches
- Good and bad words

- Good and bad secrets
- Safe people to talk to if children have a problem
- Rights and Responsibilities
- Childline's toll free number and how to contact them



Grades 5 - 7: (A more facilitated, learner-directed discussion)

- What Childline does & the Toll-free number
- Different kinds of relationships:
 - Relationships with your peers
 - Boy/girl relationships (Grade 7)
 - Relationships with your family
- Relationship with yourselves
- Brief discussion on abuse in relationships, including bullying
- Safe people to talk to if children have a problem

FOUNDATION PHASE DEPARTMENTAL HEAD – Mrs Barnard:

Outstanding LAF is still a concern, especially now that the Perceptual Books and Whiteboards have arrived. Those children with outstanding LAF will not be receiving any of these and it will be detrimental to your child's academic progress.

As we are heading towards the end of the term, we are busy preparing for the upcoming assessments.

Please remember to complete all homework and designated reading and sign for these every day. Please do not keep your child at home unnecessarily.

Words of inspiration:

Importance of reading

- Sitting down with a book provides children with a time for quiet and calmness in their busy lives
- Stories can stimulate imagination and play
- Reading provides parents with more opportunities to bond with their children
- Stories provoke curiosity and discussion
- Books provides inspiration, thought and reflection
- Picture books help readers to develop an appreciation for art and writing
- Reading a variety of books exposes children to a wide range of language features and vocabulary
- Listening to stories assists in the development of literacy skills and language development

INTESEN PHASE DEPARTMENTAL HEAD – Miss Modibedi:

Cycle Test

The Cycle Test for Grade 4-7 this week is History. Please ensure that your child is adequately prepared for this assessment.

Uniform inspection

We had a uniform inspection on Monday the 28th of February. We still have learners coming to school with incorrect school uniform. Please monitor the uniform and ensure that correct clothes are used to come to school.

Hair

Please make sure that your child's hair is clean, neat and appropriate for school.

Girls: Long hair must be tied up and kept neat. Hair extensions that are appropriate for school must be black ONLY. They must be all tied up in a ponytail. **No loose hair hanging on the sides of the head. No beads or colour braiding is allowed at school.**

Boys: Neat haircut and no lines must be drawn/shaved across the head. Some boys are dying hair, and this too is not allowed. Boys with dreadlocks (for cultural reasons), must tie it and be kept neat and clean.

Nails

Please keep your child's nails clean and short. No nail polish is allowed. No tips or any fancy nail art is allowed at school.

Have a fabulous week 😊

SPORT

CRICKET

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



- The Rosebank (U9 Team) played against Parkview Junior last week and won their match by 13 runs.

- Rosebank Mini Cricket Teams played against Delta Park & Orban Primary Schools and won both their matches.
- Well done to all cricketers as well as their coaches on their amazing results.

The fixtures for this week are as follows:

- Rosebank (TER HORST Team) will be playing De La Salle A Team at home.
- Rosebank (COMMONWEALTH Team) vs Greenside Primary away is a BYE.
- The KFC Mini Cricket matches will continue at home this Thursday.
- The Rosebank (U9 Team) matches have concluded for this season.
- More information will be sent to the relevant learners and parents later this week.

Good luck to all teams for their matches this week.

STAFF NEWS

- GDE Online meetings continue for Intersen Phase teachers this week.
- Mr Baxter, Mr Wagner, Mr Zagwazatha and Mr Mainganye will be attending a Fire Awareness course this Friday.



Wednesday, 2nd March 2022



We would like to wish **Mr V Ndwengula** a splendid birthday.
May this birthday bring loads of happiness!

Friday, 4th March 2022

We would like to wish **Mr R Mkhali** a lovely birthday. May his day bring loads of joy!



MOTIVATION FOR THE WEEK



The difference between a successful person and others is not lack of strength nor a lack of knowledge but rather a lack of will.

By Vince Lombardi



ADVERTS

COOL IDEAS



REPLY SLIP (Contact Details):

Mother's Name: _____

Mother's Cell Number: _____

Mother's Email Address: _____

Father's Name: _____

Father's Cell Number: _____

Father's Email Address: _____

Child's Name: _____

Child's Class & Grade: _____

