

# ROSEBANK PRIMARY SCHOOL



## DEBIT ORDER

We have encountered some resistance regarding the transition to the debit order system for collecting school fees in 2024. The collection of school fees is a complex and controversial task crucial to the successful operation of the school. Without these fees, the quality of education in all fee-paying schools would decline, causing irreparable harm to our educational system. The finance office finds the process of collecting money from parents surprisingly difficult, complicated, and frustrating, considering it involves acquiring fees for learners who have received proper educational training and support.

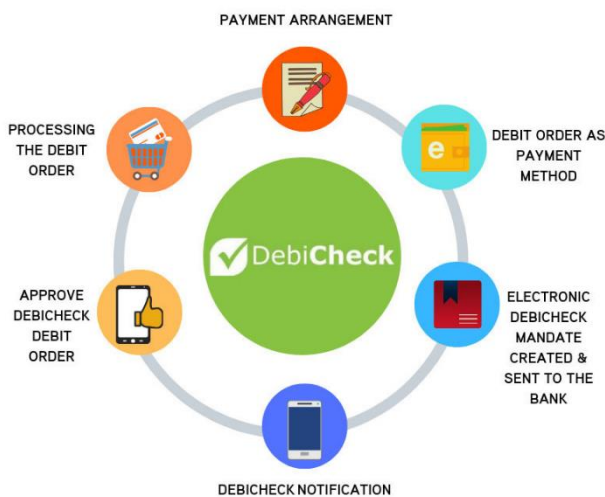
To simplify and streamline fee collection, many schools are now adopting a debit order collection service, which is a straightforward and cost-effective solution. Implementing a debit order system makes schools more efficient, optimizes cash flow, and reduces the need for unnecessary phone calls and letters related to outstanding fees. Parents hopefully appreciate the hassle-free collection method that allows them to easily pay school fees. With control over cash flow, the school can budget effectively and ensure the timely execution of school projects.

It's essential for parents to understand the stress and impact caused by

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### How DebiCheck Works:



late or non-payment of school fees on the school's office and the school. The lack of sufficient cash flow in the bank account for staff salaries and other financial commitments is a recurring issue. If this trend persists into 2024, the school may deplete its investment account, leading to staff retrenchment. This, in turn, would result in larger class sizes and the inability to offer sports and additional language choices in the Intersen Phase due to insufficient human and curriculum resources.

Concerns about having enough funds in one's account for monthly financial commitments are natural, and the school shares these concerns. Without the payment of school fees, the school struggles to meet its financial commitments, directly impacting the learners. While the school acknowledges that some parents may face financial challenges, those unable to afford school fees are encouraged to apply for a subsidy. However, every parent awarded a subsidy is expected to contribute to the school in some way, either financially or in kind, as the school cannot operate without the approved funds decided at the October 2023 AGM.

It is crucial to adhere to the statutory requirement to pay school fees to ensure the effective and optimal functioning of Rosebank Primary School. The decision to use the debit order system for fee collection from 2024 was presented at the AGM and accepted by the majority of parents, making it binding on all parents.

Therefore, we earnestly request parents to sign the debit order form and return it to the school by Friday, **1<sup>st</sup> December 2023**, either by hand to the office or class teacher or by email to [finance@rosebankprimary.co.za](mailto:finance@rosebankprimary.co.za).

We appreciate your support and cooperation in paying school fees, ensuring the future educational and academic success of your child.



Debit Order

- 2024 School Fee payments via **DEBIT ORDER**.
- Please contact **Mrs Motsoane** if you have any queries.
- Form due 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023.



# FINAL ASSEMBLY

The conclusion of the 2023 academic year is rapidly approaching. As highlighted in last week's newsletter, the official last day for all learners is 12<sup>th</sup> December 2023.

The **Final Assembly for Grades R - 5** is scheduled for Monday, 11 December 2023, during the school day. For Grades 6 and 7, their **Final Assembly** will take place on Monday evening at 18h00. Invitations have been sent to parents of Grades 6 and 7, with each learner allowed one adult representative due to spacing restrictions. However, if more than one representative arrives and additional accommodation is possible, we will gladly do so.

The Final Assembly for Grades 6 and 7 is expected to conclude by 19h30. In cases where no adult accompanies a learner, please ensure appropriate transport arrangements are made to collect all learners by 19h45. Your cooperation is essential, as our staff also need to return home to their families. We eagerly anticipate the presence of our Grade 6s and 7s, along with their parents, at the Final Assembly.

## BIRTHDAYS FOR THE WEEK

### LEARNERS:

🎂🍰 Happy Birthday to our fantastic learners celebrating their birthdays during this exciting week from 27<sup>th</sup> November to 3<sup>rd</sup> December! 🎉👏

As we approach the end of the school year and eagerly anticipate the joyous December holidays, we want to take a moment to celebrate YOU! 🎊 Your birthdays add an extra sprinkle of happiness to the festive season, making it even more special.

May your day be filled with laughter, joy, and all the things that make birthdays unforgettable. As you blow out your candles, make a wish for a

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**



year ahead filled with exciting adventures, new friendships, and lots of learning! Enjoy your special day, and we hope the coming year brings you endless smiles and fantastic memories.

Wishing you the happiest of birthdays and a wonderful start to the December holidays! 🎁 🎄 ✨

NO	NAME	SURNAME	BIRTHDAY	CLASS
1	Hilton	Masombo	27 November	Grade 3 MF
2	Thabo	Tshuma	28 November	Grade 5 EP
3	Philasande	Mkhonza	28 November	Grade 1 JT
4	Lesego	Selepe	28 November	Grade 1 KI
5	Amariah	Kin	29 November	Grade R VR
6	Aeon Jaden	Ntiwane	30 November	Grade 1 KI
7	Themba	Mthombeni	30 November	Grade 5 GS
8	Thatakaone	Manthoko	30 November	Grade 1 DB
9	Dorcas	Lekganyane	30 November	Grade 5 EP
10	Lizeka	Sithole	30 November	Grade 6 AC
11	Bokamoso	Motloenya	01 December	Grade 6 KW
12	Oratile	Swartbooi	02 December	Grade 2 SA
13	Bongiwe	Ndhlovu	02 December	Grade 2 JW
14	Thatego	Thobye	02 December	Grade 7 ME

### STAFF:

**Mr Kiefer:** 🎉 🎂 Happy Birthday to our incredible Grade 7 Maths, Natural Science, and Technology maestro! 📊 🧑🏫 🎈 Your dedication to shaping young minds and making the world of numbers and science come alive is truly inspiring. May your day be filled with the joy you bring to your learners every day. Here's to another year of equations solved, scientific wonders explored, and the positive impact you make on every learner's academic journey. Cheers to you! 🎉 🎁 🎊

**Ms Sosibo:** 🎉 🎂 Happy Birthday to our fantastic isiZulu teacher for Grades 5 and 6! 📖 🌍 🎈 Your commitment to sharing the richness of Zulu language and culture with our learners is truly admirable. May your day be filled with the warmth of the relationships you build with your learners and the joy of seeing them embrace the beauty of language. Here's to another year of linguistic exploration, cultural appreciation, and the positive influence you have on our young linguists. Enjoy your special day! 🎉 🎁 🎊

NO	TITLE	SURNAME	BIRTHDAY
1	Ms	Sosibo	30 November
2	Mr	Kiefer	3 December

HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY



# PS GA GROCERIES COLLECTION

The collection for Grocery Hampers continues, and we want to express our heartfelt gratitude to all parents and learners who have generously donated non-perishable food items for our General Assistants. For those who have not yet had the opportunity but wish to contribute, kindly submit these items to the class teacher by **1<sup>st</sup> December 2023**. Your support is truly valued!

## STAFF GIFTS

As we approach the end of the school year, we would like to express our gratitude to those considering expressing their appreciation for our dedicated class teachers, office staff, and management team. Your thoughtful gesture is truly heartwarming and reflects the wonderful sense of community we have.

Any form of appreciation, no matter how big or small, is sincerely welcomed. If you're in need of ideas, consider gifts such as vouchers, chocolates, biscuits, flowers, notebooks, stationery, key rings, socks, or even a handmade card. Your acknowledgment of the time our educators and staff have spent with your child means a great deal to us.

## INTERHOUSE SOCCER & CRICKET

The Interhouse Soccer games are scheduled for Wednesday, 29 November 2023, while the Interhouse Cricket Matches will follow on Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023. We urge the House Captains to assemble their strongest teams for these matches, as the victorious house will have its name proudly displayed on the boards in the school hall.

May the best teams emerge victorious, but more importantly, let the day be characterized by outstanding sportsmanship and enjoyable moments for all participants. Here's to a day filled with spirited competition and fun!



Consider showing your appreciation to any staff member with a small, simple gift.



# 2024 RESOURCE FEE

A friendly reminder to all parents: the deadline for the 2024 Resource Fees payment is fast approaching on Friday, **1<sup>st</sup> December 2024**. Kindly ensure prompt payment to facilitate the school's preparations for a smooth start on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

The amounts due are as follows:

<u>PHASE</u>	<u>RESOURCE FEE</u>
Grade R	R500
Foundation Phase	R1 030
Intersen Phase	R850

Your timely cooperation is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

## MYSCHOOL MYVILLAGE MYPLANET

The MySchool program originated on 30 September 1997 and was started by a Johannesburg-based parent aiming to facilitate a simple and sustainable means for his child's school to raise funds. Initially registered under the company name "Virtual Market Place," the program gained popularity swiftly, emerging as a widely adopted fundraising tool in numerous schools.

This small entrepreneurial venture flourished over time, with Woolworths initially the primary partner. Eventually, Woolworths acquired a majority share in the business, leading to their decision to purchase the entire enterprise. Consequently, MySchool MyVillage MyPlanet became an integral part of the Woolworths Group of Companies.

Initially centered on providing individuals with the opportunity to raise funds for their local schools through their everyday shopping, the program expanded its scope in 2007 to include support for "Villages" and "Planets." This evolution was driven by the growing and diverse needs across South Africa and the program's name



Get a MYSCHOOL Card and help raise funds for Rosebank Primary School.

**NO additional cost to you!**



transformed to reflect its broader impact, now known as MySchool MyVillage MyPlanet.

Every time you swipe your MySchool card at any of the partner stores they donate on your behalf to the cause you choose (which is hopefully Rosebank Primary School) at no cost to you!

There are 4 ways to obtain a card:

- Downloading the free app
- Applying online
- Calling Client Services on 0860 100 445
- Visiting a Woolworths store

Kindly contemplate acquiring a **MYSCHOOL MYVILLAGE MYPLANET** card and designating Rosebank Primary as one of your three beneficiaries. This straightforward action is an easy way for you to contribute to the school's efforts in generating extra funds. If every staff member, parent, and stakeholder affiliated with the school participates, we could amass a substantial sum of additional resources. This support would significantly bolster the school budget, and the best part is, it incurs no cost to you.

Your assistance with MYSCHOOL is sincerely valued.

## FOUNDATION PHASE CONCERT

- Mary Poppins
- R50 a ticket
- 7 December 2023



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## TERM 4 FUNDRAISING: INFLATABLES

SENIORS	JUNIORS
1 x Mini Giant Slide: 23m long with water	1 x Mini Giant Slide: 23m Long with Water
3 x Water Slides	2 x Water Slides
1 x Inflatable Soccer field	1 x Inflatable Soccer - Large
2 x Assorted Jumping Castles	1 x Mini Gladiator Slide & pond
1 x Chill Pool	1 x Chill Pool

**30th November**  
**R130 per learner**  
**(includes civvies)**

**30 November 2023 (R130)**