

From the Principal

The end of the school year is a mere five weeks away and the final testing for the senior primary pupils has begun. None need to stress if they have worked steadily throughout the year. There is still time for final revision and to ask teachers to go over work which has not been understood. I wish the pupils all of the best during this time of writing and preparing for tests.

We have finalized our enrolments for next year. All places have been filled. Sadly we could not accommodate all who applied. We shall keep them on our waiting list and hopefully we shall be able to enrol them some time in the future. It is pleasing to note that through word of mouth so many parents have contacted the school with the view of enrolling their children.

We are pleased and relieved that the Education Department has decided to carry on supporting Boarding Establishments by paying certain salaries and allowances which enables us to keep our Boarding Establishment open without having to raise fees astronomically.

We are working on the 2017 budgets and soon all the parents will be informed of the Budget Meeting in order for the 2017 budgets to be ratified. Hopefully we shall be able to limit the increase to the minimum.

Regretfully, we shall not be hosting a Mudman Triathlon at Beaulieu Dam next year. After some months of uncertainty the Controlling Committee has decided that next year only three Mudman events will take place. This is unfortunate because the Richmond School Mudman was always enjoyable and well thought of, taking place in ideal surroundings. We shall need to consider other fund raising events to make up for what we shall be losing.

Our new green fibre grass cricket mat was laid on our top field on Thursday, 03 November 2016. It really looks good and it should give us seven years use. Due to the efforts of many loyal people we have been able to pay for the matting from our fundraising account. I know that the boys and girls will enjoy playing on the pitch and that this new surface will facilitate a high standard of cricket just as the previous one did. We are planning to paint the ceilings, trusses and fascia boards of the classroom block and the administration area before the end of the year. The brick pillars and the stair bannisters will also be painted. This is part of our ongoing maintenance programme for the school. We also recently made provision to buy a more efficient sports field line maker and a fertilizer spreader. I have been informed by the Richmond Municipality that the proposed Sports Centre needs to be completed by the end of June next year.

We shall have access to modern facilities on our doorstep and on our grounds which will enhance what Richmond Primary has to offer and this will make more parents consider this school as their school of choice.

Miss Nikita Reddy who is completing her 4th year of study through Unisa, left us to take up a post at Donnybrook Primary School. She gave of her best and was always willing to go the extra mile. We miss her but realise that this move is a career opportunity for her. We wish her all of the best.

Mrs Lalage Fitton and Miss Kim Westbrook will be leaving at the end of the year for personal reasons. Mrs Fitton is needed on the farm and Miss Westbrook has been offered a post at Kloof Pre-Primary School. We thank both of them for their dedicated service over the years and for upholding the high standards we are proud of. We wish them all of the best in their new endeavours. We hope to be able to inform the parents who their replacements will be before the end of the year.

I am pleased to inform you that our new secretary Mrs Santy Moses started work here on the 1st November 2016. We all wish her an enjoyable time and job satisfaction whilst working at Richmond Primary.

In conclusion, I wish you all of the best as we come to the end of another busy year.

Thank you.
Mr. Q. St Leger

Richmond Primary Hostel

'Life is the art of drawing without an eraser.'

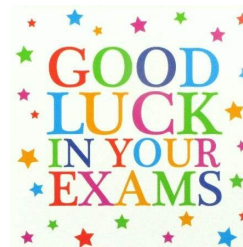
The start of the new term has been exciting yet busy with so many things to do.

Recently at hostel, Mr Phungula hosted an all-white party where the children had to rattle their cupboards and dress in their smart white clothes. They looked beautiful and smart in these outfits. Activities such as dancing, modelling and last but not least, celebrating birthdays was the cherry on top. We thank Mr Phungula and his team for making it such fun...

The students from the Bible Institute College visited the children and had loads of fun with them, ending the evening off with an inspirational message to never give up!

The upcoming uShaka trip for the hostel children has generated much excitement. We hope the sun shines on that day. The next free weekend is on the 18th of November.

The children have been studying for the upcoming exams and we wish them all the best of luck.



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Moments

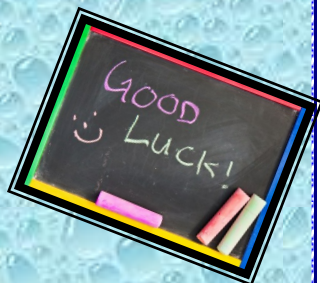
CHEESE!



*We say Thank you and Goodbye to
Nikita Reddy.*

*Nikita is almost a qualified teacher
and has taken up a teaching post
at Donnybrook Primary School.*

*We wish her all of the best for the future
and Good luck!*



Up coming events for weeks 5&6
(5-18 November)

5th November– Mini Cricket @ St Charles College

7th November– Start of Exams.

8th November– U9 Cricket vs Lynford.

14th-17th November–Gr 6 Spirit of Adventure.

16th November– Basketball vs Epworth & MCS.

18th November– Free Weekend

18th November – Basketball Champions @
Merchiston & St.Nicholas.



**and on the Sports
Fields...**

Sports results for weeks 3 & 4

(22nd October– 4th November)

25th October– Mini Gala @ LGS came 8th .

26th October– Cricket vs Eston.

-U11– Lost.

1st– Cancelled due to Weather.

27th October– Basketball vs Scottsville.

Scottsville cancelled due to weather.

***1st November– Basketball vs Clarendon—rained
out.***

2nd November– Cricket vs Epworth

1st– Cancelled due to heavy mist.

U11– Lost.

***3rd November– Mini Gala @ Clarendon– After
event 3 , gala was cancelled due to the Weather.***



VALUES:
Care, Commitment, Community

VISION:
Discovering Potential - Nurturing Leaders

MISSION STATEMENT:
Building a Quality foundation for life

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We can't put all the pictures in the newsletter
so please like our facebook page (Richmond
Primary School) to see more of what we have been
up to!

Please contact Rosheen Billet (072 469 2863) if
you are interested in enrolling your child for
piano lessons. Lessons are in school time, but
independent of school fees.

PIANO

Please contact Ashleigh (072 603 0233) from
Ashleigh Joubert Contemporary Dance Studio
if you are interested in enrolling your child for
dance lessons. Lessons are on a Friday after
school and independent of school fees.

DANCE

LIVE SIMPLY.
DREAM BIG.
BE GRATEFUL.
GIVE LOVE.
LAUGH LOTS.

If you have any requests or suggestions,
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