

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

**“The most basic element in nurturing your physical body is how you nurture it. Good nutrition is essential. Food is the fuel that drives most of the processes including healing and renewal.”** Dr Linda Friedland

### WELCOME BACK:

The recent school break was a short one, but much needed in order for both learners and staff to rest. I hope you all had a wonderful holiday and I trust that parents had time to do some bonding with their little ones. Welcome to all the new parents and learners who have just joined the school.

### STAFF NEWS:

We bid farewell to Mrs C Krause and Miss R Naidoo at the end of last term. We wish them well in their new endeavours. We welcome Ms M. Kenny as the Sport educator and Ms A. Osato as a Grade 6 educator. We also welcome Mr D. Van Niekerk who joined us last term as the Departmental Head (Grade 6 & 7). We wish them a long and happy stay with us. Welcome back to Ms Monyamane who has joined again after her maternity leave.

Congratulations to Mrs Dutoit on the birth of her baby girl on 3 April 2026. We wish her lots of happiness with her little bundle of joy.

### SCHOOL HOURS:

School starts at **7h45** for each grade, **Mon to Thurs** and at **7h40 on Fridays**. All late arrivals are recorded and are reflected on the learner's termly report. School dismisses for all grades at **14h00 Monday to Thursday** and at **12h35 on Friday**.

### PARENTS EVENING:

A reminder that our Parents' Evening is on **Wednesday, 15 April 2026**.

Your children will be looked after in the school hall while you meet the educators.

Extra-Murals will be held as usual on Wednesday afternoon.

Please do not park in the teachers' car-park. Please park on the soccer field.

### PARENT'S EVENING - TERM 2

**ALL GRADES (R – 7)**

**Wednesday, 15 April**

**16h00 until 18h30**

**All Educators will be based in their classrooms.**

**Miss Sekotlong and Mrs Clark will be in the library.**

### IMPROVING HOMEWORK HABITS:

A teacher's responsibility is to ensure that homework is a meaningful experience directly related to learner outcomes and also to make sure that his or her connection is obvious to both parents and learners.

### You can help your child by:

- Providing a comfortable place and support for homework.
- Assisting him/her to solve homework problems.
- Consulting with the teacher in a timely manner when chronic homework problems occur.
- Monitoring homework completion.
- Rewarding responsible homework habits.

Respect for authority comes from understanding and legitimate authority figures are entrusted with the care of others. Without somebody in charge, you can't run a family, a school or a country. When people can't respect authority, things don't work very well and everybody suffers.

### TRANSPORT:

Parents, please ensure your child travels in a secure and roadworthy form of transport to and from school. We have noticed some children arriving in vehicles which are not roadworthy which can be life threatening.

**CONTROLLED TESTS (EXAMS):**

Please note that controlled tests (exams) will be written this term. Learners will receive the sections to study with the Term 2 Assessment Plan. If any children are absent during this time, a doctor's note is compulsory.

**Grade 7 Controlled Tests** will be from **29 May** until the **05 June 2026**.

**Grade 4-6 Controlled Tests** will be from **01 June** until the **05 June 2026**.

**Grade 4 -7** learners will be writing their **English and Afrikaans Writing Papers** on the **25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> May 2026**.

**ABSENCE:**

If your child is absent for the day, please send a letter to the educator on his/her return stating the nature of the absence (e.g. illness, domestic problem etc). A doctor's certificate is needed if children are absent for 3 or more days. Please let the educator know if you child will be off for 3 or more days. **A doctor's certificate is required if your child misses a cycle test, an exam or any formal assessment.**

| No. Of Days Absent | Plan of Action by Parent  | Plan of Action by School  |
|--------------------|---|---|
| 1 to 2 days        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Letter sent to school by parent/guardian detailing the reasons for the absenteeism when learner returns.</li> <li>Parent/Guardian to call the school secretary to relay the message to the class educator.</li> </ul>                                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None. School awaits for the learner to return or await a phone call by the parent/guardian to inform us of absenteeism.</li> </ul>   |
| 3 days             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Letter sent to school by parent/guardian with valid reasons for the absenteeism when learner returns.</li> <li>Medical certificate to be provided if learner was sick.</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School secretary/class educator to telephone parents to find out why learner is absent.</li> </ul>   |
| 4 to 9 days        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Letter sent to school by parent/guardian with valid reasons for the absenteeism when learner returns.</li> <li>Medical certificate to be provided if learner was sick.</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Grade Head or Head of Department will call the parent/guardian to query the absenteeism.</li> <li>If Necessary the school will contact Social Services/District office or relevant authority.</li> </ul> |
| 10 days and more   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parent/Guardian must inform the school about the absenteeism.</li> <li>Letter sent to school by parent/guardian with valid reasons for the absenteeism when learner returns.</li> <li>Medical certificate to be provided if learner was sick.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If the school has not received any information pertaining to the learner's absence, then an automatic de-registration of the learner will occur.</li> </ul>  |

Your co-operation is appreciated.

**THANK YOU:**

Thank you to all those parents who kindly assisted last term with fundraising and sponsorships, thereby ensuring that our events were a great success. To all who assisted on Friday (Movie Night), with the set-up and the braai, your assistance is greatly appreciated. We are relying on your support with regard to our upcoming Crazy Olympics Day which will take place on **Thursday, 30 April 2026**.

**MANNERS AND CLEANLINESS:**

Please discuss with your children the following: the importance of greeting a person and being helpful, as well as the importance of keeping the school clean and picking up litter.

**A BOOK TO READ:**

One of our prime objectives is to ensure that all our children are literate; not just able to read, but also able to enjoy reading too. All our children must have a book with them at school, so that they may use their spare time to read (perhaps at the close of lessons, at breaks or whilst waiting in the afternoons to be fetched). Boredom will never set in when our children have exciting books to read.


**CELL PHONES:**


More and more we are seeing children exposed to cell phone abuses and the problems they bring with them. The abuses we are seeing are coming from the home and becoming the school's problem, e.g. what children say on WhatsApp. Please control the use of cell phones at home, as well as what they are used for. The school does not allow children to have cell phones on the premises.


**WINTER SCHOOL UNIFORM:**

We will be changing across to our winter school uniform from **Monday, 20 April 2026**. Learners will have until the **04 May** to change into winter uniform. Please ensure you have the correct winter uniform required and that all items are correctly labelled. Please note that learners **MUST** be dressed in full winter uniform from **Monday, 04 May 2026**. **MIXING OF SUMMER AND WINTER ITEMS IS NOT PERMITTED.**

The school has stock of LRS beanies with the school badge, brown gloves and brown scarves. Learners wearing other items that are **NOT** part of the school uniform will be asked to remove them.

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| <b>WINTER UNIFORM: GRADE R: GIRLS &amp; BOYS</b>                                  |   |
|  | LRS Tracksuit   |
|   | ORANGE, WHITE or BLACK long-sleeved t-shirt or polo neck shirt<br>No pictures or prints allowed |
|   | Socks with takkies  |

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| <b>WINTER UNIFORM: GRADE 1 – 7: BOYS</b>  |                                 |
|  | School TIE                      |
|   | WHITE long-sleeved school shirt |
|   | GREY LONG pants                 |
|   | GREY socks<br>BLACK shoes       |

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| <b>WINTER UNIFORM: GRADE 1 – 7: GIRLS</b>   |  |
|  | School TIE                                 |
|   | WHITE long-sleeved school shirt            |
|   | GREY long pants OR GREY skirt              |
|   | GREY opaque stockings OR GREY School Socks |
|   | BLACK shoes                                |

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| <b>P.E. UNIFORM WINTER: ALL GRADES</b>   |  |
|  |  |
| LRS Tracksuit or P.E. uniform with running shoes                                   |  |

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| <b>OTHER ITEMS</b>                   |
| BROWN school jersey with school logo |
| BROWN SLEEVESS LRS jersey with logo  |
| BROWN Dri-Mac with school logo       |
| LRS School Tracksuit                 |

**STOCKIST OF THE SCHOOL UNIFORM:**

We would like to advise our parents and guardians that the only stockists of the UNIFORM ARE:

**Settlers Uniform Shop**  
*HOURS OF BUSINESS*

MON to FRI                                   - 08H30 to 17H00  
SATURDAY                                   - 08H30 to 13H00


1099 Albertina Sisulu Road, Bezuidenhout Valley. (93 Broadway Street)



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**McCullagh & Bothwell**

Micky Lill Centre  
Sacred Heart College Campus  
15 Eckstein Street  
Observatory



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**GRADE R ENROLMENT FOR 2026:**

Enrolment for Grade R will commence on 4 May 2026 as the Grade R group falls under the School Governing Body. **Please note this is for girls and boys turning 6 anytime during 2027. Do make early application! Please e-mail Consillia Mntungwa on [admin@lrschool.co.za](mailto:admin@lrschool.co.za) if you would like her to e-mail application forms to you. Our Open Day will be on the 18<sup>th</sup> April, 18 June, 13 August, 15 October from 9h00 to 11h00.**

**EXTRA-MURALS:**

Extra-murals for Term 2 will commence on Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026 and will continue until Friday, 19 June.

**PARTICIPATION IN OUR SCHOOL'S EXTRA-MURAL PROGRAMME:**

We would really like to see learners, who don't normally participate in physical activities, take part this term. We appeal to parents to join us in our enthusiasm by encouraging their children to attend practices and matches.

**EXTRA LESSONS:**

Parents are asked not to choose any of these additional classes. Teachers will advise parents in a letter if their child is required to attend one of these classes.

**MEDIA EXTRA-MURALS:**

Media as an extra-mural is on Mondays and Tuesdays from 14h00 – 15h00. This is offered to Grade 4-7 learners in the media centre (library). Learners may complete homework, do projects or read. They will have access to books and the internet (for research purposes) and will be assisted by a member of staff.

**APPEARANCE OF OUR SOCCER AND NETBALL TEAMS:**

We really would like to maintain a high standard of appearance which creates a good impression and commands respect. Please note that this is very important. The children have been spoken to about what they should wear to practices and matches. We wish to take the field with pride in the way we look and the way we play. Your encouragement and help in this matter is essential. Please check your children's sports clothing and make sure they are correctly turned out for the occasion.

**TIPS FOR NETBALL AND SOCCER PLAYERS:** Keep a sense of value.

1. Take pride in your fitness and give of your best.
2. Get to know the rules and abide by them. Don't try to gain unfair advantage by breaking rules deliberately.
3. Never question the decision of the umpire/referee.
4. Uniform – wear your uniform with pride – make sure that you look smart at all times (even in the middle of a game).
5. Play the Leicester Road Way: win with grace/lose with dignity.
6. Please support our sports teams this term.
7. A thought to all supporters...

**HE'S JUST A BOY**

He stands on the field with his heart beating fast,  
The whistle has blown; the die has been cast.  
Mom and Dad cannot help him; he stands all alone,  
A goal at this moment would send the team home.  
The ball nears his feet; he kicks and misses;  
There's a groan from the crowd, some boos and some hisses  
A thoughtless voice cries, "Take off the bum".  
Tears fill his eyes; the game's no longer fun.

If ever you're tempted to shout or to groan.  
Remember, he's a boy who stands all alone;  
So open your heart and give him a break.  
For it's moments like this, a man you can make.  
Keep this in mind when you hear someone forget;  
He's just a boy, and not a man yet.

Yours in Education,  
Mr KWM DRIVER  
School Principal

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Sign

13/04/2026

Date

**GRADE 4**

| CYCLE TEST TIMES TO BE FOLLOWED 25/05 AND 26/05. |  |                                     |                          |                |                          |                                       |
|--|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 25/05  | English Paper 1 (Writing) until 9:15   |                                     | Periods 2-11             |                |                          |                                       |
| 26/05  | Afrikaans Paper 1 (Writing) until 9:15 |                                     | Periods 2-11             |                |                          |                                       |
| DATE   | STUDY                                  | SUBJECT<br>8:30 – 10:00             | 1 <sup>st</sup><br>Break | STUDY          | 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Break | SUBJECT<br>12:30 – 14:00              |
| 1/06   |  | NS/Tech                             |                          |                |                          | Afrikaans Paper 2 (Response to texts) |
| 2/06   | 8:00                                   | English Paper 2 (Response to texts) | 10:00                    | 10:30          | 12:00                    | SS (Hist)                             |
|  | 8:30                                   |                                     | 10:30                    | 12:00          | 12:30                    |                                       |
| 3/06   |  | Maths                               |                          |                |                          | SS (Geog)                             |
| 4/06   | STUDY PERIOD 8:00-10:00                |                                     |                          |                |                          | PSW                                   |
| 5/06   | STUDY PERIOD 8:00-10:00                |                                     |                          | CA 10:30-12:00 |                          | 12:00-12:35 DAAR                      |

**GRADE 5**

| CYCLE TEST TIMES TO BE FOLLOWED FROM 25/05 TO 26/05. |  |                                     |                          |                |                          |                          |
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| 25/05  | Afrikaans Paper 1 (Writing) until 9h15 |                                     | Periods 2 to 11.         |                |                          |                          |
| 26/05  | English Paper 1 (Writing) until 9h15   |                                     | Periods 2 to 11.         |                |                          |                          |
| DATE   | STUDY                                  | SUBJECT<br>8h30 – 10:00             | 1 <sup>st</sup><br>Break | STUDY          | 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Break | SUBJECT<br>12:30 – 14:00 |
| 1/06   |  | English Paper 2 (Response to texts) |                          |                |                          | SS (Geog)                |
| 2/06   | 8:00                                   | Maths                               | 10:00                    | 10:30          | 12:00                    | SS (Hist)                |
|  | 8:30                                   |                                     | 10:30                    | 12:00          | 12:30                    |                          |
| 3/06   |  | Afrik Paper 2 (Response to texts)   |                          |                |                          | NS/Tech                  |
| 4/06   | STUDY PERIOD 8:00-10:00                |                                     |                          |                |                          | PSW                      |
| 5/06   | STUDY PERIOD 8:00-10:00                |                                     |                          | CA 10:30-12:00 |                          | 12:00-12:35 DAAR         |

**GRADE 6**

| CYCLE TEST TIMES TO BE FOLLOWED ON THE 25/05 AND 26/05. |  |                                     |                          |                |                          |                  |
|---|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| 25/05   | Afrikaans Paper 1 (Writing) until 9h15 |                                     | Periods 2-11             |                |                          |                  |
| 26/05   | English Paper 1 (Writing) until 9h15   |                                     | Periods 2-11             |                |                          |                  |
| DATE  | STUDY                                  | SUBJECT                             | 1 <sup>st</sup><br>Break | STUDY          | 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Break | SUBJECT          |
| 1/06  |  | English Paper 2 (Response to texts) |                          |                |                          | SS – Hist        |
| 2/06  | 8h00-8h30                              | Maths                               | 10:00                    | 10:30          | 12:00                    | NS/Tech          |
|   |  |                                     |                          | 12:00          | 12:30                    |                  |
| 3/06  |  | Afrik Paper 2 (Response to texts)   |                          |                |                          | PSW              |
| 4/06  | STUDY PERIOD 8:00 – 10:00              |                                     |                          |                |                          | SS – Geog        |
| 5/06  | STUDY PERIOD 8:00-10:00                |                                     |                          | CA 10:30-12:00 |                          | 12:00-12:30 DAAR |

**GRADE 7**

| CYCLE TEST TIMES TO BE FOLLOWED 25/05 AND 26/05. |  |               |                         |                         |                         |                                       |
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| 25/05  | English Paper 1 (Writing) until 9h15   |               | Per 2-11                |                         |                         |                                       |
| 26/05  | Afrikaans Paper 1 (Writing) until 9h15 |               | Per 2-11                |                         |                         |                                       |
| DATE   | STUDY                                  | SUBJECT       | 1 <sup>st</sup> BR      | STUDY                   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> BR      | SUBJECT                               |
| 29/05  |  | Maths Paper 1 |                         | 10:30<br>12:00<br>EMS   |                         | 12:00<br>12:35<br>STUDY               |
| 1/06   | 8:00<br>8:30<br>STUDY                  | SS - Geog     | 10:00<br>10:30<br>BREAK | 10:30<br>12:00<br>STUDY | 12:00<br>12:30<br>BREAK | Afrikaans Paper 2 (Response to texts) |
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| 2/06   |  | Maths Paper 2 |                         |                         |                         | CA                                    |
| 3/06   |  | SS – Hist     |                         |                         |                         | NS                                    |
| 4/06   |  |               |                         |                         |                         |                                       |
| 5/06   | STUDY PERIOD 8:00-10:00                |               |                         | 10:30<br>12:00<br>LO    |                         | 12:00-12:35 DAAR                      |

**LEICESTER ROAD SCHOOL OPEN DAYS 2026**

Saturday: 18 April '26  
09h00 to 11h00

Thursdays: 18 June '26  
13 August '26  
15 October '26  
09h00 to 11h00

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