

**Volume 07 - April 2024** 

#### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

# "Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless." Mother Teresa

#### **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 a sad farewell to Mrs Barreto and Miss Bezuidenhout at the end of Term 1. We wish them well in their future endeavours. Miss Ali will be taking Grade 4s in the interim.

#### **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.

#### **EXTRA-MURALS:**

Extra-murals for Term 2 have commenced and will continue until 7 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 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 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 our school librarian (Miss L. Setaka).

#### PHOTOS:

The due date for handing in photograph envelopes is Tuesday, 9 April. No late orders will be accepted. If you are late in ordering, you would need to contact Prestige directly.

#### **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 20 May until the 27 May 2024.

Grade 4-6 Controlled Tests will be from 20 May until the 24 May 2024.

#### 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. We are relying on your support with regard to our upcoming Barn Dance (10 May), Dress up as a BOSS Day (3 May) and Winter Wonderland Day (31 May). Each of these special events will be at a cost of R15. Learners may wear civvies on the Winter Wonderland Day and Dress up as a Boss Day. LRS Inter Class Sports day will take place on Saturday, 1 June 2024.

#### WINTER UNIFORM:

Please note that learners **MUST** be dressed in full winter uniform from <u>Monday, 29 April 2024</u>. Mixing of summer and winter items is not permitted. Please ensure you have the correct winter uniform required and that all items are correctly labelled. Mrs Auckland 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.

#### **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.

#### **PARENTS EVENING:**

Our Parents evenings will take place on the following days:

- Grade 4-7 parents evening will take place on the **16th April 2024** in the Educator's Classrooms from 16h00 until 18h30.
- Grade R 3 Parent Evening will take place **17th April 2024** in the Educator's Classrooms from <u>16h00</u> until 18h30.

## PARENT'S EVENING - TERM 2 16h00 until 18h00

I. P. (Gr. 4-7): Tuesday, 16 April

Grade	Venue		
4	Library		
5	Room 3		
6	Room 4		
7	Room 2		

## PARENT'S EVENING - TERM 2 16h00 until 18h00

F. P. (Gr. R-3): Wednesday, 17 April

Grade	Venue
R	
1	In educator's
2	classrooms
3	

#### 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.

#### **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.

#### Dismissal times are as follows:

Grade	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
R - 7	14h00	14h00	14h00	14h00	12h35

#### **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.

#### **GRADE R ENROLMENT FOR 2024:**

Enrolment for Grade R has commenced as the Grade R group falls under the School Governing Body. Please note this is for girls and boys turning 6 anytime during 2024. Do make early application! Please e-mail Consillia Mntunga on admin@Irschool.co.za if you would like her to e-mail application forms to you.

Our Open Day will be on the 20th April.



#### **HAPPY EID-UL-FITR:**

Wishing all LRS families a Happy Eid after observing fast in the month of Ramadaan.

#### 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.

#### **CHARITY COLLECTION:**

Term 1 Charity				
Grade RA	R21.20			
Grade RB	R65.50			
Grade RC	R53.60			
Grade 1A	R43.00			
Grade 1B	-			
Grade 1C	R1.00			
Grade 1D	R55.00			
Grade 2A	R1.00			
Grade 2B	R24.00			
Grade 2C	R170.00			
Grade 3A	-			
Grade 3B	R22.00			
Grade 3C	R70.80			
Grade 4A	-			
Grade 4B	R70.00			
Grade 4C	R27.00			
Grade 5A	R130.00			
Grade 5B	R42.90			
Grade 5C	R91.00			
Grade 6A	R72.00			
Grade 6B	R55.00			
Grade 6C	-			
Grade 7A	-			
Grade 7B	-			
Grade 7C	R36.00			
TOTAL	R1 051.00			





## LRS FAMILIES AND LEARNERS IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE

Whilst we are aware of the "economic pinch", we would like to encourage learners to understand that assisting others is important and should become a habit in their daily lives. Every **Friday**, charity is collected. Any amount is welcome. Thank you and well done to those classes that have made a concerted effort. We would like to see more donations come in. This money will be used to support LRS learners & families in need.

## Because No Child Should ever Go To Bed Hungry

#### **LRS FAMILY BARN DANCE:**

The LRS family barn dance is another exciting event at our school. This is a fundraising initiative. Thanks to all parents and members of staff who are working hard to make this event a success. This event will take place on Friday, 10 May 2024. If anyone is available to be part of organising this event, please contact us on 011 615 7328 or info@lrschool.co.za.

#### 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.

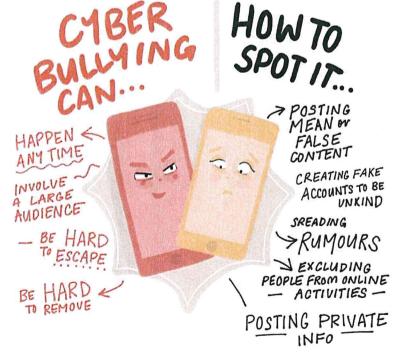
Mom and Dad cannot help him; he stands all alone,
A goal at this moment would send the team home.
The ball nears his feet; he kicks and misses;
There's a groan from the crowd, some boos and some hisses
A thoughtless voice cries, "Take off the bum".
Tears fill his eyes; the game's no longer fun.

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 Sign

8-4-2024 Date





### **CRAZY OLYMPICS**

















