



## PLAYSCHOOL AND PRE-PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

19 January 2018

Dear Parents,

Welcome to SAHETI to all of our new parents and children, and welcome back to all of our past pupils. We hope that you had a chance to spend valuable time with your children and that you return to work refreshed and revitalized for the year ahead.

The children seem excited and eager to be back at school. Friendships have been formed and rekindled, and the playground is full of chatter and happy laughter.

We trust that 2018 will be a year filled with exciting new adventures and challenging opportunities for our little ones. If you have any concerns, please address them with your child's teacher. Most children have settled into the routine of school easily but if your child has not, his/her teacher will be able to give you advice.

### ARRIVAL TIME

Please remember that school starts at 08h00. If you need to be at work earlier, please make use of the Before Care Facility which is run by SHERPA KIDS <https://sherpakids-za.aimyplus.com>. The doors into the classrooms are closed until 07h35. Staff members from the Playschool right through to the High School can bring their children a little early at 07h30 in order to get to class on time.

### BLANKETS AND PILLOWS

All our children are supplied with blankets at the beginning of the school year. Parents are asked to label them clearly, so that we can ensure that children are using their own blankets. Please take them home on a Friday in order to wash them and bring them back to school on a Monday. Please do not bring a blanket from home for your child, they will not be allowed to use it. The blankets we supply are the perfect size for the mattresses so they do not hang on the floor and create a tripping hazard and when folded fit perfectly in the lockers.

Grade 000 and Playschool children are allowed to use a pillow from home. These pillows need to be a "cot size" pillow and not a standard size. The big pillows fall out of the lockers and land up on the toilet room floors, which is not what we want our children to be sleeping on. Please try to keep the pillowslips as plain as possible and take them home every Friday to wash.

## ORIENTATION EVENING

Our Orientation Evenings at both the Play and Pre-Primary will take place in a different format this year. Our Preschool Orientation evening will take place on Wednesday 31 January.

All Grade 000 parents are to meet in the Bylos Hall at 17h00 until 17h45. Anastasia Rovithis (Head of Department Gr 000) will address the parents. All the Grade 000 teachers will be there to answer any questions.

All Grade 00 parents are to meet in the Scouts Hall at 17h00 until 17h45. Illana Heideman (H.O.D Grade 00) will address all parents.

All Grade R parents are to meet in the Bylos Hall at 18h00 until 19h00. Georgia Killas (H.O.D. Grade R) will discuss the Grade R programme and expectations. Dora Evangelidou (H.O.D. Greek at the Playschool and Pre-Primary) will discuss the Greek programme in Grade R, which is run differently to Grade 000 and Grade 00.

We will not break away into the classrooms after these talks.

The Playschool Orientation will take place at 17h00 at the Playschool on Wednesday, February 7. More information will follow in next week's newsletter.

### Themes for the week ending 19 October 2017

The theme for the Grade 0s is 'My School'

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Principal

SAHETI Pre-Primary/Playschool