



5 May 2017

Dear Parents

Greetings from the Playschool.

Welcome back and we hope everyone had a wonderful holiday and Xristos Anesti to all those who celebrated the Christian Orthodox Easter. This term we will be welcoming new children into our fold and we wish them a long and happy tenure at SAHETI.

PET PRESENTATION

This morning Kirah, an adorable miniature Maltese, came to visit us at school. She captured the children's hearts and they were eager to learn about Pet care.



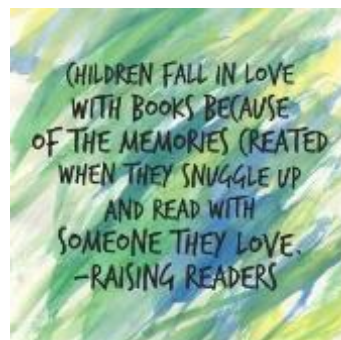


COOLER WEATHER CONDITIONS

We are entering a period of cold weather, which results in many sniffles and coughs which can escalate into more serious illnesses. Moms and Dads we therefore ask you to be vigilant of your children's well-being and should they be off colour, coughing and display visible signs of infected, runny noses please **keep** them at **home**. **Germs spread rapidly** in winter and it is unfair to expose others to chances of becoming ill. It is also uncomfortable and miserable for your child to be at school when he/she is feeling indisposed, with lingering ailments. Children will recoup much faster by staying at home and will subsequently return to school sooner. They need time to relax and regenerate at home before returning to school.

LIBRARY

This term we will be commencing with Library. Please purchase a Library Bag from Esquires. Our young learners will be using these bags to put their books in to carry them safely home and to return to school a week later. Books can only go home in a bag, so please remember to return bag, with book timeously. Library is an integral part of Language development. We need to foster a love for reading and respect for books. We ask of all parents to please assist us in this matter – **READ TO YOUR CHILDREN**, allow them the opportunity to retell the story in their own way, ask them to recap the events, what happened next, what if... and discuss the illustrations. Reading boosts a wealth of skills such as vocabulary, problem solving, imagination, creativity, sequencing, memory, focus and above all it is fulfilling as well as entertaining! Extensive reading skills are directly correlated to academic success.



STAFFING

This term some of our teachers and assistants will be either writing exams or doing their teaching practical. We are very proud to announce that our staff are continually striving to keep abreast of new developments in Education and are therefore registered for various courses. For the days they are fulfilling the requirements of their respective courses, we have made provision for this eventuality and ensure that the learners will not be compromised.

PHOTOGRAPHS

The photographer will be capturing the beautiful faces of our little ones on camera on the 11th and 12th May. Should your child be absent we will set up another session to photograph your child. We will ensure your children look beautiful and neat for their photographs. Please diarise these dates.

CONSIDERATIONS WHILST DRIVING AND PARKING ON THE SCHOOL PROPERTY

- Please be careful during peak hours, be vigilant, considerate and mindful.
- Remember **YOUR CHILD IS OUR FUTURE!**



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- Photographs – Thursday, 11 and Friday, 12 May
- Founders Day – Friday, 2 June
- Youth Day – Friday, 16 June
- Wild Animal Presentation
- Grand Parents Day – Friday, 23 June
- Mandela Day – Tuesday, 18 July
- Mid –Term Break – Monday, 26 June to Monday 3rd July
- Parent Interviews – Tuesday, 25 July and Thursday, 27 July
- School Closes – Friday, 4 August

OUTREACH

In the holidays Sanna from the Botlhale Ke Thuto Daycare Centre met with us to discuss a daily programme, preparation according to themes, suggestions for Art and Perceptual activities. She was grateful for the input and was most appreciative of the toys, paints, paper and Easter eggs we donated her. We thank all the moms and dads for their generous contributions.



REMINDERS

- **Baker's Day** every Friday, please check with your child's class teacher.
- Box of tissues each term
- For our younger children – 5 nappies a day, barrier cream and wet wipes
- Please continue to apply sunscreen before school in the mornings
- Hats
- Appropriate change of clothing for your child's bag, please include a warmer top for the cooler days.
- Should your child be using the Aftercare facilities please ensure that there are at least an extra 3-5 nappies available in his/her bag daily.
- Please book your child's birthday with Denise – and no party packs. A cake is sufficient.
- Library will be commencing this term and bags can be purchased from Esquires for the safe transportation of books.
- **Should your child be off colour, vomiting, have a fever, earache, diarrhoea, infected nose and coughing please keep them at home as they will have a miserable day at school and infect others.** Please notify Denise in case of absenteeism.
- Daily hours – **7h40 to 13h30/14h00** on a Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
7H40 to 13.15/13.30 on a Wednesday
- **MY SCHOOL CARD** can be swiped at any of the following outlets Woolworths, Toys R Us, Reggies, Waltons, Jack's Paint, Altech

Netstar and Supa Quick. A small percentage of the amount spent will be forwarded to the school. ***Please remember to swipe your card.***

THEMES FOR WEEK ENDING 12 May 2017

THEME	Pets
PERCEPTION	Number 1

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