



15 September 2017

Dear Parents

Greetings from the Playschool.

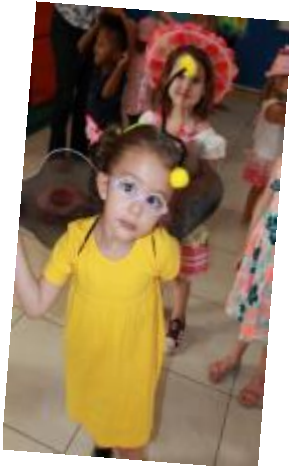
Our little ones are now settling back into the school routine. They are excited about the theme of Spring and are making every effort to familiarise themselves with aspects of it.



SPRING DAY:



This morning we celebrated Spring Day at school. We all got together and showcased our outfits and danced to lively music in our Perception Area. Spring is a time when our senses are activated. Our visual, auditory and sense of smell become more heightened due to the blooming of beautiful blossoms/flowers, lively sounds of insects/birds and the fragrant smells of jasmine.



ENRICHMENT WORKSHOPS

Last Saturday the Playschool teachers attended a workshop at Kempton Panorama School. This workshop enriched our existing knowledge and provided us with lovely ideas to incorporate into our daily programme. An Educational Psychologist addressed us on the building blocks for learning. What is required to optimise learning. This was followed by the Occupational Therapists addressing us on the necessity to develop gross motor skills, before focusing on fine motor skills. Other topics included sensory and Auditory processing.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY TALK

Our well-informed Occupational Therapists will be hosting a short workshop for the parents of our Toddlers in our school. They will be addressing expectations for the forthcoming year in Grade 000. They will also touch on deviations from the norm and when intervention/support is necessary. We hope to see our mummies from Elli, Soula, Irene and Chanelle's classes on Friday, 22 September at 8h30 in the Perception Area.

Activities for term 3

- Occupational Therapists Workshop – Friday, 22 September.
- Heritage Day – Sunday, 24 September.
- Mid Term – Thursday, 19 October until Tuesday, 24 October.
- Sprinkler Days – On hot days in November –(Have a change of clothing available in bags at all times in November).
- Puppet Show – Thursday, 30 November.
- Arrival of Father Christmas – Friday, 1 December .
- Christmas Party – Thursday, 7 December.
- School closes – Friday, 8 December.

OUTREACH

Sanna from the Bothalhle Ke Thuto Daycare Centre is finding her studies inspiring and soon she will be fulfilling her teaching Prac duties with us on Fridays.

THEMES FOR WEEK ENDING 22 SEPTEMBER 2017

THEME

Insects



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 for sunny days.
- Appropriate change of clothing for your child's bag, please include a warmer clothes for cold 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 has commenced this term and for those who have not yet purchased their Library Bags, they can be obtained from Esquires. Books can only go home in a bag. Many thanks for your co-operation in this regard.
- **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.***

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