

# Riebie Chatter



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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

*~ Motivation gets you going, but discipline keeps you growing ~*

### COVID-19 - RUMORS OF A THIRD WAVE

We are all painstakingly aware of the recent rise in the infection rate. The third wave of the “terrible COVID-19 virus” has been announced and it is a timely warning for all of us to be more vigilant.

The reality is that the Department of Health can close any school, at any time, as a result of the number of positive cases. Things are however going well at the Riebies, under the circumstances, and we are steaming ahead with our academics and extramural programme, as allowed within regulations. To stay healthy is the responsibility of all of us, and therefore I am making an appeal to parents:

- To wash your child/rens' masks regularly with water, soap and jik;
- Not to arrange or attend children's parties;
- To limit socialising and visits to shopping centres, where possible;
- Not to send learners to school if he/she shows any COVID-19 symptoms, and immediately visit a Medical Practitioner;
- If someone in the household tests positive for COVID-19, inform the school, isolate immediately, and keep learners at home;
- Remember, the school can only respond to confirmed cases, in other words, with laboratory results;
- Please do not create panic by personally broadcasting or discussing COVID-19 cases on staff and class groups (especially personal suspicions of COVID-19 cases);
- The identity of persons who tested positive may not be readily divulged. The school will communicate with class groups or individuals who was, or may have been, in contact with positive cases.

A sincere thanks to each parent who handles the COVID-19 challenges in a positive manner. We are truly proud of our staff, who are still offering the best possible tuition to our learners during these challenging times.

## **SCHOOL CLOSED ON 21 MAY 2021**

Please note that the school will be closed tomorrow, 21 May 2021, for cleaning and sanitizing. The Aftercare will however be open from 06:45 to accommodate learners whose parents have work obligations. A detailed communique has already been distributed on 19 May 2021.

## **SPORT: FITNESS PRACTICE**

The school will go ahead with controlled practice within our “bubble”. Once the situation has improved, we will resume with matches as planned. Please bear in mind that this is subject to authorization of governing sports bodies.

The practice, which takes place outside, is very important for our children and we ask parents to please support us in this. Coaches are thoroughly aware that NO physical contact is to be made until further notice, and the focus is on fitness. No learner will be prejudiced for not attending practice.

## **CULTURE: CHOIR AND REVUE**

It is with great disappointment that we have to announce that the extra-mural activities will be temporarily suspended. On advice from the Department of Health, it would be better to suspend the practice until further notice.

As soon as the situation improves, the school will communicate with learners again regarding physical practice. (Contact will be made with Mr Gert Pottas, to inform choir members via WhatsApp groups of coaching methods). The choirs and revue are scheduled to participate in the Eisteddfod and other performances in September. There will be sufficient time for these groups to prepare for these events.

## **GOLF DAY**

Our school's theme for the year is: *“Learn from Yesterday, Live for Today, Work for Tomorrow”*.

We have engraved this motto into everything we do, including the organisation of the Legendary Golf Day.

On advice from the Department of Health, and the rising number of positive Covid cases, we have decided it will be in the best interest and safety of everyone to postpone our Golf Day to 17 September 2021. **BUT DO NOT PANIC!** It will be at the same venue and the same information will apply as before. The specific date will be announced in due course. We sincerely apologise for any inconvenience caused by these circumstances beyond our control.

There is of course some positive outcomes for postponing the date, thus giving you more time to prepare and improve your handicap 😊. The weather will be warmer, hopefully Covid numbers will be less, and this will also give us more time to source even bigger prizes for the day. **With your help, we can make this the best Golf Day ever!**

A communique with more information has been distributed. Please refer all further enquiries to: [golf@riebie.co.za](mailto:golf@riebie.co.za).

## **THINK POSITIVE**

A positive attitude does not mean making yourself and others believe a lie and to deny the reality. Life tosses us around, hurts us, and is not always easy. We do not always have control over what happens to us, but we are always in control of our attitude.

Positivity is.....

- Not a denial of the reality, but a choice not to let the negative reign.
- Not an unfounded belief in abilities that you do not have, but is exactly to know that you have the ability to make a difference.

It gives quality of life.....

You have more power over the quality of your life than anyone else have. Every day you knowingly, and unknowingly, make decisions which influence your life. With a positive attitude you will make better decisions, which will fill your life with passion, love, and joy.

Choose to be positive.....

Every once in a while, it hits you – a day in which you wish you never got out of bed. You are tired and irritated, because it feels like you have no control over your day. But the worse your day feels, the lesser your chances of effectively getting to everything, because your thoughts and emotions are not focussed.

Focus on others.....

The best way in which to fill a void in your life, is in giving away what you wished you could have for yourself. The one who makes others happy, enhances his own happiness.

Do something positive and special for someone in your life. By making a small difference in someone else's life every day, you will positively enrich your own life.

*Look in the MIRROR  
That is your competition.*

Greetings until next week.....

**V BOTHA - SCHOOL PRINCIPAL**



# ACADEMICS

## ➤ TOP 20 – TERM 1

<b>GRADE 4</b>	<b>GRADE 5</b>	<b>GRADE 6</b>	<b>GRADE 7</b>
Lia Marx	Mieke van Rooyen	Kirsten Strydom	Ashleigh Engelbrecht
Natalie Strydom	Zioné Fourie	Nialé van Staden	Marli du Preez
Petrené Viljoen	Dakota Giller	Petrus Pelser	Hannah Abrahams
Reuben Bothma	Amé Botha	Henco Breytenbach	Kaylee Vermaak
Michaela-Ann Green	Chloe du Toit	Nathan Wasserfall	Keanu Strydom
Leandi Cromhout	Zayne Cornwall	Jacobus van Staden	Divann Lamprecht
Janika Theron	Luella du Plessis	Megan van der Merwe	Elané Weitsz
Gabriella Mace	Gemma Engelbrecht	Ethan van Baalen	Kaitlyn van Rooyen
Mari-Lize Jacobs	Joshua Ziervogel	Mekyla Bloem	Ashleigh Kotze
Ryan Burger	Marinique Ruthenberg	Boitumelo Nkwana	Jacinda Ruthven
Dewald Breytenbach	Angelique Engelbrecht	Caitlyn Motley	Mika Robinson
Mpho Mulaudzi	Rosa Brand	Marliché Brits	Miané Jacobs
Zani Kerry	Albie Kotze	Kayleé van der Westhuizen	Simon Brand
Meyer Marais	Basiame Lechaba	Notsile Nkumane	Cornelle Pryor
Ethan Robinson	Chené Barnard	Divan Pretorius	Anroux Pienaar
Kishen Somaru	Amber Nel	Jivan Blom	Odette Swanepoel
Rico de Bruyn	Ruvé Weitsz	Phillip Vorster	Anjanke van Zyl
Jan-Danie Weyers	Isabella van Huyssteen	Ratanang Maphoso	Devlin Allan
Kian Pretorius	Lethabo Khoali	Kendra Dorfling	Lohan Bitzer
Casey Hoy	Tanika Lensley	Kamogelo Molotsi	Ewald van der Linde
Luan Vorster		Tertius van der Walt	Theunis van Schalkwyk



# Culture

## **PUBLIC SPEAKING**

The school is proud of the following Grade 4 – Grade 7 learners who achieved places in the English Public Speaking, as follows:

### **Grade 4**

Mari-Lize Jacobs	1 <sup>st</sup> place
Janika Theron	2 <sup>nd</sup> place
Zwivhuya Mashava	3 <sup>rd</sup> place

### **Grade 5**

Chloe du Toit	1 <sup>st</sup> place
Alex van Tonder	2 <sup>nd</sup> place
Luella du Plessis	3 <sup>rd</sup> place

### **Top 6: Grade 4 - Grade 5**

1. Chloe du Toit
2. Mari-Lize Jacobs
3. Alex van Tonder
4. Luella du Plessis
5. Janika Theron
6. Zwivhya Mashavha

### **Grade 6**

Tertius van der Walt	1 <sup>st</sup> place
Kylie Casimiro	2 <sup>nd</sup> place
Marliché Brits	3 <sup>rd</sup> place

### **Grade 7**

Lesedi Mokgatlhane	1 <sup>st</sup> place
Darian Valentini	2 <sup>nd</sup> place
Ashleigh Engelbrecht	3 <sup>rd</sup> place

### **Top 6: Grade 6 - Grade 7**

1. Tertius van der Walt
2. Lesedi Mokgatlhane
3. Kylie Casimiro
4. Darian Valentini
5. Marliché Brits
6. Ashleigh Engelbrecht



# SPORT

## **CHESS**

The Kempton Park chess league for U/9, U/11 and U/13 teams will take place at Marcelle on Saturday, 22 May 2021 at 09:00.

The Kempton Park chess league for the girls' team will take place at Marcelle on 29 May 2021 at 12:00.

All information will be communicated to parents as soon as the school receives it.

## **FITNESS PRACTICE FOR BOYS U/9 – U/13**

Mondays – Thursdays 14:15 – 15:00

## **FITNESS PRACTICE FOR BOYS U/7 & U/8**

U/7

MONDAYS	13:30 – 14:15
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U/8

WEDNESDAYS	13:30 – 14:15
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## **FITNESS PRACTICE FOR GIRLS U/10 – U/13**

Mondays – Thursdays 14:15 – 15:00

## **TENNIS**

Practice is from 06:00 – 07:00 for Grade 4 – Grade 7 learners on 25 May 2021 and on 27 May 2021. Learners may wear PT-clothes. Remember your water bottle and tennis racket. **NO learner will be allowed on the course without sneakers.**



## GENERAL

### **RIEBIE RAKKERS AFTER-SCHOOL CENTRE**

#### Contact Numbers:

- Junior After-School Centre : 076 515 5497
- Senior After-School Centre : 082 265 4909

For any enquiries or complaints, please feel free to email Mrs. T. Abrahams at [teresa@riebie.co.za](mailto:teresa@riebie.co.za)

#### MENU FOR THE WEEK: 24 – 28 MAY 2021

MONDAY	BOBOTIE & RICE	FRUIT & JUICE
TUESDAY	CHIP ROLLS	MILKTART / FRUIT / JUICE
WEDNESDAY	CHICKEN A'LA KING	SANDWICH & JUICE
THURSDAY	MACARONI & CHEESE	FRUIT & JUICE
FRIDAY	CHICKEN MAYO ROLLS	CHIPS / FRUIT & JUICE

\*\*\* The menu is subject to change \*\*\*