

Riebie Chatter



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

If we fail to adapt, we fail to move forward.

~ John Wooden ~

RIEBIES' SUPPORT EACH OTHER

It is true that we hear of positive Covid-19 cases at our school, in the area, and in the workplace, every day. The reality is that we have to cope with the daily challenges of this “terrible virus”.

We closed the school again last week Friday, for a deep-cleaning and sanitizing. We are thoroughly aware of our responsibility towards our learners and staff, and therefore we do everything in our power to create a safe environment.

I am very grateful today, for a school community, staff, and management team, who make it a choice to see the proverbial “silver lining”. A sincere thank you to everyone who is extremely supportive and who looks ahead for the benefit of our learners.

This “terrible” virus, however, made us realize a few things again:

- ☆ How interconnected all the people in the community are, whether physical or through energy;
- ☆ How small we really are, how dependant we are on each other, but at the same time that we are something much bigger than we will ever realize;
- ☆ How we took for granted things like luxuries, freedom and health, but appreciate it more now.

I am again appealing to parents to please use your discretion wisely, when sending your child/ren to school. If he/she does not feel well, rather keep him/her at home until they feel better. If you, or someone in your household, had been in contact with someone who tested positive for Covid-19, please make the responsible decision to monitor yourself and your family, and if you are showing any symptoms, isolate, and visit your Medical Practitioner as soon as possible.

The answer is to stay POSITIVE. Focus on what is important and surround yourself with love. Make a deliberate decision not to play the victim, but rather the victor.

When we are no longer able to change a situation, we are challenged to change ourselves.
~Victor Frankl ~

APPLICATIONS GRADE R - 2022

The closing date for applications is around the corner. We remind parents to hand in their applications for Grade R (2022) without delay, to avoid disappointment.

Parents who still need application forms, must urgently contact Ms. Naomi van Niekerk at the school office.

Completed application forms must be put in a sealed envelope, together with the supporting documents, addressed to Ms. Naomi Van Niekerk, in the blue container at the school office entrance gate in Rustig Avenue.

For any enquiries regarding Gr R applications, please send an email to naomi@riebie.co.za.

The following **compulsory supporting documents** must be handed in with the application:

- **Certified** copy of child's Unabridged Birth Certificate.
- Copy of Immunisation record.
- **Certified** copies of **both** parents' ID documents.
- Proof of residential address, not older than 3 months (W&L account in parent's name or lease agreement on official agency letterhead).
- If you are not the biological parents, documents as proof of legal guardianship.

NEW PT SHIRT FROM BOUNDARY SILK BAZAAR

It has been brought to the school's attention that the slogan, on the school badge of the new PT shirt available at Boundary Silk Bazaar, is incorrect. We request parents who have bought PT shirts at Boundary, to return it to the store and get a refund. The school has already been in contact with Boundary Silk Bazaar, and you will not be turned away.

Should you however experience any problem at Boundary Silk Bazaar, we kindly request that you contact the school or send an email to vrp@riebie.co.za.

WE ARE SAYING GOODBYE

Congratulations to Miss. Bianca van den Berg who accepted a permanent Departmental position. Teacher Bianca has been with the Riebies since March 2020 and tutored English to the Grade 6 learners.

Teacher Bianca will henceforth focus her career and studies on LSEN learners. She will be taking up her position at Panorama School on 1 June 2021.

A sincere thank you for the positive tutoring of the learners, and good luck with the new chapter in your life.

Mr. Charl de la Harpe will tutor the Grade 6 learners (English) with effect from 1 June 2021.

STORK VISITING THE BRUMMERS

Warm congratulations to Mr JP and Teacher Hanlie Brummer on the birth of their little Handré. We know that your sturdy little boy will bring you loads of love and joy!

FACE MASKS ARE COMPULSORY

It happens more and more that learners arrive at the school without masks, and this is totally unacceptable. Wearing a face mask is compulsory by law and a learner may not be allowed onto the school terrain if he/she does not wear a mask. It is not practically possible to show learners away at the gate, since the parents have already left. The school then has to supply a mask. Please take note that an amount of R10-00 per mask will in future be recovered from the parents, to cover the costs. The masks will also only be made available in emergency situations.

From June 2021, we will further be obliged to contact the parents of learners who arrive at the school without masks, to come and fetch the learner, or to bring the mask to school before the learner will be allowed to enter the school terrain.

LATE COMERS

We are currently experiencing a huge problem with learners arriving late for school.

To be on time for school is a discipline, part of the school rules, and also good etiquette, which we would like to instil in all our learners.

We lock the gates at the school in the mornings for safety reasons, and so that we can commence with the academic program for the day.

It is unfortunately a fact that learners who arrive late are disruptive for staff and fellow learners who have already started the daily program.

It is difficult to reprimand learners who arrive late at the school, since most of them are dependent on you, as parents, to drop them off on time.

We are making an urgent appeal to parents to support us by making sure that learners are not late for school.

Either you run the day, or the day runs you.

~Jim Rohn ~

Greetings until next week.....

V BOTHA - SCHOOL PRINCIPAL



Culture

PUBLIC SPEAKING

The school is proud of the following Grade 1 – Grade 3 learners who achieved places in the English Public Speaking:

Grade 1

Skylar Naidoo	1 st place
Okuhle Ntuli	2 nd place
Feziwe Mngomezulu	3 rd place

Grade 2

Amika Theron	1 st place
Oratile Maloisane	2 nd place
Abongwe Xaba	3 rd place

Grade 3

Jean-Miné Brits	1 st place
Marumo Mawela	2 nd place
Njombo Ntombela	3 rd place

Top 6: Grade 1 - Grade 3

1. Jean-Miné Brits
2. Skylar Naidoo
3. Amika Theron
4. Okuhle Ntuli
5. Oratile Maloisane
6. Feziwe Mngomezulu



SPORT

CHESS

The school's U/9 ; U/11 ; and U/13 chess teams participated in the Kempton Park Chess League on Saturday, 22 May 2021. The competition was held online.

Congratulations to the U/9 A-team who walked away as the Kempton Park League winners. The members of the team are:

Jason van Wyk
Logan Fick (Captain)
Ethan van Wyk
Ryan Dodds
Darius Buitendag
Kian de Bruyn

CROSS COUNTRY

Practice is from 14:15 – 15:15 Mondays – Thursdays.

TENNIS

Practice is from 06:00 – 07:00 for Grade 4 – Grade 7 learners on 1 June 2021 and on 3 June 2021.

MINI-TENNIS

Mini-Tennis practice will take place as follows:

7 June 2021 – 10 June 2021 (Practice times will be published in next week's Riebie Chatter)

CRICKET TRIALS

Cricket trials will take place as follows:

31 May 2021	U/10	14:30 – 15:45
1 June 2021	U/11	14:30 – 15:45
2 June 2021	Senior trials	14:30 – 16:00

The following is VERY IMPORTANT: Each player MUST bring his own cricket equipment (bat, ball, helmet, leg guards, as well as own water bottle, etcetera) to the trials.

Teams who are selected will be communicated to parents via WhatsApp-groups.

CRICKET PRACTICE

Cricket practice will take place as follows:

7 June 2021 – 10 June 2021 (Practice times will be published in next week's Riebie Chatter)

MINI-CRICKET TRIALS

Mini-Cricket trials for U/7 – U/9 will take place as follows:

4 June 2021 (during school hours)

MINI-CRICKET PRACTICE

Mini-Cricket practice for U/7 – U/9 will take place as follows:

7 June 2021 – 10 June 2021 (Practice times will be published in next week's Riebie Chatter)

HOCKEY PRACTICE

Skills practice will take place as follows:

31 May 2021 – 4 June 2021

U/10 – U/13

14:15 – 15:00

It is VERY important that each player bring her own hockey stick, ball and water bottle to the practice.

MINI-HOCKEY PRACTICE

Practice for U/7 – U/9 will take place as follows:

7 June 2021 – 10 June 2021 (Practice times will be published in next week's Riebie Chatter)



GENERAL

WEAR YOUR RUGBY SUPPORTER'S SHIRT AND A DENIM !!!



Friday, 4 June 2021, is RUGBY DAY at the Riebies!

Learners may wear their supporter's jersey/shirt or a jersey/shirt in the colour of their favourite team, with a denim. For example, for the LIONS a learner may wear a Lions jersey/shirt or a red jersey/shirt.

Bring your RUGBY SPIRIT to the RIEBIES!

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

MENU FOR THE WEEK: 31 MAY 2021 – 4 JUNE 2021

MONDAY	CHICKEN PASTA	FRUIT / MILO / JUICE
TUESDAY	CURRIE AND RICE	SANDWICH & JUICE
WEDNESDAY	VETKOEK AND MINCE	SANDWICH & JUICE
THURSDAY	CHICKEN A'LA KING	FRUIT / JUICE
FRIDAY	BURGERS	CHIPS / FRUIT & JUICE

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