

SUMMERFIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

"KNOWLEDGE IS STRENGTH"

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School Matters – Newsletter # 4



WELCOME back to the second academic term of 2025. We trust that our learners, staff and parents enjoyed a well-deserved rest.

MR. ROOY, our newly appointed Deputy Principal joined our school on the 8th April 2025. Welcome aboard Mr. Rooy. May your future journey with us be successful and rewarding. We look forward to the positive contributions you can make to our school.

We bid a very sad farewell to MRS. MAHARAJ who left our school after 24 years of dedicated service. We wish you everything of the best for your future.

SPECIAL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS: Please take note of the following Special School Holidays (28 April – 2 May) as set out by the Basic Education Department. The school will be closed on the following dates. Parents are requested to make the necessary arrangements for their children:

18 April Good Friday (Religious Holiday) 21 April Family Day (Easter Monday)

Freedom Day (Sunday) 27 April

Freedom Day (Public Holiday) 28 April

29 April **Special School Holiday** 30 April **Special School Holiday**

Workers' Day (Public Holiday) 1 May

Special School Holiday 2 May

Special School Holidays

FUND-RAISING 3.

J&T DAY - The next J&T Day will be held on Friday, 9 May 2025. R10.00 is payable. Learners are expected to dress neatly and appropriately, i.e. neat long jeans and t-shirt. NO SHORTS, MAKE UP OR JEWELLERY IS ALLOWED AND GIRLS MUST TIE THEIR HAIR UP. There will also be popcorn for sale (R5.00) as well as Grab-a-Cake tickets for R1.00 per ticket.





RELIGIOUS CELEBRATION 4.

Our Jewish families and staff celebrate Passover from the 12th April until the 20th April. Wishing you a joyous and meaningful Passover.

Wishing our Christian families and staff a Blessed Good Friday and Easter on the 18th April and 21st April. May you find solace and strength in His sacrifice.



5. SPORT

Football, Netball and Chess leagues begin this week. Good luck to all our teams and coaches participating.

6. **SUPPORT CLASSES**

Support classes start on the 14th April 2025 and end on the 13th June 2025. Further communication will be sent to parents in this regard.

7. SCHOOL HOURS

All learners must be at their classes by 7:30 every school day. PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILD IS AT SCHOOL ON TIME. Arriving late shows disrespect to the teachers as well as the learners. Thank you to all parents who unwaveringly ensure that their child is at school on time.

8. WINTER UNIFORM: (Refer to the Prospectus)

Learners wear <u>FULL WINTER UNIFORM</u> from 1ST May 2025 (5 May 2025) until 31 AUGUST 2025. Please ensure that your child is dressed neatly and hair is worn in accordance with the school rules.

Boys:

Grey long trousers, white long-sleeved shirt, school tie, black school shoes, long black school socks with red and white stripes (or plain long black socks) and school jersey/pullover with red and white stripes and/or black school blazer.

Girls:

Grey and white checkered culottes or long grey pants; white long-sleeved shirt, school tie, black school shoes, knee-length black school socks with red and white stripes (or plain long black socks) or black tights (nylon/silk stockings (pantyhose) are not allowed), school jersey/pullover with red and white stripes and/or black school blazer.

Only <u>plain black</u> Drimacs, beanies, scarves or gloves may be worn. Summerfields Primary School beanies and scarves are available from the school suppliers. A black school blazer may be worn by all learners throughout the year, but is not compulsory. **NO BRAND-NAME JACKETS OR PUFF JACKETS MAY BE WORN.**

HAIR:

Boys:

The aim in prescribing a hair style is to have learners looking neat. For this reason, a boy's hair shall not hang over his ears or over his collar and the fringe should not be closer than 15mm from the eyebrows. If a boy wishes to wear a brush cut style of hair, he is welcome to do so. Hair must be tapered gradually and uniformly, no "trendy" haircuts or steps are allowed.

Girls:

Fringes no longer than 15mm above the eyebrow. When the hair reaches shoulder length it must either be tied in a ponytail, pig tails or plaited straight up or straight back. All hair accessories to be plain, red, black or white. Shorter hair must be pinned back so that it does not hang over the face.

Note:

The Principal reserves the right of judgement as to the acceptability of any learner's hairstyle. **NO** hair-dye, highlights, streaks, hair extensions, coloured extensions, beads or dreadlocks will be allowed for girls or boys.

PLEASE BE AWARE!!

9. SCHOLAR PATROL: PLEASE BE OBSERVANT AND CAUTIOUS AND OBEY THE INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN BY THE SCHOLAR PATROL STATIONED IN PHANTOM ROAD.

Traffic

Parents transporting learners to and from school are requested to take note of the following:

- i) the one-way traffic signs;
- ii) not to drive into the school grounds;
- to adhere to the rules of the road regarding parking.

DO NOT JEOPARDISE THE SAFETY OF OUR LEARNERS BY DISOBEYING TRAFFIC S



DO NOT PARK ON THE CORNER OF THE ROAD;

DO NOT PARK IN FRONT OF SCHOOL ENTRANCES;

DO NOT PARK ON PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS;

DO NOT DOUBLE PARK;

DO NOT PARK IN FRONT OF PRIVATE DRIVEWAYS - THIS IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED.

OUR PARENTS AND TRANSPORTERS ARE EXPECTED TO RESPECT THE COMMUNITY LIVING AROUND THE SCHOOL PLEASE BE CONSIDERATE.

PLEASE READ "THINGS TO REMEMBER" BELOW TO ELIMINATE ANY MISUNDERSTANDING WITH REGARDS TO LATE-COMING, HOLIDAYS, DELIVERIES FOR LEARNERS AND PARTY PACKS. THIS NOTICE APPEARS ON ALL NEWSLETTERS.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

DON'T BE LATE

GATES A & C ARE LOCKED AT 07:30, GATE B IS LOCKED AT 7:40. Parents and transporters are to ensure that children are at school by **07:30 the very latest**. Please respect this directive and refrain from dropping your children off at school late. Allow your child to start their school day on a positive note by being at school on time. It is very disruptive and unfair to learners who are already in class and busy with work when a child enters the classroom late. Parents may not sign in and/or stand in line on behalf of their child. **Please be considerate**. **GATE D is for PRE-SCHOOL LEARNERS ONLY.** Learners arriving late and leaving early will be recorded in accordance with instructions from the GDE.

PARCELS / DELIVERIES FOR LEARNERS

NO PARCELS will be accepted at Reception for learners in <u>any grade</u>. This includes, but is not limited to <u>lunches, projects, homework, PT clothes, sports kits, school bags, stationery, tuck money etc.</u> Kindly ensure that your child has everything he/she needs before being dropped off at school. <u>THERE WILL BE NO LENIENCY IN THIS REGARD, AS PER SCHOOL RULES.</u> Please do not request our staff to disregard instructions given by the Management Team. <u>Only chronic medication will be accepted, e.g. insulin.</u>

RELIGIOUS REGALIA The school is tolerant of all religions whilst being a secular Public Ordinary School. Parents must write a letter, or have a meeting with the Principal to explain why a learner should wear a specific form of religious regalia e.g. red cotton ribbon on the left hand of a Hindu child, a turban for a Sikh boy or a hajib for a Grade 5 Muslim girl. Grade 6 and 7 Muslim boys may leave school at 12:30 on a Friday to attend prayers on condition that no assessments are being written. Please refer to the Religion Policy on the D6 Communicator under RESOURCES. There will be no exceptions. Please abide by the School's Policy.

HOLIDAYS

Parents must please arrange their holidays in accordance with the school calendar and ensure that their child/children attend school during the allocated term dates as set out by the Education Department. As school attendance is **compulsory by law** for all children between the ages of 7 and 15, no Educator or Principal may give permission for pupils to take leave during the terms. (Please refer to the Prospectus). **Learners who miss assessments due to vacations taken during the term will receive zero for any missed assessments. There will be no leniency.**

PARTY PACKS



SEALED party packs and cupcakes may be delivered at the office for learners' birthdays between **07:10** and **07:30**. Please do not send cakes that must be cut to school or cold drinks that must be poured into cups.



IMPORTANT DATES		
\rightarrow	See page 1 for forthcoming holidays	
14 April	Support Classes start	
15 April	Grade 4 and 5 Top 15 Assembly (7:40)	
17 April	Grade 6 and 7 Top 15 Assembly (7:40)	
	Head Prefects Announcement	

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	25-27 April	U10/U12 Football Camp		
	9 May	J&T Day – R10.00		
	16 June	Youth Day (Public Holiday)		
	27 June	School closes		

MY SCHOOL CARD



EVERY SWIPE COUNTS!

Please remember to swipe your My School card.
If you don't have a My School Card yet,
please apply for yours now!

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ONE FREE TENNIS LESSON FOR SUMMERFIELDS PRIMARY STUDENTS!

Give your child the gift of tennis with Top Tennis

Academy's complimentary lesson Available Dates:

- ☐ April 11th
- ☐ April 25th
- ☐ May 9th

Session Times:

- □ **Grades 1-3**: 1:20 1:50 pm
- □ **Grades 4-7**: 1:50 2:30 pm

Location:

Summerfields tennis courts (rackets provided) Tennis helps children develop coordination, fitness,

discipline, and social skills in a fun environment!

HOW TO BOOK: Reserve your child's spot by WhatsApp to Desiré: **082-926-6483** Or email: playtoptennis@gmail.com

Top Tennis Academy offers regular term lessons

every Friday at the school's tennis courts for all Grade R–7 students.

Learn more at www.toptennisacademy.co.za



SUMMIES

SECOND HAND CLOTHING

Please phone 011 894 6867 to book an appointment to visit the shop.

Good quality used school clothes for sale at very reasonable prices.

- 1. Only CASH payments accepted
- 2. All items are sold voetstoots
- 3. This is NOT a swop shop
- 4. No refunds
- 5. No return policy
- 6. Only parents may select clothing

SHOP HOURS (2024)

Mondays	07:00 - 07:35
Tuesday	13:50 - 14:30
Wednesdays	13:50 - 14:30
Fridays	07:00 - 07:35

The above times are subject to change

PLEASE MARK ALL YOUR CHILD'S CLOTHES
CLEARLY