

SUMMERFIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

"KNOWLEDGE IS STRENGTH"

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School Matters - Newsletter # 7



1. **WELCOME** back to the third academic term of 2025. We are pleased to announce that we have our full complement of learners and staff back at school.

We trust that everyone enjoyed a relaxing and renewing holiday.

We encourage our learners to continue working at their full potential in order for them to achieve the results that they are striving for. We also continue to urge parents to support their child, not only academically, but emotionally as well. Parent support is of vital importance.

2. SICK LEARNERS

Please <u>DO NOT</u> send your child to school if they are sick. Colds, flu and stomach bugs spread easily to other learners and the staff. Please ensure that a Doctor's Note is handed in at the school if your child is absent for more than 2 days.



3. **APPOINTMENTS**

Any parent who wishes to consult with the Principal, Deputy Principal or an Educator about their child, is welcome to do so.

Please note that the chain of command should be **strictly adhered** to. Discuss your concern with:

- i. The teacher/s;
- ii. Grade Leader; thereafter
- ii. The Departmental Head

If you are still not satisfied, an appointment may be made with the Deputy Principal and your final port of call is the school's Principal.

<u>To avoid discontent</u>, it is desirable that an appointment be made with the Educator, Grade Leader, Departmental Head, the Deputy Principal or the Principal, as they may be teaching or attending to a scheduled appointment. In light of the above please note that "walk-in" requests will unfortunately not be accommodated. Please phone the school to schedule an appointment.

4. FAREWELL

We bid a sad farewell to Miss Parel after 6 years of service. May your future ventures be bright and successful. We wish you well.



5. ARRIVING LATE MATTERS

Getting to school on time really matters. Arriving late has a negative impact on a child.



Parents are also reminded that if your child leaves school early for whatever reason, it is vitally important that the work missed, is caught up timeously. We therefore request that medical, or any other appointmets be scheduled for after school to alleviate stress on your child.

6. **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 who are already busy with activities.

7. LEARNERS LEAVING THE SCHOOL

In the event that your child may be leaving the school, please inform us via e-mail. Ideally give the school <u>at least 2</u> (two) days' notice. E-mails may be sent to one of the following addresses: admin@summerfieldsprimary.co.za or info@summerfieldsprimary.co.za

Please note that **ALL** textbooks and library books must be returned to the school prior to your child leaving the school. Unreturned or damaged books must be paid for. Please request a statement from Mrs. Sweetman.

8. **IMMIGRANT LEARNERS**

Parents of Gr. R - 7 learners must please ensure that their child resides in South Africa legally and has a valid passport and study visa, or a renewed and valid refugee/asylum seeker permit. Parents whose child will be applying for Grade 8 next year must bear in mind that they will require valid documents as proof of identification when doing the online admission for 2026.

9. **RE-ENROLMENTS – 2026 (CURRENT LEARNERS)**

Student Information / Re-enolment forms will be sent home with your child in September. Further information will follow in due course.

10. **GRADE 1 AND GRADE 8 ADMISSIONS – 2026**

On-line applications opened on the **24**th **July 2025** and close on the **29**th **August 2025**. Please ensure that all documents uploaded on the system are **clear**, **valid** and **recent**. Note that the school does not place any learners. Grade 1 and Grade 8 placements are made by the GDE only.

Website: <u>www.gdeadmissions.gov.za</u>

11. SUPPORT CLASSES

Grade 1-7 support classes resume on 28 July 2025 and end on 12 September 2025.

12. **SAFETY AND SECURITY**



The safety and security of our learners is very important to us. We had a few incidents where unauthorised individuals who are not parents of our learners, enter the school premises after school. We would like to avoid any incidents or kidnappings. Therefore, Gate B will be locked at 14:00 every afternoon, and parents who wish to gain entry to the school, to do so via the office before 14:30 Mon-Thurs and 14:00 on Fridays. The gate

will only be opened during home sports matches but will be controlled by the security guard. The aftercare will make the necessary arrangements with the aftercare parents. We ask that parents adhere to this. We are putting these measures in place to ensure your child's safety.

13. <u>SCHOLAR PATROL</u>: 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 SIGNS.

PLEASE:

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.

FUNDRAISING

PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE FOLLOWING FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES FOR OUR LEARNERS. WE REQUEST THAT PARENTS SUPPORT OUR PTA IN THEIR ENDEAVOUR TO RAISE MONEY FOR OUR SCHOOL.

1. INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP DAY

On Wednesday, 30th July 2025, our learners will be afforded the opportunity to purchase, amongst other items, friendship bracelets, chocolates, slushes, popcorn etc. for their friend(s). Please take note that this is **NOT** a dress-up day, but merely an observance day to encourage kindness and generosity.



In this fun "war" game, learners are encouraged to bring their spare coins to school over the duration of the term. These coins will be placed in a marked jar in each of the classrooms. Each "Rand" will therefore count 1 point. Learners and/or classes can also "sabotage" other classes by trying to drop 50c/20c coins in their rivals' classes etc., each 50c coin found in a jar will subtract 5 (20c to subtract 2 points) points from the jar (class's total), therefore counting as negative points. The class to bring in the most coins/jars to hold the most points, will win a class party sponsored by the PTA.

4. SPIRIT JEANS AND T-SHIRT DAY

The next J&T Day will be held on 1 August 2025. As usual, R10.00 is payable and popcorn (R5.00) and Grab-a-Cake tickets (R1:00) will be on sale. A reminder that learners are expected to dress NEATLY and APPROPRIATELY. In spirit of the day, learners wear RED, BLACK AND WHITE. No shorts, make-up and jewellery is allowed and girls must tie their hair up.

5. RAFFLES

Look out for raffle tickets to be purchased, with super prizes to be won. More information will follow in due course.









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Congratulations to our Term 2 Top 15 learners. Your consistent hard work is evident in these results. Keep up with the hard work.

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M	GRADE 4		GRADE 5
1	MAYA TATTERSALL	1	HLELA SIKWEBU
2	AZRIEL RAMSOONDER	2	NYASHA KWANGARI
3	MARYAM MUHAMMAD	3	ZAHRAA ADAM
4	YAHYA SEEDAT	4	ALEXANDRIO FORTUNA
5	MESAI PILLAY	5	YUSHA EBRAHIM
6	ANVEE AGGARWAL	6	AAMINAH ABDULLA
7	TAYLA SHEPHERD	7	TSHIRELETSO LEBEA
8	JENNA WILLEMSE	8	SIENNA CHETTY
9	THERO RAMAILA	9	MALAYKYE REDDY
10	NASEEHA SALEH	10	OREGOLELE MALEBO
11	OTSHEPEGILE MATHEBULA		KAIDEN NAICKER
12	BOKAMOSA SEFUME	11	LUBANZI SHABANGU
13	ISAAC SUBROYAN	12	YUSUF KARDAME
14	LIYAANAH ASVAT	13	AYVA DU PLESSIS
	MIA BLUME	14	MOHAMMED EBRAHIM
15	EMILEIGH ROOS	15	SHANEEZ AMOD
	GRADE 6		GRADE 7
1	JAIVEER SEWTAHAL	1	EKAMPREET SINGH
2	NATHAN MOONSAMY	2	ADHYA SEWTAHAL
3	OYAMANGENKOSI NTLANE	3	NTOKOZO NTSHAYI
4	DIEUMIRA ILUNGA	4	SULAYMAN ESSACK
5	RAPULA LANGA	5	MALIHA BEGG
6	JUWAIRIYA MOODLEY	6	RIFQA HARIF
7	LIAM SUSSENS	7	WASEEM MAHOMED
8	KARABO MOLEPO	8	NABEEHA KAROLIA
9	KWETSIMA MASEMOLA	9	CHANTÉ VAN DER MERWE
10	SAFIYYAH DAYA	10	KYLE DE LANGE
11	COLE BATISTA	11	MIYOLO HEUGH
12	ZAHRA KARDAME	12	GINO DOS REMENDOS
13	LESEGO NAKANA	13	RIZQIN EBRAHIM
14	TSHEPANG NGUBENI	14	AZRAA HANSROD
15	LONDIWE THANJEKWAYO	15	ABIGAIL PAPHITIS

NETBALL:

We are proud to congratulate our U/13B Netball team for finishing as runners-up, taking 2nd place at the **Tom Newby Netball Tournament** held at the end of June.

Our U/13A team also delivered a strong performance, securing a well-deserved 3rd place.

A heartfelt thank you to our dedicated coaches for your continued commitment and support. Your hard work is reflected in the teams' success and growth. Well done to our teams and all involved!





KARATE:

NICHOLAS CHADWICK and JAYDEN YOUNG took part in the SA Gauteng Karate Championships and represented our school and province with great determination. Nicholas competed in a higher age and belt category and finished 4th overall, missing a podium finish by one point. Jayden delivered a brilliant performance in his category, earning a well-deserved podium finish. Congratulations to both learners on their achievements.

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

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 (dates are subject to change)						
28 July	Support classes start		1 August	Spirit J&T Day (R10:00) Popcorn & Grab-a-Cake		
30 July	Friendship Day Fundraiser		9 August	National Women's Day		

MY SCHOOL CARD



EVERY SWIPE COUNTS!

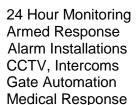
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Farrarmere Shopping Centre Contact: Chris 083 375 2750





ONE FREE TENNIS LESSON FOR SUMMERFIELDS STUDENTS! Give your child the gift of tennis with Top Tennis Academy's complimentary lesson

Available Dates:

- 1 August
- 8 August
- 15 August

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 - 07:30 Tuesday 13:50 - 14:20 Wednesdays 13:50 - 14:20 Fridays 07:00 - 07:30

The above times are subject to change

PLEASE MARK ALL YOUR CHILD'S CLOTHES
CLEARLY