



Manor Gardens Primary School

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"We must all suffer one of two things: the pain of discipline or the pain of regret or disappointment."
– Jim Rohn

DATES TO DIARISE

26 September	Heritage Day Dress up
26 – 28 September	Pop-up Book Shop taking place in the Media Centre from 08h00 to 15h00
26 – 28 September	Combined Berea Schools Art Exhibition at St Henry's Marist Brothers College from 18h00
27 September	FP Play – First Performance at 18h30
28 September	FP Play – Second Performance at 18h30
29 September	End of the Third Term
9 October	Fourth Term begins

STAFF NEWS

We warmly welcome Mrs Lauren Geysler as the new half day Financial Assistant at Manor Gardens Primary School. We wish her everything of the best in her new position and look forward to her special contribution in assisting with the smooth running of Manor Gardens Primary's finance office from next term onwards. Mrs Lauren Geysler is currently being oriented and trained until the end of the term by Mrs Glenda Samuels, the incumbent.

END OF THIRD TERM REPORTS

All Grade 1 to Grade 7 children will deliver their third term progress reports to their parents on Friday 29 September 2017.

THE COMBINED BERA SCHOOLS ART EXHIBITION 2017

St Henry's Marist Brothers College is hosting the Combined Schools Art Exhibition for 2017. All staff, parents and pupils are cordially invited to view the art exhibition on Tuesday 26 September to Thursday 28 September 2017.

FOUNDATION PHASE PLAY: 'THE ELEPHANT'S CHILD' – Mrs Devere-Loots

The performances of the Foundation Phase Play, 'The Elephant's Child' by Rudyard Kipling, will be on Wednesday 27 September and Thursday 28 September at 18h30. Tickets will be on sale from Wednesday 5 September. The price of these tickets is R35.00 each. Please send the correct amount of money in an envelope which indicates clearly:

1. Your child's name and class
2. The evening for which you require the tickets: Wednesday 27 September or Thursday 28 September
3. The number of tickets required
4. Your preference for seats - on the stands or chairs

Tickets will be processed on the day the money is received and sent to you on the following day. Please keep your tickets in a safe place until the performance.

FOUNDATION PHASE PLAY: EARLY RELEASE OF GRADE 3 CHILDREN – Mrs Devere-Loots

Please be advised that due to the evening play performances, the Grade 3 children will be dismissed from school at 12h30 on Wednesday 27 September (tomorrow) and Thursday 28 September. Children must have returned the early release slip sent home last week.

ALL FP children must be at the play on BOTH nights as per FP phase letter.

FOUNDATION PHASE PLAY: MORE PARENTS ARE REQUIRED TO DO MAKE-UP

More parents are needed to do make up for the play. If you can assist, please contact Miss Bega on abega@mgps.org.za

WALKATHON FUNDRAISER: ALL MONIES MUST BE IN BY 28 SEPTEMBER 2017

All ***monies collected must please be handed in together with the sponsor form by Thursday 28th September.*** The funds raised will go towards the upgrade of our sporting facilities and equipment. Please be advised that children and parents are responsible for looking after the Walkathon sponsor forms and making sure that they are returned to the class teacher as requested. A payment will still be required even though a Walkathon sponsor form is lost.

TUCK SHOP – Jo Bredenkamp

• APPRECIATION

A big thank you to the following present and past parents: Katy Harries, Nicky Savage, Olga van Eck, Nicole Naudé, Jacqui Hardman, Mare Brooke, Kim Longhurst, Janine Palmer, Katja Correa, Barka Mistry, Kate Reuning and Barbara Watt.

Thank you as well to the Grade 7 weekly helpers: Bonga Mahlambi, Jade Francis, Aphelele Mbonambi and Ella Sharler for all your help in the Tuck Shop this term.

Working as a team and getting to know you all has been such a treat.

• PARENT HELPERS

If any parents would like to help out at the tuck shop on a Friday morning, even if it's once a term, please contact Jo Bredenkamp on 084 500 0659 or at jo.bredenkamp@gmail.com

• POP-UP TUCK SHOP

This Thursday, September 28, is a surprise "Pop-Up Tuck Shop" before the end of term! The shop will be open at break time to sell drinks, sweets and chips only. Please note: no hotdogs or pies will be available.

APPRECIATION: DURBAN GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC AND SUPPER EVENING – Mrs Angelos

A big thank you to:

- Mrs Sobey and Mrs Le Roux for their support throughout the practices and their guitar accompaniment during the show.
- The children for their wonderful rendition of their songs which were greatly enjoyed by the audience and fitted in well with the upcoming Heritage Day celebration.
- The parents for their support and for getting the children both to the venue and collecting them promptly at the end. It was not a pleasant evening with the wind and rain, so the parents' efficiency was much appreciated.

BREAK UP DAY: FRIDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2017

Please note the following:

- School will close for the Third Term on Friday 29 September.
- Children will be allowed to wear their civvies **at no cost**.
- The Foundation Phase children (Grade 1 – 3) will leave at 09h45.
- The Intermediate and Senior Phase children (Grades 4 – 7) will leave at 10h00.
- The Aftercare will be open on break-up day until 12h30.
- **School re-opens on Monday 9 October 2017.**

We wish all members of our school community a happy and relaxing holiday.

REMINDER: SCHOOL FEES / AFTERCARE FEES

Thank you to all parents who have paid their school fees and aftercare fees timeously. Please settle any outstanding school fee balances urgently before month end to avoid being handed over. Aftercare fees for permanent attendance is payable in advance and casuals are due immediately.

Please note: ALL 2017 school fees MUST be settled by end of October 2017.

PUPIL NUMBERS FOR 2018

Parents who intend removing their children at the end of this year are asked to kindly notify us in writing as soon as possible. This **does not** include parents of children in Grade 7 who will progress into Grade 8 next year. This information will assist MGPS conclude our enrolment process of children for 2018.

Please note: THE EXTRA MURAL PROGRAMME FOR THE THIRD TERM ENDED ON FRIDAY 22 SEPTEMBER.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY EXHIBITION 2017

The Intellectual Property Exhibition is an annual event intended to bring local Durban and KZN artists and crafters together to showcase their work and give the buying public a "home-grown" alternative. The event opens at 17h30 for 18h00 on Thursday 5 October 2017 at The Plant, 5 Station Drive, Durban. It then runs on Friday 6 October 2017 06h00 to 15h00 and 7 October 2017 09h00 to 13h00. The opening and the event are free and open to the public.

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