

"Strength and courage are not always measured in victories and medals that we achieve but with the struggles we overcome." – Unknown

DATES TO DIARISE

1 – 7 September	National Arbor Week
4 September	ATKV Afrikaans FAL Olympiad from 13h00 until 15h00
5 September	Grade R 'Occupations Dress up Day' assembly
5 September	Grade 2 Cake Sale
5 September	Secretaries' Day
7 September	MGPS Spring Day dress up
7 September	MGPS 'Rise for Climate Global Day of Action'
8 September	Spring Walk
19 September	Grade 1 Assembly
19 September	Sugar Relay at Glenmore Primary School at 14h15
20 September – NEW DATE	Senior Play 'Rebecca's World' Dress Rehearsal – Grandparents are invited to attend
21 September	Third term extra murals end
24 September	Public Holiday – Heritage Day
25 September	Senior Phase Play 'Rebecca's World' – First performance at 18h30
26 September	Senior Phase Play 'Rebecca's World' – Second Performance at 18h30
28 September	End of the Third Term
5 October	Teachers' Day
17 – 18 October	Speech and Drama Festival for Grades 1 – 7

CONGRATULATIONS

- The annual interschool Athletics Meeting held at Port Natal School last week saw MGPS come fifth overall, with Mika Dekker (7S) as the runner up to the Senior Victor Ludorum and Divine Onyemauche (4MC) as the second runner up to the Junior Victrix Ludorum.
- Divine Onyemauche set a new record for the Girls U10 80m race with a time of 11.18s, beating the previous record holder's time of 11.54s.

Well done, MGPS is very proud of you!

STAFF NEWS

The following teaching posts available in 2019 are printed in the local newspapers and are supplied here for your information.

MANOR GARDENS PRIMARY - SGB POSTS: JANUARY 2019

1. **JP teacher** required with M + 4 and Gr. 1 – 3 teaching qualification and experience.
2. **SP teacher** required with M + 4 and Gr. 4 – 7 teaching qualification and experience.
3. **Afrikaans specialist teacher** required with M + 4 primary school Afrikaans teaching qualification and FAL and SAL experience.
4. **Music specialist teacher** required with M + 4 and primary school music teaching qualification, experience and ability to play the piano, recorder and guitar, to teach Gr. R – 7 class music, conduct choirs, a-capella, ensemble and percussion band.
5. **JP sports co-ordinator** required who is a registered student, preferably a student teacher, with sporting ability and teaching experience to teach FP PE lessons and coach FP and SP extra mural sports.

Send a 2 page CV with traceable references to info@mgps.co or **Fax No. 031-261 6166** by Friday 21 September 2018.

Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted. MGPS is not obliged to fill the posts.

RISE FOR CLIMATE GLOBAL DAY OF ACTION: 8 SEPTEMBER 2018

MGPS will participate in the 'Rise for Climate Global Day of Action'. This is a call for people around the world to be involved in climate change activities to end the era of fossil fuels and build a 100% renewable energy for all. MGPS Children will be involved in climate change activities with their class and teacher on Friday 7 September.

FUNDRAISING 2018: FUN WALK AND BREAKFAST – 8 SEPTEMBER AT 08H00

MGPS will be holding a Fun Walk/Run through the Msinsi Nature Reserve (less than 5km), adjoining the school property. So put on those takkies, pull your family and friends out of bed and join us for a morning of fun to raise money for capital projects around school.

All walkers are required to wear takkies / shoes for the walk. Unfortunately, we have been informed that dogs and other pets may not be allowed to enter the Msinsi Nature Reserve and UKZN grounds. We therefore request that you leave your pets at home on this day.

Please return your pre-registration entry form by **WEDNESDAY 5 September**. Registration costs R20.00 per entry for pre-registration (before 5 September) and R25.00 if you register on the day. Please return your offers of help forms urgently.

SENIOR PHASE PLAY: 'Rebecca's World' – Mrs Sibson

The performances of the Senior Phase Play called, 'Rebecca's World', will be on Tuesday 25 September and Wednesday 26 September at 18h30. Tickets are on sale at a cost of 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: Tuesday 25 September or Wednesday 26 September
3. The number of tickets required

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.

HELP NEEDED IN THE UNIFORM SHOP FOR THE 2019 ORIENTATION DAYS IN NOVEMBER

It would be greatly appreciated if parents would volunteer their assistance to help Sandipa Ramkissoon in the uniform shop for the upcoming Grade R and 1 2019 Orientation Days which will be held on Wednesdays, 14 and 21 November respectively. Kindly contact Sandipa on: 083 672 2778.

PUPIL NUMBERS FOR 2019

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 2019.

SPEECH AND DRAMA FESTIVAL FOR GRADES 1 TO 7 – Mrs Sibson

The Speech and Drama Festival will take place on Wednesday 17 and Thursday 18 October. Individual entry fees are R35.00. For every three individual entries, a fourth category may be entered free of charge. Please mark the titles of the categories clearly, with the child's name and grade as well as language preference, on the envelope containing the correct fees. Copies of the prescribed poems will be sent home as soon as the entries are received. **All entries should be sent in no later than Friday 14 September.**

SPORTS MATTERS – Mrs Fernandez and Mr Bester**Results**Softball

TEAM	SCHOOL	RESULT
U13A – Girls	St Marys DSG	11 – 12 Lost
U13B – Girls	Woodlands Primary	7 – 0 Won
U13A – Boys	Penzance Primary	19 – 2 Won
U13B – Boys	Penzance Primary	4 – 8 Lost

FixturesSoftball

DATE	TIME	TEAM	SCHOOL	VENUE
7 September	14h30	MGPS A – BOYS	Athol Heights Primary A	Queensmead Hockey Stadium
	15h40	MGPS B – BOYS	Athol Heights Primary B	Queensmead Hockey Stadium
8 September	09h10	MGPS A – GIRLS	Westville Primary A	Queensmead Hockey Stadium
	10h20	MGPS B – GIRLS	Greenwood Park Primary	Queensmead Hockey Stadium

Hockey

DATE	TEAM	SCHOOL	VENUE
6 September	U13 – BOYS	Tournament	Pitlochry Primary

Mini Hockey

DATE	GRADE TWO – Starting at 13h00	VENUE	GRADE THREE – Starting at 14h00
6 September	MGPS	Eden College	MGPS
13 September	MGPS	Eden College	MGPS

Mini - Hockey Tournaments: Grades 1, 2 and 3

DATE	TIME	GRADE	TEAM	VENUE
14 September	13h45 – 15h40	Grade 1 BOYS and GIRLS	Penzance Tournament	3 Schools Astro Turf
	15h30 – 17h20	Grade 2 BOYS and GIRLS	Penzance Tournament	3 Schools Astro Turf
	17h10 – 19h30	Grade 3 BOYS and GIRLS	Penzance Tournament	3 Schools Astro Turf

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