

Manor Gardens Primary School

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19 June 2018

"Forgiveness will never fail to free you." - Jerrold Mundis

DATES TO DIARISE

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19-20 June	Book Fair
20 June	Mr Goodwin's Farewell Assembly at 10h00
20 June	Hooked on Books at 08h30
21 June	Inter House Cross Country at 08h00 to 10h30. Parents are welcome to attend.
21 June	Movie Night for MGPS Grades R - 3 pupils from 17h30 to 19h30
22 June	Inter-house Lit Quiz
22 June	Second Term Break Up day. Grade R - 7 reports will be sent home
17 July	Third term begins
13 August	Sports Photos
8 September	Market Day Fundraiser
17 – 18 October	Speech and Drama Festival
5 – 7 November	Eye Screening at a cost of R50.00

APPRECIATION: FAMILY SOCIAL EVENING WITH BINGO

MGPS thanks to all of the children, parents and staff who supported our Family Social Evening with Bingo last Friday. A big thank you too to all the supportive parents, children and staff who helped with the setting up, selling of tickets, serving inside and outside the tuck-shop and running the Bingo games. A special mention of gratitude to the following people:

- Barka Mistrey, for organizing the social.
- Jo Bredenkamp for running the tuck shop
- Parent helpers: Shamila Naidoo, Sumendrie Mudaly, Janine Clarivette, Sharlene Versveld, Rubendri Govender, Andy Gibbs, Nicky Savage, Olga von Eck, Nicole Naude, Matthew Hattingh, Belinda Swanson, Lisa Montague, Katie Harries, Ben Roberts and Chris Adams.
- Mrs Sobey for providing the Bingo games and prizes.

HORIZON MATHEMATICS COMPETITION AWARD - TROPHY FOR SECOND PLACE IN 'TOP SCHOOL ACHIEVER' CATEGORY

Mr Dinler, from Star College and the Horizon Trust, handed over the Horizon Mathematics Competition trophy to Manor Gardens Primary School in assembly for being placed second in the Top School Achiever category. This award is a reflection of the outstanding achievement of Jaskaran Rajaruthnam (7S), who came second and Jemma Kasavan (7S), who came third in the KZN competition and Jaskaran's 3rd position in South Africa from over 51,500 entrants.

TUCK SHOP ASSISTANCE APPRECIATION - Jo Bredenkamp

A big thank you to the following people for their assistance in the tuck shop during the second term:

Parents:

Maré Brooke, Olga von Eck, Nicky Savage, Barbara Watt (past parent), Nicole Naude, Anna Dingani, Katie Harries and Kate Reuning.

Weekly Grade 7H Helpers:

Selu Naxulelo, Eyethu Mkhize, Siphokazi Mazibuko, Nozipho Zikhali, Nomanzi Dube, Ethan Chinniah and Priyanka Govender.

Grade 6 Helpers when the Grade 7s were on excursion

Athabile Shange, Willow Arnold, Phiwa Dhlomo, Chidiogo Ndiomaluke and Phakama King.

BOOK FAIR - Mrs Sobey

To promote reading and literacy in our school, we will be hosting a Book Fair on Tuesday, 19 June from 10h00 until 15h00 and on Wednesday, 20 June from 07h30 until 13h00. Parents are invited to visit the fair to purchase books for their children and/or to donate to the library. Should a parent donate a book to our library, their child's name will be put in the front of the book and he/she will be the first to take the book out of the library once it has been processed. The average price of a book is R70.00.

In appreciation for hosting the Book Fair, BOOKS2YOU gives us a BUY BACK BONUS - that is, we receive a percentage of the total sales back in books. This is a wonderful way to add new titles to our library at no extra cost! We look forward to seeing you at the Book Fair. Your support is appreciated.

HOOKED ON BOOKS - Mrs Sobey

MGPS is being visited by the Hooked on Books team on Wednesday, 20 June. They will do a theatrical presentation depicting a selection of books for the whole school and encouraging our children to tap into the love of reading.

MR GOODWIN'S FAREWELL ASSEMBLY ON WEDNESDAY

Children and staff may wear colourful socks for Mr Goodwin's farewell assembly on Wednesday 20 June at 10h00.

TUCK SHOP OPEN FOR THE LAST TIME THIS TERM ON THURSDAY

The tuck shop will be open for the last time this term on Thursday 21 June. The tuck shop will be open for the adults before and during the cross country events and children will be allowed to buy after the cross country awards ceremony. No pies, hot dogs or cheese rolls will be sold on the day.

MOVIE NIGHT FOR GRADES R - 3 ON THURSDAY FROM 17H30 TO 19H30

The Foundation Phase will be hosting an exciting movie night on Thursday 21 June for the Grade R-3 children (parents' night off!). We invite children to bring their pillows and blankets and join us for a lovely relaxing evening. Only children who are MGPS Grades R-3 pupils may attend. Children are to be collected by no later than **19h45** after the movie.

END OF SECOND TERM REPORTS

All Grade R to Grade 7 children will deliver their second term progress reports to their parents on Friday 22 June 2018.

KIDS LIT QUIZ - Mrs Sobey

The Manor Gardens Primary Kids Lit Quiz Team are all set to go to Auckland, New Zealand to represent South Africa in the World Finals of the Kids Lit Quiz. Thank you to our Manor Gardens Primary Family for all the support that we have received in the process of raising funds and organizing this trip. We are leaving on Saturday 30 June and return on Sunday 8 July. The quiz will take place on Wednesday 4 July from 12h30 until 16h00 at St Kentigern's College.

Find us on https://www.facebook.com/ManorGardensLitQuizTeam if you would like to follow our progress.

SIX MONTHS SCHOOL FEES DUE BY 30 JUNE 2018

The School Governing Body thanks all those parents who have paid their school fees in full and those whose school fee payments are up to date. We are most appreciative of your financial support and commitment which ensures the provision of the excellent quality of education and high standard of facilities at MGPS.

Please be advised that 6 months school fees should have been paid by the end of June 2018. Parents whose school fees are in arrears are urged to settle their accounts to prevent being handed over to the school's debt collection agency.

FUNDRAISING: MARKET DAY 8 SEPTEMBER

In preparation for our Market Day in the third term, we need your help with donations to reduce costs and increase profits. All funds raised will go to MGPS. At a later date this term, a box will be placed in each class room for any donations towards the different stalls either to be won as prizes or items to be sold.

Please ensure that:

- 1) Any edible items donated do not expire before the end of November 2018.
- 2) Second-hand items donated for the White Elephant stall are in working order, have all their required parts and are not chipped or cracked.

Below are some suggestions of what you may donate to be used as prizes.

Small prizes (Ages 3yrs to 15yrs): marbles, yoyos, dinosaurs, small packets of sweets, coffee mugs to win, ping pong balls, moon balls, sporting balls, stickers, glow sticks, chocolate slabs, non-perishable groceries, hair spray, nail polish, nail art stickers, hair accessories, deodorants, play dough, stationery, small toy cars, and any other prize ideas that you are willing to donate.

SPORTS NEWS – Mr Goodwin and Mrs Fernandez

Cross Country

Please note that the Inter-House Cross Country is on Thursday 21 June and will start at approximately 08h00 and end at 10h30. Parents are welcome to come and support the runners.

BREAK UP DAY / CIVVIES: FRIDAY 22 JUNE 2018

Please note the following:

- School will close for the Second Term on Friday 22 June.
- Children will be allowed to wear civvies at a cost of R2.00.
- The Foundation Phase children (Grade R 3) will leave at 09h45.
- \bullet The Intermediate and Senior Phase children (Grades 4 7) will leave at 10h00.
- Aftercare will be open on break-up day until 12h30. Please make sure that your children are collected timeously.
- School will resume for the Third Term on Tuesday 17 July 2018.

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

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