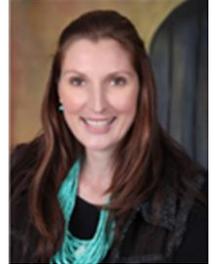


NEWSLETTER: MAY 2016

Dear Parent/Guardian

I hope everyone is keeping warm, because winter is definitely upon us.

This has been a very busy month and the staff and I would like to take this opportunity to say how grateful we are for all the positive feedback and support we received during this transition period. I am honoured to take this position over from Ansie and look forward to this new and exciting chapter in my career.



The building next door is progressing fast and it's all starting to take shape. In future, the new property will be known as Curro Castle Tots and we are super excited to start this new endeavour.

OTHER NEWS...

THANK-YOU

We wish to thank Ellen Janeke and Jacques Pretorius, parents of Dewald Pretorius in the Pikkewyne class, for their generous contribution of R10 000. The funds were used to purchase beds for one of the remaining classes.

MOTHER'S DAY SURPRISE

Moms enjoyed a warm cup of hot chocolate on Friday, 6 May as we celebrated Mother's Day. They each took a photo with their little one, making the morning very special! Take a look at the photos that have been placed on the Curro Krugersdorp Facebook page.

TRAVEL AROUND THE WORLD

We had our very own culture day on Friday, 13 May. All the classes made such great effort in decorating it according to the countries that they represented. The learners moved around to all the different classes and learned something new about each country. They could also taste some of the food that is prominent to the particular country that they visited. Thank you to all the parents who were involved and also to all the educators, it was a great success. Photos can be viewed on the Curro Krugersdorp Facebook page.

COMRADES

Our theme for the week of 30 May is Comrades. Don't forget the marathon on Saturday, 4 June, where each learner will be participating and enjoying the morning with their family. This is one of our main fundraising projects so please support us! We are looking forward to a wonderful fun-filled morning.

Congratulations to all our parents who participated in the Comrades Marathon over the weekend, we are really proud of you!

SHOES

Learners must please keep their shoes on during these cold winter months. Please ensure that your child's clothes are properly marked, as learners take their thick jackets and jerseys off during the course of the day. Please check the clothing baskets at the end of the day. All unclaimed clothes are placed in the 'lost clothes' basket in the entrance hall.

EVALUATION

Learner evaluation starts on Monday, 6 June but due to the two school days that we are losing over the weekend of 16 and 17 June, we have been evaluating on Tuesday, 24 and Thursday, 26 May as well. Please make every effort for your child to attend school.

LONG WEEKEND

Thursday, 16 June is a public holiday, so Friday, 17 June will be a school holiday. Aftercare staff will run a holiday program on Friday, 17 June as all educators will be on leave. We will be sending out a tweet to determine how many learners will attend, as we did with the previous long weekend in April.

SCHOOL HOURS

We appeal to parents to please drop their children off on time. We still have quite a few parents who regularly drop their children off after 8:00. Formal school starts promptly at 8:00. By arriving late, you do not just interrupt the

educator that wishes to start with the lesson, but the entire class is left unsettled. Please give us your co-operation. Frequent late comers will be reported to school management.

Between 8:00 and 12:00, parents must please report to the office if they want to collect their child. Admin staff will collect your child from the class or playground. This forms part of our security arrangements.

SECURITY

We wish to bring the following matters to your attention again:

1. GATE SECURITY

Please do not provide your children with the security code for the gate, for the following reasons:

- Learners or siblings will often run ahead of parents to open the gate. Once the last exit gate is open, the learners are free to run into the parking area which could lead to serious accidents. Please ensure that your child/children are with you when you go through the gates.
- Learners or siblings enter the building ahead of their parents and allow people, without a code, into the building. Children do not have the ability to judge who belongs here and who not.
- Learners are also prone to entering the wrong code. The system has to reset itself before anyone can enter or exit the premises.

Please be careful who you allow to enter with you. The admin staff will assist any person that does not have the code to enter the premises. Please exercise the same caution when using the school's gate code as you would when using your house alarm code. It is, after all, your child's safety that is at risk.

2. PARKING AREA

Please be considerate towards other drivers and take care not to park in the restricted areas or in the drive-through area. Please refrain from talking on your cell phone while driving in the parking lot.

There has been a recent spike in car door 'jammings' in our area and nursery schools in particular are soft targets. Please double check your car doors a minute or so after you have locked it and do not leave any valuable belongings in clear view of people passing by. As soon as the perpetrators manage to jam your locking system, they open the door and grab what is visible. These break-ins tend to happen during peak hours in busy parking areas.

Your assistance with regards to the school's security will be highly appreciated. **Please communicate this information to any people who will be collecting/dropping your child off on your behalf.**

VISITING HOURS

As from 1 June, our visiting hours will change to Thursday mornings; 8:00 for 8:15 as opposed to 10:00, as it currently is. Parents, who are interested in enrolling their little one with us, will now visit Curro Castle first before visiting the primary school at 9:00. Please share this information with anyone who you might know off, that would like to visit our school.

ANNUAL CONCERT

Please note that the annual concert is no longer on Friday evening, 16 September, but has moved two days earlier to Wednesday evening, 14 September.

Curro Regards



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“You cannot teach a man anything. You can only help him to discover it within himself.” - Galileo