

How to know when your child is ready to use the potty

The beginning of awareness

Between the ages of 12 and 18 months, you may notice your toddler pausing or changing his or her expression when having a bowel movement. This is a sign that your child is becoming aware of the process of going

Later Signs of Readiness

Play is interrupted

Between 18-24 months of age, your child may stop playing when making a bowel movement. It's helpful to give this whole process a name, like "potty." If you label the behavior when it's happening, your child may come to use the word to tell you that he or she is going.

Your child wants to be changed

Your child, either with words or gestures, will tell you that he or she wants to be changed. Later, your child may show an interest in being clean and want to go to the potty to avoid needing to be changed.

Stays dry longer

When children stay dry for 2 hours or longer, it means they are gaining control over their bladder muscles. This usually happens after 18 months of age.

Your child says he or she is ready

Some children may show an interest in how adults and older children use the toilet, and want to be a "big boy" or a "big girl" by imitating them. Imitation can be effective, if you are comfortable letting your child watch adults or older children. Some children recognize and announce that they need to go by saying "potty." Then, all that is left is to get to the potty on time.

Reasons to wait

Some parents try to potty train very early. For

example, they may try to put their infant on the potty when they think the child has to go. This is called "catching." But there are good reasons not to push your child too early.

- If you manage to "catch" your child before he or she goes, it may seem like early potty training is working. But the child really isn't going to the potty on his or her own. And when your child fails to make it to the potty, you may both feel frustrated.
- Even if children don't understand why they are being put on the potty, they sense that they are expected to do something. Children don't like to disappoint, and after a long wait, they may feel bad when they don't do what you want.
- Children who start training early usually are not able to control their bowels or their bladders any earlier than children who start training at a later age.
- Parents who start their child on the potty early usually end up spending more time potty training than parents who start their children when they are ready.
- Pushing your child to learn to use the potty too early may make him or her anxious. This may lead to more accidents or delays in learning to use the potty.
- Toddlers want independence and control. If they are not mentally or physically mature enough to use the potty, pressuring them may encourage them to rebel by refusing to use the potty.

Castle Greetings
Curro Castle Rivonia

Important Dates

12 February
Puppet show

14 February
Valentine's Day

15 February
Water fun day

Castle Themes

Week 5
11—15 February 2019

Perky Pets

Week 6
18—22 February 2019

Fun in the sun

Week 7
25 February—1 March

My Five Senses.

Week 8
4—8 March

Reptiles

A letter from Buzz Drama

Moms and dads - Buzz is ready to take your kidz on a new adventure! This time our three Buzz friends, Thandi, Ben and Ravi, are thrown into the magical world of "Superheroes", filled with very tall skyscrapers, flying cars and mysterious characters. They bump into two new friends who need help with a big problem! Something very precious has been taken from the people in this city - what could it be and who took it? Whispers across Super City talk of a powerful pink mask. This quest requires extraordinary Buzz kidz to help Bounce and Blast find their way around Super City and bring a smile back to the other superheroes!

Get ready for new "Superheroes" themed songs, dances and poems at Buzz Drama Dance and Singing every Thursday from 14:00-14:30! Moms and dads, for only R698 per term your heroic Buzzer will join the fun and also receive a complimentary CD, sticker chart and weekly collectible stickers! It's going to be an exhilarating expedition! Don't miss out! Call 011 025 2525 or e-mail info@buzzdrama.com now to secure your space! Online registration form:



Our daily programme

Our daily programme is designed to ensure that learners can explore all their senses, while developing many different areas of their little bodies and minds through play.



Royal News for February

Date	Activity
12 February	Puppet show
15 February	Water fun day
20 February	Poof, boom, bang! Science Day



From the PTA

Newsletter Classifieds

The 2019 PTA is launching the Classifieds section of the Newsletters. The first Issue of Classifieds will run on Thursday, 21 February in the Primary/High School Newsletter.

Any person who is interested in advertising in our Castle and Primary/High School Newsletter can do so by following this process:

- 1) Send a request to Mr Zuki Mxoli (zuki@mxoliproperties.com) with the preferred sizing of your ad.
- 2) Specify the Newsletter/s you want your ad to run in (Primary/High School newsletters are issued every two
- 3) weeks and Castle Newsletters are issued once a month. These Newsletters have a collective reach of more than 1000 people. They are also pinned up on our notice boards in the school).
- 4) Confirm the number of issues in which you want your ad to run.
- 5) Make the relevant payment into the school's bank account with the reference **"YOUR NAME-PTA NEWS"**.
- 6) Send the proof of payment as well as your artwork through to Mr Mxoli no later than 3 days before the next issue.

Mr Mxoli will forward you a copy of the Newsletter once it has been sent out.

Vertical Banner 17cm x 14cm @ R400

Horizontal Banner 21cm x 11cm @ R350

**Business Card 9cm x 5cm
@ R100**

Class allocations 2019

Group	Teacher	Assistant
Group 1	Keneilwe Mabe	Louisa Mamabolo
Group 2	Tletse Ngwenya	Grace Mhlongo
Group 3	Simphiwe Khumalo	Phillipine Marosa
Group 4.1	Natalie Chunapa	Rosinah Maredi
Group 4.2	Janelle Coaters	Venda Sehlapelo
Group 5.1	Dane Brink	Rebecca Mashapa
Group 5.2	Samantha Lankesar	Mpho Mofokeng
Group 5.3	Rachell Meyer	Daisy Sebothoma

Lost and Found

Please see that your child's clothes and belongings are labeled. Our Lost and Found locker is packed with belongings we can't return due to the high number of unmarked items.

Not getting school communications?

Here's why:

- E-mails and SMS's from the school are programmed to be sent directly to the Account Holder.
- Only 1 e-mail address per Account Holder receives communications, we cannot add another e-mail address to the Account Holder's profile.
- If your details have changed and you are the **Account Holder**, you will need to submit an official **"change of details"** form to the Bursar before any changes can be made on the system.

Here's the solution:

- Any person who needs to receive communications from the school can download the MyHub Guardian App (details below).
- Any person who has the **family code** and the password, can access the app and any communications that have been pushed to your family code.
- If you have transferred from another Curro School, you will need to access the App with your new Curro Rivonia family code and reset the password.
- If you have children in your care with different family codes, you will need to access the App with the different family codes and set different passwords for each family code.

Curro Rivonia communicates mainly via the MyHub Guardian App.

The MyHUB mobile app is now available



through Google Play store and iStore.



The mobile app allows you to:

- Receive notifications when an email or SMS is sent to your mobile number or email address
- View all communication related to your child/ren based on the profile you provide
- Access GRIT for online uniform orders
- View up-to-date statements
- Make school fees and event payments online quickly and easily
- View calendar events scheduled for your child/ren

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