

NEWSLETTER

MERIDIAN
Pinehurst

Date: 02 March 2020
From the Office of the Executive Head

Dear Parents/Guardians and Learners

PAC Family Campout

The PAC would like to thank all the parents and learners for supporting the much-anticipated family campout this past weekend.



Even though the wind was crazy, the tents survived, and fun was had by all.

The kid's enjoyed the entertainment in the hall offered by Tamsyn Nel from Sense Education.

It was wonderful to see everyone socialising and the atmosphere was fantastic. Kids has fun with the bubbles and glowsticks and after some yummy braai for dinner, ice lollies were a big hit.

An event like this would not be possible without your support and it is genuinely appreciated.

Brigitta Nel

PAC Chairperson



Visit our Facebook page to see more photos of the campout.

HEALTH AND SAFETY



Road Works

Kindly take note of the repairs taking place in the parking area, in front of the tuck shop.

Parents will have access to the Urban Edge Church parking area for additional parking.

We apologise for the inconvenience.



Nursery School: New Biometric Scanner

A new biometric scanner has been installed at the Nursery School Reception.

Parents are reminded to please register their fingerprints with Althea Marinus in the afternoon by Friday 6 March 2020 as the system will be fully operational by 9 March 2020.



Foundation Phase Reminders: Grade R to 3

School starts promptly at **08:00** for all learners in the Foundation Phase.

Teachers will be in their class as from **07:45** to the learners.

Should you arrive after **08:00**:

- you will be required to first report to reception to sign in your child/children
- let your child/children go to their class as quickly as possible, without following them into the class.

If your child forgot something at home and you are bringing it for them, please do not go to his/her classroom.

You can leave in at reception and the secretaries will ensure it gets to your child.

Thank you for your support and cooperation in this regard.

Adèle Käsner
Head of Foundation Phase

SPORTS ON CAMPUS



Nursery School Sports Day

The Nursery School had their annual Fun Sports Day on Friday, 28 February 2020.

Despite the windy conditions, the day was still a roaring success. Our little ones were the stars of the day as they competed, celebrating each race with heaps of joy.



The Group 2 learners had to complete all 6 stations with their parents in the hall, while the Group 3 to 5 learners each had 3 different races to complete, from sprints to a parent-child races. The tone of the day was pure laughter. We ended the day with rewarding our learners with a medal and certificate for participation and good sportsmanship. Our parents also had an opportunity to show off their running skills, as they competed in an 80m sprint race.



Thank you to all the parties involved in making this day happen.

- André Meyer from Truth Design sponsored the parent race winner gifts worth R500 each.
- The PAC for hosting a tuckshop and assisting on the day.
- The parents for their attendance and enthusiasm.

We are already looking forward to our next Sports Day in 2021.



Visit our Facebook page to see more photos.

Foundation Phase Sports and Extra Classes

The last day for school sports and extra classes for Term 1 is Friday 6 March 2020. This does not include private extramurals.

Sports and extra classes will continue in Term 2



Netball trials for Grade 4 and 5

Just a reminder of the following:

The Netball trials for the **under 10 girls** will take place on **Monday 2 March**, from 14:45 to 16:00.

The Netball trials for the **under 11 girls** will take place on **Wednesday 4 March**, from 14:45 to 16:00



Northern Zone Athletics

From left to right: Nuhaa Jardine (Grade 8) and Kiara Orgil (Grade 9) were chosen for the Northern Zone athletics team and participated in the Champs of champs' athletics competition over the weekend.

Nuhaa placed 6th and Kiara placed 3rd in the 100m. Congratulations to our two young ladies for keeping the school's name high.



Karate Tournament

On Saturday 29 Feb 2020, Reese Swart (Gr3) participated in the sports karate tournament in Kuilsriver. Reese trains at least 4 times a week and the hard work paid off.

The competition was tough this past weekend and Reese took two podium positions: bronze for kumite (combat) and silver for kata.

In less than 3 weeks she is off to Durban to represent her dojo (Goshukan) as well as the Western Cape in the Nationals.

We wish Reese the best of luck for the nationals.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Mini Meridian Chef: Baking Class

This week, our MINI MERIDIAN CHEFS will learn to make a healthy muffin under the supervision of Chef Morne. Chef Morne the class teachers and assistants, will help the learners prepare and make their Muffins. They will be using flour, eggs, carrots, etc. and each learner will receive a kitchen keepsake and certificate for their participation.

* Group 2 – Tuesday, 3 Mar | Group 3 – Wednesday, 4 Mar | Group 4 – Thursday, 5 Mar | Group 5 – Friday, 6 Mar



Grade 4 Bake Sale

The Grade 4 learners will be hosting a Bake Sale on Friday, 6 March 2020 in the InterSen Phase quad (Block B) for all Gr 4 – 7 learners.

Reply slips have been sent home with the Grade 4 learners, so that parents may indicate what they can contribute.

Please bring your contributions to your Grade 4 class on the morning of 6 March 2020.

Kaskar: A PAC initiative

Learners in Grades R to 12 can look forward to a great new event coming to our campus on Friday 24 April. More information will be shared over the upcoming weeks and learners can enjoy a special presentation, during assembly, on Tuesday, 10 March.

Check out this video to see what the excitement is all about: https://youtu.be/57zrh9_V1vY

Parents are welcome to join us on the day to watch the fun!



Parents, to help make KASKAR a success, you can help by:

- Volunteering to assist in the pits
- Becoming a vendor
 - contact brigitta.nel@gmail.com
- Sponsoring a pit lane/t-shirts/prizes
 - contact gizelle.m01@curro.co.za

LET'S RIDE!
KASKAR
GRADES R TO 12

Date: Friday, 24 April 2020
Time: 09:00 – 13:00
Venue: Meridian Pinehurst sports field

Parents welcome to watch the fun.
Refreshments will be on sale.

This is an initiative of the Parent Advisory Committee (PAC).

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Lost & Found

As we draw closer to the end of Term 1, we encourage parents to check the lost and found for any items that may have been misplaced.

Once the term has ended, those items which have been labelled, will be returned to class. The remaining items will be donated to the second-hand clothing store.

2nd Hand Clothing Bank

Open every Wednesday from 07:30 to 09:00
in Block B behind reception.

The 2nd Hand Clothing Bank will be open this week:

Wednesday, 4 March 2020

07:30-09:00 (card or cash accepted).

March

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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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29	30	31				

School Holidays

Grade R to 12

School closes - 20 March

School opens - 31 March

The **Nursery School** will remain open during this period.

Holiday care will be available for school going learners. Application forms will be issued next week.



Sense Education

ENRICHMENT CLASSES

GIVE THE BRAIN A WORKOUT

Classes consist of:

- ✓ Speaking and Vocabulary Activities
- ✓ Memory Games
- ✓ Eye Training Techniques
- ✓ Brain Breaks and Movement Activities
- ✓ Teaching Phonics, Reading, Writing or Mathematics in a fun way
- ✓ Visualisation and Creative Thinking

Grades
R - 3



ENROL NOW!

FREE Assessment and Registration

Various classes take place between 1pm and 4pm Monday to Friday

Contact Tamsyn Nell

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REMINDER: CAMPUS CLOSED

As per our school calendar, the campus will be closed from

Monday 27 April to Friday 1 May 2020.

This applies to all learners in the nursery, primary and high school.

No holiday care will be available.

April

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May

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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

Date	Day	Nursery	Grade R to 3	Grade 4 to 7	Grade 8 to 12
02-Mar-20	Mon				Test series start
03-Mar-20	Tue	Mini Chef - Group 2			
04-Mar-20	Wed	Mini Chef - Group 3			
05-Mar-20	Thu	Mini Chef - Group 4			
06-Mar-20	Fri	Mini Chef - Group 5		Gr 4 Cake Sale	
07-Mar-20	Sat	Toeka se Dae	Toeka se Dae	Toeka se Dae	Toeka se Dae
08-Mar-20	Sun				
09-Mar-20	Mon				

Yours in education

Dean Marsh

Executive Head

To advertise in the newsletter, please contact Gizelle Marais at gizelle.m01@curro.co.za

STAFF BIRTHDAYS celebrated in MARCH

- 02 - Belinda Opperman
- 03 - Sange Sampi
- 05 - Felicity Fisher
- 10 - Juliet Otto
- 13 - Stacy Garcia
- 16 - Angelique Wilkinson
- 17 - Florina Louw
- 18 - Pierre Le Roux
- 19 - Nosiviwe January
- 22 - Jeannine Haskell - temp
- 24 - Willem Kroukamp
- 26 - Magdeleen Nel
- 27 - Faees Julies
- 28 - Leigh V D Merwe
- 31 - Chelton Arinds
- 31 - Rochelle Strauss-Layman
- 31 - Jessica Gantshi

