

# NURSERY SCHOOL

## GRANTLEIGH



### Home away from home

At Grantleigh's nursery school, we have created a safe, fun-filled environment where children can reach their full potential.

#### We believe in:

- 1. The unique child:** Every child is a competent learner from birth who can be resilient, capable, confident.
- 2. Positive relationships:** Through loving, secure relationships with their parents and teacher, children learn to be strong and independent.
- 3. Learning and development:** Children learn in different ways and at different rates, while all areas of learning and development are equally important and inter-connected.
- 4. Enabling environments:** As children learn from their environments, our classrooms and playgrounds act as a third teacher of sorts, thereby encouraging children to explore, play and learn.



### QUICK FACTS

**Language:** English

**Ages:** From 3 years to 5 years

**Class size:** Controlled class sizes

**School times:** 07:15 – 12:45

**Aftercare:** Until 16:00

### The Early Learning and Development Areas (ELDAs)

Our preschool curriculum is designed with the Early Learning and Development Areas (ELDAs).

- Physical well-being:** health and safety, gross motor development, fine motor development
- Identity and belonging:** self-awareness, self-management, social awareness and social management
- Communication:** listen and understand, speak and communicate, make meaning and represent
- Mathematics:** quantity and numbers, measurement, patterns, shape and space, data collection, time and ordination
- Creativity:** daily life and play, visual arts, performing arts
- Learning about the world:** exploration and inquiry, knowledge and understanding, executive function

### The daily programme

Our daily programme includes:

- Morning ring
- Theme exploration
- Creative activities
- Performing arts
- Free play
- Movement development
- Perceptual and sensory play
- Story and language time

### Extramural activities

Offered by private tutors/coaches held on Grantleigh premises, include:

Swimming





## GENERAL INFORMATION

- Children are encouraged to develop holistically in a warm, loving environment.
- Our indoor areas offer multiple opportunities to explore, investigate, imagine and create.
- Outdoor play areas include jungle gyms, swings, a garden, shaded areas for creative and sensory play, and more.
- Security measures include guarded gates, access control, and proper hand-sanitising protocols.
- Teachers model positive attitudes, as well as ethical and moral principles based on Curro's values.
- Our programme includes activities built around large soft bricks, which form the important early foundations for later Robotics studies.
- Teachers each have teacher's assistants based on the age group and number of children in the class.
- Aftercare is available from Monday to Thursday.
- We have a registered nurse on-site during the school day.
- Children's progress is monitored on a continuous basis. Parents are updated every term and receive a detailed written report at the end of the 2nd and 4th terms.
- We are closed during school holidays, as well as on public holidays and specified dates as reflected on our website.

### HOW TO ENROL

#### STEP 1:

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#### STEP 6:

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We aim to inspire young minds to become extraordinary through the unique Grantleigh preschool curriculum.

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### Junior preparatory phase (Grade R to Grade 3)

#### Grade R

In Grade R we focus on an integrated play-based curriculum with specialised educational programmes:

- The **phonological awareness programme** which is explicitly taught in small groups and this includes interactive games
- The **Bazoo integrated literacy programme**
- The **NumberSense programme** which is a learner-centred approach where problem solving is the starting point
- Introduction to **Robotics** through Duplo Lego

Grade R is the bridge from the concrete world to the world of symbols and numbers in Grade 1.

#### Grade 1 to Grade 3

In these grades the focus is on perceptual development, exposure to relevant content, skills and knowledge which are required for further learning. We offer a vibrant, invitational atmosphere where the learners enjoy coming to school and where they acquire a love for learning that will sustain them throughout their school years. We acknowledge the potential in each learner to reach optimum ability; therefore, there is less emphasis on competitiveness and more emphasis on individual achievement. We create opportunities for personal growth in independence and responsibility so that learners can take up the challenge of being personally responsible and accountable for their actions in the senior preparatory phase.



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**Language:** English

**Junior preparatory phase:** Grade R to Grade 3

**Senior preparatory phase:** Grade 4 to Grade 7

**Class size:** Controlled class sizes

**School times Monday to Friday:** 07:30 – 13:00

**Aftercare times:** Monday to Thursday until 16:00 (up to Grade 3)

Boarding school from Grade 4

**Transport:** Empangeni, Mtunzini, St Lucia (more on website)

## Subjects

The three main learning areas are:

**Language** – English Home Language, Afrikaans First Additional Language, isiZulu as conversational language

**Mathematics** – A learner-centred approach where problem-solving is the starting point:

- Sense-making, problem-solving activities
- Meaningful mathematical knowledge
- Efficient use of a variety of strategies
- Application of mathematical knowledge with confidence and understanding
- Introduction to project-based learning

**Life Skills** – Includes beginning knowledge, personal and social well-being, creative arts and physical education.

**Also:** Perceptual development forms an integral part of all learning in the foundation phase, and includes gross motor skills, sensory motor integration, perceptual motor skills and language development. Science, Robotics, Music and Computer Studies form part of the curriculum.



## Cultural activities – junior preparatory phase

Choir

## Sports activities – junior preparatory phase

Swimming, cricket, tennis, hockey, netball, rugby, athletics, movement and drama, and soccer

## Extramural activities – junior preparatory phase

Robotics club

## Senior preparatory phase (Grades 4 to 7)

In the senior preparatory phase, the emphasis is still on establishing basic foundations, but learners are led into more abstract thought and independent work. Application of skills and concepts is also a focus area in this phase. This phase aims to prepare learners for the senior phase, which starts in Grade 7 and continues in the high school.

We aim to embrace 21st-century learning by incorporating the use of tablets in our classrooms. We currently raise children who are 'digital natives'. By embracing innovative technology into our schools, we are speaking the language our learners understand.

## Curriculum

English Home Language, Afrikaans or isiZulu First Additional Language, Mathematics, Natural Sciences and Technology, Robotics, Social Sciences (History and Geography), Art, Music, Computer Studies, Creative Arts (Grade 7), Life Orientation (Grade 7), Economic and Management Sciences (Grade 7)

## Cultural activities – senior preparatory phase

Choir and band

## Sports activities – senior preparatory phase

Swimming, cricket, tennis, hockey, netball, rugby, athletics, and soccer

## Extramural activities – senior preparatory phase

Robotics club



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## PLEASE NOTE:

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# HIGH SCHOOL

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**Grantleigh learners will learn in a caring and ethical community, preparing them with the skills to manage information and to think creatively for the benefit of humankind and the environment – passionate in their quest for knowledge and confident in their ability to embrace life's challenges.**

Our ethos is governed by Christian values (ethics and morals) where learners are encouraged to explore and express their individuality within acceptable boundaries, and ultimately take responsibility for their actions.

We guide them to follow their hearts and minds to develop into the best people they can be.

Our dynamic curriculum covers problem-solving, critical thinking and the development of skills and values. Both individual and group work are evaluated.

Grantleigh produces a community of teenagers who know how to think innovatively, express their ideas and take charge of their own lives.

Learners are prepared for the matriculation examinations set by the Independent Examinations Board (IEB).



### QUICK FACTS

**Language:** English

**Grades:** Grade 8 to Grade 12

**Matric examination:** IEB

**Class size:** Controlled class sizes

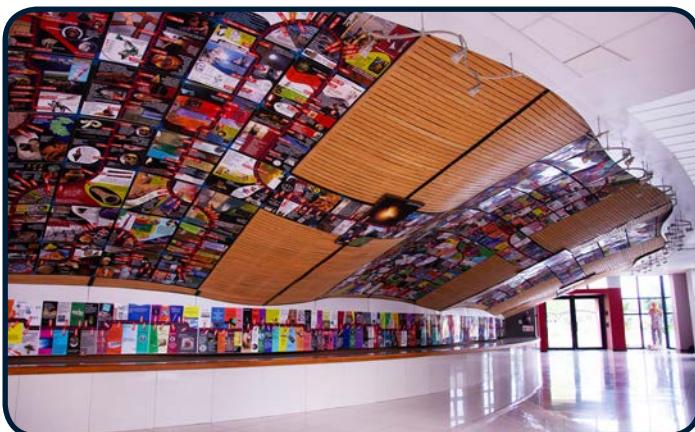
**School times:** 07:30 – 14:30 (Fridays until 13:00)

**Boarding school**

**Transport:** Empangeni, Mtunzini, St Lucia (more on website)

### Curriculum (Grade 8 and Grade 9)

- English Home Language
- Afrikaans or isiZulu First Additional Language
- Life Orientation
- Mathematics
- Natural Sciences
- Social Sciences
- Technology
- Economic and Management Sciences (including Accounting)
- Creative Arts
- Learning Across the Curriculum



### Cultural activities

Music, choir, Grantleigh Gospel Group, art, college band, marimba band, drama, debating and public speaking

### Sports activities

Swimming, cricket, tennis, hockey, netball, rugby, athletics, soccer, equestrian and canoe club

### Clubs and societies

Interact club, SCA, The Aiglon Society, academic and cultural extension (ACE) excursions and the President's Award

## Curriculum (Grade 10 to Grade 12)

### Subject choice must include:

- English Home Language
- Afrikaans or isiZulu First Additional Language
- Mathematics or Mathematical Literacy
- Life Orientation

### Three additional subjects which could include:

- Physical Sciences
- Life Sciences
- Business Studies
- Accounting
- Visual Arts
- Dramatic Arts
- Geography
- Design
- Consumer Studies
- Information Technology (IT)
- Engineering Graphics and Design (EGD)
- Computer Applications Technology (CAT)
- Advanced Programme Mathematics (eighth subject choice)



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