



ROSEHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Thought of the Day

"Advice is like snow, the softer it falls,
the longer it dwells upon,
and the deeper it sinks into the mind"

~Samuel Taylor

Principals Message

This is a timeless question: *Where do a school's responsibilities begin, and where do they end?*

This is especially relevant when considering where to draw the line between what constitutes parents' responsibilities and what constitutes the responsibility of a school.

A Portuguese school recently decided to clarify the matter by putting up a poster in the school hall. The message is now spreading like wildfire. The school's sign was later shared on Facebook, and it has spread around the world. I have decided to SHARE with you the simple but effective message which highlights FIVE KEY POINTS which the school is determined should be managed by the parents. It reads as follows:

Dear parent

- We would like to remind you that magic words such as hello, please, you're welcome, I'm sorry, and thank you, all begin to be learned at home
- It's also at home that children learn to be honest, to be on time, diligent, show friends their sympathy, as well as show utmost respect for their elders and all teachers.
- Home is where they learn to be clean, not talk with their mouths full, and how/where to properly dispose of garbage.
- Home is also where they learn to be organized, to take good care of their belongings, and that it's not ok to touch others.
- Here at school, on the other hand, we teach language, math, history, geography, physics, sciences, and physical education. We only reinforce the education that children receive at home from their parents.

Reminders & Information

RPS COFFEE AND PIE EVENING - 09 MARCH 2017

Unfortunately we received **NO** response for this event. It is disappointing to note that parents disregarded this opportunity to attend an informative talk on "Challenges Facing Parents"..... A topic that every parent would have benefitted from especially since we are constantly having to deal with discipline issues.

SWIMMING GALA - 02 MARCH 2017

Our swimming Gala went on successfully. Compliments to those parents who attended and who participated and assisted. *The winning house was McKenzie.*

BIG 60's WALK - 20 APRIL 2017

As part of our 60th Anniversary Celebrations, we have organized a FUN WALK for our learners. The entry fee is R60.00 per child.

Parents wanting to assist and be a part of our celebration must speak to the child's teacher. We do require some parental assistance.

The event starts at 8:45am.

Learners will need to wear their PE kits (maroon shorts, white golf shirts, white takkies and a cap or sun hat).

There will be water stations provided for the children by our Riverside Spar. When the learners get back to school, there will be a 60th Birthday Party and the children will have a Picnic on the Playground. Each child must bring a packed picnic lunch in a school cooler bag.

SPORT

Netball and soccer practice will begin on Monday 27/03/2017 and will continue until Monday 22/05/2017. The duration of the practice will be ONE hour, from 2:00pm to 3:00pm.

Please encourage your child to participate, as we have matches and tournaments scheduled for Term 2 and we would like to win a few of these matches.

Please note there will be a Netball and Soccer practice on Tuesday 18/04/2017 (The first day back at school.)

PRIVATE PIANO LESSONS

Mrs Denise Oatham has commenced with private piano lessons. Piano lessons can be very beneficial for Learners with ADD/ADHD or other learning difficulties. You may contact Mrs Oatham for further details on (031) 5633990.

DISMISSAL TIMES:

Grade R - 2	Mon to Thurs	12:45
Grade R - 2	Friday	13: 15
Grade 3 - 7	Mon to Thurs	14:00
Grade 3	Friday	13:15
Grade 4-7	Friday	13:45

We have noticed that learners are still not being fetched on time. At 14H45 the school gates will be closed and all learners that have not been fetched will be taken to Mrs Dawson's Aftercare, at 202 Buttery Road. She may be contacted on (031) 5639678. Please note that the parent will be liable for aftercare fees. NOTE: The teachers and the school cannot be responsible for children who have not been collected on time.

AFTER CARE:

Kindly ensure that all After Care arrangements are finalized for the new Term. You may contact Mrs Dawson for further details regarding aftercare. Mrs Dawson provides a safe environment for the children at a ridiculously reasonable fee. I would rather pay a few rands extra and take comfort in knowing that my child is SAFE.

It is the responsibility of parents who use her service to pay her and to collect your child on time.

Remember to say "thank you" and to apologise when you are late.

CONTACT DETAILS

Parents/Guardians are urged to please update all their contact details regularly. We have recently had an unpleasant incident where a Learner was not collected from the aftercare until after 10pm. It is therefore very important that we have more than one contact number in order that we may contact someone in case of an emergency. We also appeal to parents/guardians to be wary of where your child is and what time your child should arrive home after school. Also be cautious of the Taxis you employ to transport your child in.

ART SUPPLIES

The Teachers are collection the following items: [Please send them in with your child]

- Toilet roll cylinders
- Coffee jars (tin or glass) with lids
- Buttons
- Straws
- Odd bits of fabric
- Old magazines

FUNKY SOCK FRIDAY - 24 March 2017

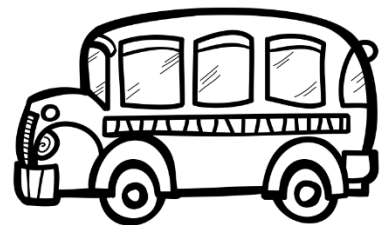
We are raising funds in support of Golden Hours. Each child is expected to pay in a minimum of R5 [parents may send in more]. As a reward for supporting this school in need the children will be allowed to wear a pair of "FUN/ FUNKY" socks [any colour or pattern] with their NORMAL school uniform

TERM END - Friday, 31st March

There will be a **SPECIAL AWARDS ASSEMBLY** at 8.30am

Reports will be issued to the children.

Learners will be dismissed at 10.30am. Please ensure the proper transport arrangements have been made.



WEBSITE:

The schools website address is www.rosehillprimary.co.za. The schools information/photos/ functions can be viewed on the website.

SCHOOL COMMUNICATOR - D6

A REMINDER to download the link from www.schoolcommunicator.com. All Weekly Homework Schedules and general notices are loaded onto this program for parents to view. It may also be loaded onto your smart phone.



