



Manor Gardens Primary School

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"It is never too late to be what you might have been." – George Elliot

DATES TO DIARISE

3 – 12 June	Mahala Kids Market Collection for the Robin Hood Foundation
11 – 12 June	Books To U Sale
12 June	Grade R Assembly
12 June	Cross Country from 08h30 until 10h30. Parents are invited to attend to cheer the children on.
13 June	Final collection for Mahala Market
13 June	Movie Night for Grades R - 3
14 June	Inter-house Lit Quiz
14 June	Second Term Break Up Day
16 June	Youth Day
17 June	Public Holiday: Youth Day
9 July	Third Term Starts
10 – 12 July	Grade 7 excursion to Anerley
24 July	Grade 4 cake sale
30 July	Senior Phase Sports Day
7 – 8 August	Speech and Drama Festival
14 August	Sports Photos
21 August	Junior Primary Sports Day

APPRECIATION: FAMILY SOCIAL CAMP OUT

MGPS thanks all of the children, parents and staff who supported our Family Social Camp Out. A big thank you too to all the supportive parents, children and staff who helped with the setting up, selling of tickets, serving inside and outside the tuck shop. A special mention of gratitude to the fundraising committee and all their helpers, for the hard work they put into this social.

HORIZON MATHEMATICS COMPETITION 2019 – Mrs Sibson

The Awards Ceremony of the Horizon Mathematics Competition, was held on Saturday afternoon, 8 June, at Star College. A total of 7 905 pupils from 64 schools in KwaZulu-Natal entered Round 1. 1 285 pupils from 33 schools qualified to write Round 2. Congratulations to those pupils who achieved a place in the top 200 (237).

Well done to William Ronnie in Grade 7S, who achieved 2nd place and Jack White, also in Grade 7S, who achieved 9th place.

NAME	POSITION	GRADE
POSITION: 237 - 100		
Sebastian Berger	233	7S
Saanvi Nathoo	231	6S
Edie Stretton	224	7H
Anna Correa	222	6S
Cameron Groenewald	213	6D
Rahul Tilakdharee	172	6H
Akhil Naidoo	143	7S
Bandile Mthembu	136	6S
James Foxon	131	5J
Kelan Hemraj	119	5P
Angelique Chinniah	104	6S
Johara Naidoo	101	6H
POSITION: 96 - 2		
Amy Welsh	96	7S
Nikita Habimana	90	7S
Keshan Pillay	77	7H
Abahle Dladla	60	7H
Adhil Hoosen	52	6S
Mathemba Zondo	39	7S
Michaela Naude	36	7S
Jaydon Dunkley	34	7H
Zaem Ameer	33	6S
Yaasir Sultan	31	7H
Aryan Ramouthar	23	7H
Emihle Zikhali	13	7H
Jack White	9	7S
William Ronnie	2	7S

ENVIRO MATTERS – Ms Hortop

In 2018, MGPS was awarded the Gold Decade Award for our 14th year running as an Eco School and implementing and completing the themes and projects related to Eco Schools.

MAHALA KIDS MARKET: ROBIN HOOD FOUNDATION

Manor Gardens Primary School will be supporting the Robin Hood Foundation's Mahala Kids Market scheduled for Mandela Day in July. We will be collecting good condition pre-loved clothing and shoes (all ages and sizes) and toys. The clothes and toys will be donated to those less fortunate. Please clear your cupboards and bring all pre-loved items to school only from **3 June until 12 June**. Please ensure that the clothes are separated into girls and boys bags or boxes, as it makes it easier for the Robin Hood Foundation to sort through.

BOOKS 2 U BOOK FAIR – Mrs Sobey

The Books 2 U Book Fair will be in the Media Centre on Tuesday 11 June from 10h00 until 15h00 and Wednesday 12 June from 07h00 until 13h00. Please feel free to visit with or without your children, to find many exciting books to share. The average price of the books is R70.00. Money may be sent to school with your children as they will get time during the school day to visit this Pop-up Book Shop.

PARENTS CAR PARK SAFETY

Please ensure that when you drop your children off at school, or collect them after school, that you walk on the pathway to the stairs. Some children and parents are wandering amongst the cars and across the car park, which makes it dangerous for everyone. A reminder, if crossing Dale Road that children must cross at the designated crossing.

MOVIE NIGHT: 'CAT IN THE HAT' FOR GRADES R – 3 ON THURSDAY 13 JUNE FROM 17H30 TO 19H30

The Foundation Phase will be hosting an exciting movie night on Thursday 13 June for the Grade R – 3 children (parents' night off!). We invite children to bring their pillows and blankets and join us for a lovely relaxing evening. Only Grade R – 3 children who are MGPS pupils, may attend. Children are to be collected no later than **19h45** after the movie.

SPEECH AND DRAMA FESTIVAL FOR GRADES R TO 7 – Mrs Oosthuizen

The Speech and Drama Festival will take place on Wednesday 7 and Thursday 8 August. Individual entry fees are R35.00. If a pupil enters three individual categories, a fourth category may be entered free of charge. Please mark the titles of the categories clearly, with the child's name and grade as well as language preference, on the envelope containing the correct fees. Copies of the prescribed poems will be sent home as soon as the entries are received. Please see attached. **All entries must be sent in by Friday 14 June.**

END OF SECOND TERM REPORTS

All Grade R to Grade 7 children will receive their second term progress reports for delivery to their parents on Friday 14 June 2019.

SIX MONTHS SCHOOL FEES DUE BY 30 JUNE 2019

The School Governing Body thanks all those parents who have paid their school fees in full and those whose school fee payments are up to date. We are most appreciative of your financial support and commitment which ensures the provision of the excellent quality of education and high standard of facilities at MGPS.

Please be advised that 6 months school fees should have been paid by the end of June 2019. Parents whose school fees are in arrears are urged to settle their accounts to prevent being handed over to the school's debt collection agency.

SPORTS NEWS – Mr Bester and Mr Ramchander

CROSS COUNTRY

Please note that the Inter-House Cross Country is on WEDNESDAY 12 June and will start at approximately 08h30 and end at 10h30. Parents are welcome to come and support the runners.

BREAK UP DAY / CIVVIES: FRIDAY 14 JUNE 2019

Please note the following:

- School will close for the Second Term on Friday 14 June.
- Children will be allowed to wear civvies at no cost.
- The Foundation Phase children (Grade R – 3) will leave at 09h45.
- The Intermediate and Senior Phase children (Grades 4 – 7) will leave at 10h00.
- Aftercare will be open on break-up day until **12h30**. Please make sure that your children are collected timeously.
- **School will resume for the Third Term on Tuesday 9 July 2019.**

We wish all members of our school community a happy and relaxing holiday.

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