



24 June / Junie 2021

Dear Parents

Amid the last week of the test series and with the Foundation Phase assessments also in full swing we are having to juggle the availability of staff to be able to continue. With 10 staff members short we are at the limit of our human resource chain. We cannot complain as the dedication and support of staff has definitely kept us open and we are not only complying but we are on track with the academic year.

Irrespective of beliefs out there we know, without a doubt, that we are covering all aspects as well as can be expected and that our learners are still way better off than most. It is not easy amidst a pandemic but what we are achieving is commendable.

We take note of parents worrying about the last week or two of the term and the fact that the infection rate is increasing. Our instruction is to stay open and manage however we can. Unfortunately, we do not get substitutes if staff are absent and while we will push as far as we can to keep all grades at school it might prove more and more difficult.

To answer the many questions on the topic of "after the test series" I can only say that we will keep on working irrespective of whether your child is at home or at school. May it be work in class or work placed on the Portal, we will continue. We cannot grant any permission to keep your child at home, cannot suggest it nor can we agree to it. As always it is your responsibility and decision, the staff will be at school and they will serve you at school or via the Portal/emails. Should the authorities decide to close schools we will continue with work on the Portal/emails. We, in any case, support those in isolation by making work available to them.

The full return is on the table and we will have a single table for each learner ready from day one. We will be at full capacity with 44 classrooms and 44 teachers ready to serve all classes as well as supporting learners in need. All learners will be re-allocated to a classroom and teacher. We will not go into any discussion and learners will be placed in classes as needed as it is the only way to return in full. Teachers have been appointed, allocated classes and are currently planning for the new way forward.

It is self explanatory that should any teacher be absent next term we will have to send the class home as we will not have staff available to stand in. We might be able to cope one day at a time but with limited human resources available, a full return to school is consuming all manpower. This will be the challenge facing parents as currently we can manage to keep classes at school way longer and with more staff absent.

As a full return is not a certainty the SGB has requested that a survey be carried out. We will prepare an information newsletter with stats and an electronic survey will then be forwarded to you. I believe we have done our part and as in a previous newsletter we are biting the bullet and we can only but try and make this instruction work.

Sunshine greetings
M DE VRIES
Principal



Geagte Ouers

Te midde van die laaste week van die toetsreeks en met die grondslagfase volspoed op dreef met assessering, verg dit fyn voetwerk om genoeg personeel beskikbaar te hê sodat ons kan voortgaan. Met 'n tekort aan 10 personeellede, word ons werkkapasiteit tot die uiterste beproef. Ons het egter geen rede tot klagte nie, want te danke aan die toewyding van ons personeel, kon ons oopbly. Nie net voldoen ons aan die vereistes nie, maar ons akademiese jaar is volstoom op dreef.

Ongeag die menings van ander mense, weet ons steeds sonder twyfel dat ons alle aspekte so goed moontlik dek en dat ons leerlinge beter daaraan toe is as die meeste ander. Dit is 'n reusetaak te midde van die pandemie wat wêreldwyd verwoesting saai, maar ons kan onself op die skouer klop.

Ons neem kennis van ouers wat bekommert is oor die laaste week of twee van die kwartaal in die lig van die immer toenemende infeksiekoers. Ons opdrag is om oop te bly en ons bes te doen. Ongelukkig is daar geen plaasvervangers vir personeel wat afwesig is nie en hoewel ons alles in ons vermoë sal doen om alle grade te akkommodeer, mag ons dalk die wind van voor kry.

In antwoord op die tallose vrae oor die pad vorentoe "ná die toetsreeks" kan ek net sê dat ons op ons pos sal wees, ongeag of u kind tuis of by die skool is. Of ons in die klas werk of werk op die Portaal plaas, ons sal volhard. Ons kan nie toestemming verleen vir u kind om tuis te bly nie, ons kan dit nie voorstel nie en ons kan ook nie daartoe instem nie. Soos gewoonlik is dit u verantwoordelikheid en u besluit, aangesien die personeel by die skool sal wees om u d.m.v. die Portaal/e-pos te bedien. Indien die owerhede besluit om die skole te sluit, sal ons steeds werk via die Portaal/e-pos stuur. Ons ondersteun in elk geval tans diegene wat isoleer en ons stel werk aan hulle beskikbaar.

Die volle terugkeer is op hande en ons sal vanaf dag een 'n enkellessenaar vir elke kind beskikbaar hê. Ons benut ons volle kapasiteit met 44 klaskamers en 44 onderwysers op gereedheidsgrondslag om alle klasse te bedien en ook leerlinge wat hulp nodig het, te ondersteun. Alle leerlinge sal herverdeel word, met ander klaskamers en ander onderwysers. Ons sal geen gesprek voer nie en leerlinge sal soos nodig in klasse geplaas word, want dit is die enigste pad vorentoe. Onderwysers is aangestel en ontplooï en hulle is druk besig met beplanning vir die toekoms.

Dit is vanselfsprekend dat, indien enige onderwyser volgende kwartaal afwesig is, die klas huis toe gestuur sal moet word, want ons sal nie beskikbare personeel hê om waar te neem nie. Ons mag dalk dag vir dag die pyp rook, maar met beperkte menslike hulpbronne tot ons beskikking, neem 'n volle terugkeer al die mannekrag in beslag. Ouers sal hierdie uitdaging in die gesig moet staar, want tans kan ons klasse baie langer by die skool hou met baie meer personeellede wat afwesig is.

Aangesien 'n volle terugkeer nie 'n gegewe is nie, het die SBL versoek dat 'n opname gedoen word. Ons sal 'n infligtingsnuusbrief met statistieke en 'n elektroniese opname voorberei, wat dan uitgestuur sal word. Ek weet ons het ons kant gebring en soos voorheen genoem, pak ons die bul by die horings en takel hierdie opdrag met groot geesdrif.

Sonskyngroete
M DE VRIES
Skoolhoof

LEARNER ACHIEVEMENTS / LEERDERPRESTASIES

If not a school event, official results must be emailed to wendy@sunridge.co.za within one week of the event.
Indien nie 'n skoolaktiwiteit nie, moet uitslae binne een week na wendy@sunridge.co.za gestuur word.

GYMNASTICS: Emily Arthur and Zia Nieuwoudt have been awarded Nelson Mandela Bay District Colours.

YOUTH DAY: Kyle Pienaar won the poetry section in the Herald Youth Day competition.

RADIKALE REDENAARSFEES: Congratulations to the following learners Jocelyn Venables (Gr 2) and Annabelle Venables (Gr 4)



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GEWYSIG AMENDED

Sunridge Primêre Skool Kwartaal 2 2021 Eksamen							
DATUM	GRAAD	SESSIE	VAK	GRAAD	SESSIE	VAK	
Vrydag 18 Junie	Gr 4	Sessie 1	Lewensvaardighede	Gr 7	Sessie 1	EBW	
					Sessie 2	Tegnologie	
Maandag 21 Junie	Gr 5	Session 1	Life Skills	Gr 6	Session 1	Life Skills	
Dinsdag, 22 Junie	Gr 4	Session 1	Geography	Gr 7	Session 1	Geography	
Woensdag 23 Junie	Gr 5	Session 1	Geography	Gr 6	Session 1	Geography	
Donderdag, 24 Junie	Gr 4	Session 1	Afrikaans	Gr 7	Session 1	Afrikaans	
					Session 2	Life Orientation	
Vrydag, 25 Junie	Gr 5	Session 1	Afrikaans	Gr 6	Session 1	Afrikaans	
Maandag 28 Junie	Gr 4	Session 1 Session 2	History Visual and Summary (Eng)	Gr 7	Session 1 Session 2	History Visual and Summary (Eng)	

Sunridge Primary School Term 2 2021 Examination							
DATE	GRADE	SESSION	SUBJECT	GRADE	SESSION	SUBJECT	
Friday, 18 June	Gr 4	Session 1	Life Skills	Gr 7	Session 1	EMS	
					Session 2	Technology	
Monday, 21 June	Gr 5	Session 1	Life Skills	Gr 6	Session 1	Life Skills	
Tuesday, 22 June	Gr 4	Session 1	Geography	Gr 7	Session 1	Geography	
Wednesday 23 June	Gr 5	Session 1	Geography	Gr 6	Session 1	Geography	
Thursday, 24 June	Gr 4	Session 1	Afrikaans	Gr 7	Session 1	Afrikaans	
					Session 2	Life Orientation	
Friday, 25 June	Gr 5	Session 1	Afrikaans	Gr 6	Session 1	Afrikaans	
Monday, 28 June	Gr 4	Session 1	History	Gr 7	Session 1	History	
		Session 2	Visual and Summary (Eng)		Session 2	Visual and Summary (Eng)	

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