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GRADE 0 NEWS

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Dear Parents

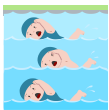
Here we are at the end of Grade 0 2011. It seems like just the other day that we had a blank calendar on the wall with the year stretching out ahead of us. We have certainly filled those days to capacity with fun and learning and your children are now ready to begin their formal schooling. We would like to thank you for your support and input this year which have gone a long way to making this a very happy and productive year. This will be the last Grade 0 newsletter for the year.

GRADUATION



This very important function takes place on Wednesday 30 November at 18h00 for 18h30 in the auditorium. Please drop your child off at his/her classroom **by 18h00 and collect your programme from the locker**. All girls with long hair must have it neatly tied up in the nape of the neck or in low pigtails to facilitate the wearing of a mortar board. All children are to wear their cleanest summer uniform with sandals or shoes - **NO CROCS**. **Please note that girls wear short white socks in summer**. Weather permitting, we will picnic in our garden after the ceremony. Please bring your own picnic hamper and blanket.

SWIMMING GALA



We would like to thank all the parents who came to support this 'fun event'. We were proud to see every child participate - even those who find swimming a challenge. In Grade 0, the main objective of the Gala is to encourage participation in a fun and non-threatening way. The children all had a wonderful morning.

REPORTS

Reports will be handed out on Thursday 1 December.



CHRISTMAS PARTY

The children were very excited to see Father Christmas arrive on Monday morning - although they did wonder what he had done with his reindeer and sleigh! The children all received a small gift and we then had a wonderful end-of-year party.



CHRISTMAS MARKET TUESDAY 29 NOVEMBER

The children have been very busy preparing items for the market this week. The things they will make will be ideal as small gifts for grandparents, aunts and uncles. Please come along from 9h30 - 11h00 and support them.

CLEARING OUT OF CLASSROOMS ON WEDNESDAY 30 NOVEMBER



We feel that it important that the children are involved in this project. We will be doing this on Wednesday 30 November. Please send a **large shopping bag** to school with your child on Wednesday so that he/she can take home all his/her books and left-over bits of stationery. If you would like to donate old stationery to Outreach, please place it in the box in the entrance hall.

CLOSING TIME ON 1 DECEMBER 2012

Please note that the entire Preparatory School (Grades 0-7) will close at 10h00 on our breakup day on Thursday 1 December. *The Grade 0s will be participating in the Grade 7s' Valedictory Service and they must be at school on Thursday. Please make sure that they are neatly dressed and are wearing shoes.*

CONGRATULATIONS

TJ Chikowore in the Lion Class has a new baby brother - Joshua. We wish Flo, Courtney and TJ lots of happiness on their new addition.



OUTREACH

Thank you for your ongoing contributions and support this year. We will be sending off a special Christmas hamper at the end of the week and will continue to **collect special Christmas treats, such as chocolates and biscuits this week.**



From Megan Macpherson - PA Outreach Representative

We are collecting school shoes for the children on our feeding scheme at Reshomile and Itirele Zenzele. It would be appreciated if you would donate your children's old school shoes for this purpose. All the children are orphans and quite often don't have proper school shoes. Any school shoes and trainers would be welcome. They can be left at the Main Reception or handed to me directly. We are more than happy to collect your old shoes in January 2012.

BIRTHDAYS



We would like to wish the following children a Happy Birthday for this week and the December holidays: Erin-Jade Padayachee; Reegan Kennedy; Ronan-Grayson King; Zack Bronkhorst; Makanakaishe Murombedzi; Adam Pienaar; Santino da Silva; Marcus Rutsito; Ashlee Taylor; Anastasia Tatsakis and Dimitri Tatsakis.



Thanks

It is time to wish the Grade 0 2011 group a very happy Christmas and a well-deserved break. I would like to thank the Grade 0 team of Lisa, Cathy, Kerry, Kathryn, Lebo, Melta, Sifiso, Leonore and Amanda for their dedication and hard work this year. It is my privilege to work with such an outstanding team. I would also like to thank the class mothers and team of parents who have given up hours of their time assisting the teachers and playing games with the children in the mornings. Your support is truly appreciated.

To those of you who are off on holiday we wish you a safe trip. We would like to wish everyone a happy and peaceful holiday season and we look forward to seeing all our Grade 0s dressed up in their new uniforms next year.

Dates to Diarise:

DATE	TIME	EVENT	VENUE
29 November	9h30-11h00	Grade 0 Christmas Market	Grade 0
30 November	18h00	Grade 0 Graduation	Auditorium
1 December	10h00	School closes for December holidays.	

Kind regards

LINDA BRESGI

HOD Grade 0

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FREE... to good home

We moved to Dainfern in Jan 2010 and this gorgeous cat decided to adopt us in the April!

We are now moving back to the UK in January and unfortunately can't take him back with us, so we are **trying to find him a new home.**

He is 11/12 years old and is very friendly and affectionate – he loves nothing more than a good tummy rub! He is microchipped with lifetime membership and is fully vaccinated.

If you are interested please contact

Adair on 071 861 9601



HOLIDAY COURSES SUMMER 2011

Who are Brazilian Soccer Schools?

Brazilian Soccer Schools is the brainchild of former primary school teacher Simon Clifford, who journeyed to Brazil some 14 years ago to uncover the secrets behind that country's unrivalled footballing prowess.

Brazilian Soccer Schools (BSS) exist to give players aged 5-16 years the best start in football, with all year round training.

Quite simply our aim is to change the way that football is both coached and played. We desire that the game becomes more skilful, entertaining and enjoyable to both play and watch. To do this we have to change the way the game is coached to children.

BSS exist in over 30 countries worldwide and our results are unequalled. Our programme is considered the best and most complete of any sport code world wide.

What is Futebol de Salão?

Futebol de Salão was played by all the great Brazilian players from Pele to Ronaldo, Juninho, Kaka and many more world cup winners. It is a condensed version of the eleven-a-side game played with a smaller (size 2) and weighted (10% rebound) ball that has virtually no bounce.

The game develops many facets missing from the South African game - dribbling, passing, touch and close control.

"The game compels players to think quick and play quick so when you come to play normal football it is so much easier." Juninho Paulista, World Cup Winner

Why Holiday Courses?

To improve as a footballer, a player needs to spend time working with the ball, practicing and developing their skills. The school holidays are the perfect opportunity for BSS members to spend a week intensely focusing on their development but also for new players to experience our unique coaching methods in a fun and inclusive environment.



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Course Dates 2011

Junxion: Mon 26th - Thurs 29th Sept.	9:00 - 12:00 <input type="checkbox"/>
Junxion: Mon 3rd - Thurs 6th Oct.	9:00 - 12:00 <input type="checkbox"/>
Junxion/Ruotio: Mon 5th - Thurs 8th Dec.	9:00 - 12:00 <input type="checkbox"/>
Junxion/Ruotio: Mon 12th - Thurs 15th Dec.	9:00 - 12:00 <input type="checkbox"/>

Locations:

Junxion Centre: Cnr. William Nicol & Osprey Drive, Dainfern
Ruotio Timber Centre: Witkoppen Road, Opposite Kingfisher Drive, Fourways

Players will receive a Brazilian Soccer Schools T-shirt and light refreshments. Please can players bring football boots, shin pads, sunblock and a packed lunch if required.

The course is priced at R550.00 for all four days. Brazilian Soccer Schools members will receive a 10% discount.

Please call 083 269 7009 or 084 402 2022 or email n.aresti@braziliansoccerschools.com to book your place.





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Theatre Camp!

Is an exciting skills development and Performing Arts experience that engages kids in a creative process, by mustering them into their unique aptitudes and challenging participant to create, produce and perform a stage production with little guidance from Kids Cafe Arts practitioners.

Theatre Camp *engages* students in a *creative process* which connects an art form with a subject and challenge learners to *construct and demonstrate understanding* of the subject through performing arts or creative drama. Professional Arts practitioners take kids through modules of *drama, theatre craft, music, and dance and stage production*. Kids are taught improvisation techniques, voice projection, characterisation, movement and dialogue development, all of which culminates in a production to be enjoyed by parents on the final evening!

Date: 5 – 8 December 2011

: 12 - 15 December 2011

TIME: 9am – 3pm (daily)

(10% discount for two or more kids)

A HEALTHY lunch is part of the package and kids are looked after by trained & experienced arts practitioners.

For further information please contact us on the details below

**The Dance Café, Cnr Naivasha & Leeuwkop rd, Sunninghill, 011 234
0448, terri@dancecafe.co.za, www.dancecafe.co.za**

TWO GORGEOUS CATS LOOKING FOR A LOVING HOME



ROCKY

A beautiful black, 10 year old neutered Male. A real house cat, fully house trained, loves laps and chicken ☺ Fully vaccinated

We will be relocating overseas early January 2012, and sadly cannot take our beloved cats with us.



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