



HERSCHEL PREPARATORY SCHOOL

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LIBRARY

PRE-PREPARED

FOUNDATION

INTERMEDIATE & SENIOR

Message from our Head

Dear Parents

Today we are celebrating Herschel's 98th birthday. The Grade 4s were excited to find out that we shared our birthday with Valentine's Day this year, therefore the focus of our Founders day Assembly was Love. At Herschel we are taught to celebrate our differences. We have a community that is made up of many different cultures and beliefs, but the common thread that binds us altogether is love. The Grads 4s shared what they love about themselves, their family, their school and their community.

We ended off our assembly by cutting the Herschel birthday cake and each girl received their own birthday cup cake. Love was definitely in the air at Herschel today.



Mon 17 Feb	Closing date for 2021 Music Scholarship applications
Tue 18 Feb	09:30 FP Fun Gala @ Prep Pool
Wed 19 Feb	09:30 – 12:30 Gr 4 – 7 Interhouse Gala at SS Pool
Thu 20 Feb	Can Collection Day 16:30 – 19:00 Family Picnic
Fri 21 Feb	14:20 Gala @ Herschel SS



Pre-Prep

Getting MESSY with the Nursery girls this week was great fun. With a squish and a squelch and a stamp and a stomp, the girls experienced various textures and mixing colours in shaving foam and maizena. After pouring water on peet and squishing it in our hands, we decided to stamp and stomp in the mixture to feel it with our feet, but guess who had the most FUN?

A huge THANK YOU to our parents and girls for donating a 'well loved' book. The response was so good that we will share the books between Claremont Primary, Victoria paediatric unit, Athlone Pre-Primary and Ntwasahlolo School in Khayelitsha.



Foundation Phase



Stars of the Week!



Congratulations to our Foundation
Phase Stars of the Week!



Intermediate & Senior Phase

With water as a theme, the Grade 6 girls have been inquiring into the role the Wetlands play in keeping our water sustainable. The girls watched a Wetlands rap and then in groups discussed and made up their own questions. Each girl chose a question that she then researched, put on a group poster and each group then presented their findings. The group in the photo chose to make a rap about the wetlands and presented it to the school in assembly.

Grade 7

Our Grade 7s were visited by the WPPS boys on Monday. We participated in a problem-solving and lateral-thinking quiz, answering questions collaboratively in small groups. After taxing our brains and surviving the awkward moments at the beginning we enjoyed socialising over delicious muffins and water.



Outreach

Ice Cream Sales: Grade 1 - 7

Ice creams will be sold at first break every Wednesday and Friday outside the Studio. All proceeds go towards the Herschel Outreach Fund. Thank you for your support!



Easter Egg Collection Pre-Prep – 3

We are collecting EASTER EGGS! All contributions of Easter eggs (only marshmallow eggs – boxes or strips) may be sent to Mrs Billett's classroom. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



Soap and Toothpaste Collection Grade 4 – 7

We would like to appeal to all of our Grade 4 to 7s to please contribute bars of soap, toothpaste or wet wipes. These will be allocated to various organisations that deal with the homeless and destitute.



Eco Club

Hippo and Whale Day

Yesterday we celebrated World Whale Day (14 February) and International Hippo Day (15 February) by wearing home-made badges of either a hippo or a whale. Some girls brought a soft toy to school to carry around during the day to remind them of the plight of all wild animals.

The Grade 7 Eco Girls presented a brief talk about wales and hippos in the library. Inge Kapele and Maryam Brey spoke of an exciting project they envisage. Whales and dolphins are often caught in fishing nets by accident. They are investigating the feasibility of having water proof speakers that play the sound of their natural enemies. Research will be done to see if this measure could help scare away these beautiful sea creatures from the nets not even intended for them. The audience had the opportunity to answer questions about whales, and were delighted by the spot prizes that were awarded. Congratulations to our three winners!

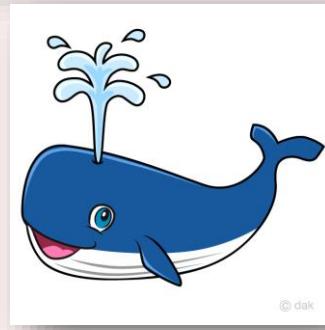
Eco Hike

The hike will take place on Saturday, 29 February. We will meet at the Newlands Forest Car Park (near the fire station) at 07:20 to start promptly at 07:30. The walk will follow a loop in the Newlands forest. It will take about 1.5 to 2 hours. It involves a bit of uphill to start, but isn't too difficult. The loop follows some magical hidden and covered paths, deep in the forest and is very shady. Sign up details to follow.

Can Collection

Inter-House and Inter-Class Can Collection Competition

Please collect all tins and cans and bring to school on the morning of 20 February. Each child who brings cans will be awarded House Points. The more cans a girl brings, the more house points are allocated. The class with the highest average of girls bringing 10 cans or more is awarded a prize. Most importantly of all, the cans do not go into the municipal land fill sites but are recycled. The proceeds from the metal are donated to Primrose Primary School.



Parents' Association Family Picnic



HERSCHEL PREP
PARENTS' ASSOCIATION



Menu items

- Importers coffee (prices ranging from R25)
- Grade 5 pancake stand (prices ranging from R10)
- Grade 3 stand (doughnuts, glow sticks, water & ice creams.. etc)
- Spur stand (beef & chicken burgers @ R50)
- Eastern food (butter chicken @ R75, steak roti @ R70 & Chicken salad @ R60)

*** Lots more fun activities!!!

Proud thanks to Grade 6 learners for their brilliant designs and creativity.

Recycling at the Family Picnic

Tins, cans, plastic bottles and glass can be put into the clearly marked recycling bins that will be put out on the evening. All other waste that is not recyclable - such as leftover food, plastic bags, wrappers and soiled paper and card (such as pizza boxes) need to be put into the general waste bins.



We look forward to our Foundation Phase Fun Gala and the Intermediate Gala on Tuesday and Wednesday next week. Parents are reminded about the Family Picnic on Thursday. It is a wonderful occasion for all families to get together and have some fun with staff.

“Happiness is in your ability to love others.”
Leo Tolstoy

Wishing you and your family a love filled weekend.

Warm regards

Mrs B. Heidmann

Head of Preparatory

