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### Message from our Head

Dear Parents

We would like to wish all of our Muslim families a very blessed Eid Ul-Fitr Mubarak and hope that the time spent with loved ones has been memorable.

This term we are using Family group connection time to collaborate with our Sustainability team. The girls are designing and making outfits and accessories for a 'Trashion Show' which will be held at the end of the term.

The Trashion Show involves using waste materials to create designer outfits. As we know, around 50% of our domestic waste ends up in landfills. Running the Trashion Show will help the girls look more critically at items that they would normally discard to see what can be collected and used.

This activity is proving to be a great way to enable our Family Groups to get to know each other better and connect. The hope is too, that the girls become more aware and critical of the waste generated both at home and at school, while at the same time stretching the girls' creative talents to make and model new, exciting clothing and accessories out of unwanted, recyclable items.

### Thank You Grade 7 2020

We were delighted to receive our new lectern for the Hall, last week.

This beautiful lectern was donated to the Prep by our Grade 7 class of 2020 as their final farewell gift.

We would like to thank the Grade 7 class of 2020 for this beautiful gift.

We would also like to take this opportunity of thanking and commanding our very own Maintenance team, who were responsible for making this lectern. Your time and effort is very much appreciated.



**2021**

Sat 15 May	Eco Hike - POSTPONED
Mon 17 May	Scoliosis Screening
Tue 18 May	Scoliosis Screening
Wed 19 May	Scoliosis Screening
Thu 20 May	World Bee Day Scoliosis Screening
Fri 21 May	Endangered Species Day Scoliosis Screening
Tue 25 May	Africa Day
Thu 27 May	Interhouse Cross Country



## Pre-Prep

We can listen.....

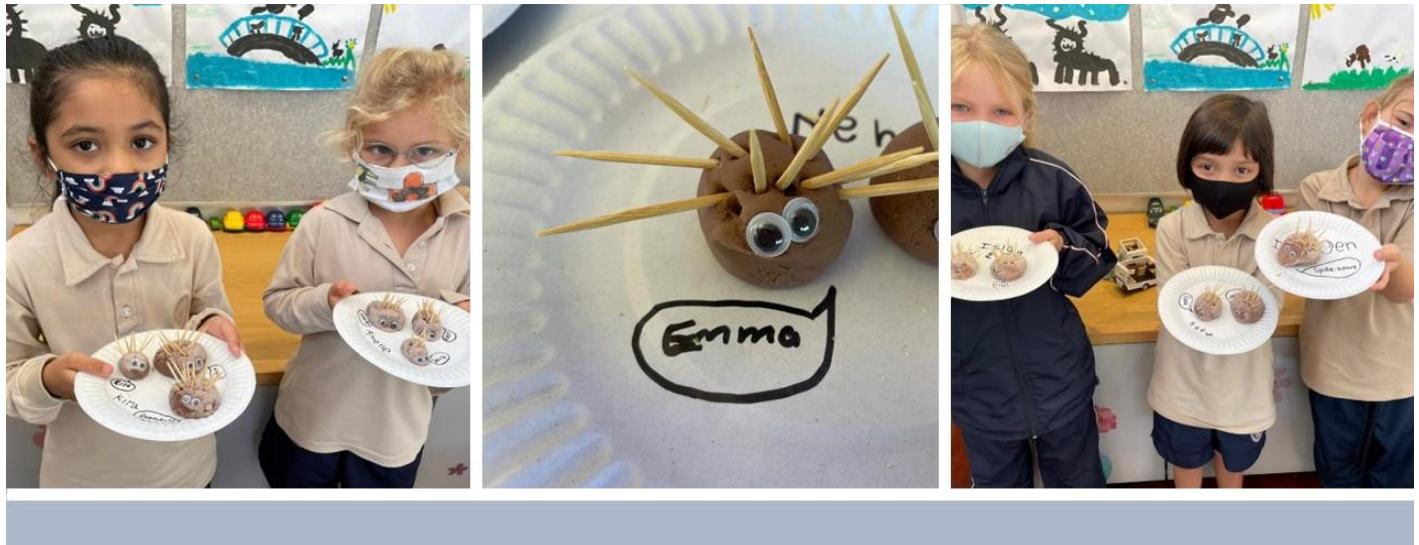
In Pre-Nursery we listened to interesting stories and we followed instructions to paint magical splodge butterflies and garden pictures. We also listened to music and shared interesting information about our creepy crawlies during morning ring.



In Nursery we made fruit kebabs and a special dish as we listened to the Cuisine lady during our cooking lesson. We also had fun wearing our pyjamas to school.



In Grade R, our new sound was 'h' and we did many different activities. We had to listen to all the instructions so that we could make hedgehogs.



We listened to each other and took turns to speak when we were sharing information about the history of our toys. We also listened to our Muslim girls who told us about Eid this week.



*Listen*



## Foundation Phase

### Grade 3 Outing to Intaka Island

On the 5 and 11 May the Grade 3s were super excited to enjoy their first outing in over a year. We visited Intaka Island where we investigated insects, the local bird and plant life. We learnt about medicinal plants and how to identify the different wildlife we observed. We ended with a fun-filled boat ride around the canal. We all had a fabulous time exchanging our four-walled classroom with an open air one for the day.



## Intermediate Phase

### Grade 6 Amazing Race

The Grade 6 classes are busy learning about co-ordinates in Integrated Studies. In groups the girls had were challenged to build the tallest card tower. This taught them about teamwork and how best to plan and complete a task. During IS lessons they have learnt about latitude, longitude and hemispheres and are about to start planning the route for the 2021 Amazing Race. Using the continents, excluding Antarctica, they have to design a route that visits a city on each of the six other continents. Once completed, they will 'race' against each other to see who can find the cities first.



### Grade 7

The Grade 7s have been focusing on Identity and Heritage in Integrated Studies. In groups, the girls were required to choose a 'big question' based on Identity and Heritage and explore and investigate that question in order to present a well-researched conclusion. Some questions chosen by the groups were: Are people a product of nature or nurture? How have equal rights developed in South Africa? How has life changed since 1921 and is this change for the better or worse? and What factors shape our values and beliefs? The girls took on the task with enthusiasm and produced presentations of an exceptional standard.



### Elevate Parent Webinars

**Assessment preparation** webinar: If you were unable to attend this webinar, the recording can be accessed on the link: <https://get.elevatecoaching.info/za/replay>

The next webinar is on **Exam room skills** and will be held on **Wednesday 26 May at 18:00**. Register for the free webinar on the link:

<https://get.elevatecoaching.info/za/register>



## Class House Captains

Congratulations to the following girls who were appointed as Class House Captains for Term 2.

GRADE	HOUSE	A	ALPHA
4	CARTER	Lily Costa	Emma Warner
	JAGGER	Sophia Rose Sickle	Inara Herson
	MERRIMAN	Jessica Currant	Michela Pharo
	ROLT	Iman Levy	Iona Slingsby
5	CARTER	Liah van Zyl	Rebecca Liddell
	JAGGER	Stella Keers	Jessica Collins
	MERRIMAN	Jade O'Brien	Emily Raubenheimer
	ROLT	Amy Thacker	Grace Ludlam
6	CARTER	Camryn Furst	Talia Daniels
	JAGGER	Stella Boshoff	Frances Leinberger
	MERRIMAN	Landa Calana	Carla Plenge-Mantell
	ROLT	Isabella Thompson	Charlotte Swart
7	CARTER	Azra Janoodien	Juwairiya Bassa
	JAGGER	Tara Mae Varney	Alexander Murray
	MERRIMAN	Hana van Heerden	Tess Rycroft
	ROLT	Sarah-Jane Harrison	Alice Bailey

## New Girls Tea

Mrs Martin and Ms Steenkamp had tea with Kundiso Runyowa (Grade 1al), Katie Ward (Grade 5A), Georgia Böttger (Grade 5al) and Samantha Miller (Grade 7al) who have recently joined our Herschel family. Welcome to Herschel girls!



## Sustainability

### Eco Hike – 15 May 2021

Due to the prediction of inclement weather expected on Saturday, we have decided to postpone this hike to later in the year.

### Can Collection Reminder

Can Collection takes place on 10 June. Cans should be washed and squashed for the collection. Please drop all cans off at the tennis courts on the day.

### Recycling Bins

Our brand-new recycling bins have arrived, and we would like to encourage you and your families to send recycling from home with your girls. Please ensure tins and glass have been rinsed and that all recycling **is kept separate and put into the correct bins**. Here is to keeping our school eco-friendly and clean!



### Individual Photographs:

Each family would have received an email directly from 'That's Me Photography' explaining how to order their daughters' individual photographs. Parents are reminded to order their individual photographs as per the instructions noted in the email.

Pupils who were absent on the day photographs were taken will be notified of a new date in due course.



## Staff News

We remember MR ZOLILE DIBELA (Member of the Herschel Senior School Grounds Staff since 2017).

As a Herschel family, we grieve the loss of a family member. We send our sincere and heartfelt condolences to his family and his friends on the staff too.

Siza kukukhumbula wena, mhlobo wethu! Enkosi kakhulu ngazo zonke izinto osenzeleyo! INkosi ingaba nawe ezulwini! Ubuyinstikelelo kuthi sonke apha eHerschel, Zolile. Sicingela usapho lwakho. Phumla kuxolo!

We are going to miss you, our friend! Thank you so much for all the things you have done for us! May God be with you in heaven! You were a blessing to all of us at Herschel Girls School, Zolile. Our hearts are with your family! May you rest in peace now!



We are happy to report that Mrs Heidmann is recovering well from her knee surgery and we continue to wish her well.

May you enjoy a fabulous weekend with your family.

Warm regards

***Mrs L. Martin***

***Deputy Head of Preparatory***

