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HERSCHEL PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Pre-Prep

This week we started with our PALS (phonemic awareness) programme that focused on listening, respect, and kindness. The Grade R girls enjoyed the role play.



Dippy Duck says 'd' in words. The Nursery girls making their own Dippy Ducks.



Pre-Nursery girls enjoying their marble painting and rhyming time.



Foundation Phase

Congratulations to our
Stars of the Week



Grade 1A: Charlotte Dunn, Mia Goliath
Grade 1al: Tarisai Mhere, Jessie Naidoo
Grade 2A: Mackenzie Abernethy, Sophia Nel
Grade 2al: Kate Thomas, Layla Mahabeer
Grade 3A: Amelia McDonald, Hana Abdulla
Grade 3al: Molly van Zyl, Genevieve Lee



Music News – Grade 1 Instrumental Programme

This term our Grade 1s are learning about the ukulele, violin, recorder and percussion in Class Music. Our team of instrumental specialists are teaching smaller groups of girls in rotation. Pupils now have the opportunity to learn basic skills on these instruments, while also having an opportunity to decide which instrument they may want to sign up for as an extra mural in the second half of the year. The workshop style lessons are great fun for all while a variety of skills, such as coordination, are being developed through music, rhythm and movement.





We are very excited to announce our Lead and Support roles for Herschel's 2023 Production.



Poppy - Hania Hendricks
Branch - Annabel Grey
Young Poppy – Indiana Joannou
Young Branch – Emma Buckham
King Gristle Jnr - Jade O'Brien
King Gristle Snr - Ruby Lumb
Bridget - Cara-Grace Henriques
Chef - Amelie Hardres-Williams
Petite Fromage [Chef's Shadow] - Amy Rich
King Peppy - Inara Hersov
Creek - Chloe Heinamann
Biggie - Emelia Slatter
Dj Sukie - Emma Warner
Cooper - Rana Rinquest
Satin & Chanelle - Ella Floquet & Nsovo Baloyi
Guy Diamond - Michela Pharo

Aspen Heitz - Liah van Zyl
Mandy Sparkledust - Sophie van Zyl
Moxie Dewdrop - Calia Ratheb
Smidge - Katinka Lowther
Fuzzbert - Lucy Cotterell
Cloud Guy - Owethu Gqamana
Cookie Sugarloaf - Lily Jacobs
Harper - Jamie-Lee Horn
Baby Troll - Mehreen Noorani
Grandma Rosepuff - Ruby Watson
Chad & Todd [Bergen Guards] - Imbavile Mpetshwe & Satara Govender
Bergen Shopkeeper - Arya Chagan
Bergen Salesperson - Alana Wareham
Bergen News Reporter - Layla Slatter



Community Engagement

Meet our Community Engagement girls for 2023. They started the ball rolling by encouraging each house to bring sandwiches for Kewtown Primary. They took a tally of the sandwiches and awarded house points to each child dropping off a sandwich. Not only are they creating awareness for our girls, but they are also creating a community house spirit. You are doing a great job, girls. Thank You.



Reminders:

- Sandwiches for Kewtown: Every Tuesday
- 21 February: **Picnic of Hope – beneficiary: Ladles of Love.** Their project - Nourish Our Children programme, aims to feed 4000 malnourished children in 40 ECD Centres in impoverished communities. The Karri App will be open from 16 to 28 February for any donations.
- 13 March – 24 March: Pre-Prep – Gr 7 Easter Egg collection & distribution. (Various Charities)
- 31 March: **CIVVIES DAY:** CHOC “Have a Heart for Children with Cancer” – wear your flipflops to school. **(R11)** (via Karri App)



Sustainability

Liesbeek River Mini-S.A.S.S

The girls had a wonderful afternoon examining the very shallow waters of the Liesbeek River. They found crabs, tadpoles, frogs and some small fish which suggests that the section which we studied is healthy. Thank you to Kate Snaddon for leading the afternoon and to Ms Linda Cowie who joined us on the afternoon and put together this delightful video clip.



Eco Outings and Activities to diarise

11 February – 13 Peak Challenge – Devil’s Peak re-take

The next hike is Devil’s Peak on Saturday, 11 February. Starting point is the end of Tafelberg road, a few kilometres past the cable station, at the sign that says Devil’s Peak on the right-hand side. This point is labelled as “Devi’ls Peak hike start” on Google maps. Please get there at 06:45 to start walking at 07:00 sharp. This hike is not technical, but it is hard work- there is a big ascent followed by a big descent with no flat in between. There’s no shade and no water, and it can be very exposed at the top. This will be our second attempt to summit- last time a howling wind forced us to retreat. So please bring sun, rain, wind and cold protection as we can’t predict the weather on the day, and Devil’s Peak never fails to disappoint with stern weather. Also bring water and snacks. Estimated time up and down is 4 hours. Devil’s Peak is very rewarding despite the hard climb- the top feels like a real mountain summit with 360 degree views of Table Mountain, the city bowl, the harbour and Robben Island. Please sign up on the link: [13 Peak Challenge - Devils Peak Retake](#)

11 February - Two Oceans Aquarium Trash Bash

Please see the invitation below to the Two Oceans Aquarium Trash Bash. This is a community event and would count towards the Eco Warrior Badge. A photograph of your daughter’s involvement needs to be sent to mroebert@herschel.org.za, if she participates.



Parents Association




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LADLES OF LOVE
Feeding the soul

Join us for a fun family evening...

Herschel Preparatory

Summer Family

Picnic

*Bring your own picnic or pick up something delicious at the venue**

Douglas Murray Field
21st Feb '23
17h00 - 19h30

**Vendors TBC*



2023

CARNIVAL

COMMITTEE

CALLING ALL

PARENTS

INTERESTED IN

BEING A PART OF

THE 2023

CARNIVAL

ORGANISING

TEAM

A WILLINGNESS TO HELP CREATE A

MEMORABLE EVENT FOR OUR DAUGHTERS

AND THE BROADER HERSCHEL COMMUNITY

IS ALL THAT IS REQUIRED



PLEASE CONTACT YOUR

CLASS REPS TO JOIN THE

TEAM



Important to Note:

A reminder to all parents that the parking bays inside the school grounds are stop and drop zones only as these bays double up as staff parking. Staff have on various occasions been unable to park in their designated bays when parents have left their vehicles to accompany children into their classrooms. Should you need to accompany your child to her classroom, please ensure that you park outside the school premises. Your support in this regard is greatly appreciated.

It was so wonderful to see all our Grade 4 – 7 parents at the Interhouse Gala this past Tuesday where we all shared in the festivities of the event.

A reminder that girls are permitted to wear red, white or pink civvies on Valentine's Day on Tuesday, 14 February and we look forward to celebrating Herschel's 101st birthday next Friday, 17 February. We remind parents that the school day will close earlier on that day as follows:

- Pre-Prep at 11:00
- Grade 1 – 3 at 11:15
- Grade 4 – 7 at 11:30

Enjoy a wonderful weekend.

Linda Martin
Acting Head of Preparatory

