



Kidz Chronicle

The magic of uncertainty

Dear Parent/Guardians

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Creating a story and using one's imagination does not come easy to all. Over the past 2 weeks, the Grade 5 learners have been learning about how to write a narrative essay or simply put, how to create a story using their imaginations. They had to create a story which used plenty of descriptive language and heaps of imagination to keep their teacher entertained. Reading 110 stories was no easy task for the teacher!

There were many awesome stories written, funny, sad, mind-boggling and definitely entertaining!

Below is an example of the hidden creativity amongst the Grade 5's this year. Grade 5 English - Mrs. S. Ahmed



My first pet.

Nkosi'sthandile Nduzana - Grade 5C.

It was a stormy night. The lightening was screaming like a cat. Outside was so cold and windy. I was home alone. My body was shivering with fear, and I was sweating, thinking that something might happen. Then I heard a knock!

I quickly ran to the door, like a cheetah and opened the door. Then my jaw dropped. My parents brought home a dog for me! The dog pounced on me, and we hit the ground. I laughed and was happy. But there were things that I would find out about the dog only later on.

When I was walking to the park with my dog in which I named him Felix. The dog saw the green grass and he was barking many times until we arrived at the park. When we arrived, Felix was barking very angrily at the other pets, including the puppies. Later I sat down while Felix was playing on the grass. But when I smelled that delicious smell, my dog and I started to run but Felix was faster than I was.

When we arrived, it was actually a hotdog seller and Felix and I were huffing and puffing until I asked for two hotdogs. As I was about to give him the money, Felix smashed and banged everything to the dirty, messy, gummy ground! Felix took the dirty sausage and walked away. I apologized to the seller, gave him my money and ran to my dog.

As we were going home, there was a thief and he was running from the cops. Felix saw the thief, and ran to him and I screamed, "No! Don't do it Felix!" the thief

pulled out his gun and said, "don't you dare you stupid dog!" So, Felix stopped and before the thief could say anything Felix the dog jumped on him but the thief shot my dog and the thief pointed the gun at me and only shot my arm. The cops caught the thief in time.

I was devastated and started to cry, I thought my first pet died!! Luckily, he survived the attack and is a true hero.



Valentine's Day 14th February

This will be a VALENTINE'S DAY/ CIVVIES DAY celebration. All children will be allowed to come to school dressed in civvies. Children can wear red, white or pink attire or even make a paper red heart and pin it onto his/her T-shirt. Even though there will be prizes for the most creatively dressed learners, we do not encourage parents to buy new clothes for this day. We will also be showcasing a surprise dancing expo. We will be selling Valentine's paraphernalia during the week leading up to Valentine's Day next week. Only FOUR days left to buy a small token friendship or love for the special people in your life. Fun Day and on Civvies. (The price of Valentine's items range from R5.00 - R15.00).

This will be an opportunity for your children to buy a small item for someone special. Miss Megan Smit and Ms Saaliha Ahmed will be organising the 14th February Civvies Day celebrations. All funds raised will be to buy LSM. (Learner Support Material)

Valentine's Day SALE

- CardsR5
- Lucky Draw TicketR5
- RosesR10 & R15
- KeyringsR15

Every break - Grade 5B Classroom
While stocks last!

VALENTINE'S DAY
at
CityKidz
Tuesday, February 14

R10 Civvies
Dress code:
Red, Pink and White



What's happening over the next two weeks?

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
13/02	14/02	15/02	16/02	17/02
SPORTS PRACTICE SESSION- Grade RR/R & 1	Valentine's Day Civvies Celebration	SPORTS PRACTICE SESSION- Grade 4 & 5	SPORTS PRACTICE SESSION- Grade 6 & 7	
20/02	21/02	22/02	23/02	24/02-SAT 25
SPORTS PRACTICE SESSION- Grade RR/R & 1	SPORTS PRACTICE SESSION- Grade 2 & 3	SPORTS PRACTICE SESSION- Grade 4 & 5	SPORTS PRACTICE SESSION- Grade 6 & 7	Saturday Sports Day

Grade 2's -Plant investigation

At CityKidz our learners are not taught academics only. It is of paramount importance that our learners are sensitised to various skills at this tender age, so that the learners may utilise the skills in future.

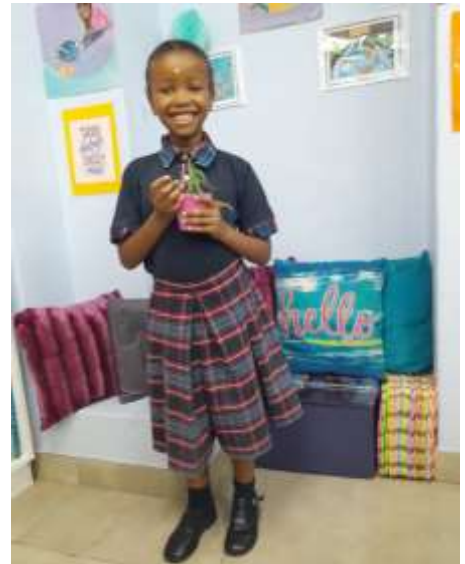
This term our Grade 2's had a fun engaging experiment, where they learnt about different things that both plants and human beings need in order to live: air, sunlight and water.

In our experiment one plant was put in the cupboard in order for them to see if it will survive without getting sunlight and water, while the other plants were exposed to fresh air, sunlight and water.

In conclusion, learners learnt that if a plant is not exposed to fresh air, water and sunlight it will wither and die.

The benefits of plants in the classroom:

They may make our learners more content, more satisfied and possibly even improve their learning. A number of plants may help to clean the classroom air, and leave our learners with the warm, fuzzy feeling of having a closer connection with nature. The bigger the plant, the bigger the benefit, usually.



Intervention classes. It's all about the letter "T"



On your marks, Get set, GO!! It is that time of the year again, a fun filled sports day!!

Our Annual Sports Day will take place on Saturday [25th February 2023](#).

You must all make your way to the Wits Education Campus sports stadium at 27 St Andrews Rd Parktown Johannesburg.

Events commence promptly at 8:30 am and will last through the morning to early afternoon. Please ensure that your child is at the venue by 7:30 am. If your child misses his/her race, we cannot run the race again- so please be punctual.

We are hoping for some beautiful sunshine, according to the weather it will be a HOT day. Should it rain, we have a back-up plan to hold the event on another Saturday(We will communicate the date with you.)

In the event of the expected hot day, please ensure your child brings a water bottle to stay hydrated during the morning, a sun hat and sun cream. Programmes will be available on Saturday 25th February 2023.

As always, our awesome Tuckshop will be selling delicious food and other refreshments. (Certificates pending)

We anticipate that the event will be finished by 15h30. ALL PUPILS MUST BE COLLECTED FROM THE VENUE at 27 St Andrews Rd Parktown Johannesburg.



Children have been divided into teams according to the school houses.

All learners must wear our PET uniform with the colour of his /her school house.

The house colours are as follows:

Eland – Yellow

Impala – Green

Roan – Red

Good luck to all our participating classes, runners, staff and parents. May the best house win!

Remember : The five S's of sports training are: stamina, speed, strength, skill, and spirit; but the greatest of these is spirit.

(Ken Doherty)



CityKidz Mardi Gras 2023!

There is no better way to welcome new parents and learners to our CityKidz family, than with a superbly well executed Mardi Gras Tea party! Our CityKidz staff definitely went out of their way to create the street parade atmosphere. Starting with our new Grade one learners, parading the netball court led by their teachers, to our little Grade RRs and Rs with their marvelous Mardi Gras moves, and our Grade one boys showing off their Tik-Tok talent. Let us not forget our confident dancing-dads who stole the show. It is always fun to see our mums and dads never saying no to a competitive challenge. Well done to our winning couple, showing off what good communication between parents is made of! To our stunning mommy-daughter duo, well done on winning our best dressed prize. Despite the blistering summer day, the Mardi Gras vibe was exuberant. Thank you to our wonderful CityKidz team for putting this event together, from entertainment to refreshments. Most importantly, THANK YOU TO OUR PARENTS for taking such a keen interest in your child's education. It was lovely getting to meet our new parents and putting faces to the WhatsApp numbers we have been communicating with until now. This was indeed a magical and memorable Mardi Gras tea party.



QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

Corruption is a cancer, a cancer that eats away at a citizen's faith in democracy, diminishes the instinct for innovation and creativity. Joe Biden

General Knowledge question for the week

What does the abbreviated name SONA mean? It is an annual event in the Republic of South Africa, in which the President of South Africa reports on the status of the nation.

Answer to the question in our previous newsletter.

A ghost writer is someone who writes a book or article, etc. for another person to publish under his or her own name. **JR Moehringer** is the ghost writer for SPARE.

Behaviour Awards

Most Merits Term 1 Year : 2023 : Week ending 10th February

Grade	Name	Surname	Grade	Name	Surname
Grade RRa	Munamato	Makosha	Grade RRb	Amahle	Jiyane
Grade Ra	Thandiwe	Hobe	Grade Rb	Thabelang	Somo
Grade RC	Chimbuchi	Nonyerem	Grade 1A	Amara	Chipembere
Grade 1B	Keamogetswe	Ramonetha	Grade 1C	Limile	Ndlela
Grade 1D	Owethu	Mavundla	Grade 2A	Oscar	Ndamba
Grade 2B	Bonolo	Molifi	Grade 2C	Busisiwe	Ncube
Grade 2D	Koketso	Ntini	Grade 3A	Nokukhanya	Chauke
Grade 3B	Nooryn	Omar	Grade 3C	Thandolwethu	Dube
Grade 3D	Owethu	Ndlovu	Grade 4A	Nomvuselelo	Shoba
Grade 4B	Ntandoyenkosi	Moyo	Grade 4C	Mbalenhle	Ndlovu
Grade 4D	Sphiwokuhle	Maduna	Grade 5A	Wanangwa	Mkandawire
Grade 5B	Rorisang	Raphuthi	Grade 5C	Botshelo	Pitsi
Grade 5D	Khayelihle	Miya	Grade 6A	Hope	Gumede
Grade 6B	Makomborero	Kanoyangwa	Grade 6C	Keith	Dube
Grade 6D	Rifumu	Makura	Grade 7A	Roseanne	Nyoni
Grade 7B	Asanda	Maphosa	Grade 7C	Oluhle	Moyo

Spelling Bee

barricade	biodiversity
beleaguered	biographer
benchmark	biscuit
beneficiary	blackout
bestowed	blistering
betrayal	blunder
beverage	blurred
bigotry	bodyguard

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Warm Regards



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