



Kidz Chronicle

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Dear Parent/Guardians

End of Year 2022

Finally, it is the time to look forward to the December holidays. I am sure most of our families, teachers and staff are counting down the days for the much anticipated, much needed and deserved time!

But before we take a break and enjoy the days we still have several exciting functions to attend. We are looking forward to the Grade RR and R Graduation tomorrow and the Grade 1 Prizegiving. On the 2nd December we will celebrate Grade 2- 7 prize winners. I would like to wish all our Grade 7 learners a wonderful farewell at Happy Valley tomorrow and every success in the future. We hope they continue to carry our school name with pride in the next exciting journey of their academic life. We look forward to welcoming you all back, relaxed and refreshed for 2023. Parent's support was really motivating us to achieve more, and it helped us to ensure best educational experience for our learners. Thanks to the families who have already informed us of their plans for next year - it really helps us to plan so much better! School starts on the 13th January 2023. Enjoy the festive season!

Impressions are important

After being met by at the entrance to CityKidz 2 weeks ago, and being politely escorted to the cheerful, comfortable foyer, I was instantly reminded of why I became an educator 42 years ago. This was a school that obviously focussed on developing the Total Child. My first impressions of CityKidz, was that of a safe, welcoming and respectful environment.

As Ma'am Reynolds walked me to my classroom, I was immediately struck by the exceptionally neat school grounds, no litter to be seen! A rare sight at schools nowadays!

Without exception, every child I encountered on my way, to and from my classroom every day, greeted me with a happy smile of acknowledgement and a cheerful "Good morning Ma'am". Some of the younger pupils, even enveloped me in a warm, spontaneous hug...which they have continued to do ever since. So heart-warming, and an indication of the trust, innocence and natural inclusivity that is our responsibility all educators, to nurture and develop.

As I reflected on my first day spent at CityKidz, I was reminded of all the various elements, that contribute to a school having the reputation of being a "cut above the rest" and the school of the choice in the community. I was not surprised to hear that CityKidz is an Umalusi accredited school. What an outstanding achievement! Schools are only given this rating if they meet VERY stringent criteria i.r.o : Administrative requirements; Curriculum Development and Assessment; Safety and security to name but a few. To achieve this level of school excellence, would be impossible without quality leadership from a strong, goal orientated Principal and executive staff. Together, Ma'am Reynolds, Thembi, Dudu, Cindy and Annalene set and control high expectations from all staff in all areas at CityKidz.

As a teacher, you know you are fulfilled, however tiring and challenging the end of year academic demands are when you wake up each morning, filled with anticipation and excitement to come to school. I have felt this each and every day of the past weeks. I have thoroughly enjoyed my short time here, as I see the children "shine bright like bright, bright stars", in my so many ways each day. Mrs Shirley Slabbert.



Reporters in the making



Comedian, reporters, news anchors, motivational speakers and pastors all have one special thing in common; the unique ability to engage their audiences through exceptional speaking skills.

Grade 3 teachers spent a great deal of time this year nurturing this skill. We presented speeches, poems, rhymes, folktales and the main highlight this term were the news reports. We challenged our learners to walk a day in the life of a news reporter. The task was received with great enthusiasm. Our young reporters had an opportunity of exploring journalism. Most of them were fascinated by the fact that they were holding a microphone and the possibility of appearing on television in the future. They were tasked to research natural disasters. They went all out and compiled reports on volcano eruptions, earthquakes, hurricanes, floods, tornados and forest fires.

The atmosphere in the classroom transformed into a newsroom. The passion in the reporting skills was intriguing, the introduction to the 'viewers' made the exercise enjoyable, it was done with great charisma and confidence. Events were laid out chronologically. The audience listened in awe as the news unfolded and were captivated by creative posters and beautiful power point presentations on the white interactive board. Our 'viewers' demonstrated impressive listening etiquette.

All children are born with an innate ability to speak, however this fundamental skill requires a great deal of support, motivation and exposure to diverse environments to blossom. We urge all parents to ensure that this skill receives adequate attention in the early years for our learners to converse skillfully. Grade 3 Team– See Photos

Important Dates

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
28/11	29/11	30/11	01/12	02/12
Prize giving rehearsals	Prize giving rehearsals	Prize giving rehearsals	Last day for learners	Prizegiving Grade 2-7
Mon 05/12	Tues 06/11	Weds 07/11	Thurs 08/11	Fri 09/11
School Holidays New Parents meeting to start at 8:30 – 10:00.	School Holidays Hand out all reports to Grades 1-7. 07h30 until 12h30	School Holidays	School Holidays	School Holidays





Grade 3 - Reporters



Building 3D Shapes that don't melt in your mouth

As we are nearing the end of the school year, we are ready for our holidays, but this doesn't mean that learning has stopped! The Grade 2 classes have been learning about new, different, and at times ... challenging topics. One topic that children have had loads of fun learning about and experimenting with are 3-Dimensional shapes. Although 3D shapes are not abstract, as they are all around us, it can be difficult to imagine and grasp their properties while drawing them in workbooks. For this reason, the teachers decided to take on a more "hands on" approach and use jelly tots and toothpicks to build 3D shapes.

The learners were tasked with creating 2 different 3D shapes of their choice. The only catch was that these shapes had to be accurate! That means the correct number of faces, corners, and other properties. The learners thoroughly enjoyed crafting and creating their shapes, while still making sure that they were precise. Encouraging learners to build their own shapes, make mistakes and ask for help is all part of the fun-learning process!

After a successful day of learning a few jelly tots were "missing" by the end of it.

We want to especially thank the parents for making exciting lessons like this possible for our children. We couldn't do it without you! *The Grade 2 Team love the Grade 2's and will miss them lots, and lots like Jelly Tots!*



2023 FINANCES

A school fee is an agreed amount of money that parents pay to schools, aimed at **improving the quality of education of learners**. CityKidz is a fee-paying school where parents pay the school directly for their children's education. Please pay your fees. It's the right thing to do.

Fees for 2023

- **Registration Fee** - R600.00
- **Annual School Administration Levy + Learner Support Material (Grade RR - 3)** – R1 320.00
- **Annual School Administration Levy + Starter Stationery Pack (Grade 4 - 7)** – R1 000.00
- **Monthly Fees (11 months) - Pre-school (Grade RR to R)** – R1 050.00 p/m
- **Monthly Fees (11 months) - Primary school (Grade 1 to 7)** – R1 300.00 p/m
- **Aftercare Fees** – R600.00 p/m

Foundation Phase

Grade RR -R: Supplies for 2023

Please send the following supplies with your child on the first day of school:

- 2 glue sticks
- 8 toilet rolls
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 2 reams of paper
- 2 packet of wet wipes



Grade 1 - 3: Supplies for 2023

- 2 glue sticks
- 8 toilet rolls
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 2 reams of paper
- 2 packet of wet wipes
- 3 spare pencils Grade 1-2
- 3 spare blue pens Grade 3



Intersen Phase 2023

Please send the following supplies with your child on the first day of school.

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2 X reams of paper



2 X boxes tissues



8 X toilet rolls

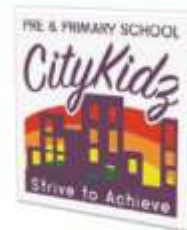


1 X Afr./Eng.
Dictionary



4 X blue pens (they only get 1 in stationery pack)

Keep safe at home in case your child loses his/her pen.



Please send the supplies with your child on the first day of school.

Children are given a stationery starter pack with all exercise books, covers, diaries, basic stationery items and workbooks. (Should your child lose them you will be required to buy lost items.)



Message from the Finance Department: Payment of school fees must be settled by the latest 30th November 2022. If your fees are not settled your child/ren will be removed off the 2023 class list. We have children on a waiting list in ALL grades and your child/ren's position will be filled and we will not be able to accommodate you in 2023. We cannot exceed the numbers allocated per class. The school has provided a service to you and your child/ren and it is only fair that you pay for these services. If this message pertains to you, please regard this message as URGENT and take appropriate action.
Regards Finance Department

QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

I am not afraid of an army of lions led by a sheep; I am afraid of an army of sheep led by a lion.

Alexander the Great

Previous Newsletter's answer

An Olympic swimming pool is 50 metres in length

General Knowledge question for the week

Which city is named after a Xhosa word used to refer to the Baakens River, which flows through the city.

Spelling Bee

preposterous
preservation
pressure
prestigious
prevalent
previous
principle
privilege

procrastinate
proficient
progressive
prohibition
projection
proliferation
prominent
propaganda

Most Merits Term 4 week ending 25/11/2022

Grade	Name	Surname	Grade	Name	Surname
Grade RRA	Chantal	Bvute	Grade RRB	Qhayiya	Dungayezi
Grade RA	Amara	Chipembere	Grade RB	Princess	Mahlangu
Grade RC	Tshegofatso	Moepi	Grade 1A	Darren	Lukongwa
Grade 1B	Shelly	Chauke	Grade 1C	Zoey Eva	Gumbo
Grade 1D	Gerard	Zulu	Grade 2A	Kharendwe	Manyaga
Grade 2B	Mufarowashe	Kanoyangwa	Grade 2C	Dimpho	Mohulatsi
Grade 2D	Letlhogonolo	Chaane	Grade 3A	Brandon	Sibanda
Grade 3B	Keabetswe	Mokoena	Grade 3C	Nothabo	Mpofu
Grade 3D	James	Moyo	Grade 4A	Tshiamo	Kgwale
Grade 4B	Nyakallo	Seremo	Grade 4C	Siphesihle	Hlatshwayo
Grade 4D	Reatile	Kgatthe	Grade 5A	Bongani	Masina
Grade 5B	Hope	Gumede	Grade 5C	Inam	Novazi
Grade 5D	Rifumu	Makura	Grade 6A	Thandolwethu	Nembula
Grade 6B	Khwezi	Kumalo	Grade 6C	Tshoarelo	Rapeta
Grade 6D	Mary	Nwosu	Grade 7A	Marco	Babila
Grade 7B	Kefilwe	Ncube	Grade 7C	Lior	Sama



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Warm Regards

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