



Kidz Chronicle

The magic of uncertainty

Dear Parent/Guardians

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A magical feeling could be felt in the air even though our little Grade RR learners were feeling a touch overwhelmed having to say goodbye to Mommy and Daddy, meeting Mamma King and Ma'am Fati Fati and their new CityKidz friends, in their brand new learning environment.

Once settled, our Grade RR learners were all smiles and eager to play "Follow the Leader" with their teachers as they made their way to the soccer field. Michelle (Grade RRa) lead us in song on the top of her voice.....

Ma'am King and Ma'am Fati Fati showed the babies how to make *magic* by gathering the little balls in a bucket and saying 1, 2, 3 Magic and all the balls were thrown in the air. Laughter and shrieks of pure delight were in abundance.

Our learners are taught to Learn Through Play. This is how a learner learns to make sense of the world around them. Development of social and cognitive skills enables the learner to mature emotionally and gain the self-confidence required to engage in new experiences and environments.

The Grade RR learners ended their first day on a happy note and were super grateful when a little gift to celebrate their first day was packed into each of their CityKidz school bags! We encourage our parents to enjoy play moments that can be created with a ball of playdough. (See the recipe on page 3.)

We look forward to many magical moments of learning and playing in Grade RR and would like to say Thank You to each of our Parents for your support!

Mamma King (RRa) and Ma'am Fati Fati RRb



See you tomorrow !!!

New Parents Meet and Greet Mardi Gras Tea tomorrow: 28th January

The Grade RR,R and 1 team could think of no better way by inviting our new parents to celebrate our extravaganza Mardi Gras Tea Party. This is a wonderful time to come together and create excitement around your child's first year at CityKidz. We look forward to welcoming you all to our CityKidz family

*C'mon take me to the Mardi Gras
Where the people sing and play
Where the dancing is elite
And there's music in the street, both night and day
Hurry take me to the Mardi Gras
In the city of my dreams (Paul Simon)
Put on your fancy garb wear: Think feathers, glitter, an array of colour, funky hats, masks and feathers.*

Prizes for the most creative Mardi Gras mask, hat or outfit.

Grade RR, R and 1's are looking forward to entertain you. Tea and biscuits will be served. The tuckshop will be open if you require additional refreshments.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
30/01	21/01	01/02	02/02	03/02
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	
06/02	07/02	08/02	09/02	10/02
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	

Learning (and playing) with Playdough!

Playdough is fun and colourful and we can make lots of things using it. It stretches and folds and also gets warm when we hold it in our hands for a long time. We can squash it and roll it and even mould it. We have the most fun when we get time to make creative pieces with our favourite-coloured Playdough.

Even though Playdough is fun, one thing that many people don't realise is that it is actually an important part of school and writing! Using Playdough helps to make the small muscles in our fingers and hands strong and allow us to develop our fine motor skills. This is important because these muscles help us to hold pencils and crayons when we begin to write and draw. If our muscles aren't well developed, we wouldn't be able to write!

Always allow time to help your children grow and develop as it is so important, something as small as Playdough can have such a big impact! One thing we do not recommend however, is using Playdough on a carpet!

PS. If your children would like to have Playdough at home, there are various inexpensive recipes online that are quick and easy. One recipe that we love to make uses ingredients that you probably already have at home! You can find it here: <https://www.iheartnaptime.net/play-dough-recipe/>



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.

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 : A runners creed: I will win; if I cannot win, I shall be second; if I cannot be second, I shall be third; if I cannot place at all, I shall still do my best.
(Ken Doherty)



GRADE 1'S

The look of pure joy and delight on our Grade 1s' faces when they had their first sports practice was so beautiful to see. For them, sports practice was about taking part and not necessarily coming first. Running and jumping over hurdles was a perfect activity to test coordination. Teachers chose this activity because it helps the learners' brain to remain in top form and alert. It takes excessive leg, thigh and hip strength as well as flexibility before final sprinting to the finishing line. Well done Grade 1s, we hope to see the same good sportsmanship you displayed on this day, during your sprint races on the Annual Sports Day.



QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

Our prime purpose in this life is to help others. And if you can't help them, at least don't hurt them.

Dalai Lama

General Knowledge question for the week

What is a ghost writer and who was the ghost-writer on Prince Harry's bestselling memoir 'Spare' .

Answer to the question in our previous newsletter.

France's Kylian Mbappe

Behaviour Awards

Most Merits Term 1 Year : 2023 : Week ending 27th January

Grade	Name	Surname	Grade	Name	Surname
Grade RRa	Milena	Khoza	Grade RRb	Tendai	Gore
Grade Ra	Reatile	Mokgalagadi	Grade Rb	Ntando	Khumalo
Grade Rc	Vhugala	Muthevuli	Grade 1A	Hannah	Mukari
Grade 1B	Zayne	Agento	Grade 1C	Tshegofatso	Moepi
Grade 1D	Khanya	Nkosi	Grade 2A	Vurhumiwa	Maluleke
Grade 2B	Lulama	Mhlanga	Grade 2C	Alulutho	Bacela
Grade 2D	Koketso	Ntini	Grade 3A	Karabo	Mfene
Grade 3B	Kutlwano	Mokanyane	Grade 3C	Lisakhanya	Gwintsa
Grade 3D	Siphosethu	Dlamini	Grade 4A	Keabetswe	Mokwena
Grade 4B	Lethokuhle	Bangela	Grade 4C	Success	Ugochukwu
Grade 4D	Peniel	Dube	Grade 5A	Kutlwano	Modisane
Grade 5B	Ayazingca	Limba	Grade 5C	Thembelihle	Madondo
Grade 5D	Ashley	Magodiela	Grade 6A	Favour	Aigbojie
Grade 6B	Natalie	Bvute	Grade 6C	Favour	Ugochukwu
Grade 6D	Prince	Maniragena	Grade 7A	Lemohang	Mokapela
Grade 7B	Mary	Nwosu	Grade 7C	Luca	King

Spelling Bee

announcement apartheid
 annoying aperture
 annuity apocalypse
 anomaly apostrophe
 anonymity apparatus
 Antarctic appendix
 antics appetizer
 anxiety applaud



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Warm Regards



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