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Dear Parents/ Guardians

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Last Newsletter for Term 3

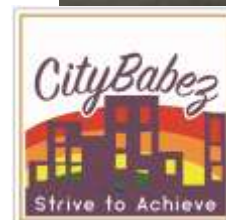
A Term Built on Courage. As Term 3 draws to a close, we pause to reflect on a term that captured our theme of courage in every corner of school life — in the classroom, on the astro, in assemblies, and in the quiet moments where a child chose to try something new.

Celebrating Our Matific Win and the Math's Olympiad: Our learners showed real courage this term by pushing themselves in Mathematics, and it paid off in the most spectacular way: we came first out of more than 200 SADC schools in the Matific competition, earning our school a prize of R20,000.00! This outstanding achievement is a proud reflection of the hard work happening in our classrooms every day, and of learners who were brave enough to tackle challenging problems head-on. Well done to every child who contributed to this incredible success.

Limile Ndlela won 1st place in the Mathematics Provincial Olympiad. (See article)

Following his outstanding Konka Camp: Stepping Outside the Comfort Zone. There is no better classroom for courage than the outdoors, and our Konka Camp gave learners exactly that. Away from home comforts, our children faced new challenges, tried new activities, and grew in independence and resilience. These are the moments that shape character long after the term ends.

Our learners represented the school with pride and confidence during the different grade trips. Alongside this, our various school trips gave children the chance to learn beyond the classroom walls, explore new environments, and build confidence in unfamiliar settings — courage in action, every time.





Looking Ahead: A Short but Important Term 4

As we look toward Term 4, it's worth noting that it will be a short term — and it includes the final examinations. We encourage all parents and learners to consult the exam timetable early and use the remaining time wisely to prepare. A little courage will be needed here too: the courage to focus, to ask for help when needed, and to approach assessments with confidence rather than fear.

A Word of Thanks to Our Wonderful Staff

None of these achievements would be possible without our wonderful staff, whose dedication, patience, and encouragement have supported every learner through the wins, the challenges, and the growth of this term. Thank you for the countless hours of preparation, care, and courage you bring to our school community every single day.

As we close Term 3, let's carry the spirit of courage with us into the final stretch of the year. Well done to our learners, thank you to our staff, and we look forward to finishing the year strong.

Wishing all our families a restful break before Term 4 begins.





Mathematics Star - Limile Ndlela

CityKidz is bursting with pride as Limile Ndlela, one of our brightest young mathematicians in Grade 4D, attended the prestigious Mathematics Provincial Awards — and came home a champion! Limile was accompanied to the event by Ma'am Constance Mpofo and his proud parents, who were there to share in this very special moment.

Following his outstanding 1st place finish in the Provincial Mathematics Olympiad, Limile was honoured at the awards ceremony with an incredible haul of prizes celebrating his achievement:

- Certificate of Excellence
- Trophy
- Medal
- Tablet
- School Bag
- Calculator
- Pen

This remarkable recognition is a true testament to Limile's dedication, focus, and love for mathematics. It also reflects the culture of excellence we strive to achieve at CityKidz.

Hard work pays off indeed!

CityKidz would like to extend our heartfelt congratulations to Limile on this outstanding achievement. We are incredibly proud of you, and we know this is just the beginning of many more successes to come.

Well done, Limile — you are a true inspiration to your peers!





A Heartwarming Visit: ISASA Delegation Comes

What an exciting and heartwarming day it was at CityKidz when we welcomed a delegation from ISASA (Independent Schools Association of Southern Africa). We were honoured to host Lebogang Montjane, Tshepo Motsepe, Wayne Stuurman, and Mary Williams, along with our very special guest of honour, Dr Anand Mahadevan.

From the moment he arrived, Dr Mahadevan's warmth was felt by everyone around him. Our school prefects proudly led the guests on a tour around the school, beaming as they showed off everything that makes CityKidz home.

He was gracious, engaging, and genuinely present with every learner, teacher, and little one he met — the kind of visitor who makes an entire school feel seen and celebrated.

A Gentle, Curious Engagement with Our Learners

Dr Mahadevan engaged with our learners and asked them thoughtful, insightful questions about what they knew about Canada. He listened with real interest, and their confident, knowledgeable answers left him absolutely blown away. It was a beautiful exchange — a reminder of just how much our children have to offer when someone takes the time to truly engage with them.

He was equally moved by what he saw around our school, sharing how impressed he was with our AI Robotics Room and expressing genuine admiration for what a beautiful, welcoming centre CityKidz has built for its children.

Warm Words for Our Grade 7 Leaders

One of the most touching moments of the day was Dr Mahadevan's conversation with our Grade 7 leaders, who shared their unforgettable experience speaking with astronauts. He listened intently, clearly delighted, and was especially charmed by their "tear drop" question — a small moment that seemed to stay with him.

Cuddles and Smiles at CityTotz and CityBabez

His warmth extended right down to our tiniest learners. Dr Mahadevan spent gentle, joyful moments with our babies and toddlers at CityTotz and City Babez, and it was clear this was a man who lit up around children of every age.



Little Presentations and a Proud Walkabout

Our learners prepared special little presentations for the delegation, sharing their talents with pride.

A Gift to Treasure

Before he left, Dr Mahadevan presented us with four carefully chosen, amazing books reflecting the rich history and culture of Canada, along with a beautifully written card that we will always cherish. It was a thoughtful gesture that captured the spirit of his visit perfectly — generous, considered, and full of heart.

It was a day filled with warmth, connection, and joy — made all the more special by a guest of honour whose kindness and genuine interest in our

children left a lasting impression on everyone at CityKidz. We hope to welcome Dr Mahadevan and the ISASA delegation back again very soon!



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Report Collection Wednesday 23rd September

Every parent wants to know how their child is really doing at school — not just the grade on a page, but the story behind it. That is exactly why Report Collection Day exists, and why your attendance makes such a difference.

Report Collection Day: The Details

Date: Wednesday, 23 September **Time:** From 10:30, staff available until 15:30
Children's dismissal: 10:00 on the last day. Please note that this session has been scheduled on a weekday rather than a Saturday because of the upcoming public holiday. To keep the day running smoothly for everyone, parents are asked to **book a timeslot** for their feedback session, starting from 10:30. If you are unable to attend, please let the school know in advance so that alternative arrangements can be made for your child's feedback.



Why This Day Is So Important

A school report is more than a set of marks — it is a conversation starter. Sitting down with your child's teacher gives you insight that a printed page simply cannot capture: how your child engages in class, where they are thriving, and where a little extra support could make a big difference.

1. It Builds a Partnership Between Home and School

Children do best when parents and teachers work as a team. Report Collection Day is a chance to hear directly from the people who spend hours each day with your child, ask questions, and align on how to support their learning both in the classroom and at home.

2. It Catches Small Concerns Before They Grow

A teacher might notice a dip in confidence, a struggle with a particular topic, or a spark of talent that deserves encouragement. Face-to-face feedback allows these observations to be shared in context, long before they show up as a bigger issue on a future report.

3. It Keeps Communication Two-Way

These sessions are not just about listening — they are an opportunity for parents to share what they are seeing at home, ask about specific subjects, and raise any questions about their child's wellbeing or progress.

4. It Shows Children That Their Progress Matters

When children see their parents actively engaging with their teachers, it reinforces that their education is a shared priority. This simple act of showing up can be a powerful motivator.

A Few Reminders

- Book your timeslot early to secure a convenient time.
- Arrive on time to make the most of your session with each teacher.
- If you cannot make it, notify the school as soon as possible so arrangements can be made.
- Remember that children will be dismissed early, at 10:00, on the day.

Staying informed about your child's academic journey is one of the simplest, most effective ways to support their



So, what do we have up our sleeves for you in 2026? What's in our pocketful of Pantos?
Well, it's all-new-and-now, written especially for you!

Take a deep dive down the Rabbit Hole with us and enter the World of Wonder ...
Yes, you guessed it! It's???
ALICE IN WONDERLAND"!!

Meet young Alice, the much-more-than Mad Hatter, the White Rabbit, the crazy Caterpillar, and of course, the awful old "Off with her head!" Queen of Hearts.
And of course, there will be many more old favorites to tickle your fancy, fiddle with your funny-bone, and activate your Giggle-button.

The witty'n'with-it music, the stunning scenery, the dancing, the lights, and the silly'n'satirical story will capture your imaginations!

It's magical, musical and mad! It's big, it's bright and it's bonkers!

The school will attend the pantomime on **03rd November. Please have school fees up to date.**



Spring Day: Bringing Us

Spring Day reminded us of the joy of community — colour, laughter, and togetherness filling our school grounds. It was a wonderful celebration of everything that makes our school family special, and a reminder that courage isn't only found in big challenges, but also in showing up, joining in, and celebrating together.

Well done to each staff member for diligently executing duties on the day — your energy and enthusiasm made all the difference.

A special word of thanks goes to our organizing team, whose planning and hard work behind the scenes made the day such a success. From coordinating activities to managing the little details that so often go unnoticed, their dedication and teamwork ensured everything ran smoothly from start to finish. It takes real commitment to bring an event like this to life, and their passion and care shone through in every part of the day.

Days like these don't happen by chance; they happen because of people who go above and beyond for our CityKidz family.



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Spring Day Continued







Spring Has Sprung at CityBabes





As we say bye-bye to winter, and welcome the bright and beautiful season of Spring, our little CityBabes explorers have been busy having fun. Our tiny adventurers enjoyed spending time outside with teachers soaking up the sunshine, playing, exploring and having a lot of giggles with their friends.

Crafty little hands!

Our 3 year olds got their creative juices flowing with a fun spring themed activity. Using bright, happy colours, our little artists created their own masterpiece while learning about the wonderful changes that come with spring.

Egg-citing textures!

Our 2 year olds got to explore spring through their senses with a textured egg-collage activity. The little ones used real eggshells to decorate their egg worksheets. They had lots of fun touching, sticking and creating while developing fine motor skills. Tiny hands – big learning!

Blooming babies!

Our littlest CityBabes weren't left out of the fun either. Our babies enjoyed sensory play with soft flowers and fabric petals, gently touching and exploring the different textures. Watching their little faces light up with curiosity is what spring is all about.

Growing together!

At CityBabes we believe that learning should be fun, messy and full of wow moments.

Our little ones are learning, growing, exploring and making beautiful





Examinations Next Term

As we approach examinations next term, learners will soon be preparing for their final round of assessments for the year. While exams can feel daunting, they play an important role in a learner's education—and with the right preparation, they can be approached with confidence rather than anxiety.

Why Assessments Matter

Assessments are not simply about grades. They help learners and teachers understand what has been learned well and where more support or practice is needed. Regular assessment encourages learners to consolidate their knowledge, strengthens memory through revision, and builds important life skills such as time management, discipline, and resilience under pressure. Assessments also give learners a sense of achievement as they see their progress over time, and they prepare children for the reality that, throughout life, we are often required to demonstrate what we know and can do.

Starting Early: The Key to Stress-Free Studying

One of the most effective ways to prepare for exams is to begin studying well before the exam period begins. Cramming the night before a test often leads to stress and poor retention, while spreading study sessions over several weeks allows information to move into long-term memory. Learners can start by reviewing class notes and textbooks regularly, rather than waiting until assessments are announced. Breaking study material into smaller, manageable sections makes revision feel less overwhelming and allows for focused, effective sessions rather than long, exhausting ones.

Helpful Study Strategies

- Create a study timetable: Planning specific times for each subject helps ensure balanced coverage and avoids last-minute panic.
- Use active recall: Instead of simply re-reading notes, learners should test themselves with questions, flashcards, or practice papers.
- Teach it to someone else: Explaining a concept to a parent or sibling is a powerful way to check understanding.
- Take regular breaks: Short breaks between study sessions improve focus and prevent burnout.
- Get enough sleep and eat well: A rested mind and body absorb and recall information far more effectively than a tired one.

How Parents Can Help

Parents play a valuable role in supporting their children through the exam period. Creating a quiet, comfortable space for studying, helping children stick to a realistic timetable, and offering encouragement rather than pressure can make a significant difference. Celebrating effort—not just results—helps learners build a healthy relationship with assessments and learning in general.

A Word of Encouragement

Exams are simply one part of the learning journey, not a measure of a person's worth or potential. By starting early, studying consistently, and approaching revision with a positive mindset, learners can walk into their assessments feeling prepared and confident.

Let's encourage our learners to see this exam season as an opportunity to show how far they've come—and to build habits that will serve them well throughout their academic journey.



Exams-CONTROLLED TESTS 2026		
Exam Note: All papers to be set out according to ATPs in conjunction with subject framework.		
09/11/2026 Monday	First Session: 08h30-10h30 Break: 10h30 - 11h00: Field Second Session: 11h00 - 13h00 Dismissal Times: 13h00	Session 1: English Gr 4, 5, 6 and 7 Session 2: Maths Gr 4, 5, 6 & GR 7 (P1)
10/11/ 2026 Tuesday	First Session: 08h15-10h15 Break: 10h15 - 10h45 - Field Second Session: 10h45 - 12h45 Dismissal Times: 13h00	Session 1: Afrikaans Gr 4, 5, 6 & 7 Session 2: SS- Hist Gr 4, 5, 6 and 7
11/11/ 2026 Wednesday	First Session: 08h15-10h15 Break: 10h15 - 10h45 - Field Second Session: 10h45 - 12h45 Dismissal Times: 13h00	Session 1: Coding and Robotics Gr 4, 5, 6 and 7 Session 2: NS/Tech- Grade 4/5/6 Session 2: NS- Gr 7
12/11/ 2026 Thursday	First Session: 08h15-10h15 Break: 10h15 - 10h45 - Field Second Session: 11h00 - 12h45 Dismissal Times: 13h00	Session 1: SS- Geog Gr 4, 5, 6 and 7 Session 2: EMS Gr 7
13/11/ 2026 Friday	First Session: 08h15-10h15 Break: 10h15 - 10h45 - Field Second Session: 10h45 - 12h45 Dismissal Times: 13h00	Session 1: Life Skills/PSW Gr 4/ 5 & 6 Gr 7 Maths P2 Session 2: Gr 7 Technology
16/11/2026 Monday	First Session: 08h15-10h15 Break: 10h15 - 10h45 - Field Second Session: 10h45 - 12h45 Dismissal Times: 13h00	Session 1: Creative Arts Gr 7 Orals/Reading: 4, 5 and 6 Session 2: Life Orientation Gr 7





International Literacy Day 8th Sep

Celebrating International Literacy Day at CityKidz!

On the 8th of September, CityKidz joined schools around the world in celebrating **International Literacy Day** — a day dedicated to the power of reading and the doors it opens for young minds.

From our Grade R little ones to our Grade 7 leaders, our learners spent the day immersed in the joy of books, proving that literacy truly is a journey that grows with us every step of the way.

Silent reading, focused minds

Learners across the grades took part in silent reading sessions, settling into a quiet, focused space to enjoy a book of their choice. It was wonderful to see classrooms fall into a peaceful hush, with learners fully absorbed in their stories — a great reminder of how reading builds concentration and imagination.

Reading in pairs and groups

Our learners also had the opportunity to read in pairs and small groups, taking turns to read aloud, discuss characters and share their thoughts on the stories. This collaborative reading time encouraged confidence, communication skills and a deeper love for storytelling, as learners bounced ideas off one another and enjoyed each other's company.

Relaxing with a good book

There's nothing quite like curling up with a good book, and our CityKidz learners did just that! Whether tucked into a reading corner or relaxing outdoors, learners took the time to slow down and enjoy some calm, screen-free reading time.

Why literacy matters

International Literacy Day is a valuable reminder of just how important reading is — not only for academic success, but for building empathy, sparking curiosity and opening up new worlds. From our youngest Grade R learners taking their first steps into reading, to our Grade 7s tackling more complex texts, every learner at CityKidz is on their own unique literacy journey.

At CityKidz, we're proud to nurture a culture where books are celebrated, stories are shared, and every learner is encouraged to find their own love of reading.







Chatterbox Challenge Friday 06th

Step Up to the Mic: The Chatterbox Challenge is Coming!

Speak Up. Stand Out. Spark Change.

Every learner has a story worth telling and an idea worth sharing—the Chatterbox Challenge is the stage to do it. This exciting event invites learners to step forward, find their voice, and discover just how powerful their words can be.

What's It All About?

The Chatterbox Challenge is more than a speech competition. It's an opportunity for learners to grow in confidence, sharpen their communication skills, and think critically about the world around them. Whether a learner is a natural performer or someone who's never spoken in front of a crowd before, this challenge offers a supportive space to shine.

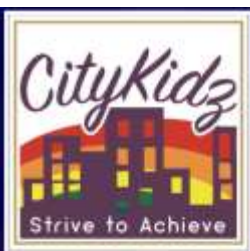
Five Ways to Take the Stage

There's a category for every voice and every kind of story:

1. Prepared Speech – A 2–4 minute speech on a topic of choice: informative, motivational, persuasive, or pure storytelling.
2. Inspirational Talk – Share a personal experience, a lesson learned, or a message that lifts others up.
3. Persuasion Station – Take a stand and convince the audience of an idea, a cause, or a solution.
4. Storyteller's Corner – Bring a story to life with expression, emotion, and connection.
5. Youth Voice Challenge – Speak on issues that matter to young people—and offer real solutions.

More Than Words—A Call to Action

Chatterbox Challenge 2026: Speak Up. Stand Out. Spark Change.



The English
Department Presents

Term 4 06th November

CHATTERBOX CHALLENGE



YOUR VOICE MATTERS.
THE STAGE IS YOURS.

"WORDS CHANGE EVERYTHING"
BECOME THE GRAND
CHATTERBOX CHAMPION

Challenge

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Finalists compete for the title of **Chatterbox Champion**.

The Championships will be on Friday 06th November. Three contestants per grade.

The competition will take place in the 4th Term but preparation will continue in Term 3.

This year, every speech will carry a purpose beyond the podium. Alongside informing or entertaining, each participant will be challenged to propose a positive action or solution for their community—turning great speeches into the start of real change.

Why Take the Challenge?

Public speaking is a skill that opens doors for life—in the classroom, in careers, and in leadership. The Chatterbox Challenge gives learners a chance to practice that skill in an encouraging, low-pressure environment, while building the kind of confidence that carries far beyond the stage.

Your Voice Matters. The Stage Is Yours.

Whether you have a story to tell, a cause to champion, or an idea that could spark change, this is your moment. Start thinking about your topic, get writing, and get ready to be heard.



A Book in Every Bag

A Book in Every Bag, A Story in Every Heart

This term, we launched our "Book in Bag" initiative, encouraging every learner to bring a reading book to school daily.

A book in a bag is an invitation—to explore new worlds, build language skills, and grow as a reader. Regular reading boosts vocabulary, concentration, creativity, and empathy, while building a lifelong habit. Having a book on hand also means learners can make the most of spare moments during the day, whether waiting, on a break, or during class reading time.

Parents can help by choosing age-appropriate books matching their child's interests, and by encouraging a few minutes of reading and conversation about stories at home each day.

In line with our theme of courage this term, we encourage learners to be courageous readers—trying new genres, tackling harder books, and sharing their love of reading with others.

Let's work together to make sure every learner has a book in their bag and a story waiting to be discovered.





Let's get reading !

BOOK IN BAG

Join Our Reading Adventure.
You just need ONE reading book in your
bag.

**"A book is like a garden carried
in the pocket."**



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Spelling winner to be announced on the 22nd September

Let the Letters Fly: Spelling Bee Showdown on the 22nd!

The countdown is on! In the last week of term, our school's Spelling Bee will take center stage on the 22nd, and excitement is building as our top spellers prepare to battle it out, letter by letter, for the ultimate title.

Which Grade Will Claim the Crown?

Every year brings a new champion, and this year's competition promises to be as thrilling as ever. Spellers from across the grades will step up to the microphone, facing tricky words, tight nerves, and the cheers of their classmates as they aim to outspell the competition. Will last year's winning grade defend their title, or will a new grade rise to claim the crown?

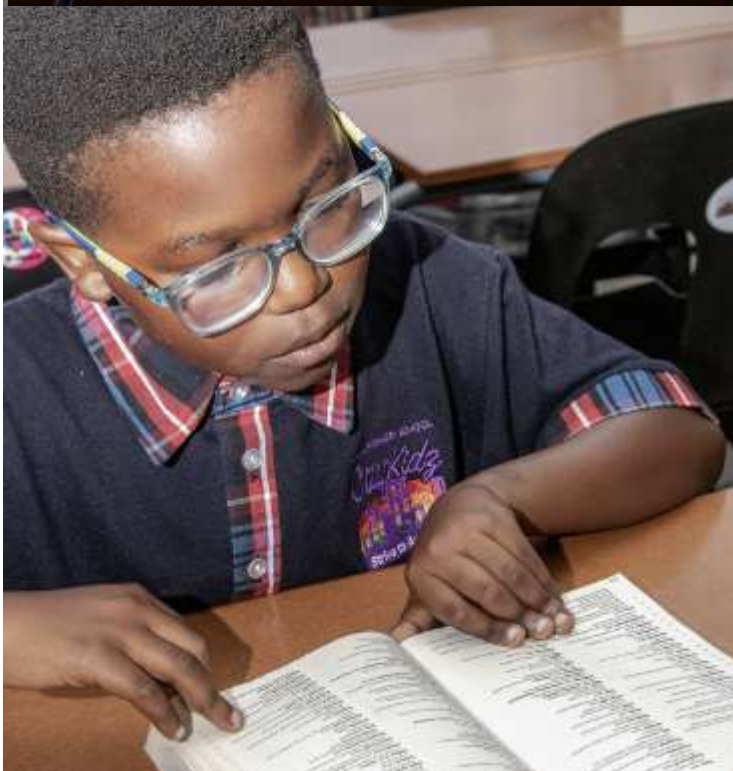
Why the Spelling Bee Matters

Beyond the excitement of competition, the Spelling Bee celebrates vocabulary, concentration, and confidence under pressure. It's a wonderful opportunity for learners to showcase the hard work they've put into building their spelling skills throughout the year.

Come Cheer On Our Spellers!

Mark the date—the 22nd—and get ready to support our brave spellers as they take on this exciting challenge. Who will rise to the occasion and be crowned our new reigning champion? There's only one way to find out!

Let the spelling continue!





Transportation Through Time



When Oil Tankers Pollute

Transportation has changed how people and goods move throughout history. Early travel relied on walking and animals like horses and camels. The invention of the wheel brought carts and wagons, and later the steam engine introduced trains and steamships, enabling much longer journeys.

The 20th century brought cars, planes, and modern ships, connecting the world faster than ever. Today, high-speed trains and aircraft cross continents in hours, while electric vehicles, bicycles, and self-driving technology are shaping a cleaner, smarter future.

But modern transport has a downside: pollution. Oil tankers — massive ships that carry fuel across the seas — can cause serious environmental damage when spills occur, polluting water, harming marine life, and affecting the animals and plants that depend on clean oceans.

Poster Task: Learners were required to show the following on their posters:

1. **Transportation through time** — compare early transport (e.g., simple boats) with modern ships like oil tankers and container ships.
2. **What an oil tanker is** — draw and label one, showing how it carries oil in large tanks.
3. **Effects of an oil spill** — show at least one impact, such as:
 - Fish and sea animals covered in oil
 - Birds unable to fly due to oily feathers
 - Damaged plants and sea life
 - Polluted beaches and seawater



Solar system Grade 3's soar

Grade 3 Learners Blast Off into the Solar System!

3... 2... 1... Blast off! Our Grade 3 classrooms were transformed into exciting launch pads of discovery as our young learners embarked on an out-of-this-world adventure through the Solar System!

With eyes full of wonder and minds eager to explore, the learners discovered fascinating facts about the Sun, planets, moons and the incredible universe beyond our own planet. Their curiosity was contagious as they asked questions, shared ideas and immersed themselves in the exciting world of space exploration.

One of the highlights of the project was the opportunity to create Solar System models using recycled materials. With plenty of imagination and creativity, learners transformed everyday items into colourful planets and space-inspired creations. Cardboard, paper, boxes, bottle tops and other recyclable materials were given a new purpose as the learners proudly brought their models to life. Their creations were not only impressive but also showed how learning can be creative, hands-on and environmentally conscious.

Our young astronomers also had the opportunity to develop their confidence and speaking skills through impromptu speeches about their favourite planets. Standing in front of their classmates, they shared interesting facts and explained why their chosen planet captured their imagination. It was wonderful to see their confidence grow as they spoke, listened and celebrated one another's ideas.

And, of course, no space adventure would be complete without plenty of reading! Our learners spent hours exploring books and other resources about space, eagerly searching for fascinating facts and answers to their questions. Their enthusiasm for reading showed us that when children are given something exciting to discover, learning truly takes flight!

This Solar System project was about so much more than planets and space. It encouraged our learners to read, research, create, communicate, think critically and work with enthusiasm. Most importantly, it reminded us of the joy that comes from being curious and asking, "What else is out there?"

We are incredibly proud of our Grade 3 space explorers and all that they achieved.



Who knows? Perhaps among our young explorers is a future astronaut, scientist or astronomer! Until then, keep looking up, keep asking questions and keep reaching for the stars!





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Vultures at a crime scene

Because vultures arrive at a dead body within the first five days, they can change how a crime scene looks. They speed up the rate of decay, which might make a body look like it has been there for many weeks even if the death was recent.

Forensic scientists (scientists who help solve crimes) used to ignore the marks left by vultures. But Dr. Lauren Pharr's research shows that this was a mistake



Pharr worked on a missing person case that became a murder investigation.

At the crime scene, detectives found feathers about 40 metres away from the main body. This was strange because vultures do not like to waste energy by wandering far from food. Pharr realised that only two things would make a vulture leave a body that it had started eating: guts (intestines) and brain matter.

She told the detectives this information. They then understood that the victim had been hit hard on the head. The killer had moved parts of the body and the vultures had followed the brain matter 40 metres away.

Because of the vulture feathers

found near the brain matter, police could prove that the person had been murdered.





One Last Bowl Before Year-End: Final Pet Food Drive for 2026

As the year draws to a close, we're calling on our whole school community to come together for one final, big-hearted push—our last pet food donation drive of the year in support of PawsRehoming.

Why This Matters

Across informal settlements, countless animals struggle to find their next meal. Dogs and cats that have no owner to rely on, and even pets belonging to families who are themselves struggling, often go without proper food. PawsRehoming works tirelessly to feed, care for, and find loving homes for these animals, but they can only do this with the support of generous communities like ours.

This is our chance to end the year on a high note and make sure animals in need don't go hungry over the festive season.

Let's Make This Our Biggest Donation Yet

We've done wonderful things this year, and now it's time for one last great effort. Every bag of pet food, every tin, every contribution—no matter how small—adds up to full bowls and wagging tails.

We're asking learners, parents, and staff to dig deep one more time and bring:

- Dry dog and cat food
- Tinned pet food
- Pet food past its "best before" date but still safe and unopened (Paws Rehoming can often still use this)
- Blankets, leashes, or bowls, if you have spares to give

How You Can Help

- Spread the word to family, friends, and neighbours—more hands make a bigger difference.
- Talk to your children about why kindness to animals matters, and let them be part of the giving.

A Small Act, A Big Difference

For an animal that hasn't eaten in days, a donated bag of food is nothing short of a lifeline. Let's show, one last time this year, what our community can do when we come together for a cause that matters.

Let's fill every bowl and finish the year knowing we made a real difference—for the animals of Paws Rehoming and the informal settlements they serve.

Every donation counts. Let's make this our biggest one yet.



Aftercare Learners Let Loose After CASS

The air was filled with laughter and the satisfying thwack of a ball hitting a net.

After weeks of tests and final projects, our Aftercare learners finally traded their pens for a whole lot of fun. The energy was electric as learners came together for an epic games session.

For a few hours, the only thing that mattered was scoring the next goal or making the perfect pass.

The netball court buzzed with competition. Amahle and Asanda were locked in a friendly rivalry, each determined to outscore the other.

"I was not going to let her beat me!" laughed Amahle. "It feels so good to just run and play without worrying about a test tomorrow."

Nearby, shrieks of laughter filled the air as a group played "Blind Man's Bluff."

Sinomso volunteered to be the "blind man," stumbling and spinning as he tried to tag his giggling friends.

"It is so much harder than it looks!" said Sinomso. "After all the studying, this is exactly what I needed. You forget about everything else and just play."

Over on the football field, the goals were flying in. Paballo was everywhere at once, setting up goal after goal for his teammates.

"I just love seeing the team work together," said Paballo, beaming. "When you set up a goal and everyone celebrates, it's the best feeling. Hard work pays off—whether it's in class or on the pitch."

Our Aftercare team was thrilled to see the learners so joyful. "They have worked so incredibly hard this term," said one teacher. "They earned this fun."

The books will be waiting next term. But for now, the memory of goals scored, hoops shot, and friendships strengthened will carry them through.





Behaviour Bank Awards Term 3

Merits for Term 3 Weekending 18 September: Year 2026					
Grade	Name	Surname	Grade	Name	Surname
Grade RR	Athandwa	Mabhena	Grade Ra	Nothile	Magwalivha
Grade Rb	Snelihle	Msizi	Grade Rc	Rorisang	Dinake
Grade 1A	Shantel	Nyathi	Grade 1B	Naledi	Komane
Grade 1C	Junior	Abosi	Grade 1D	Uzoma	Gwabeni
Grade 2A	Tshiamoentle	Mokolomme	Grade 2B	Nhlanzeko	Mhlongo
Grade 2C	Rolivhuwa	Mubva	Grade 2D	Zen	Dladla
Grade 3A	Likuwe	Mfeya	Grade 3B	Thando	Kunene
Grade 3C	Ziyanda	Magane	Grade 3D	Lesedi	Monyosi
Grade 4A	Nqobile	Khumalo	Grade 4B	Tlotlanang	Mogoshane
Grade 4C	Thelma	Mpofu	Grade 4D	Resego	Makama
Grade 5A	Noluthando	Mazibuko	Grade 5B	Nkanyezi	Maluleka
Grade 5C	Nehemiah	Uwimana	Grade 5D	Kabo	Makganyuga
Grade 6A	Thandolwethu	Ndlovu	Grade 6B	Isabella	Mari
Grade 6C	Nahome	Temale	Grade 6D	Kutlwano	Mokanyane
Grade 7A	Lulo	Gcololeta	Grade 7B	Sindisiwe	Makhubu
Grade 7C	Purity	Mohlaba	CityBabez	Lubanzi	Tofile



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
21/09	22/09	23/09	24/09	25/09
	Spelling Bee	COLLECT REPORTS	PUBLIC HOILDAY	School holidays
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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General Knowledge Question

In soccer, what is it called when a player scores three goals in one game?

Answer to the question in our last newsletter.

Which continent has the most countries? AFRICA



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SPELLING BEE

hierarchy	identity
hilarious	ideology
hitchhike	idle
hoarse	ignite
hoax	ignominious
homicide	illusion
honourable	illustration
hooligan	illustrious
horrendous	imbue
horror	immature



Warm Regards

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