



The Weekly Blah

A productive “buzz” in Grade 000!



The Bee Class have been very busy, painting, baking and playing different games whilst learning about different insects.



More than a school ~ a way of life.



Welcome back, Ben!

Ben spoilt the class with yummy chocolates from America!

Headlines....

General Knowledge Champions

Congratulations to our team of Dhania Schultz, Natalie Gelderblom, Daniel Mudge and Daniel Abelson on their super effort to retain the Inter-School General Knowledge Shield for the second year in a row. Ms Craig accompanied the team to the event which was held at Somerset College. We are very proud of them on this achievement.



Chess Champions

Our chess players have done us proud with their achievements and will be participating at the WP Top Schools Tournament on Saturday against some of the top players in the province. We wish them well as they take on the best.

Mrs Ira Blanckenberg

Very sadly, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Blanckenberg at the end of this year. Ira has given exceptional service to Somerset House as a part time teacher. With the Senior Primary production, A Thousand Cranes, she has set the bar very high for her successor. We wish her well as she focuses on the further development of her own drama school in Somerset West as well as her professional responsibilities. Thank you, Ira!

We are in the process of advertising for a replacement teacher for this position and we will communicate the outcome of this process as soon as it is complete.

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Mini Astro!

The mini Astro is a hive of activity before school and during break times with many (very serious!) games of hand-tennis taking place.

News from the Fieldmouse Class

Andrew, Sophia and Seth proudly show off the pom-pom spiders with the scary green eyes that they have made.



Some children enjoyed yummy rock cakes while others had fun playing in the "shark tank".



One GI Short!

Some very sad news to report from the GIs this morning! The Crew arrived in the gloom of the dawn to find that one GI had been taken away – simply removed without notice! Some immediate enquiries were made to Mpact who are the guardians of the GIs, and quite simply, we are not collecting enough paper to warrant three GIs. There was a small moment of hush around the empty site, but the Ladies of The Crew could not maintain that for very long – and it was back to the chatter, banter and giggles!

A secret supporter of Mrs Roberts' Grade 3s snuck in with some 94 kgs of paper this morning, under cover of darkness, which puts Grade 3R back into the lead. Cupcakes are on the way for the end of the week.

2015	Weds 29 July	Weds 5 Aug		Class Totals	Position
7A		10.0	11.0	21.0	
7M			4.7	4.7	
7R			6.5	6.5	
6C	40.0	12.0		52.0	
6E				0.0	
6M		15.0	1.5	16.5	
5B	9.2	50.1	5.0	74.3	
5vG		5.0	3.4	8.4	
4C	24.8	12.5		55.3	
4M	58.3	22.0		230.2	3
3P	12.5	34.0	71.3	137.3	
3R	138.3	27.5	128.0	303.8	1
2dP	7.0	5.9		32.2	
2T	111.0	155.6	16.1	282.7	2
1B		40.6		45.1	
1H	55.3	20.1	15.3	108.6	
Weekly Total	456.4	410.3	262.8	1378.6	

So, the message from the top is that we need more paper please! Unfortunately, for whatever reason, Mpact do not like our cardboard – so please don't send that in with the paper...

Artist of the Week

Talia Abelson and Danelle van Niekerk in Grade 3 are the Artists of the Week for their colourful and cute papier maché piggies. Congratulations, girls!



Grade 4 Farming Projects

The Grade 4s have begun their Farming Presentations and we were 'fortunate' enough to watch Jason Stegmann gut a fish. We look forward to seeing what else Grade 4s have in store for us next week.



Sports News

NETBALL VS DR JOUBERT & BEAUMONT

Our netball matches were played against Dr Joubert and Beaumont yesterday afternoon. Many thanks to Beaumont for bringing teams despite it not being a league fixture for them - we just wanted to give more of our teams the opportunity to play. Congratulations to our U8A, U9A, U10A and U11A teams who all won their matches yesterday. Our seniors played tight games in the hall against Dr Joubert and although they narrowly lost, they played brilliantly. Well done to all our girls!



HOCKEY VS RHENISH

Our hockey teams had a fun afternoon last Thursday when they played matches against Rhenish, Applewood or Grabouw Primary. Our U11s in particular had a most successful afternoon with both the Girls and Boys A and B Teams all winning their matches. Our girls and boys 1st teams also had comfortable victories against Rhenish with the girls winning 3 – 0 and the boys, 4 – 0. It was wonderful seeing most of our children kitted out in their new hockey shirts - they certainly looked very smart.



GOOD LUCK TO OUR CHESS TEAM

Our U13 Chess Team will be participating at the WP Top Schools Tournament on Saturday. The team consists of Josh Cox, Kayla Coetzer, Chris Young-Pugh, Jordan Heymans, Daniel Abelson and Sam Chemaly. They will be playing matches against Curro, Observatory and Kirstenhof. We wish them the best of luck!

Week 5 Programme for week ending 22nd August 2015

Mon	17 Aug	from 18h00	Piano Eisteddfods Netball Night League v Beaumont (H) : U10 to U13 A Teams
Tues	18	07h45 15h00 – 16h00 16h00	Flute and Piano Eisteddfods FinCo Meeting Hockey Match v De Hoop : Girls 1 st XI (Rhenish Astro) Matric Tea – Grade 7 class of 2010
Wed	19	from 13h45 14h30 – 15h30 15h30 – 16h30 18h00	Rugby Matches v Beaumont (H) Grade 6 Singing Group Rehearsal Grade 7 Singing Group Rehearsal Guild Meeting
Thurs	20	07h45 from 13h45 14h30 – 15h00 15h00 – 15h30	ExCo Meeting Hockey Matches v SWPS & Applewood (H) Grade 6 Singing Group Rehearsal Grade 7 Singing Group Rehearsal
Fri	21	10h30 from 12h00 from 13h30 13h40 15h00 – 16h30 from 15h00	JP Assembly Music Entertainment Eisteddfod: Individuals (12h00); Grade 6 Singing Group (13h10); Grade 7 Singing Group (13h10); Individuals (14h10) Chess Matches v Lochnerhof (A) SP Assembly Bridge House Maths Festival (A) Hockey Matches v Glenwood House & Hosting (H): 15h00: Boys U13 & Girls U11 16h00: Girls U12 & Boys U11
Sat	22	from 09h00	Rugby & Netball Matches v Glenwood House (H): 09h00: U11 Netball & U11 Rugby 09h30: U12 Netball 10h00: U13 Netball & U13 Rugby