



Brackenhurst Primary School



Newsletter 18/2019
3 June 2019

Dear Parents,

Quote for the Week:



PHOTOS

Photos will be taken on Wednesday 5 June and Thursday 6 June. Please note that full winter uniform must be worn for these photos otherwise they will not be taken.

SCHOOL TIMES

Grade 1 – 2: 07:50 – 13:30 every day
Grade 3 – 7: 07:50 – 14:00 every day

***** 2020 ADMISSIONS – IMPORTANT INFORMATION*****

Admissions for 2020 opened on **Monday 20 May 2019** (for all grades) and will close on **22 July 2019**. Parents must apply online (**grade 1** and grade 8 only) using the following website: www.gdeadmissions.gov.za. Any queries regarding the 2020 admissions process may be addressed to the admissions officer, Mrs Wilson.

Tel: 011 900 1000 or

e-mail: admissions@brackenprim.co.za

SUPPORT GROUP

On Thursday 6 June 2019 Mrs Engelbrecht will be hosting a support group for **parents** of children with **diagnosed ADHD**. This will be an informal way of sharing ideas and coping skills not only for the children, but the families as well.

VENUE: Staffroom
DATE: Thursday, 6 June 2019
TIME: 18:00
COST: No cost involved

Please call the school and let the front desk ladies know if you will be attending. Tea and coffee will be available. Regrettably no children to attend.

SCARVES

Please note that a limited amount of Brackenhurst Primary knitted scarves are available to purchase at the front office for R60 each.

MATTHEW DOWNS BLANKET DRIVE 2019

Please keep on donating blankets for the Matthew Downs blanket drive.

Mini Councillors

Please can you bring all knitted blanket squares (30cm by 30cm) to Mrs Simeonides in C40.

WINTER SCHOOL UNIFORM

Learners must wear their winter school uniform. Please also note that the proper FULL winter uniform must be worn. If the PE uniform is worn, please ensure it is the COMPLETE PE uniform, not mixed with the normal uniform.

No house shirts allowed to be worn on Fridays until further notice.

Please ensure that whether your child is wearing their normal uniform or their PE uniform, they should be dressed neatly, cleanly and be proud to wear their uniform. Please do not send them in torn and unwashed uniforms.

SCHOOL TERMS 2019

Term 2: 2 April – 14 June
Term 3: 9 July – 20 September
Term 4: 1 October – 4 December

Public Holidays:

Sunday 16 June 2019	Youth Day
Monday 17 June 2019	Public Holiday
Friday 9 August 2019	Women's Day
Tuesday 24 September 2019	Heritage Day

E-LEARNING LEVY

E-Learning Levy for Grades 4 – 7 is ***R350,00***. Please make payment for this levy as soon as possible. If we do not receive this levy, we will not be able to load the software onto your child's tablet and they will continue working from hard copy text books.

An annual levy of ***R250,00*** per child for learners Grade 1 – 3 will be paid as soon as possible. This will cover the cost of the trolley solution with tablets we have purchased for our Foundation Phase learners.

All new parents please note that the **e-levy is included in the enrolment fee which would have been paid when you enrolled. The INITIAL e-levy amount payable is R450 for all new applications (regardless of the grade) so parents need not pay an additional R250 for Foundation phase and R350 for Intersen and senior phase.**

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

IF YOU PAY THE R350,00 (INTERSEN PHASE) OR R250,00 (FOUNDATION PHASE) VIA EFT, REFERENCE TO BE USED IS YOUR CHILD'S NAME AND SURNAME AND E-LEVY. DO NOT PAY THIS AMOUNT WITH YOUR SCHOOL FEES. IT MUST BE A SEPARATE PAYMENT. IF YOU PUT THE PAYMENT THROUGH WITH SCHOOL FEES IT WILL NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO E-LEVY.

INTERACTIVE WHITEBOARD LEVY

A levy of R100,00 per child per year is payable for the **maintenance** of interactive whiteboards during the course of 2019.

Please send the money as soon as possible in a clearly marked envelope "**WHITEBOARD LEVY**" and your child's name and hand it in to your child's register teacher. **PLEASE DO NOT DO AN EFT FOR THE WHITEBOARD LEVY.**

ACADEMIC**CYCLE DAYS – TERM 2**

DAY	DATE
1	Monday, 3 June
2	Tuesday, 4 June
3	Wednesday, 5 June
4	Thursday, 6 June
5	Friday, 7 June
6	Monday, 10 June
7	Tuesday, 11 June
1	Wednesday, 12 June
2	Thursday, 13 June
BREAK UP FOR HOLIDAY	Friday, 14 June

CULTURAL

Please note the practise times for the following cultural activities:

Mondays: Marimba, 14:15 – 15:15

Tuesdays: Snr Choir, 14:15 – 15:45
Gumboot, 15:30 – 16:30

Wednesdays: Jnr Choir, 14:00 – 15:00
Drumming, 14:15 – 15:15

Thursdays: Gumboot, 15:30 – 16:30
Jnr African Dancers, 14:30 – 15:30

SPORTS**Posts available**

Department: Sports

Posts: 3 x Cricket Coaches

Job purpose: The Cricket Coaches will be responsible for the development of a cricket team. Coaching will be part of their weekly Cricket Programme which will include matches in the coming term.

Main duties and responsibilities:

1. Coaching a particular age group twice a week from 14:30 to 15:30.
2. Participating in the school league games according to a fixture list.

All interested applicants may e-mail the Sports Department at biancah@brackenprim.co.za

Tennis

Free Tennis takes place on Mondays. For more information, contact Coach Rudolph on 064 525 1665.

Chess

Practices are held as follows:

Mondays	Gr 3 – 7	from 14:15 to 15:00
Tuesdays	Gr 1 – 2	from 13:45 to 14:30
	Gr 3 – 7	from 14:30 to 15:30
Wednesdays	Gr 1 – 2	from 13:45 to 14:30
Thursdays	Gr 3 – 7	from 14:15 to 15:00

House Shirts

Please contact Alice Lombard on 083 397 5705 for any orders/queries regarding House T-Shirts.

PLEASE NOTE: The house shirts are not allowed until summer. We will let parents know when they can be worn again.

The cost of the shirts is as follows:

Children's Shirts: R75,00

Adult's Shirts: R90,00

The division for the houses is according to the month in which you were born:

MARS (Red): January, February, March, April

JUPITER (Yellow): May, June, July, August

VENUS (Blue): September, October, November, December

PE Uniform

Please note with regards to the PE uniform, the school is merely providing this service to the parents. The school is not the supplier for this uniform. If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Van Rensburg on 074 780 5522.

See advertisement at the end of this newsletter.

Brackenhurst Primary sport kits are also on sale at the Sports Office **every Wednesday morning 07:00 – 07:45.**

Learners may also to buy the uniform any day during their breaks.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Check the Dojo school story regularly for community news and opportunities.

Term 2 collection:

Coin Collection Term 2

This term, we are collecting for TLC orphanage. Our collection is going extremely slowly ☹. Please send spare change and if possible, try to send a total of R10 during the term. Thank you! It all adds up!

Juniors to please send to Miss Tambellini and seniors to Miss Palm. Grade 6P, 4P and Gr 7s may help Miss Palm to separate coins on Mondays after school for half an hour. Thank you to all learners and teachers and Aunty Sheena for counting all the coins!

Hidden Treasures

Please send all + any second-hand donations to Mr Mostert e.g. Toys, clothes, appliances, books, gadgets, bedding, cutlery, crockery, CDs, DVDs, etc. All the proceeds go towards feeding orphans.

Bread tags and bottle tops for wheelchairs

Thank you for this year's donations! We have done well and are working towards our next wheelchair for a needy recipient. Please send to Mrs Robinson in G31.

SPCA

Please assist us with collecting newspapers, blankets, pet food (wet or dry), soft leads and collars (no chains please), pet toys, food and water bowls. These items are to go to Mrs. Robinson (G31). These donations will then be dropped off at the Alberton SPCA.

Your contributions will go a long way and is so appreciated.

Pollution Solution

We are trying to keep our school spotless. Any Grade 4 – 7 learners may collect a black bag from Ms Pheiffer. Also we would like to start making eco-bricks with our pollution and 2 litre cold drink bottles. Information to follow.

NEWSLETTER AND SCHOOL COMMUNICATOR

We will only send out hard copies of the newsletter to parents who have submitted a written request to the register teacher. The newsletter is available via the D6 Communicator app and can also be downloaded from the website, www.brackenprim.co.za. The newsletter will also be downloaded on the children's tablets.

PLEASE MAKE USE OF THE SCHOOL COMMUNICATOR

The school's newsletter is published every Monday during the school term. Then newsletter can be accessed via the following:

- 1) Your child's tablet (Grades 4 – 7). The newsletter can be downloaded onto their device on a weekly basis.
- 2) The School's website: www.brackenprim.co.za/newsletter-archive.
- 3) The communicator app for PC or Laptop – download the software from www.d6.co.za/education/downloads.
- 4) The communicator app for your Smartphone – download the D6 communicator app from your mobile app store.

This is a software programme that will ensure reliable and up to date communication with you, the parent/guardian. This programme is simple and easy to use and can be installed on your home and/or work computer/s and/or smartphone. This will allow us to keep you up to date on a daily basis as to what is happening at school.

Should you have any queries, please contact Mr Fabel or Mrs Roets on (011) 900 1000.

GENERAL

Tuck Shop

Attached to the newsletter is the full Tuckshop Menu.

'HELP-U' ADVERTISER

The 'Help-U' advertiser is published once a month at the end of the month. The cost of a business card size ad is R50,00 monthly. If you would like to advertise in the 'Help-U' Advertiser, please forward your details together with the money to Colette

Kruger at the school office. No pictures – just wording.

PARENTS' CORNER

**26 WORDS TO USE
INSTEAD OF VERY**

Very Cold	Freezing
Very Colourful	Vibrant
Very Competitive	Cutthroat
Very Complete	Comprehensive
Very Confused	Perplexed
Very Creative	Innovative
Very Crowded	Bustling
Very Dangerous	Perilous
Very Dear	Cherished
Very Deep	Profound
Very Depressed	Despondent
Very Detailed	Meticulous
Very Different	Disparate
Very Difficult	Arduous
Very Dirty	Filthy
Very Dry	Arid
Very Dull	Tedious
Very Easy	Effortless
Very Empty	Desolate
Very Excited	Thrilled
Very Exciting	Exhilarating
Very Expensive	Costly
Very Cute	Adorable
Very Fast	Swift
Very Fancy	Lavish
Very Fat	Obese

And FINALLY...

I had a hen who
could count her
own eggs. She was
a mathemachicken.

**You know what
seems odd to me?
Numbers that aren't
divisible by two."**

Regards,

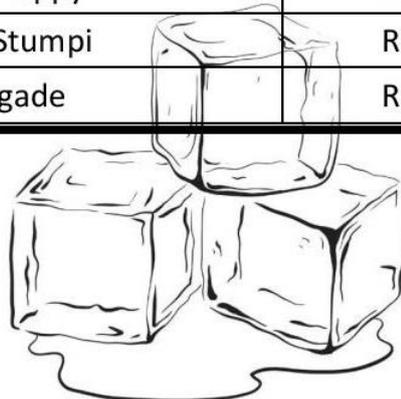
**MRS C SING
ACTING PRINCIPAL**

TUCKSHOP MENU

BEVERAGES



Warm Drinks 250ml	
Coffee	R12
Tea	R12
Hot Chocolate	R15
Cappuccino	R15
Cold drinks	
Buddies	R15
Flavoured Water	R14
Still Water 650ml	R10
Small Milk	R10
Flavoured Milk	R12
Milo Box	R12
Fruit Juices	R8
Kingsley Drinks – Large	R10
Kingsley Drinks – Small	R8
Vitamin Water	R14
Isorade	R14
Iced Tea	R14
Frutesca Shakes	R14
Slush Puppy	R15
Sterri Stumpi	R16
Energade	R15

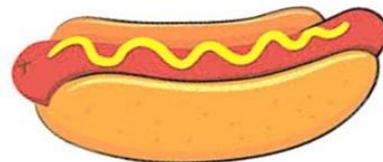


TUCKSHOP MENU

FOOD

Weekly Menu - Lunch of the day		
Monday	Toasted Ham & Cheese	R15
Tuesday	Cheese Griller Dog	R15
Wednesday	Toasted Cheese	R14
Thursday	Hotdog	R14
Friday	Pie of your choice as follows: <i>(Pepper Steak / Chicken / Steak & Kidney / Cornish / Sausage Roll, Cheese & Onion)</i>	R17
Friday Combo Deal: Pie + Small Kingsley Cool drink + Packet of Sweets		R30

Toasted Sandwiches		Breakfast Only (Served from 06:30)	
Cheese	R14	Toast & Jam	R6
Cheese & Tomato	R15	Toasted Bacon, Egg & Cheese	R23
Ham & Cheese	R18	Hot Cross Buns with Margarine	R6
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	R20	Every Day	
Bacon & Cheese	R20	Hot Dog	R14
Chicken Mayo & Bacon	R22	Cheese Griller Dog	R15
Chicken Mayo & Cheese	R22	Pie of Your Choice	R17
Chicken Mayo	R20	2nd Break Only	
Biltong & Cheese	R22	Russian & Chips	R27
Bacon, Cheese, Onion & BBQ Sauce	R22	Slap Chips	R15
Wraps		Russian & Chip Roll	R16
Chicken Wrap	R26	Snacks – All Day	
Chicken & Feta Wrap	R28	Muffin	R8
Salad Wrap	R18	X-Large Biscuit	R8
Biltong & Feta Wrap	R30	Yoghurt	R5
Salads		Biltong Wheel	R9
Chicken & Feta	R28	Biltong Stick	R5
Basic Salad	R18		
Biltong & Feta	R30		

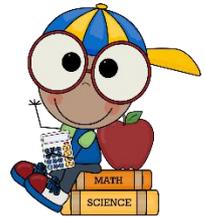


UNIFORM SHOP OPEN

PE UNIFORM



PE SHIRTS	R160 (RED)
SKORT	R160
SHORTS	R140
TRACKSUITS	R380 - R400
CAPS	R50
BEANIES	R60
BPS SPORTING KIT	



ON SALE AT THE SPORTS OFFICE. ON SALE EVERY

Wednesday morning 07h00 - 07h30

LEARNERS: ARE WELCOME TO BUY ANYTIME DURING THE SCHOOL DAY (BREAKS)

TRACKSUITS WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM THE END OF FEBRUARY

NO WAITING PERIOD... tracksuits are available from the sports office size 20 – 30 R380 - size 32 – 38 R400.

therific naturals

Mai-Thaim for adults

- Benefits headaches & migraines
- Reduces muscle tension
- Natural detox

Kiddy-Calm

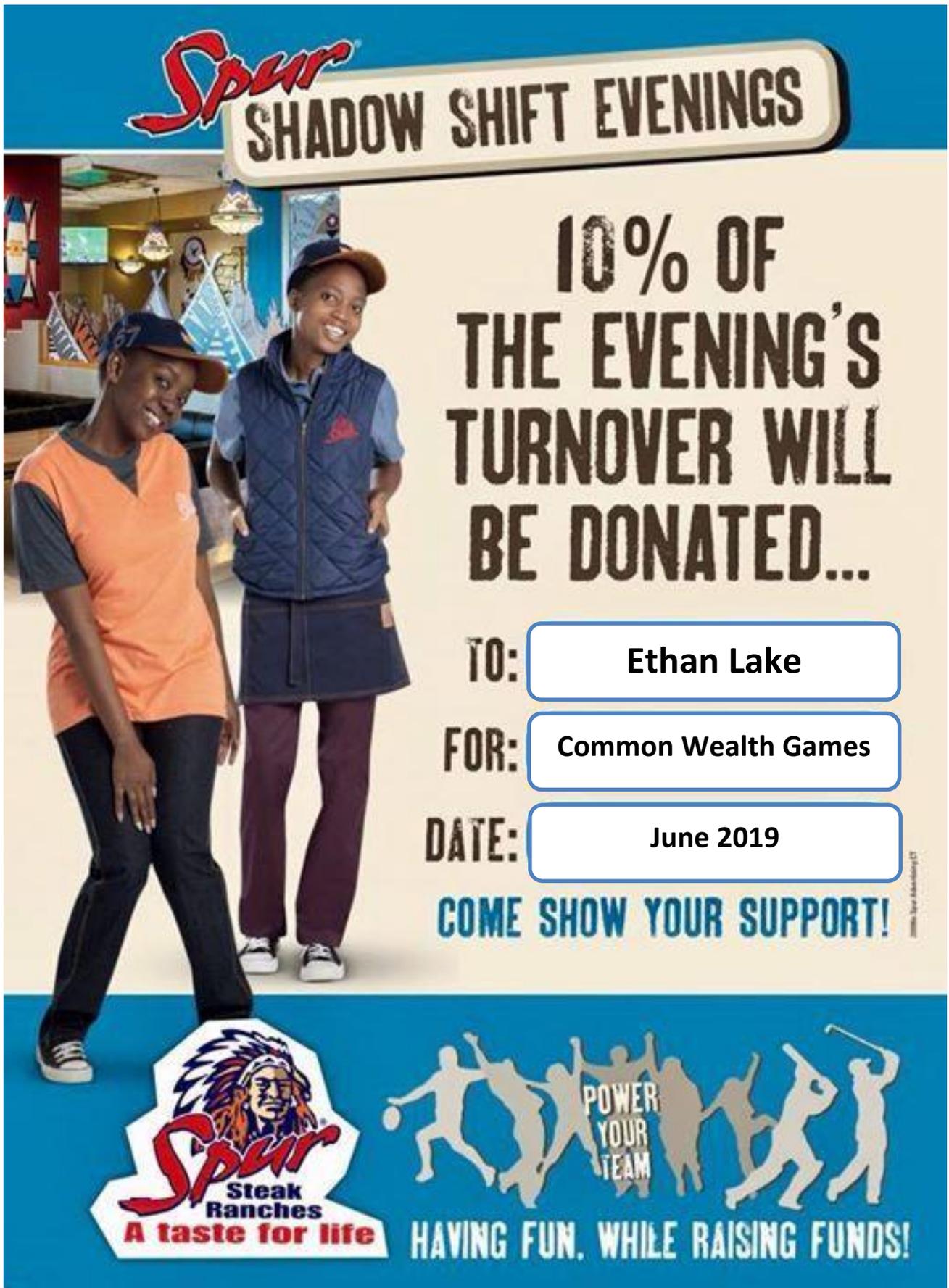
- Improves sleep patterns
- Reduces hyperactivity
- Vital for brain development

Pure-Thaim

- Bubble FREE & colour FREE
- Contains coconut oil to moisturise dry skin and carries the same benefits of both Kiddy-Calm & Mai-Thaim

—Magnesium Bath Salts—
Cost: (2.5kg bags) @ R165 per bag

Contact Lorna for more info: 072 454 2783 - lornaannventer@gmail.com



Spur
SHADOW SHIFT EVENINGS

**10% OF
THE EVENING'S
TURNOVER WILL
BE DONATED...**

TO: Ethan Lake

FOR: Common Wealth Games

DATE: June 2019

COME SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!

Spur
Steak
Ranches
A taste for life

POWER
YOUR
TEAM

HAVING FUN. WHILE RAISING FUNDS!

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At the Rocky Peak Spur - Brackenhurst