# NEWSLETTER





RIDGEWAY COLLEGE

08 SEPTEMBER 2023

Dear Parents

### **Prelim Exams**



Our Grade 12 Preliminary Examinations are well under way. With two weeks to go, stay focused, keep working and give your very best.



# **PEPPS Chess Challenge**

The U15 and U19 Chess Teams are off to PEPPS Chess Challenge tomorrow – Ms Greeff and Mr Hlupeni will be accompanying our children on the trip. This is another great opportunity for our children to showcase their strategic skills on the chessboard. All the very best to our players.



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# Soccer U15

Our U15 Soccer team played a home game against LTT High School on Wednesday this week – clinching a win with a final score of 1 – 0 to Ridgeway. Well done team.















# LOOKING AHEAD TO 2024

We are always pondering new initiatives for our children to enhance our 'value add' at Ridgeway. Two programmes that we will be introducing to the college in 2024 are:

- TechWays an e-learning programme designed to augment our current IT curriculum. This programme will be run with our Grade 8 and 9 pupils next year. MS Word, excel, python basics, HTML & CSS, Game development, and Mobile App development will be covered. These basics will give our children the potential to delve deeper into cyber security, web development, AI databases and CAD. A perfect opportunity to create an IT portfolio offering while still at school for future employment in this ever-changing 'tech' environment.
- Real Life 4 Teens this programme will be piloted with our Grade 9s next year at Ridgeway and is an extension of the Real Life 4 Kids programme currently running in the preparatory school. This is an exciting, 3-Dimensional life skills programme for teenagers. The game allows children to open bank accounts, earn a salary and interest, purchase land, build a home, own a business, build various city contracts and get a snapshot of what awaits them in real life. The game is fun and exciting, and its full academic curriculum is easily assimilated into the normal school day, across all subjects taught.

The full programme runs for six months ensuring hours of fun and learning. It promises to be a valuable learning experience for our children.



# **Outdoor Chess**

Our outdoor chessboard is finally complete. Thank you to Nelson Molepo for a sterling job on laying the chessboard and special thanks to the Sumbandila Trust for their very generous sponsor of the chess pieces. Our U15 chess squad will be the custodians of our outdoor chess and will be identifiable with their blazer chess pins.













# **Play Production**

We are extremely excited about our upcoming play production in the high school. Ms Guptar and our thespians have been practicing very hard to ensure that the production is another 'wow' moment for the year. 'Medea' promises to be a spectacular production. Tickets will be on sale from Monday, and I encourage all parents and pupils to book tickets early as the three evenings will sell out fast.











Andani Raphalalani rides as part of the LTT High School cycling team. Their team took first place in the Limpopo Schools' League, a mammoth achievement – well done team, well done Andani.









Early Closing Reminder
A reminder to our parents that due to
IEB Subject Cluster Meetings in
Polokwane on Tuesday afternoon, we

will need to close early @ 12:30 on Tuesday 12 September. Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause to our parents.

Safety first... help me find my safety glasses!

# Have a blessed weekend!

Solution to 01 Sep Sudoku puzzle

3	4	2	8	7	5	9	6	1
7	8	6	2	1	9	3	4	5
5	1	9	4	3	6	2	7	8
6	2	1	5	9	7	8	3	4
9	3	5	6	8	4	7	1	2
4	7	8	1	2	3	6	5	9
1	5	7	9	6	8	4	2	3
8	6	4	3	5	2	1	9	7
2	9	3	7	4	1	5	8	6

KIND REGARDS

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Let's Graduate...
Good luck GR 12!