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Mother's Day

As we venture deeper into this year, and we are caught up in the sheer pace of it, let us take a minute to celebrate those that are most important to us. To our many mums, we wish you a wonderful weekend of celebration, love and joy with hopefully a few spoils on the way.

Being a mother means school drop-offs, re-learning History, assisting (and sometimes even completing) Science projects, and you do all of this and more with love. We are grateful for you and the many sacrifices you make of which we are not even aware. Children certainly are not born with an operational manual and there are times when even the best of us are left with our hands on our heads as we try to unpack situations. Our children today face challenges that we never had to, yet you navigate your way through it with grace, poise and humour. This is admirable. We appreciate and acknowledge everything you do for our children.

To our teachers, or as I like to say "our school-mums," there are no words to describe the role you play in our children's lives. I have seen our teachers run after children with water bottles, jackets and even schoolbags that they have forgotten. I have witnessed teachers wiping away tears and offering comfort to inconsolable children when they needed it and I have even witnessed teachers calling parents in the morning to remind them about bringing a project to school as they were scared that it would be forgotten. For the many hours you spend nurturing our children on the sportsfield, on a Friday when they think the transport driver has abandoned them and the many other ways that you provide motherly love and unconditional support, I salute you!

Here at our school, I have seen parents lean on teachers and work together because there is a culture of trust, respect and love amongst all of us and we have embraced the idea of OUR CHILDREN. I pray that that continues.

I wish all our mums, dads that step in as mums (and definitely other family members that willingly fill this pivotal role) a wonderful weekend and may you be celebrated this Sunday.

Kind Regards
Mr Govender