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Dear Parents

The article below was brought to my attention by a staff member yesterday evening and I thought I would share it in the Weekly Newsletter.

According to Psychologists there are four types of intelligence: 1)Intelligence Quotient (IQ)

2)Emotional Quotient (EQ) 3)Social Quotient (SQ)

4)Adversity Quotient (AQ)

Intelligence Quotient (IQ): is the measure of your level of comprehension. You need IQ to solve maths, memorize things, and recall lessons.

Emotional Quotient (EQ): is the measure of your ability to maintain peace with others, keep to time, be responsible, be honest, respect boundaries, be humble, genuine, and considerate.

Social Quotient (SQ): is the measure of your ability to build a network of friends and maintain it over an extended period of time. People that have higher EQ and SQ tend to go further in life than those with a high IQ but low EQ and SQ. Most schools capitalize on improving IQ levels while EQ and SQ are played down. A person of high IQ can end up being employed by a person of high EQ and SQ even though he has an average IQ. Your EQ represents your Character, while your SQ represents your Charisma. Give in to habits that will improve these three Qs, especially your EQ and SQ.

#### Now there is a 4th one, a new paradigm:

Adversity Quotient (AQ): the measure of your ability to go through a rough patch in your life and come out of it without losing your mind. When faced with troubles, AQ determines who will give up, who will abandon their family, and who will consider suicide.

Parents, please expose your children to other areas of life than just 'academics'. They should adore manual labour (never use work as a form of punishment), Sports and Arts. Develop their IQ, as well as their EQ, SQ and AQ. They should become multifaceted human beings able to do things independently of their parents.

Finally, "do not prepare the road for your children – prepare your children for the road." [Accounting Knowledge Concepts...]

### **RIDGEWAY CALENDAR**

Academics

<u>Test Timetable (Term 2)</u> Test Timetable has been sent on D6

#### Exam Timetable

We are drafting the Examination Timetable for our Grade 8-12 pupils and will issue as soon as we have finalised.

#### Winter School (Grade 12)

Our annual Winter School for Grade 12 will run during the week Mon 26 June – Fri 30 June. The timetable will be issued to our Grade 12 pupils before the long-weekend for planning purposes.

Edugro Winter Sports Festival – Saturday 13 May

We will be travelling to Ashbury College (Benoni) again this year to participate in the annual Winter Sports Festival. The festival comes at a no cost to our parents and our delegation of netball, soccer, chess and public speaking children will be finalised soon. Details regarding logistics will be forwarded in due course.

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#### Staff Development

The continuous professional development of our staff is an important part of Ridgeway College. We have secured the services of Keller Education, and our teachers across the whole school have already commenced their engagement with this professional platform not only to meet the requirements of the South African Council of Educators (SACE) but also to stimulate their individual development as teachers.

#### Forest Walk - Saturday 22 April

I look forward to our morning in nature tomorrow and expect to see all our high school pupils enjoying their walk through the forest. Registration starts at 08:00 and the walk will commence at 09:00. We should be concluded around midday so there is plenty of time to do all the necessaries after the walk. Please come along and join us for a beautiful morning of exercise.



#### **Congratulations**

Congratulations to Ms. du Plessis and Mrs. Rasool who have both recently completed an Advanced 120 Hour **TEFL/TESOL Certificate – well done to** you both.

#### **Blanket Drive**

A reminder to support our Blanket Drive in giving back to our community at this very chilly phase of the year.

#### **Preparatory School visit**

I was honoured to be invited to the Preparatory School's announcement of their Head Boy and Head Girl this morning. The Executive Leader Council joined me as representatives of the College and a visible reminder that we are one school on two campuses.



Short Week next Week A reminder of the short, three-day school week next week.

"Eid Mubarak to all our Muslim families." 

Have a super weekend KIND REGARDS Dr. G.W Elliott

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# World Book Day - 23/04/2023

The original idea was conceived in 1922 by Vicente Clavel, director of Cervantes publishing house in Barcelona, as a way to honour the author Miguel de Cervantes and boost the sales of books. It was first celebrated on 7 October 1926, Cervantes' birthday, before being moved to his death date, 23 April, in 1930.

The celebration continues with great popularity in Catalonia, where it is referred to as Sant Jordi's Day or The Day of Books and Roses.

In 1995, UNESCO decided that the World Book and Copyright Day would be celebrated on 23 April, as the date is also the anniversary of the death of William Shakespeare and Inca Garcilaso de la Vega, as well as that of the birth or death of several other prominent authors. (In a historical coincidence, Shakespeare and Cervantes died on the same date-23 April 1616-but not on the same day, as at the time, Spain used the Gregorian calendar and England used the Julian calendar; Shakespeare actually died 10 days after Cervantes died, on 3 May of the Gregorian calendar.)



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