

RIDGEWAY PREPARATORY NEWSFLASH

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From the Principal's Desk

Dear parents

Love was in the air, in the true sense of the word when we celebrated Valentine's Day this past Monday. Our staff, students and PSG ladies dressed up for the occasion and tasty treats and gifts were handed out to us, making us feel very special. Thank you to our PSG for spoiling us! Please look out for the photos on our Facebook page.

Our road works this week has come to a standstill due to the continuous rain. Although we are grateful for all the rain, it does, however slow down the project. I request you to please continue to be patient a while longer, to enable us to finish this project. I am sure that the final result will be pleasing to us all.

Our revised extra-curricular programme also started this week. Our teachers go the extra mile to offer a variety of activities to our students. I want to instil in our students to please commit to their chosen activities for the duration of this term.

On a more serious note, we observed a drop in our parent and student responsibilities when it comes to arriving at school with a mask. Despite reminding our students at school to carry a spare mask in their bags, we still see some arriving in taxis and other modes of transport without a mask. The wearing of a mask is **COMPULSORY! No mask, No entry!** This is not just a school rule, but law in terms of the current Covid regulations.

We would like to remind our parents to check that before their child leaves for school that they have packed everything they need i.e. school bag, snack/lunch, books, stationery etc. You will be amazed how many times, on any given day; we have to make a phone call to parents. Our students often leave their school bag, lunch, sports bag or school projects behind on the taxis and buses, making it very difficult for the office to solve that problem.

We are still on track for our planning to host our Ridgeway Races next week, 25 February (ECD and Foundation Phase) and 26 February (Senior Phase). All health and safety, as well as Covid regulations will be in place to ensure a fun and safe event for all our students. Snacks will be on sale provided by the PSG. Final details of the event will be communicated in next week's newsletter. **UNFORTUNATELY NO SPECTATORS WILL BE ALLOWED!**

Lastly, we asked parents to kindly complete and return some forms for us regarding the use of student photos for school/marketing related activities. We also asked for personal information to be updated and returned to the office. However, we still have many of those forms outstanding. Please make an effort to have them completed and returned to school by no later than this Friday, 19 February.

Just for laughs....**Why did the student eat his homework?**
Because the teacher told him it was a piece of cake!

Until next time, stay safe!

**GRADE 2 KITTENS
VALENTINE CRAFTS**



**GRADE 4A
VALENTINE MESSAGES**



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