



# Mayfair Convent School

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10<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have nearly reached end of Term 1. Test week for Gr. 4-7 starts on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March. All learners to be fully involved with studies this weekend. Teachers have indicated to learners what will be of importance in preparing for each test.

The Gr. 0 -3's have been and are still involved in daily assessments.

### Cake Sale:

A very big thank you to the Gr. 2's who raised the princely sum of R1 780.00.

Thank you for your loyal support.

### Raffle:

The draw has been postponed to the last week of school this term due to the fact there are still **213 sheets outstanding**. **ALL sheets have to be returned to school whether they are complete or not.** These are school property and failure to return the sheets constitute fraud. Thank you for your co-operation and support.

### EVENTS CALENDAR:

**13/03 – 17/03 Test week**

**20/03 School holiday**

**21/03 Human Rights day [holiday]**

**31/03 School close**

**April: Term 2**

**14/04 Good Friday**

**17/04 Easter Monday**

**18/04 School open**

21/04 Easter Hat Parade

24/25/26 Pauline's Book display

26/04 Parents meeting 2.30 – 5pm

**27/04 Freedom day [holiday]**

28/04 Conquesta money.

**28/04 School holiday**

**Please note that 20 & 21 March are school holidays. NO LEARNERS TO BE SENT TO SCHOOL**

### Conquesta:

Learners have been enrolled to write Conquesta. A fee for this is required by Conquesta Olympiad. Learners need to pay the following:

Gr. 2 = R70.00

Gr. 3 = R70.00

Gr. 4 = R80.00

Gr. 5 = R95.00

Gr.6 = R95.00

Gr. 7 = R95.00

Send money to class teachers for a receipt to be given. We need to confirm our payment to Conquesta by 28/04/17. This is a compulsory exam as it enables learners and school to assess their academic ability to international standard benchmark tests. Our learners across all grades have always had grades in the Top 20 International results. Thank you for helping us maintain these good results.

### Code of Conduct:

This is available in short form in your child's diary. Every learner should know this Code. Their behaviour in classes and poor work ethic proves that they **DO NOT** know their responsibilities at school.

Parents please assist us by discussing appropriate classroom behaviour and attitude to work with your child. This will prevent unnecessary **loss** of teaching time due to these issues being addressed. TEACHERS are prepared to TEACH whilst learners seems to prefer to waste time with "issues" in class e.g. discipline; fighting; rumour mongering; storytelling, etc.

**NB:** It is every child's right to have an education. Therefore NO learner may disrupt any class and thereby removing other learner's rights! These issues are being addressed daily with especially Gr. 5, 6, 7 and sadly even Gr. 1's Please help us to stop the time wasting on discipline issues and to concentrate on academics. Discipline and self control should be taught at home.

**Lost property:**

Children are still not claiming their lost items, preferring to blame others of theft. This is a Catholic school, so if you find property with your child that is not theirs please return it to school with a note.

**Sci-Bono:**

The Gr. 6 & 7 learners had a successful outing to Sci-Bono and Afrika Museum. We thank you for your support. Learners enjoyed it so much. We urge parents to take learners to these venues instead of to Malls. The educational value far exceeds what we are able to bring into a class. Thank you to Mr. Munukha; Mr. Janse van Rensburg; Mr. Zivinai and Mrs. vd Haer the teachers who arranged and accompanied them on this outing.

**MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL'S DESK**

During this time of Lent we are urged to renew spirituality

**LENT 2017- POPE FRANCIS**

- FAST from HURTING WORDS and say KIND WORDS**
- FAST from SADNESS and be filled with GRATITUDE**
- FAST from ANGER and be filled with PATIENCE**
- FAST from PESSIMISM and be filled with HOPE**
- FAST from worries and TRUST IN GOD**
- FAST from COMPLAINTS and contemplate SIMPLICITY**
- FAST from PRESSURES and be PRAYERFUL**
- FAST from BITTERNESS and fill your heart with JOY**
- FAST from SELFISHNESS and be COMPASSIONATE to others**
- FAST from GRUDGES and BE RECONCILED**
- FAST from WORDS and be SILENT so you can listen**

Wishing you a blessed time of feasting.

Yours sincerely

Mrs. A. Filiantris

Principal