

# CAPRICCIO! BUZZ

Dear Parents,

For most of us, Term 1 has drawn to a rather sudden and somewhat sombre close, but we can happily look back on a successful and productive term at school. Children actively engaged in a variety of experiences while being immersed in many a memorable moment!

A definite highlight for our little ones this term was the visit from our local Fire Station.

Next term at school, we would like to start integrating our focus on The Six Pillars of Character namely: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring and Citizenship.

## FROM THE DESK:

### Graduations, Congratulations & Farewell:

Commendations and congratulations go out to Teacher Carina and Teacher Charleen on their recent graduation. We are very proud of them for both now being official holders of a B.Ed. Foundation Phase degree (cum laude) and we wish them continued blessings and success in their teaching career!

We would also like to congratulate Teacher Patience who will be completing her further qualification, a Montessori childcare certificate, next month and will be taking on the lead teacher position in our Mozart class as from the start of Term 2. Teacher Patience is a familiar face among all and is well loved, which is evident by the trail of beaming little ones following behind her daily.

Sadly, we are saying goodbye to Teacher Shandre, who has decided to pursue further studies on a full-time basis. We would like to take this opportunity to thank her for efforts and wish her well on her new journey.

## EVENT UPDATE:

Due to the current Covid-19 threat, we unfortunately had to cancel our Kids Fun Day family event at The Paddocks shopping centre, which was scheduled for this coming Saturday. A new date will be set later in the year.

## SNEAK PEAK ...

We will provide dates and further information on the following activities planned for the new school term:

- Finalised Term 1 progress reports, followed by individual parent discussions (Foundation Phase only)
- Foundation Phase outing
- Fun event hosted at school for all learners
- Open Day
- Book Brag

Keep an eye on our communicator calendars and other communication platforms for further updates.

## DATES TO DIARIZE:

**TERM 2 STARTS: Tue 14 April**

**END DATE OF TERM 2 WILL BE ADJUSTED & ADVISED UPON ADVICE FROM WESTERN CAPE EDUCATION DEPT, TO COMPENSATE FOR SCHOOL DAYS MISSED DUE TO EXTENDED HOLIDAYS.**

**UPCOMING PUBLIC HOLIDAYS NEXT TERM:**

21 March - Human Rights Day / 10 April - Good Friday / 13 April - Family Day / 27 April - Freedom Day / 1 May - Workers' Day / 16 June - Youth Day

**TERM 2 PROVISIONAL THEMES:**

1 EASTER/REVISION / 2 TOYS / 3 PETS / 4 FAMILY TRIPS / 5 OUR WORLD AND PLANET / 6 SPACE AND OUR SOLAR SYSTEM / 7 JOBS PEOPLE DO / 8 REVISION / 9 FORMAL LESSONS END - REVISION & ASSESSMENTS IN PROGRESS / 10 REPORTS

## SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM OUR MANAGEMENT TEAM...

We would like to embrace all our little ones and parents with a warm virtual hug - a huge thank you for your continued support. As we all enter into uncharted waters and adapt to the impact brought on by COVID-19, we would like to assure you that we will navigate this situation together as a school family and as a community. We recognize that this is a challenging and uncertain time for all, and most importantly, we remain deeply committed to the education, safety and well-being of our learners, families and community. We encourage everyone to be kind and considerate and even in the presence of social distancing, we would like everyone to be there for one another. We feel deeply for those across the world who have been affected directly by this pandemic; in the unfortunate event of this happening to one of our school families, please do get in touch with us immediately in order for us to support you as best as we can.

To assist in keeping your little ones active and entertained, our teachers have lovingly prepared a special, fun holiday pack for each learner - Please collect this from school on Friday between 12.00 and 1.30pm. We are also hard at work preparing our first, exciting distance education curriculum materials, should this method of learning need to be temporarily implemented at the start of next term. For your peace of mind, we would also like to mention to you that our school terms for the remainder of the year will be adjusted to compensate for school days missed due to the extended March/April holidays.

Please remain home as far as possible, keep washing those little hands, stay informed via reputable sources only and be safe and healthy - We look forward to seeing you all back at school soon!

*"And the people stayed home. And read books, and listened, and rested, and exercised, and made art, and played games, and learned new ways of being, and were still. And listened more deeply. Some meditated, some prayed, some danced. Some met their shadows. And the people began to think differently. And the people healed. And, in the absence of people living in ignorant, dangerous, mindless, and heartless ways, the earth began to heal. And when the danger passed, and the people joined together again, they grieved their losses, and made new choices, and dreamed new images, and created new ways to live and heal the earth fully, as they had been healed."*

- Kitty O'Meara

Warmest wishes,

Elbe, Thornley, Rosina & Staff