



TAMBOERSKLOOF PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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IMPORTANT DATES

5 May	Ramadan starts
8 May	RSA elections – school closed
12 May	Mother's Day
22 May	Grade 7: exams start
22 May	Early school closure till end of term
27 May	Grades 4 – 6: exams start
30 May	Ascension Day – school closed
4 June	Eid
6 June	School visit – The Book People
14 June	Schools close – term two
9 July	Schools open – term three

GENERAL NEWS

- **We urge all parents and transport providers to please obey traffic laws** when dropping off and/or collecting your children from TKPS. We have received several complaints (with photographs) from very angry neighbours of parents/transport providers who disobey laws and/or park inconsiderately. We will monitor this matter closely over the next while. We appreciate your cooperation.
- **Winter uniform** will be compulsory from 10 June 2019. Please ensure that your child has the correct uniform. New clothing items may be purchased from the school clothing bank; windbreakers will also be available from mid-May 2019.
- From 22 May 2019 until the end of term two, **TKPS will close earlier** to allow learners time to sufficiently prepare for the June examinations. Please make the necessary transport arrangements to accommodate this. The closing times will be as follows:
 - Monday to Thursday: 7:55am – 1:15pm
 - Friday: 7:55am – 12:20pm
- **We would like to wish our Muslim learners and families a blessed and peaceful Ramadan.**
- We are in the process of digitising our records to better serve you. To this end, **parents/guardians are reminded to please update their personal information on our website.** To do so, please:

1. Log onto www.tkps.co.za
2. Click on the 'our school' tab

3. From the dropdown menu click 'learner info'
4. Complete the information sheet (one per learner)
5. Once complete, click 'submit'

- On 12 April 2019 **Tambi celebrated International Book Day** and learners were encouraged to come dressed as their favourite book characters. We were once again visited by Micky and Minnie mouse, Harry Potter, witches, fairies, crocodiles and many other magical and mystical creatures. Thank you to all learners and staff for participating in this day and a big thank you to Mrs Schwenk for arranging this.
- On 12 April 2019 our **Grade 5 learners hosted a very successful market day**. All our market days at Tambi have an entrepreneurial theme in which learners are taught about the basics of running a business. Learners successfully sold crafts, jewellery, food, games and accessories; and their stalls were enjoyed by fellow learners and staff alike.
- The **Foundation Phase Sports Day** was held on 9 April 2019. Moms and dads, grannies and grandpas, aunties and uncles all gathered on St. Michael's Field to see our learners run their little hearts out. We had some winners and some losers, but all were very proud to have tried their best. The day also included a few fun races in which the U/6's skipped with a hula hoop, the U/7's ran in their pyjamas, the U/8's 'ran' with a beanbag between their legs, and the U/9's had to run while balancing a tennis ball on a bat. The sports day was won by Leerdam, followed by Nassau and Buren respectively. Thank you to all our staff for making this sports day possible.
- Tambi's annual **Book Swop** was held on 18 April 2019. Learners were encouraged to bring age appropriate books in good condition to school, which they could then trade for someone else's book. On the day, enthusiastic Grade 6 learners arrived early to help set-up the hall and display the books of which there was a wonderful selection for all ages and levels. By the end of the day, happy Grade R—7 *book swoppers* all had a new and exciting book to read. We'd like to thank all who participated and a big thank you to Miss Gordon for arranging another very successful Book Swop.
- On 15 April 2019 our **Grade 7 learners went on camp** to Soetwater Environmental Centre in Kommetjie. Upon arrival, learners were treated to a snake show and some even got to hold a massive yellow python. Other highlights included the beach awareness walk, the lighthouse walk, the poetjie kos competition, the dress-up game and the tug-of-war game. Thank you to Mr Lappies and the rest of the team at Soetwater for hosting our learners, and a big thank you to our Grade 7 teachers, Mrs Rabe and Mrs Le Fluor, and two parents, Mr Isaacs and Mr Abrahams, for accompanying them to camp.
- The first round of the **Western Province Netball Trials** was held on 10 April 2019 at Kronendal Primary School and six of our girls participated – Eva Toms, Waseefah Davids, Raawbiyah Achmat, Ikho Mohabe, Qaaniah Petersen and Azra Rylands. Though all our learners tried their best, only Eva, Raawbiyah, Ikho and Azrah progressed to round two. Of these four learners, Eva, Raawbiyah and Azrah qualified for round three which consisted of a 150 players from the Central and Northern Districts. The competition was incredibly tough and despite their best efforts none of our girls progressed to the final round. Thank you girls for representing Tambi to the best of your ability.

FINANCE

- **Regarding outstanding debt**, we'd like to thank those parents who have paid or are in the process of paying their outstanding fees – we appreciate your cooperation. To those parents who have still neglected to pay their outstanding debt, the TKPS SGB will contact you during the first week of May 2019 to take the matter further. A payment reminder will also be sent via SMS. If you have any queries regarding your fee account, please feel free to contact Mrs Lincey Goff at the school admin office.

FUNDRAISING

- Our learners were totally *coined out* during the **term one fundraiser** as they were asked to collect coins. The fundraiser was aligned with Human Rights Day and was aimed at teaching our learners about *kindness* and *acceptance*. Classes competed against each other by recording how many times they could cover these words with R1, R2 and R5 coins. The results were as follows:

Words covered:	43 times with R1 coins
	37 times with R2 coins
	23 times with R5 coins
Winning Classes:	Grade RF and Grade 5H
Total amount raised:	R13 790.00 (Foundation Phase: R8 878.00; Intersen Phase: R4 912.00)

At the start of the Coin Collection, learners were challenged by Mr Abrahams to raise at least R12 000.00; if they succeeded they'd be given the opportunity to duct tape him to the wall. With the minimum amount reached, on 5 April 2019 learners purchased 1m strips of tape and attempted to stick Mr Abrahams to the wall. Through this activity, a further R1 125.00 was raised. All money went toward the installation of a new air conditioner in the school hall. Thank you to all those who participated and a special thank you to Miss de Bever, Mrs Goff, Mrs Mullins and Miss Gordon for making this fundraiser possible; and to Mr Abrahams for being such a good sport and for defying gravity.

- On 5 April 2019 **Tambi hosted a Back-To-School Disco** as part of our term two fundraiser. Our learners came dressed in their best lumo gear and danced the night away. We'd like to thank the SGB and our staff for making this fundraiser possible.

STAFF MATTERS

- **We'd like to congratulate Mr and Mrs Hendricks on the birth of their twins.** We wish them many happy memories together. Mrs Hendricks will return from maternity leave at the beginning of term three.
- **We'd like to congratulate Mrs Le Fleur (formerly Miss Franz) on her wedding;** we wish her and her husband a lifetime of happiness.
- **We'd like to thank Mr Clive Abels for assisting us with Mrs Hendricks' Grade 4 class** until the end of the term.
- **We'd like to extend a huge congratulations to Jady, Mrs Goff's daughter,** who will be representing South Africa at the Dance Star Competition in Croatia from 20 – 30 May 2019. **Mrs Goff will be accompanying her daughter and as such the finance office will be closed during this time.**

MOTIVATION

'It is not what you do for your children, but what you have taught them to do for themselves that will make them successful human beings.'

- Ann Landers