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NEWSLETTER # 7 2025

Dear Parents and Guardians

Please see the newsletter for the latest updates.

Upcoming Events:

June
Fri 20th **– Culture Day -** Please join us at 11:45 for our Culture Day Assembly.
Sat 21st – U9 & U14 Hockey Girls and Boys Festival @ UFSI
Mon 23rd – Fri 27th – UE Trip to Sugar Bay
Tue 24th – ABC Grade 1 Hockey Friendly @ MLP
Thur 26th – ABC Grade 1 Hockey Friendly (To be confirmed)
Wed 25th – U11& U14 Soccer MLP Vs Premier
Fri 27th – Close Mid Term Break (Close at 12 o'clock, no afternoon activities)

July
Mon 7th – School Opens
Wed 9th – U11 Soccer and Netball MLP VS ENJ @ ENJ
U14 Soccer and Netball @ MLP
U9 Soccer @ ENJ and Netball @ MLP
Sat 11th – U11 Soccer Nationals @ ENJ and Plate Festivals @ MLP
U11 Netball Nationals @ KPS and Plate Festivals @ T.B.A

Culture Day
Our Culture Day celebrations take place this Friday. We encourage all children to wear cultural clothing and to celebrate their heritage. We ask each child to bring a dish enjoyed in their culture, to share with their classmates. Please label your dish with the name of the culture it represents and your child's name. Teachers have prepared art activities and culturally themed ideas for the children to engage in before the Culture Day assembly. We look forward to seeing you all tomorrow.

Staff update Term Two
We are saddened to announce the passing on Saturday, 14th June, of our long-time bus driver and electrician, Mr Nhlanhla Ginindza. Mr Nhlanhla retired towards the end of 2024. We extend our deepest condolences to his family.

We have welcomed Ms. Amanda-Leigh to class two and Ms. Gemma to class 1. It is wonderful having them join the team, and we wish both of them a long and happy stay with us.

School Developments
We had hoped to commence our Solar Power project and Guard Houses in January. However, we have encountered delays in obtaining the necessary permits for these projects. Both projects are now scheduled to commence by the beginning of July.

The solar system comprises two storage batteries, numerous free-standing solar lights around the school, and a large diesel generator as a backup in case the solar power fails and EEC is unavailable. We aim to stay connected to EEC and, hopefully, sell power back to them one day!

Guard Houses: We will construct two guard houses, one for each car park. They will include a bathroom and lighting, providing much-needed shelter for our security team. Additionally, each guard house will now feature two-way radio communication with the office and the command centres.

These initiatives are fully funded by a security grant awarded to the school by the US Embassy.

Sports

We have come to the end of our Hockey season and the start of our soccer and netball season.

We congratulate all our hockey players on a successful season. We have witnessed the players grow and develop their skills, and we wish the U9 and U14 teams all the best at the festival this weekend.

Sugar Bay Trip

Upper Elementary will be going on their annual class trip to Sugar Bay this year, from June 23rd to 27th. While in Durban, they will visit Ushaka. We last went to Sugar Bay in 2017, and are excited to return, there.

Children not going on the trip are encouraged to come to school. We have planned loads of exciting activities for the upcoming week.

School Uniform

We have school uniforms on sale in the school office.

Tracksuits: E650
Golf Shirts: E180
Round neck long sleeves: E200
Shorts: E180
Skorts: E200

Hoodie orders—The school will be placing another order. If you would like to place an order, please do so in the office.

Interviews for 2026

We have started the interviews for our 2026 applications. Spaces are filling up.

Fees

We remind parents with outstanding fees to please settle their accounts promptly. Termly payers should have settled their accounts; monthly payers, please make payment before the 7th of each month to avoid disruption to learning. Learners with outstanding amounts and no current payment plan or communication with the school will face disruption to learning.

We look forward to seeing all those who can attend our Culture Day celebration tomorrow. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you need assistance.

Kind regards

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