



NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents

➤ **MAGIC MOMENTS:**

○ **BREAD TAGS**

Thank you for your wonderful support with the bread tags initiative. 200 kgs of bread tags are needed for a new wheelchair to be acquired for someone in need. Last year RBPS collected enough bread tags for a wheelchair to be given to an elderly gentleman in Ocean View. Well done to everybody that contributed! This is an ongoing project. The bread tags are light, portable and free! It is a wonderful and easy way to encourage our children to recycle and to reach out to the broader community. Please continue to support this initiative by sending bread tags to your sons class teacher.

○ **SCHOOL MAGAZINE**

The 2011 School Magazine has been distributed to the boys. Thank you to the many parents and companies that have supported the school by advertising in the magazine. Special congratulations must go to Mrs. Shelagh Scholtz for all the time and effort she put into this magazine edition.

➤ **HAIR & UNIFORM CHECK**

A reminder of the hair and uniform check on Monday 06 February. Please ensure that you have your son's hair cut before Monday if his hair is too long.

➤ **FEAR FACTOR**

Fear factor is going to be a really enjoyable family day and is open to everyone in our community but we are hoping that many of our Rondebosch boys, their siblings, cousins and friends will enter the competition or at least attend as spectators.

The competition will consist of ten to twelve fear factor / survivor type challenges. The competition is to be entered as a team of 10. Start thinking of members for your team; consider whether fear is a factor for you, your family and friends?!? Please diarise Wednesday 21 March 2012 (Human Rights Day) open so that you can join us at this fun family day.

➤ **FOUNDATION PHASE DADS & LADS CAMPOUT**

A form was sent home with the foundation phase boys today, explaining the Dads and Lads campout. We look forward to seeing the Foundation Phase boys and their parents there.

➤ **THANK YOU**

Thanks to all the parents who continually give of their time to assist in reading groups, at tuck shop, with functions, providing flowers or eats, in second hand shop and lost property and in many other ways. Your efforts are truly appreciated.

➤ **LOST PROPERTY**

Lost Property is open on a Tuesday & Thursday from 7:30 am to 8:30am.

Where: at the end of the driveway that Mr Davids over-see (behind the Bosch Centre)

Note: Lost lunch boxes are not kept in the lost property, as they start to smell as a result of the food inside them. Instead, they are kept in a plastic box behind lost property (in the service area). Lost lunch boxes are discarded regularly, as they attract pests - so please collect them asap.

➤ **REMINDER FROM RECEPTION**

Please parents you **MUST** report to the front office reception – Mrs J. Salzwedel – **FIRST** for all queries. i.e. if you are dropping off your son late, collecting your son for an appointment early, collecting an item etc. You may not go directly to the classrooms unless you have been to reception first.

➤ **TEAM SELECTION**

All teams for the different sporting codes have now been selected. These teams are not fixed and should a boy perform well in a fixture, he will be invited to a higher team's practice where the coach will compare him to his current players. For example, in cricket, when a player makes more than 25 runs or takes 3 or more wickets, he will be invited to the higher team's practice. For any queries, please first approach your son's coach, then the head of that code's age group. If the problem is not resolved, please contact Mr. Klaaste-Salmans.

➤ **SIDELINE COACHING**

As you know we like to encourage our parents to attend their sons activities. It has been brought to our attention that some parents take their excitement to the next level. We therefore respectfully ask parents to NOT interfere with the coaching sessions of their son's practices and/or matches. It is very difficult for the coaches to achieve their set objectives with their teams if the parents instruct their sons differently whilst at practice or in matches.

➤ **ANNUAL ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS**

We would like to remind parents of our ANNUAL ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS next week Saturday, 11 February 2012 on the Lower Desert Field at RBHS. This is normally a very competitive but fun filled day between the three houses: ANDREWS, FLETCHER and MARCHAND. Parents are encouraged to attend this event and support their sons' team. Feel free to dress in the colours of the team. A letter with further details will be send home with your son on Monday.

➤ **2012 ORANGE RIVER TRIP**

The annual Orange River trip will take place from 23 – 27 March this year. It is a wonderful opportunity for parents and boys to spend quality time together in a beautiful, exciting environment! For more information regarding the trip, please e-mail Ms. Visagie on lvisagie@rondebosch.com

➤ **SCHOOL FEES PAYMENTS**

Parents **PLEASE** remember to use your child's name or the reference number on your fees statement when making payments. A beneficiary reference that states "RBPS" or "Drawings" or "Sam's fees" makes it difficult to allocate the payments to the correct account. There is a suspense account that is credited for payments that we are unable to allocate and already there are three annual fees payments that are waiting to be set off against the correct account. If you have paid and your account has not been credited, kindly contact Kathy Salzwedel on 021 6864846 and provide proof of payment.

➤ **COMPUTER COURSE:**

Does your son know more about computers than you? Sign up for the Adult Beginner Computer Course at RBPS. A beginner's computer course will commence on the 16 February 2012. This course is suited to people that do not have any experience or have a bit of knowledge. The course slowly goes through the most common pieces of software that are currently used. Some of the things that are covered include Windows, word processing, spreadsheets, graphics, presentation software, digital cameras, scanners, Internet and e-mail. Lessons are once a week on Thursday for three hours over the course of six weeks. The cost of the course is R1000 or R200 per module.

16 Feb	Microsoft Word (word-processing)
23 Feb	Microsoft Excel (spreadsheets)
1 March	Basics of Windows operating system, how to create, modify and move files and folders. Use Microsoft Word to improve and enhance the look and feel of your page
8 March	Using graphics
15 March	PowerPoint, digital cameras and scanners
22 March	Internet and e-mail

If you are interested in the above course, please contact Warren at 021 686 4635 or e-mail warren@rondebosch.com

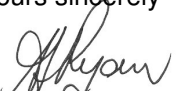
REMEMBER: EVALUNET!

Tuck Shop roster for 6th to 10th February

FEBRUARY	MON 6 th	TUES 7 th	WED 8 th	THURS 9 th	FRI 10 th
IST SHIFT 10-11.30	Nancy (Roxana Rustamjee)	Paula MaraisTanja HazelSam McTavish	Michelle Thomson Emily Joubert	Crystal Huang Angie Joubert Emily Furlong	Lee Gautschi Neil Dallas Debbie Emery Michelle Berry
2 nd shift 11.30-1.15	René Stronach Tess Cronje	Cathy Grant Karmilla Khan	Megan Ambler- Smith Sam Oliver	Beata Wolski Sandra Matthew	Gail Davis Heather Wood Julie Bennewith

Should you have any problems or queries concerning the tuck shop, please contact Michelle Thomson on 0832629008.

Yours sincerely


A.S RYAN
HEADMASTER