



PRESCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Preschool Parents

A significant milestone was reached in the 'life' of Broadacres Academy over the weekend when the preschool moved over from the buildings of the original Broadacres Farm Nursery to the newly completed Broadacres Academy Preschool buildings!

The move will most certainly have triggered some nostalgia amongst staff, parents and the many stakeholders who have been involved with the school over the years. Progress and change are inevitable for a vision to grow and become a reality.

What is so encouraging is that we have been able to stay in contact with all three previous owners and pioneers of the original Broadacres Farm Nursery School. All three have been to visit the new Broadacres Academy at various stages of its development; and all have expressed their delight to see their legacy living on and growing in the whole school development.

Broadacres Farm Nursery School was started 37 years ago by **Wendy Mathers** in some of the old farm buildings in **1982**. Wendy visited us towards the end of 2018 and was so impressed with all the development. At that stage, the prep school was still being built and at rafter height.

In **1986 Jenny Vance** (Pictured above with Karen) took over the school and expanded it. Jenny emigrated to New Zealand in 1996. We had battled to 'find' Jenny during our search for all the previous owners – but surprise of all surprises, she recently relocated back to South Africa and paid the school a visit last week and was able to



WHERE CHILDREN LEARN, NATURALLY

see the developments and the nearly finished preschool buildings. She was amazed and moved. She brought us one of the early aerial photos of 28 Syringa Avenue in the early days.

Phedre and Nigel Fitton bought the school from Jenny in May **1996**. Sadly, Phedre passed away in 2013. Nigel continued with the school eventually retiring in 2015, handing over the reins to **André de Coning and Dylan Cavanagh in 2016**. Nigel has visited often during the development of the school and always shows an interest in the goings on at the school.

We would like to thank you all for your **patience and goodwill** during the building phase of the new school and, of course, during the long wait to move into the new preschool buildings. There will, of course, surely be a few snags to be ironed out in the days and weeks to follow; and we respectfully ask that should you wish to bring anything to our attention; or should you have any questions about anything, that you follow the correct channels to do so.

Wishing you all a great last part of the third term of 2019.

Best wishes,

Karen

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INFORMATION FROM THE OFFICE

- You should have received a hard copy letter in your child's school bag regarding the compulsory **ordering of stationery for 2020**, as well as information regarding the **work book/exercise book levy**. Please take careful note of the deadline dates for these orders. Time is short and I encourage you to give yourself enough time. Extra forms are available from Caroline at reception if needed.

BIRTHDAYS FOR THE NEXT 3 WEEKS

STAFF BIRTHDAYS		
NAME	SURNAME	DATE
Heba	Sabra	04-Nov
Mariana	Louro-Witford	12-Nov



PRESCHOOL BIRTHDAYS			
BIRTHDAY DATE	NAME	SURNAME	CLASS
NOVEMBER			
01 November 2017	KAI	GRIFFIN	BEES
01 November 2016	TAYANA	MAPHOSA	DUCKLINGS
02 November 2016	OKUHLE	NOZEWU	LADYBIRDS
02 November 2015	THANDO	SOKHULU	LADYBIRDS
03 November 2014	ANDREA	VERMEULEN	LEOPARDS
04 November 2015	ADRITHA	VINAY	ZEBRAS
12 November 2013	MPILO	ZULU	HONEYBEARS
13 November 2015	ALEXANDRIA	MCKENZIE	HEDGEHOGS
14 November 2016	ALINDE	BUTHELEZI	BUTTERFLIES
18 November 2014	IZAIAH	GOVENDER	ZEBRAS
20 November 2017	JORDAN	MNCUBE	BUTTERFLIES

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE NEXT 3 WEEKS

Friday 1 November	Fantasy Dress up day (The whole Preschool) NO scary outfits please!
Saturday 9 November	Grade 00 Graduation day 08h30
Tuesday 12 November	Karate watching day at 12h00
Thursday 21 November	2020 Class lists to be displayed
Thursday 21 November	2020 Grade 0s Orientation morning 08h30 - 09h30

THEMES FOR THE WEEK 4-8 NOVEMBER

JUNIORS	
2-year olds – Bees and Butterflies	On the Beach and Under the Sea
3-year olds – Bunnies, Ducklings, Ladybirds	Summer and Water Fun
SENIORS	
4-year olds – Zebras, Honeybears, Hedgehogs	Under the Sea
5-year olds – Lions, Leopards, Giraffes	Under the Sea

THEMES FOR THE WEEK 11-15 NOVEMBER

JUNIORS	
2-year olds – Bees and Butterflies	Cooking, Baking & Groceries
3-year olds – Bunnies, Ducklings, Ladybirds	Summer and Water Fun
SENIORS	
4-year olds – Zebras, Honeybears, Hedgehogs	Under the Sea
5-year olds – Lions, Leopards, Giraffes	Under the Sea



THEMES FOR THE WEEK 18-22 NOVEMBER

JUNIORS	
2-year olds – Bees and Butterflies	Cooking, Baking & Groceries
3-year olds – Bunnies, Ducklings, Ladybirds	Festivals
SENIORS	
4-year olds – Zebras, Honeybears, Hedgehogs	Festivals
5-year olds – Lions, Leopards, Giraffes	Festivals

THE NEW PRESCHOOL BUILDINGS ON TUESDAY MORNING



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