

Northway News

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From the Deputy Principal

This is my first newsletter report for 2017. I trust that the start of the new school year has been a smooth and happy one for both pupils and parents alike.

At this stage all our Parent Information Evenings have taken place and I hope all your questions regarding sport, homework, the school day etc have been answered.

Regular newsletters and circulars throughout the year will keep you informed and I do urge you to make use of the D6 School Communicator in order to receive the latest news and messages. (A D6 letter was sent home last week.) Here is the link to download the D6 :

www.school-communicator.com/download.php

You will have noticed a Marshall security guard on duty daily outside Northway from 06:30 - 15:00. This is in response to a few car jamming incidents experienced last year. Please treat our guard with courtesy and appreciation at all times.

Staffing at this stage remains unchanged from last year although Mrs Kerry Letord will be going on 4 months accouchement leave at the end of March. Mrs Di Rogers (a familiar face to most!) will be teaching Mrs Letord's class in term 2 and we are so grateful to hand the class over to such an experienced and capable teacher.

For those of you new to Chelsea we strongly promote the values such as kindness, respect, honesty and integrity amongst others. We have introduced a "Braveheart Champ" badge which will be issued weekly to a deserving child who upholds these Chelsea values.

This year we will be clamping down on pupils who regularly arrive late at school and pupils who are frequently absent without a valid reason. Remember school **starts at 07:30** and pupils are expected to be in their classrooms by 07:25 and not dropped off at 07:30. Our main gate is locked at 07:30 and you will need to accompany your child, if late, to reception and sign them in at the office.

Thank you to all our parents who consistently get their children to school on time and looking neat and tidy. I appreciate your efforts

Looking forward to another busy, happy and successful year on our Northway Campus.

Have a good week.

Debbie Maritz
Deputy Principal

VALUE FOR THE MONTH

Good Manners

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Events for the week

Monday, 23 January	-	Grade R and 1 Eye and Ear screening starts.
Tuesday, 24 January	-	Garvz kids demo.
	-	Class Moms Meeting at 18:00 in Northway Staffroom.
Wednesday, 25 January	-	PA Moms Meeting at 18:00 in Northway Staffroom.
Friday, 27 January	-	BOG Dinner at 18:00.
Saturday, 28 January	-	Grade 2 and 3 Mini Cricket at DNC - 08:00 - 09:30.

Birthdays

Monday, 23 January	-	Colby Wells Diyajal Maharaj
Tuesday, 24 January	-	Lilah Gouws
Wednesday, 25 January	-	Tia Alexander Adam Valiallah Tao Paton-Penfold Yusuf Noor Mahomed
Thursday, 26 January	-	Madison Fenske.
Friday, 27 January	-	Siphokazi Mnguni.
Saturday, 28 January	-	Declan Anderson Ashaye Singh
Sunday, 29 January	-	Lily Mullins Caitlin Everton



Achievements

Raul Quintas	-	Completed Level One Nippers Exam.
Nathan Burger	-	Completed Level One Nippers Exam.



Guidance Centre

THE GUIDANCE CENTRE AT CHELSEA

Mrs Bargate heads up the Guidance Centre at Chelsea. The Guidance Centre team consists of 2 counsellors and 2 academic support (remedial) teachers. A private occupational therapist and speech and language therapist rent rooms on the Northway Campus and they are available for consultation with the Guidance Team when needed.

The Guidance team meet on a weekly basis to discuss, together with the classroom teacher, any children who might be experiencing learning difficulties. The team then recommends a plan of action for each child. In cases where children are working below the grade level, the Guidance team helps teachers to develop an Individual Learning Programme (IEP). The team thus offers multidisciplinary support and guidance for the teachers and allows for children to receive therapy during the school day which is convenient for working parents.

The academic support teachers, are responsible for the scholastic assessments of all pupils from grade 1 to grade 3 as well as the overseeing of the annual grade assessments of every child on the junior primary campus. Academic support classes are offered on the Northway Campus, at a small fee to parents, to selected children who are struggling academically.

The counsellors, Mrs Bargate and Mrs Daljhuisen also meet each week to discuss cases. Mrs Daljhuisen, an educational psychologist, works on the senior primary campus while Mrs Bargate is mainly based on the junior primary campus. There is a small, but well equipped play therapy room on the junior campus.

The Guidance Centre provides support for the children, teachers and parents of Chelsea while also offering some assistance to the wider Durban North community.



Start of Term 1 pictures from News 24 - 2017



Inspiration :

