

ELKANAH HOUSE

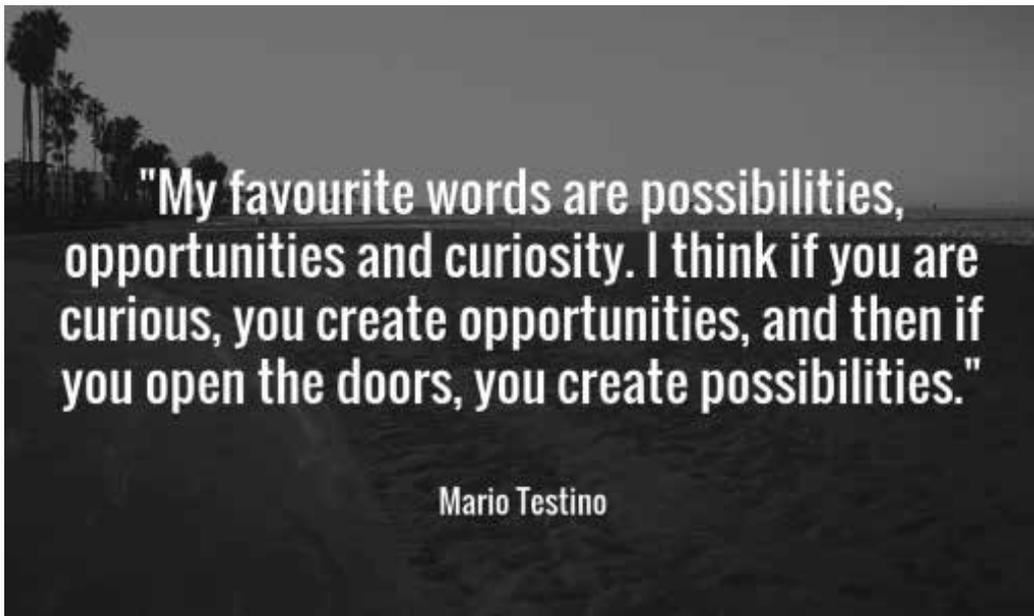
Weekly Newsletter



Weekly Newsletter - Junior Primary

Dear Parents

15 March 2019



At Elkanah House, we believe these powerful words speak directly into the broader purpose of education. Cultivating curiosity in our children is one of the greatest gifts we can give them. As a school we do not want our curriculum, our teaching methods and our environment to stifle our children's curiosity. Our deeper learning tasks, skills based curriculum, enrichment activities, extra-murals and inquiry based approach in the classroom, all speak into a desire to see every child develop a curiosity for the world around them and for them to explore the opportunities this creates. Our teachers are consistently being exposed to new and varied ways of sparking that curiosity and love for learning through a range of professional learning opportunities.

Author of *Cultivating Curiosity*, Wendy Ostroff, states that when children are allowed to follow their curiosity, they are more likely to stay on the path of exploration and insight.

DATES TO Diarise

19 March
Parent Ed Talk
Setting Boundaries

19 March
Parent/Teacher
Late Meetings
Portal open for bookings 11-17 March

20 March
Civvies Day
Break Up Day
11h15



Recycling Duty
18 March
Wagtails

This is the desire of our teachers - to see children develop an eagerness to explore and discover, to learn and to investigate, to ask questions and eagerly seek answers to them, motivated by an innate desire to know more of the world around them.

Curiosity is a catalyst for learning, growth and opportunity. We are committed to creating opportunities for our children's curiosity to flourish.

Winter Uniform

Our Junior Primary children are allowed to wear either full summer or full winter uniform when they return to school on 3 April 2019. From the 2 May onwards, it will be compulsory for the children to wear full winter uniform. Please do not allow them to mix and match summer and winter uniform. Sports clothes are only allowed to be worn on sports extramural and phys-ed days.

Civvies Break up day

There are no extra-murals in the last week of term, except for any make-up lessons which would have been communicated to you directly from the service provider. Next week school will finish on Monday and Tuesday at 13h00 for our Junior Primary children and 12h30 for our Pre-primary children. Junior Primary children may wear civvies to school on break up day.

Break-up day times for next Wednesday are as follows:

Pre-primary - 11h00

Junior Primary - 11h15

Senior Primary - 11h30

Rain Jackets

We are in the process of sourcing another supplier of our branded school rain jacket. Our uniform shop is waiting for a sample to ensure the quality, design and printing is of the usual standard. As soon as the new supplier and product has been approved, we will be sending out order forms to our parents.

School Uniform Reminders

- * All uniform items MUST be clearly marked
- * School uniform and sports uniform may NOT be mixed and matched.
- * Summer and winter uniform may NOT be mixed and matched.
- * Should your child wear the school or sport uniform after hours, please ensure that the FULL uniform is worn (including shoes).
- * When entering and exiting the school in uniform (sport or school uniform) the children must have their school shoes or takkies on.
- * Girls may only wear one pair of gold or silver small studs to school.
- * Watches with either navy, black, silver, gold or brown leather straps may be worn.
- * Medic alert bracelets are allowed.
- * Only plain black, brown, navy or stone-coloured hair accessories for the girls.
- * Sports clothes are only allowed to be worn on sports extra-mural and phys-ed days.

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Term 2 Sport Requirements

A reminder that our winter sports require the following safety gear;

- * **Hockey** - gum guards and shin guards
- * **Rugby** - gum guards

Please purchase these (if you haven't already) before the start of extra murals next term. This gear must come to school with the children when they have their sporting extra murals. Soccer - A reminder that children will play soccer in takkies and not in soccer boots.

Sport @ Elkanah

Softball

The U9 softball players played a match against our Sunningdale campus on Thursday, 7 March. They played very well and showed excellent skills and sportsmanship. It was an evenly-matched game and we managed to draw 13-13. How lovely it was, once again, to have so much parent support and the girls all thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Well done, girls. You were fantastic!

Cricket

Our Mini Cricket boys made us proud on Thursday 7 March with both teams winning their matches against our Sunningdale Campus. In both matches, there was great bowling, batting and fielding. I loved listening to the players encouraging each other while on the field. Our Players of the Match went to Thomas Elliott for scoring 11 runs and to Matthew Kruger for taking 3 wickets and making 14 runs. A big thank you to the parents who were able to come and support our boys.

Special Achievements

Blaise Northing (Grade 2) took part in the KFC Mini Cricket Tournament which was held last week Friday at Newlands. Blaise was selected to represent the Sunningdale Cricket team and was awarded man of the match for achieving 24 runs and 4 wickets. Well done, Blaise. We are so proud of you.



Inter-house Swimming Gala

We hosted our Junior Primary Inter-house gala on Wednesday this week and what a success it was. Due to the drought, this was the first Swimming Gala since 2016! A special thank you to all the children who took part, particularly the new little Grade 1s who swam their hearts out! A big thank you to all our parents for your incredible support. We were extremely proud of all our children. Medals will be handed out at school to the children who achieved podium placements in the final races.

First Place	Emerald	256 points
Second Place	Sapphire	204 points
Third Place	Ruby	155 points

Congratulations to the following children who received medals:

Freestyle Finals

Gr 3 Girls

- 1st Place: Miabella Taylor
- 2nd Place: Dylan van Vuuren
- 3rd Place: Riya Meeren & Layla Meaker



Gr 3 Boys

- 1st Place: Thomas Jones
- 2nd Place: Connor Gilmour
- 3rd Place: Matthew Kruger



Gr 2 Girls

- 1st Place: Pei-Chi Tsai-Rieb
- 2nd Place: Barunka Bohackova
- 3rd Place: Mila-Hazel Harper

Gr 2 Boys

- 1st Place: Rhys Hartley
- 2nd Place: Jude Rodkin
- 3rd Place: Jesse Vels

Gr 1 Girls

- 1st Place: Charlotte Jones
- 2nd Place: Roxy Meaker
- 3rd Place: Evie Furguson



Gr 1 Boys

- 1st Place: Daniel Theron
- 2nd Place: Mohale Makhoana
- 3rd Place: Zac le Roux

Breaststroke Finals

Gr 3 Girls

1st Place: Layla Meaker

2nd Place: Dylan Goslett

3rd Place: Skyla Viljoen

Gr 3 Boys

1st Place: Thomas Jones

2nd Place: Connor Gilmour

3rd Place: Matthew Kruger



Gr 2 Girls

1st Place: Pei-Chi Tsai-Rieb

2nd Place: Barunka Bohackova

3rd Place: Skylar Chatton

Gr 2 Boys

1st Place: Rhys Hartley

2nd Place: Jude Rodkin

3rd Place: Jesse Vels



Kickboard Finals

Gr 1 Girls

1st Place: Roxy Meaker

2nd Place: Charlotte Jones

3rd Place: Caitlyn Kruger

Gr 1 Boys

1st Place: Daniel Theron

2nd Place: Mohale Makhoana

3rd Place: Liam James



Backstroke Finals

Gr 3 Girls

1st Place: Dylan Goslett

2nd Place: Layla Meaker

3rd Place: Elli Roos

Gr 3 Boys

1st Place: Thomas Jones

2nd Place: Connor Gilmour

3rd Place: Matthew Kruger



Holiday Clinics

WCCA March Holiday Cricket Week

Date: Monday 25 - Thursday 28 March 2019

Place: Elkanah SP Field

Time: Monday - Wednesday 09h00 - 13h00, Thursday 09h00 - 13h30

Cost: R600

Ages: 4 - 13

For more information please contact us at westcoastcricketacademy@gmail.com

WCNA March Holiday Netball Clinic

Date: Wednesday 27 - Thursday 28 March 2019

Place: Elkanah SP Netball Courts

Time: 09h00 - 11h00

Cost: R250

Ages: 5 - 12 (Gr R - Gr 6)

For more information please contact us at wcnetballacademy@gmail.com

ATA Holiday Clinic

Dates: 25th to 27th March

Cost of clinic: Red Ball (6 - 8 years) 9 - 11am: R400

Orange Ball (9 - 10 years) 9am - 12pm: R600

Green Ball (11 - 14 years) 12 - 15h00: R600

Venue: Table View Tennis club

Contact details: Jason Smit (083 488 5897) atlantictennisacademy@telkomsa.net

Teddy Tennis Holiday Clinic

Dates: 25th to 27th March

Cost of clinic: 9am - 10am (3 year olds): R250

10am - 12pm (4 - 6 year olds): R420

Venue: Table View Tennis club

Contact details: Bridget Oppenlander (081 533 4374) bridgesmit@gmail.com

Winning Ways Hockey Holiday Clinic

Dates 25 till 27 March from 9am till 12pm

Cost: R480

Grade 1 to Grade 7

Venue: Elkanah House Senior Primary Campus

Contact details: Izak on 082 563 4003 or info@winning-ways.co.za

www.winning-ways.co.za

Parent



CHILDREN
(AND PARENTS)

NEED

BOUNDARIES

- Talk by Janet Bytheway

Clinical Psychologist and co-founder of
the Blouberg Therapy Centre

*Children need to know where they stand in an ever changing world.
Parents need to figure out where they stand as they negotiate
readying their children for life in an ever changing world.*



19 MARCH 2019 AT 7PM

Theatre@elkanah

85 Sunningdale Drive, Sunningdale

Please book your seat via the Google form link sent to you. RSVP by 05 March 2019.
There are limited seats available!



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