

Welridge Academy Newsletter

Issue 1, February 2012

Welcome back to all our parents, learners and staff – we are looking forward to a stellar 2012!

We are now well into the first term and although there have been some “teething problems” everyone has settled into the new school year. There have been some changes to Welridge's policies and procedures which have been communicated to you. These changes are to streamline the running of the school which is in the best interests of our parents and most importantly, our learners.

New Pre-School Premises

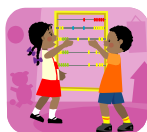
Our baby class has successfully moved into the new Pre-School Building in Hyacinth Street. We currently have 6 babies being looked after by Teacher Deirdre and her assistants, Jennifer and Elomie.

We have new security measures in place at the new building – we are also in the process of installing an access key pad so that only parents will have access to enter the school building.

Teacher Ronelle (Grade 00 Educator and Head of the Pre-School) will be going on maternity leave from the 25th February. Adri de Bruin will be taking the 00a class while Ronelle is away. Any queries or concerns can be directed either to Mrs Robertson or Margaux.

Pre-School Extra Murals

The Pre-School Extra Mural time table has been finalized and has been emailed out. Please contact Margaux or Ronelle if you have not received your copy. Please remember that the Pre-School Extra Murals are contracted out to a third party – all payments and queries must be directed to the relevant service provider and not to Welridge Academy. We will not accept any money on behalf of a third party.



Primary School Extra Murals

There were some problems regarding the Extra Murals for the Primary School. We believe we have ironed out all the issues. Athletics practice is on a Tuesday and Thursday and all learners from Grade 1 to Grade 5 must wear their sports uniforms on these days regardless of whether or not they partake in athletics.

If your child has been selected for the choir you will receive a letter from Miss Venter (our music teacher).

Extra maths, Afrikaans and English is only for Grade 1 to Grade 5.

Any queries regarding the extra-murals can be directed to Mr van Rhyn (theuns@welridge.co.za)

Family Fishing Weekend

An email has been sent out regarding the Family Fishing Weekend (23rd to 25th March). This is a fun weekend away to bond, relax and catch a few fish! Any queries in this regard can be directed to Tacita (tacita@welridge.co.za)



Lost Property

Once again we have accumulated a lot of lost property which has not been marked. Please have a look at the lost property as all unclaimed items will be donated to charity at the end of February. Please ensure all of your child's belongings are clearly marked with their name and surname. Please also check your child's bag each day in case they accidentally take home someone else's' belongings.

Swop Shop

We are looking at running a swop shop / second hand clothing shop at the school. We require a parent volunteer to run this one afternoon per week. If you are able to assist, please contact Margaux.



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Communication Books

Please check and sign your child's communication book on a daily basis. The communication book is the first line of communication between the school and the parents.

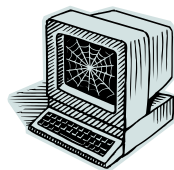
Should you wish to make an appointment to meet with Mrs Robertson please do so via Margaux.

Counsellor

Miss du Plooy is a qualified counsellor at Welridge Academy and is registered with the Health Professions Counsel of South Africa (HPCSA). She has specific competencies in the fields of School counselling and career counselling. Miss du Plooy can be contacted any time after school to make an appointment, (please not during school hours), preferably via e-mail charleneduplooy2006@gmail.com. Alternately there is a diary that will be placed at the front desk with counsellor written on it to fill in your details.

Website

The website is currently under construction. We hope to have it fully functional by the end of February. We are going to keep it updated with the latest school news, photos, events and any other pertinent information, so check in regularly at www.welridge.co.za



Donations

If you have any old toys or dvd's to donate to the school it will be greatly appreciated.

School Uniform

Grade R learners are to wear takkies with their school uniform everyday – no other shoes are acceptable. The grey school jersey is no longer part of the Primary School uniform only the green school jersey is acceptable.

Afterschool Collection

Please ensure your children are collected on time. Late collections will be charged for as per our Aftercare policies and procedures.

School Contact Details



Just a reminder of the school contact details:

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Primary School Extra-Murals:

Mr van Rhyn
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Primary School HOD:

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Pre-School HOD:

Ronelle Davel
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Principal:

Mrs Robertson
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Acrobatic and Modern Dancing

Acrobatic and Modern Dancing classes held in Weltevreden Park and Sundowner for all ages. Examination, Competitions (Local and International), Festivals and Shows. Please phone for your free trial lesson.

Acrobatic Dance (Jackie) 083-269-4579

Modern Dancing (Cassandra) 083-704-9644

Transport can be arranged –

Contact Itha 083-564-6553



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CONSULTING HOURS

Tuesdays and Thursdays

FIELDS OF PRACTICE

- Articulation difficulties
- Phonological therapy
- Stuttering
- Language delays
- Auditory perceptual delays