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27 AUGUST 2026

NEWSLETTER

1. HERITAGE DAY CELEBRATIONS AT MPS & EARLY RELEASE OF LEARNERS

Parents, guardians, and learners are hereby notified that Heritage Day will be commemorated on the **22ND of September 2026**. Learners will be allowed to come to school attired in their respective cultural clothing at no cost. There will be a special assembly, so learners must be punctual. We encourage all our learners and staff members to represent their heritage and culture by showcasing their cultural attire on the day. Due to the staff attending a workshop, **all learners will be released at 11:00am**. An early release letter was issued to learners today. Parents/guardians must ensure that learners are fetched immediately after release as staff members will not be available in the waiting area. **NO CIVVIES OR MAKE-UP WILL BE ALLOWED. PARENTS MUST MONITOR WHAT LEARNERS WEAR TO SCHOOL ON THE DAY.**

2. PATTERNS OF REGULAR ABSENTEEISM

Class teachers have reported an increase in the number of learners who are regularly absent from school. This is a serious concern for many reasons. It disturbs the learners' process of learning, creates content gaps and often results in learners missing assessments which are being written on a continuous basis. We implore all parents to ensure that learners attend school on a daily basis. **In cases of emergency, ill health or other VALID reasons for absence, parents/guardians must communicate with the class teacher via learners' compulsory diary. Evidence must be provided, where necessary.** A register is being kept and communicated with the District on a weekly basis for learners who are regularly absent without valid reason. We expect maximum co-operation in this regard.

3. DROPPING OFF LUNCH/BOOKS OR ANY OTHER ITEMS AT SCHOOL IS NOT ALLOWED

As communicated on several occasions, we remind parents/guardians that dropping off lunch/meals, books, projects or other items for learners is **strictly prohibited**. We expect our learners to be responsible and not leave their lunches/meals at home. We also remind parents to ensure that learners are organized and prepared the day before so that they do not forget to bring their books and assessments/projects to school as per their timetables and assessment plans. This is non-negotiable. This has been effected due to learner safety concerns and we expect our parents and guardians to co-operate with the school.

4. COMMUNICATION RISK

There is a growing concern that some of the parents/guardians do not answer telephone calls from the school. This is viewed in a very serious light because it poses a major risk in cases of emergency, where reaching the parent/guardian is a matter of life and death. We implore all parents/guardians to ensure that calls from the school are accepted.

5. MONITORING OF THE TERM 3 ASSESSMENT PLAN

Parents and guardians are hereby reminded to monitor learners' assessment plans. There are several projects and assignments that must be completed in the Intersens Phase (Grades 4-7). Therefore, parents and guardians must ensure that learners complete and submit their assessments on or before the due date. There will be no Cycle Test programme for the Intersens Phase as tests will be class-based. Assessment in the Foundation Phase (Grades 1-3 & LSEN) is continuous; therefore, learners must attend school daily. We implore parents and guardians to closely monitor the assessment plan to ensure that due dates are adhered to. Parents of learners who did not meet the minimum promotional requirements in the previous terms **must** ensure that suitable measures are in place to closely monitor and support them this term. We wish our learners all the best.

Vision: Every learner feels valued and inspired in our innovative education system.

Our Mission: We are committed to provide a functional and modern school where quality teaching and learning take place every day in the classroom. We aspire to promote a disciplined and inspiring environment which enables learners to achieve academic and personal excellence and to be responsible and productive individuals.

6. INVITATION FOR SCHOOL UNIFORM SUPPLIER

School uniform suppliers are welcome to apply to be our school uniform supplier. Kindly follow the link for further information: <https://midrandprimary.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2026/08/INVITATION-FOR-SCHOOL-UNIFORM-SUPPLY.pdf>

7. DETENTION CONCERNS

More learners are accumulating defaults as a result of late coming - and we know that this is not the responsibility of a learner, but that of a parent/guardian/transport operator. Nevertheless, such a learner ends up in detention - and this can be demoralising to learners that are well-behaved and performing brilliantly in their academics. We therefore plead with you (parents/guardians) to ensure that learners are brought to school on time. Detentions are conducted on Fridays (14h00-15h00), and they should not be deemed as punishment, but a corrective measure meant to improve learners' conduct, as per the School Code of Conduct. Parents/guardians should therefore support the school in this regard.

8. EXTRA-MURALS

a) BATTLE OF THE BOOKS COMPETITION

Our senior Battle of the Books team participated in their qualifying round of the competition on the 25th of August 2026. The team have been reading 10 novels since term 1 in preparation for this competition. They scored an amazing 138 points. We wish them all the best as they anticipate proceeding to the next round. Team members: Akanaka Mapiravana, Rethabile Motsie, Monetli Makhuvha, Wamashudu Masevhe, Pabalelo Mokgotho and Refentse Sephadi. We congratulate the coach, Mr. Govender and his team on their exceptional performance. Keep up the great work!

b) STORY SKIRMISH COMPETITION

Our junior Story Skirmish team participated in their qualifying round of the competition on the 25th of August 2026. The team have been reading 10 novels since term 1 in preparation for this competition. They scored an amazing 132 points. We wish them all the best as they anticipate proceeding to the next round. Team members: Kagiso Mokoena, Bahle Nsele, Oreabetse Mokonoto, Charley Mbatha, Gaone Mokgethwa, Tinyiko Hlalowa, Vunene Mbatsani, Bianca Makombe, Tharollo Masowa and Akonaho Mamuliki. We congratulate the coach, Ms. Phokgola and her team on their exceptional performance. Keep up the great work!

9. GRADE 7 ENTREPRENEURS DAY 2026

Parents/guardians and learners are hereby informed of the Grade 7 Entrepreneurs Day to be held on the **4th of September 2026**. Learners are encouraged to bring pocket money to support our Grade 7 young entrepreneurs who will be selling various goodies/products. We wish our learners all the best for their Market Day.

10. SPRING DAY

Spring Day will be commemorated on the **4th of September 2026**. Learners will be allowed to wear civvies to school at a cost of **R15 payable on the Karri App**. Make-up is not allowed and learners must be dressed respectfully.

11. GRADE 4-7 OVERNIGHT CAMPS

Parents and guardians are reminded of the Grade 4-7 overnight camps. Please note that for learners to attend camp, their school fees account must be up to date. All payments must be made on the Karri App. Kindly note that there are limited spaces based on first-come first-served principle.

The deposit of R1000 was due by 31 July 2026. Parents are still welcome to make payments until the cutoff date. **The cutoff date for the full payment is next week, the 04th of September 2026 after which NO PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED!** By this date, the full payment must reflect on Karri.

Kindly note that all the overnight camps below have received approval from the GDE. Take note of the overview of the camp details below:

Grade	Venue	Spaces	Total Amount	Depart Date	Return Date
4	Camp Discovery	60	R2010	07/10/2026 / 07:30	09/10/2026 / 14:00
5	Zwartkloof	60	R2150	14/09/2026 / 07:30	16/09/2026 / 14:00
6	Sasavona Retreat	90	R2350	16/09/2026 / 07:30	18/09/2026 / 14:00
7	Jubaweni	100	R2700	14/09/2026 / 07:30	17/09/2026 / 14:00

12. GRADE 1 AND GRADE 8 ONLINE APPLICATIONS FOR 2027

Applications for Grade 1 and Grade 8 admissions are done online and are **NOT** conducted internally at schools. Online applications opened on the 5th of August 2026 and will close on the 04th of September 2026. We implore parents to apply early to avoid placement issues. Parents/guardians can visit www.gdeadmissions.gov.za to apply.

13. NEW GRADE 2-7 ONLINE APPLICATIONS FOR 2027

Applications for new admissions in Grades 2-7 for 2027 is conducted online and opened on the 24TH of April 2026 and will conclude on the 28TH of August 2026. To apply, parents/guardians must go to our school website (www.midrandprimary.co.za) and click on the admissions tab. **Required documents:** Certified copy of birth certificate, certified copy of parent's IDs, recent/latest school report, municipality account/lease agreement, and the clinic card/records. Compulsory certified documents (not older than three months) must be scanned and uploaded. **Late applications will not be accepted.**

14. REMINDER: 2027 STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS

Parents and guardians are reminded that the purchasing of learner stationery and exercise books for the 2027 academic year is solely the responsibility of parents/guardians as per the Parents' meeting resolution taken this year. **We emphasize that this is being done to ensure that ALL learner stationery requirements are met so that teaching and learning can effectively commence on day one of the 2027 academic year.** We thank our parents/guardians in advance for their co-operation in this regard. The 2027 stationery lists are available below. Click on the link to access the stationery lists for relevant grades:

- a) **Grade 1:** <https://midrandprimary.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2026/07/Grade-1.pdf>
- b) **Grade 2:** <https://midrandprimary.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2026/07/Grade-2.pdf>
- c) **Grade 3:** <https://midrandprimary.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2026/07/Grade-3.pdf>
- d) **LSEN:** <https://midrandprimary.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2026/08/LSEN.pdf>
- e) **Grade 4:** <https://midrandprimary.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2026/07/Grade-4.pdf>
- f) **Grade 5:** <https://midrandprimary.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2026/07/Grade-5.pdf>
- g) **Grade 6:** <https://midrandprimary.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2026/07/Grade-6.pdf>
- h) **Grade 7:** <https://midrandprimary.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2026/07/Grade-7.pdf>

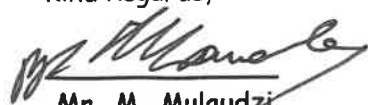
15. SCHOOL FEES

Midrand Primary school is a **Quintile 5 school**, which means that it is a **fee-paying school**. All parents are requested to ensure that their school fees account is up to date. School fees can be paid at the school's finance office using debit or credit card or by direct deposit into the school's bank account. **No cash will be accepted.**

BANK DETAILS:

BANK: NEDBANK BRANCH: MIDRAND ACC. NO: 1686 04 0075
CODE: 168642 TYPE: CURRENT REF: USE NAME, SURNAME & GRADE OF CHILD
Please use the correct references when making deposits.

Kind Regards,


Mr. M. Mulaudzi
Principal

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

"Don't find fault, find a remedy." - Henry Ford.

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