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15 OCTOBER 2026

NEWSLETTER

1. COLLECTION OF TERM 3 PROGRESS REPORTS: BY PARENTS/GUARDIANS ONLY

Parents or guardians who did not collect learners' progress reports at the end of Term 3 should arrange with the school to do so as a matter of urgency. **Every learner has a right to receive their academic progress reports on a termly basis, aligning to the National Protocol for Assessment (NPA) government policy.** Parents must therefore abide by this legislative expectation.

2. COMPULSORY PARENTS' EVENING - TERM 4 2026

Parents and guardians are invited to attend the Term 4 **COMPULSORY** Parents' Evening that will take place this evening, the **15TH of October 2026 strictly from 16:00 - 18:00 (no late comers).** Parents will have the opportunity to view learners' Term 3 assessments and set academic targets for Term 4. Parents will also have the opportunity to discuss academic results with subject educators as well as view learners' cumulative defaults/demerits. **At least one parent/guardian must attend this important meeting.**

3. FUN DAY 2026

Get ready for a day filled with laughter, excitement, and loads of fun! Our much-anticipated **Fun Day** will take place on **Friday, 30 October 2026, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:45pm**, at a cost of **R125.00 per child.** **Tickets are to be purchased on the Karri App ONLY.** There will be plenty of fun to look forward to, with **exciting raffles to be won, delicious food on sale and many rides!** It promises to be a fantastic day filled with fun, treats, and unforgettable memories for our learners! Please note that, unfortunately, **this year's Fun Day will be exclusively for the LEARNERS of Midrand Primary school ONLY - No family members or patrons outside of our school.** We are unable to accommodate siblings or other family members on the day, this year. We sincerely appreciate your understanding and support. Let the countdown to an unforgettable day of fun begin!

4. NATIONAL TEACHING AWARDS (NTA) 2026

We proudly wish to convey that two of our School Management Team (SMT) members and one educator from our school were nominated to participate in the 2026 NTAs. Mr. Govender was nominated in the category of Excellence in Primary School Leadership. Mrs. Terblanche and Mrs. Rasebitse were nominated in the category of Excellence in Primary School Teaching. Our three colleagues have done exceptionally well in representing our school. Mrs. Terblanche and Mrs. Rasebitse received certificates of appreciation for their participation. However, Mr. Govender obtained position 1 in his category at Johannesburg East District and Cluster level, proceeding to the Provincial leg of the NTA where he obtained position 2 in Gauteng Province. We are exceptionally proud of him as well as Mrs. Terblanche and Mrs. Rasebitse for this huge accolade and for representing our school so well. Keep up the excellent work!

5. REMINDER: NOTICE OF THE AGM FOR 2026

Parents and guardians are reminded to attend the **AGM** to be held on the **5th of November 2026 at 17:00.** It is imperative that parents/guardians attend this important meeting. We look forward to meeting with you.

6. EXTRA-MURAL COMPETITION RESULTS

A) FINAL REMINDER: Kindly note that all school-based extra-mural activities will end for the 2026 academic year on the 16th of October 2026.

B) THE STORY SKIRMISH COMETITION RESULTS

The Story Skirmish team competed in the second round of the competition which was held at Halfway House library on the 12th of October 2026. The team obtained third place and will not proceed to the next round. We congratulate the coach, Ms. Phokgola and her team for this milestone. We encourage our learners to continue to read books!

C) THE BATTLE OF THE BOOKS COMPETITON RESULTS

The Battle of the Books team competed in the second round of the competition which was held at Halfway House library on the 13th of October 2026. The team obtained position two. We congratulate the coach, Mr. Govender and his team for this milestone. We encourage our learners to continue to read books!

D) Celebrating Sporting Excellence

We are delighted to congratulate our learners who have represented the school with distinction in recent sporting events.

E) Provincial Cross Country

Congratulations to **Mikhenso Masingi, Bandile Mazibuko, Sphesihle Mgaga and Tinaye Machekano**, who qualified for and participated in the **Provincial Cross Country Championships**. We extend a special congratulations to **Tinaye Machekano**, who achieved an outstanding **4th place out of 70 runners**. This is a remarkable accomplishment and a wonderful reflection of her dedication, perseverance and commitment to athletics.

F) Cricket Achievement

We would also like to congratulate **Jemma-Alison Meiring** on her selection for the **JHB Far North Cricket Team**. Jemma-Alison's achievement is particularly noteworthy as she is one of the few girls participating in cricket at this level. She represented the school at the **Gauteng Central Primary School U/13 Girls Area Cricket Festival**, which also served as the first round of trials for the selection of the **Central Gauteng Lions U/13 Girls Team**.

G) Gymnastics Achievement (Provincials):

What an exciting yet challenging season for our gymnasts! The season started on a good note, with a lot of room for improvement. Throughout the season the gymnasts developed competitive awareness that led to pleasing results as we close the season. The gymnasts accumulated a total of 12 Gold, 8 Silver and 2 Bronze. To top it all off, 98% of the gymnasts were in the top 10 within their respective level and age group. The following Gymnasts were 1st overall; **Owame Seroke L1, Kurhula Ndukulu L2, Tinyiko Mbhalati L2 and Phenyo Tsebe L4**.

H) Gym Games (Gymnastics Nationals):

Level 4 and higher are the only respective levels that currently qualifies to attend Nationals. The following learners qualified to represent the Gauteng at the Nationals that were held in Cape Town during the term 3 break/holidays; **Rethabile and Bathabile Motsie, Orapetswe Mosupi, Zwelakhe Dlamini and Phenyo Tsebe**. The Nationals participation was fruitful, and we are very proud of each one of them. With that said, a huge congratulations to **Phenyo Tsebe** who came 2nd overall and **Zwelakhe Dlamini** who came 1st overall making him the National champion within his respective level and age group. A special thank you to our coaches (**Ms. Stokes and Mr. Sikhosana**) for the time, patience, passion and dedication they poured into the sport.

7. FINAL REMINDER: 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. The school has a legal duty to report suspected cases of child neglect, and this is normally identified through unexplained regular absenteeism by some learners. The school will complete Form 22 in line with the SBST policy, and an investigation will ensue, driven by social workers and the GDE.

8. 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>

9. 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:

"A child must know that he is a miracle, that since the beginning of the world there hasn't been, and until the end of the world there will not be, another child like him." - Pablo Casals

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