

Dear Parents

The festive season is upon us and we can feel the magic of Christmas here at St Georges Pre-Primary. The children have been so excited writing letters to Santa and making beautiful Christmas crafts. But most importantly, they have loved learning about the 'real reason for this season' – that we are celebrating the birth of Jesus and that it is a time of giving and blessings. And we have been truly blessed to be able to share yet another amazing, eventful year with your children.

Thank you so much for your ongoing support throughout the year. Without you, the parents, we could not achieve all we set out to do at our Pre-Primary, which is to give your children the best learning experience possible.

Should you need to access any general information about the Pre-Primary, please have a look at our handbook which has been uploaded to the D6 Communicator. You will find it under RESOURCES-ST GEORGE'S PRE-PRIMARY-GENERAL INFORMATION. Also, a reminder to please contact Mrs Alexandris in the office regarding the registration of your fingerprint for our Biometric scanner. To the new Parents, we upgraded our security system, so only authorised parents/family/friend will have access onto the premises once their fingerprints have been scanned.

On that note, I wish you a safe, happy, festive and glorious Christmas with your families.

2017 is going to be another very special year and I look forward to seeing everyone in January.

God Bless
Shareen Neubert-Combe

*While we try to teach
our children all about life,*

*our children teach us
what life is all about.*

—ANGELA SCHWINDT



On **Wednesday, 11 January** all boys will need to be dropped off for **orientation** at **08h00** and parents to collect at **09h30**.



On **Thursday, 12 January** all girls will need to be dropped off for **orientation** at **08h00** and parents to collect at **09h30**.

On **Friday, 13 January** all the children will come to school together at **08h00** and school will end at **10h00**.

There will be **no aftercare** for the first week of school, this will begin on **Monday, 16 January**.

All information about extra mural activities will be given at the **Parent's Orientation** meeting on the **18 January** at **18h00**.

SCHOOL TERMS FOR ST GEORGE'S

Term 1:	11 January to 31 March
Term 2:	18 April to 30 June
Term 3:	24 July to 29 September
Term 4:	09 October to 06 December

IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE 1ST TERM

11/01	Wed	08h00-09h30	Boys Orientation
12/01	Thur	08h00-09h30	Girls Orientation
13/01	Fri	08h00-10h00	School for all Children
18/01	Wed	18h00	Parent Information Evening
03/02	Fri		Gr R Beach Outing
17/02	Fri	18h00	Family Fun Evening
28/02	Tue		Shrove Tuesday
01/03	Wed	08h30	Gr 00 Bayworld
02/03	Thur	08h30	Gr R Bayworld
09/03	Thur	17h00-18h00	Pre-Primary Social Evening
20/03	Mon		School Holiday
21/03	Tue		Human Rights Day
31/03	Fri		Easter Parade and Last Day of School

CHANGES AT HOME

Please keep us informed of **any** changes at home such as visits by relatives, overseas trips, illness, death or divorce as these may affect the children. Teachers need to be aware so they are able to deal with the situation accordingly. Please also advise the Secretary, Linda, of any changes of addresses, telephone numbers and email addresses so we can keep our records up to date.



The family is invited to join the class for the Birthday ring to celebrate your child's birthday. A treat such as chips, sweets or cake for classmates is welcome!



BREAKTIME SNACKS

Please pack a **healthy** snack for your child (sandwich, fruit, biscuits and a cooldrink). **NO** sweets, chips or fizzy drinks are to be brought to school.

FRIDAY IS BAKERMAN/BAKERLADY

The children are to bring **R2 every Friday**. Each child has a turn on a roster basis to be bakerman/bakerlady. We request that you send eats (biscuits, cupcakes, ice-creams, packets of popcorn are a few examples) for your child's class – your child then sells their eats to their classmates for R2 each. This activity helps them to work with money and realise its value. The money is used to fund baking day which they do in class on Thursdays.



AFTERCARE is available at Pre-Primary from Mondays to Fridays from **12h30 – 14h00** with the class teacher at a cost of R25 per day. Aftercare from **14h00 – 17h00** is offered privately with Jackie Hayes (078 703 7091) at our premises, for this a packed lunch must be provided, cost of this is R50 per day.

CLOTHING

Children may wear anything **comfortable and practical** to school. Long dresses and high shoes are a hazard on the jungle gyms and jewellery is not permitted, if ears are pierced only studs may be worn. A change of clothing for the younger children is a good idea and may be kept by the teacher, all clothing is to be clearly marked.

Children **MUST** wear caps or hats when playing outside.

It is **compulsory** to wear the St George's Pre-Primary T-shirt or school tracksuit when going on **outings** (tracksuits may be purchased from Linda on request).

PLEASE NOTE:

The school gate opens at **07h15** – Children will **NOT** be allowed in before this time, for children arriving with transport, please inform the drivers of this rule.

The School day starts promptly at **08h00**