



Dunvegan Nursery School

Let the learning begin

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Dear Parents,

In a busy classroom filled with energy, curiosity, and learning, there is one thing that always stands out—good manners. A morning greeting on arrival, letting a teacher through the doorway, saying please and thank you are always appreciated. To teachers, polite words and respectful behaviour are truly *music to our ears*.

Simple manners go a long way. We encourage children to say “please” and “thank you,” greet adults and peers respectfully, listen when others are speaking, and raise their hands before contributing. Taking turns, sharing resources, and showing kindness, especially when it’s not easy, are all part of the social skills we nurture daily. We also place importance on using respectful language, following instructions the first time, and taking responsibility for actions and for our belongings.

However, these habits are not built at school alone. Children learn best through consistent examples, and this is where parents play a vital role. At home, modelling good manners, saying “please” and “thank you,” listening attentively, and treating others with respect, reinforces what children experience in the classroom. When children see these behaviours practiced regularly, they begin to understand that manners are not just rules, but a way of life.

Small, everyday moments matter. Encouraging your child to greet others, practise patience, and use polite language during family interactions helps build confidence and respect. Praising these efforts also strengthens the behaviour and shows children that kindness and courtesy are valued.



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When home and school work together, the results are powerful. A child who understands and practises good manners contributes positively to the classroom community—and beyond. Together, we can ensure that the sound of respect, kindness, and consideration continues to be the most beautiful music in our classrooms.

Hotdog Day

The next hotdog day will be on Friday the 29th of May.

Mother's Day Celebration

Moms (or any other significant female) please join us on the 8th of May from 07:30-9:00 am as we celebrate you and your special connection with your little one/s.

Yvonne, our school photographer, will be here to take photos.

Jumbo R 65-00

Magnet R 60-00

Digital R 60-00



Slipper Day

29th of May – Slipper Day is hosted by the Reach for a Dream Foundation to raise funds which are used to fulfil the dreams of children with life threatening illnesses. Buy a sticker and wear your slippers to school. You'll also get a FREE Famous Coffee or hot chocolate from Wimpy on the day! All proceeds raised from the day go to Reach for a Dream to help combat the gravity of serious disease by assisting in making children's dreams come true. Whether it's taking a plunge and swimming alongside dolphins, meeting an idol they admire, or getting that new doll house they've always dreamed of – these magical moments grant these youngsters and their families an invaluable respite from daily stressors associated with ill health. But more than anything else, what truly makes this experience special is how fulfilled dreams stir up much-needed courage and hope, helping these little ones believe that tomorrow is worth fighting for.

If you haven't yet ordered your sticker, please do so via the google form which you will find on the class WhatsApp groups.

Trees

You may have noticed that some of our trees have been dressed - up of late. We have dressed them in little skirts to protect their bark. It seems they are shedding and the children have taken to pulling the pieces off. We are trying to prevent any further damage.



Hot chocolate/cappuccino and croissant fundraiser

We will be selling hot chocolate, cappuccinos and croissants and crunchies on Friday the 15th of May. Please pre order on the google form via the classroom WhatsApp group.

Thank you!

Thank you to the Mandane family (Mukundi in Orange group) for their donation of R 500-00 which was used to purchase small watering cans for our sensory garden.

Thank you to the Jackson family for generously donating a jungle gym for our top garden. The children have been sliding and climbing all week.

Thank you to the Predieri family for their generous toy donation. We appreciate it so much. Wishing you a wonderful new chapter overseas. We will miss you.

Thank you to the Coates family for introducing us to the Finding Thabo programme. They funded our first set of classroom resources as well as our teacher training session. Finding Thabo is an interactive play-based game designed to stimulate key parts of the brain and build foundations for lifelong learning. Our children have already begun engaging with the resources and are loving it!



Extra - Murals

Mondays		
Little Lab Coats 12:00	Nadia	082-349-1481
Gymnastics 12:30	Laverne	084-023-1987
Tuesdays		
Build Em Bricks 12:30		011-882-3428
Tribal Blue	Alessandra	076-523-0059
Messy Play	Steph	076-329-4311
Wednesday		
Pottery 12:30	Angie	083-258-2804



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Soccer Starz 12:30	Shane	084-293-3305
Dance Mouse 12:30		069-523-*251
Thursdays		
Karate 12:30	Bradley	082-926-9517
Playfit 12:30		076-795-9415
Ballet	Andrea	082-964-8104
Friday		
Tumbling Tigerz 12:30	Tiago	066-225-8569
Growing Beautiful Minds 12:30	Laura	072-796-7842

Overheard in Class

Teacher: What do you call a baby horse?
 Child: A chicken.

Teacher (pointing to her eyebrows): What do we call these?
 Child: Eyebushes.

Lost Property

Please mark everything. The children often have similar items of clothing and shoes. Please check the lost property regularly. All unmarked, unclaimed belongings are donated to charity as we are unable to accommodate the large volume. We encourage a sense of responsibility in the children. The teachers remind children to place their own belongings in their lockers or bags, but do not do so for them.

This Month's Dates:

Date	
8 th of May	Mother's Day tea 7:30-9am
15 th of May	Hot Choc/Cappuccino and Croissants fundraiser
21 st of May	Puppet show for the kiddies
29 th of May	Hotdog Day & Slipper Day



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This Month's themes	Purple group	Younger Groups	Older groups
4 th – 8 th of May	Wild Animals	Shapes & colours	Entertainment
11 th – 15 th of May	Wild Animals	Music	Desert
18 th – 22 nd of May	Pets	Pollution/Recycling	Wild Animals
25 th – 29 th May	Pets	Opposites	Garden Visitors

We operate on an open-door policy and are more than happy to discuss your child's progress and any questions that you may have. However, it is not always possible for the teachers to chat during the school morning. They are more than happy to make an appointment for a suitable time when they are not busy with the children.

Please feel free to email me on admin@dunvegannurseryschool.co.za or call me on 011-453-7969 should you wish to discuss any matter. If I am not available, I will get back to you as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely
Cindy Keet
Principal

You have received this newsletter because you have a child who attends our school and we are committed to keeping all parents and/or guardians informed. If, however, you would prefer not to receive any further newsletters from us, please notify the Office Administrator by email: admin@dunvegannurseryschool.co.za.



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