



Creating Responsible DIGITAL CITIZENS



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# From the Principal's desk

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Teacher Angie Grobbelaar is teaching our young children Digital Intelligence for the Information Age that we inhabit. We spoke to her to understand why this is such an important subject for the younger generation.



#### What is DQ - Digital Intelligence?

Digital intelligence or "DQ" is the set of social, emotional and cognitive abilities that enable individuals to face the challenges and adapt to the demands of digital life.

In other words, it is similar to IQ (intelligence quotient): how "clever" we are or EQ (emotional quotient): how well we can deal with things emotionally.

DQ is our digital quotient. For a child this means how smart or intelligent they will or can be when engaging with social media and other online portals. This involves their digital citizen identity, screentime management, cyber bullying management, security and privacy management, critical thinking about true vs false information, digital footprint and digital empathy. The goal is for children to attain these skills now so they can be the digital leaders of the future.

# Why are you so passionate about teaching young people to develop Digital Intelligence?

The world has become a predominantly digital space. Covid has sped this up significantly. Our kids are more at home in front of a screen than face to face with each other. As a parent of 2 teenage girls in our school. I have seen the impact social media (among other apps) has had in their development and the reliance on these apps our children have developed within the digital space. Screen time, cancel culture and online grooming are among the things I want our children and parents to be aware of. I also want to help our children see the amazing positive aspects the digital space has and how they can become positive digital leaders who can use the online world to bring Gods light to people around them.

# What are the troubling observations that have manifested in this generation of young people?

Young people's reliance on social media to validate themselves or find meaning in life has increased radically in the last 2 years. Apps such as TikTok and YouTube create false standards which children can't seem to reach thus creating a generation who think they aren't worth enough or won't even try to

reach their goal. It creates apathy and laziness in some cases. Children are unable to focus for more than 5-10 minutes due to 60 second reels or 5 min shorts on YouTube. There are many more troubling finds which is why it is imperative we allow learners to educate themselves on how to be upstanding digital citizens.

# What is your advice to parents who want to help their children be digitally smart?

Parents must use parental controls on their children's phones and apps. They are there for a reason. Make sure there is open communication so talk to your children about their digital lives. Follow them on their apps. Involve yourself in their world. Get to know their apps and games. Use sites such as Common Sense Media to know what your children are watching. Don't use digital media as a babysitter. Be their burglar bars in the digital space. Keep them safe. Train your children in the way they should go, and they will not depart from it when they are older (Proverbs 22v6).





## IMPORTANT DATES

	SPRING FESTIVAL A	AND GR. 7	MARKET DAY	DADS AND LADS	DAY	
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			10 SEPTEMBER		- 21 AND	22 SEPTEMBER
	G7 CHESS		10 SEPTEMBER	PRELIMS END		21 SEPTEMBER
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				SCHOOL CLOSES		23 SEPTEMBER
	EXTRA MURALS EN	D			(PS - 11:4	5 & HS - 12:00)
			16 SEPTEMBER	SCHOOL STARTS		11 OCTOBER

## ABACUS MATHS

Nkosinathi Mashabane (Gr 2) and Lihle Twala (Gr 3), participated in the Regional Abacus Maths competition on Saturday 27 August. Nkosinathi won Top Achiever. That means he was best in his level in the Gauteng region.

Lihle won 2 trophies 1 for Abacus Top Achiever and 3rd place in Abacus Junior Dictation.

Well done, Nathi and Lihle!



# THOSE WHO SERVES OTHERS DRESS-UP DAY

Our Pre-School dressed up in their favourite outfit for our "Those who serve others" theme last week.









## The Grade 2s are Traveling the World for Life Skills

They enjoyed their Friday pizza day this past week. Mr. Cremona and his daughter Manuela Da Chana from Belfiori Deli did a presentation on Italy, Italian cuisine and traditions. Learners had fun learning how to: make mozerella cheese, roll out pizza dough and they got to eat some pizza. So much fun and smiles all round.













EAT WELL TRAVEL OFTEN

















#### **PRIMARY SCHOOL TENNIS**

U11 BLUE VS ROODEKRANS: LOST 12 - 30 U11 BLUE VS WELTEVREDEN PARK: WON 23 - 19 U11 YELLOW VS ROODEKRANS: LOST 4 - 38 U13 BLUE VS RIDGEVALE: LOST 19 - 23 U13 BLUE VS ROODEKRANS: DREW 21 - 21



#### **HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS**

U15 YELLOW VS HOËRSKOOL ROODEPOORT: WON 25 - 17 U17 YELLOW VS HOËRSKOOL ROODEPOORT: WON 27 - 15 TKSWR U15 VS TKSWR U17: U17 WON 28 - 14

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR U17 BLUE LEAGUE TEAM WHO HAVE QUALIFIED FOR THE D12 TENNIS LEAGUE FINALS VS CRAWFORD ON MONDAY 5 SEPTEMBER AT CRAWFORD. WE WISH YOU ALL THE BEST OF SUCCESS AND LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR RESULTS.

## High school girls soccer



U15 vs Krugersdorp HS: Lost 1 - 5

U15 vs Mondeor HS: Won 7 - 0

**U15 vs Glenvista HS: Glenvista forfeit** 

the game.

U17 vs Krugersdorp HS: Won 2 - 0

U17 vs Ferndale HS: Won 3 - 1

U17 vs Glenvista HS: Won 8 - 0



### CRICKET CORNER

#### MINI-CRICKET

u7 vs Roodebeeck Primary – TKSWR won the match

u/8 vs Roodebeeck Primary – TKSWR won by 9 runs

#### PRIMARY SCHOOL CRICKET

u/9 vs LS Roodekrans: TKSWR lost the match

u/10 vs LS Roodekrans: TKSWR won the match

u/13 vs LS Helderkruin: TKSWR won the match

We have 1 more round of league fixtures remaining before the play-offs start. Let's keep holding our thumbs for some more positive results!

#### HIGH SCHOOL CRICKET

Game 4

vs Curro Academy Wilgeheuwel

Curro 104/5 after 10 overs

TKSWR 80/3 after 10 overs

Curro wins by 24 runs

#### Game 5

vs La Salle College

La Salle 126/5 after 10 overs

TKSWR 78/4 after 10 overs

La Salle wins by 48 runs

#### KEEP IT UP CRICKET BOYS!

# HOCKEYA

OUR HOCKEY GIRLS COMPETED IN A MINI HOCKEY FESTIVAL ON SATURDAY, 27 AUGUST AND HAD A BLAST!!!.

THEY PLAYED AT TRINITY AND COMPETED AGAINST CURRO WILGEHEUWEL, CRAWFORD RUIMSIG AND CHARTERHOUSE. EVEN THOUGH NO SCORE IS KEPT DURING THESE MATCHES, OUR GIRLS HAD SO MUCH FUN AND WON ALL THEIR GAMES.

WE ARE EXTREMELY PROUD OF OUR HOCKEY GIRLS.





U8 WITH COACH KYLE



U9 COACH MITTAH AND COACH ANDREA

U7 TEAM 1 WITH MRS ENGELBRECHT



U7 TEAM 2 WITH MRS FARMER AND COACH TSHWANELO

#### PRIMARY SCHOOL

#### TUESDAY AND WEDNESADY, 23 & 24 AUGUST 2022 VS TRINITYHOUSE LITTLE FALLS @ TRINITYHOUSE LITTLE FALLS

Team	Won / Lost / Drew	Result
U10 A	Lost	0 – 1
UII A	Drew	1 – 1
U12 A	Drew	1 – 1
U13 A	Won	6 – 1
Jnr Boys	Won	3 - 0
Snr Boys	Won	6-0

#### FRIDAY, 26 AUGUST 2022 VS CURRO WILGEHEUWEL @ TRINITYHOUSE LITTLE FALLS

Team	Won / Lost / Drew	Result
U10 A	Won	2-0
U11 A	Drew	0 – 0
U12 A	Won	6-0
U13 A	Won	9 – 0
Jnr Boys	Won	1 - 0

#### GAUTENG CHESS TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

We are so proud of the following learners who qualified for and were selected to represent D12 at the Gauteng Chess Team
Championships on Friday 26 August 2022 (u9) and Saturday 27 August 2022 (u15). The Championships took place at the Springs City Hall. Well done to all of you!

Our U9 Team - Taig Pillay, Tsentle Kolokoto, Lethabo Ntsoane, Sean Uwakata, Lereko Lengoabane and Nathan Nemusombori Our U15 Team - Khodani Nwedo, Athenkosi Mandlake, Lefa Tlale, Botshelo Segalo, Inathi Dyam, Micheal Kruger and Sisona Nompula

Our U9's came 9th and our U15's came 11th out of 30 schools.
Congratulations on excellent results.

