



GROVE TALK

18 MAY 2011

Dear Parents

By now we are well into the term and our children are working hard. All intermediate and senior phase parents have been advised of their children's assessment programmes. Please be aware that these are planned dates and could be changed, based on the teaching and learning that has taken place. (Life never goes exactly according to plan).

Teachers have become aware of increased stress levels amongst the children around assessments since these dates have been circulated to the homes. As a result we have concerns around the possibility that children are being put under undue pressure at home and we ask you to be aware of this and to clarify possible confusions directly with your child's teacher.

Active and involved parenting implies that children are encouraged to manage their own learning independently and responsibly. The teachers understand your children and their levels of development so they will prepare them well in class and guide and support them through this process.

Remember, being at The Grove is at least a seven year process, and that we all need to make mistakes and learn how to deal with them in order to develop into reliable and independent citizens.

Thank you for your continued support.

SALLY SHIELD

IMPORTANT DATES

MAY 23	Maths evening, Grades 4-6	6 – 8 pm
24	Maths evening, Grades R, 1, 2 & 3	6 – 7 pm
26	Prospective parents' information evening	7 pm

Fri 27 Early closing due to Staff Development Training 12.20

BUDGET 2012

We are about to start the 2012 budget process and would welcome any input from the community.

Please will you submit any thoughts and ideas to Teresia Arendse (SGB treasurer) in writing, using either a hard copy or email : teresia@magmatec.co.za

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

- Logan Patel, who has been selected for the WP U13 Invitational hockey team
- Yashke Walters, who qualified for the Central Zone team for U14 girls' hockey
- Sarah Brierley, Sportswoman of the Week
- Joshua Daries, Sportsman of the Week
- Michaela Boardman, Tessa van Heerden, Jordan Louis, Grace Sonneman and Aerin McCallum who won medals at the Inter Club Gymnastics competition held in Paarl
- Our General Knowledge team who took 1st place in their section of the inter schools competition held at Kirstenhof
- Tessa van Heerden, Michaela Boardman, Aerin McCallum, Grace Sonneman and Jordan Louis who were awarded their colours at the WP Gymnastics trials
- The Grove Kids' Lit. team for coming 2nd in the first round held at Micklefield

Sports results:

The following teams won their matches:

Hockey, boys vs Fish Hoek

U10A, U11A, U12A, U13A, U13B

vs Sweet Valley

U10A, U12A, U12B

Hockey, girls vs Greenfield

U10A, U11A, U13A, U13B

vs Wynberg

U10A, U10B, U13A, U13B

Soccer

U9A and U9B vs Turfhall

U13A vs Ferndale

Netball

U11B, U13A, U13B vs Oakhurst

THE GROVE AFTERCARE

Alison will be leaving us at the end of May to have her baby. We wish her and her husband every happiness with their bundle of joy.

In her place we welcome Heather Glass.

***** Attached please find notice from Music Dept. –
"Music Dept. Matters" *****



UNIFORM SHOP

VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY REQUIRED
to assist in the uniform shop on Tuesdays and Wednesdays during the shop hours (during school term only).

If each parent of the school just helps once during the year it would ease the load of the **same 3 volunteers** who have to assist **EVERY WEEK**. Please consider helping our fellow parents and children.

Contact Barbara Lawson on 083 6113558 or email:
blawson@grove.wcape.school.za



LUNCH BUDDIES

Please read the attached flyer re the Lunch Buddies programme which The Grove supports each Tuesday. The organisers have requested:

- ❖ Sandwiches made with brown or wholewheat bread, with protein fillings, eg. meat, cheese, peanut butter
- ❖ donations of fruit

PLEASE SEND YOUR SANDWICHES AND FRUIT EVERY TUESDAY.



CAKE SALE

The Grade 5's will be hosting the cake sale next **Thursday, 26 May**. Please support them and bring along small change to pay for your purchases.

Please let us have all your unwanted ornaments, toys, puzzles, books and bric a brac in good, clean condition for our cake and candy stall. You can deliver them to the office. Thank you!

GROVE ADS

FOLIO BOOKS CLOSING DOWN. All titles must go. 50% off sale until 29 May. 207 Main Road, Newlands, opposite Westerford High School. **Phone 021 6857190.**

PIANO and GUITAR LESSONS. Lessons in classical technique and popular styles for Grade 4 and up. Lessons by the term only. Convenient Claremont location. Adult re-starters/continuers also welcome. **Phone Bob Chappell on 021 674 3223.**

BEAUTY ON DEAN - back massage and an express manicure for R250. Call Beauty on Dean on **021 6895126** for a booking. SureSlim Wellness Clinic/Beauty on Dean 43 Dean Street Newlands; phone 021 689 5126 sureslimknl@iafrica.com; www.sure-slim.co.za

ARE YOU MOVING? Allow us to move your belongings with kid gloves and care. WE PLAN – WE CO-ORDINATE – WE MOVE. We ensure individual attention, offering a No Issue Programme. This ensures your move is a stress free experience. **Contact Amanda on 021 7053412; 083 7841954;** email: amanda@sorting-solutions.co.za; www.sorting-solutions.co.za/pack move coordination

HERMANUS BEACH CLUB HOLIDAY RENTAL
2 x bedroomed (sleeps 4) fully equipped holiday apartment in a secure holiday resort. Short drive from beaches, shops and nature reserve. Tennis, squash, gym, club-house, pools, tuck-shop. R500 per night. **Tel. Lorraine on 0834701884 or e-mail finkel@mweb.co.za**

QUALITY BIO-DEGRADABLE WASHING POWDER AVAILABLE AT LOW PRICES. Coming from the laundry industry, I have direct access to manufacturers and supply low dosage washing powder at R18 per kg. Softener, dishwashing liquid and other products are also available. **Contact Mitch on 083 2737730 or email: sarahmitch@telkomsa.net**

BONNYVALE FARM HOLIDAY ON BREEDE RIVER
Tranquil, private accommodation in a natural, peaceful environment a) 2 bedroomed upmarket Canadian - style timber D/S cottage , sleeps 4 @ R750 per night. b) Rustic Canadian timber and tent cabin, fully equipped, gas and solar energy. Sleeps 2-4 @ R350 per night. **Tel: Lorraine on 0834701884 or e-mail finkel@mweb.co.za**

APPETITE CATERING. Catering for all types of events from 6 – 300 people. Hiring, waiters, flowers, décor can all be arranged. **Contact Clare on 021 6898547; 082 4127211; email: clare@appetitecatering.co.za; www.appetitecatering.co.za**

PORTIA IS LOOKING FOR EMPLOYMENT AS A DOMESTIC HELPER. Please **phone her on 072 7904634** or phone Mrs de Kock for a reference – 079 4025303.