**ON THE FRONT FOOT...**

Parents

I have realized that a week is far too short when it comes to the education of the learners at Groote Schuur Primary School. We as educators, parents and the broader community need to stay focused and teach our learners everything they need to know at a given time. By so doing our learners will be exposed to a variety of things which they will be able to take on their road to adulthood. Thank you for doing your share.

Parents, please support our learners when they have to complete projects. It helps them to attain the required grades they so much need.

With winter on our doorstep, parents who do not make use of the after care facility, please see to it that you fetch your child timeously.

Please also be reminded that we will not be at school Thursday 14 May 2015 as it is Ascension Day. Parents, please make the necessary arrangements for your child.

**PARENTS PLEASE DO NOT DRIVE OUT OF THE TOP GATE**

**PROGRAMME FOR THE WEEK**

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**LUNCHTIME CONCERT 12 MAY:**
This has been postponed to first break on Tuesday 19 May due to unforeseen circumstances.
Groote Schuur Primary School Grade 7’s presents: –
“A Night Of Spectacular Entertainment”
Come and have an enjoyable evening featuring 8 of Cape Town’s Top Entertainers.

Date: Friday 29th May 2015
Doors open: 19:15 show starts 8pm
Venue: School Hall

Tickets: R100 selling fast - available from the Grade 7’s
Please support the Grade 7 Fundraiser.

PS: Babysitting services will be available (ages Gr R to Gr 7) – further details to follow.

LOST PROPERTY
UNMARKED: odd white socks, scarf 2, navy shorts (x2), jersey 13-14, 1 pr ballet shoes (10 ½), one pink slip slop (2), big jersey (97-104), jersey 9-10, scarf, 1 pr boys shoes (toughees) Hockey bag (Gryphon)
MARKED: Shier (Keisha Alexander), track top (Tyler Thompson), Jersey 7-8 Alex Cullis, Ballet top (Molly)

NETBALL
Last Wednesday we played against St Cyprians. Although we lost all our games, the girls did well and never gave up. Better luck next time. Thank you for parent, teacher and learner support.

RUGBY
Our U13 rugby team played their first fixture against a robust Heathfield Primary last week Wednesday. At the outset our boys commented on the mammoth size of the their opponents. Nevertheless, our boys played their hearts out and we won the match 19 - 10.
The man of the match goes to our captain Christian for brilliant tackling and scoring 2 tries.

HOCKEY
On Thursday we played our first matches of the season, against Greenfields at home. We had a number of new players, many of them in the u13 team and they were all able to get a bit of experience under the belt. The results were as follows:
U/10 won 4 – 1. Our goals were scored by Saarah Mitchell, Tavia Aploon, Nuhaa Samaai and Sage Cameron.
U/11 drew 1 – 1. Our goal was scored by Morgan Orgill.
U/12 drew 0 – 0.
U/13 lost 4 – 1. Our goal was scored brilliantly by Diba, who was perfectly positioned on the goal post.
There was some good play shown at times, with some good calling, square passes and through passes. It’s always great to see the girls’ faces when they realize that what we do at practice, actually works in a match. Well done to all.

CONGRATULATIONS!
Congratulations to Dylan Kruger who has been selected as part of a team to represent Western Province Goju Kai Karate at the 2015 National Championships. Well done Dylan!
GSPS Majorettes achieve excellent results, once more!
Congratulations and superbly done by our superstar GSPS Majorettes and SuperCoach Nadia O’Reilly on Saturday, 9 May!!!
2nd groups results: 1st for flag; 2nd for non-prop; 1st for throwing prop
2nd small drill results: 2nd for subbies, squad, leader (RAZAAN GRAINGER), display elements and overall. Progress is a wonderful thing!
There was once again an amazing vibe on the stands on Saturday…. everyone stood united and in support of our girls and our awesome coach. To all our
Parents who put in all the hard work and pulled out all the stops to make the achievement possible, we say THANK-YOU….. YOU ARE ROCK STARS!!
To Coach Nadia who prepared two teams to march 7 displays this past weekend, you are a legend!
Congratulations and very, very well done to you.
WE ♥ YOU SUPERWOMAN!!
And to our phenomenal and very special superstars, for whom we all do what we do - we are so very proud of each and every one of you for putting in all the practice hours and marching your little hearts out at each and every competition.
WE JUST CAN’T GET ENOUGH OF YOUR AWESOMENESS!!
And to our Headmaster, Mr. Arendse and the SGB who support our girls – we cannot be more grateful. THANK-YOU!! Keep it up GSPS drummie family… Western Province is around the corner. Next competition is on 23 May.
Coach Nadia O’Reilly | 084 772 4000 | gspsdrummies@gmail.com

NUTRIDAY

Please send your empty and clean Nutriday containers to school. Any size!!!
Hand in to Mr Claassen.
The Tale Of Two Pebbles
By Edward de Bono

Many years ago in a small Indian village, a farmer had the misfortune of owing a large sum of money to a village moneylender. The moneylender, who was old and ugly, fancied the farmer’s beautiful daughter. So he proposed a bargain. He said he would forgo the farmer’s debt if he could marry his daughter. Both the farmer and his daughter were horrified by the proposal. So the cunning moneylender suggested that they let providence decide the matter. He told them that he would put a black pebble and a white pebble into an empty money bag. Then the girl would have to pick one pebble from the bag. If she picked the black pebble, she would become his wife and her father’s debt would be forgiven. If she picked the white pebble she need not marry him and her father’s debt would still be forgiven. If she refused to pick a pebble, her father would be thrown into jail.

They were standing on a pebble strewn path in the farmer’s field. As they talked, the moneylender bent over to pick up two pebbles. As he picked them up, the sharp-eyed girl noticed that he had picked up two black pebbles and put them into the bag. He then asked the girl to pick a pebble from the bag. Now, imagine that you were standing in the field. What would you have done if you were the girl? If you had to advise her, what would you have told her?

Take a moment to ponder this. What would you recommend that the girl do? The girl put her hand into the moneybag and drew out a pebble. Without looking at it, she fumbled and let it fall onto the pebble-strewn path where it immediately became lost among all the other pebbles. “Oh, how clumsy of me!” she said. “But never mind, if you look into the bag for the one that is left, you will be able to tell which pebble I picked.”

The moneylender dared not admit his dishonesty. The girl changed what seemed an impossible situation into an extremely advantageous one.