



EBENEZER

9 May 2014

From the Principal's Desk

The Vision of Rhenish Primary School is to nurture the balanced development of body, mind and spirit, leading to the fulfilment of each individual's potential within the broader community in all its diversity.

Staffing

We welcome Mrs Nita Rodgers to the Rhenish Primary School family and trust that her time at Rhenish will be happy and fulfilling.

Founders' Day

1 May was a very important day on the school calendar. It was our 154th birthday. Our celebrations took place today, 9 May. All Grade 1 - 7 learners were treated to an interactive workshop with "The Black Rose" company and then enjoyed a doughnut at second break. Our traditional Inter-house Cross Country event unfortunately had to be postponed due to the first of the winter rains. We will notify parents of the new date for this event.

Thank you to all those staff members who contributed in any way to the success of the day.

Something that has become a tradition for Founders' Day, is that we collect books and donate them to an organisation or school that will benefit from them. This year we will be donating the books to iKhaya Primary School in Kayamandi. They have recently had a "container" library donated to the school and are trying to build up their reading material. The books are traditionally handed over on Founders' Day, but with all the Public holidays recently, we will extend the collection of books into next week. Please have a look and see if you have at least one book in your home that could be donated to the school. The final day for the collection of books will be Tuesday 13 May.

School Uniform

It was lovely seeing all the learners looking so smart at school on Monday in their winter uniforms. The change into winter uniform is a real indication that winter is on its way.

However, there are some children who do not have the correct uniform. School ties are compulsory for both boys and girls when wearing winter uniform. These can be purchased from De Jagers in Stellenbosch.

Girls may wear stockings with the winter uniform, but these must be black. Please also ensure that stockings are not laddered and that there are no holes in them.

All Rhenish learners are encouraged to wear their uniform with pride and this means ensuring that it is the correct uniform.

Class and Cultural Photographs

Class and cultural photographs will be taken on Thursday 15 May during the school day. All learners must please ensure that they are correctly dressed in their winter uniform. No tracksuits may be worn for the photographs.

D6 Communicator

Rhenish Primary School has signed a contract which will enable us to roll out the D6 communicator to all Rhenish families. The D6 communicator is an easy to upload communication tool that parents can have either on a desktop or laptop computer. There is also

a mobile app that can be uploaded on to cell phones. Messages and information can be uploaded quickly and easily from school and can be accessed quickly by the parents. Further information and the formal roll-out date will be communicated once the final set-up has been completed.

We are confident that this additional form of communication between the school and parents will be of great benefit to everyone.

Guest Speaker – Clem Sunter

Kath Rissik has been hard at work organising and promoting the forthcoming talk by Clem Sunter. The talk is on Tuesday 13 May in the Bruce Niland School Hall to start at 19h00 sharp. We ask that guests are seated by 18h45 so that we can start on time. There are still tickets available. Initially we restricted families to two tickets per family, however, there are still tickets available and you are welcome to collect additional tickets from Ms Whitley. Please note that entry on the evening is by ticket only. No late-comers will be accommodated.

Clem Sunter is a world renowned speaker and his topic is “21st Century Mega Trends”. This certainly is an evening not to be missed.

Prestige Music Concert – 14 May

Each year, at the time of the school’s birthday, we join with Rhenish Girls’ High School for our Prestige Music Concert. This year the concert is being hosted by Rhenish Girls’ High School. The concert will take place on Wednesday, 14th May at 19h00 in the Endler Hall at the Conservatoire. Our Junior Choir, Senior Choir and Orchestra will all be presenting items at the concert.

Tickets are available from Rhenish Girls’ High School at R80.00 for adults and R40.00 for children.

All participants will have received correspondence from the Music Department about the rehearsal times for Wednesday morning as well as times and information for the evening performance.

We wish all performers every success for an exciting evening.

Winter Sports Codes

The winter sports codes are all well under way and the first matches for many of the teams have already been played, despite all the holidays.

The term calendar provided many of the sports fixtures and we recommend that you keep this close at hand to plan family events around these fixtures. Each week, the plan for the week ahead is available in the Ebenezer and we urge you to refer to that as well.

As most of the winter sports codes are team sports, commitment to the team is vital. Please ensure that if your child is absent from a practice that a note is provided for the coach.

All extra mural activities require commitment from all participants.

Thought for the day

You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream.

C.S. Lewis



REMINDER : RHENISH PRIMARY GOLF DAY 2014



If you have a business that would be interested in sponsoring or donating prizes please let us know. Sponsorship costs are R2900 for the higher profile areas and R2500 for the rest. No payment needs to be made at this stage – the committee will invoice sponsors in early September.

Golf prizes need to be sets of 4 identical items. Boules prizes need to be a set of 3 identical items. Individual items can be used for specific prizes or as auction items if appropriate. As with sponsorship, no prizes need to be delivered immediately – the committee will arrange collection closer to the event.

If you have any queries please contact the committee on golfday@rhenishprimary.co.za

We REALLY appreciate your support!

**Book Your Seats before 13 May – via Adrienne
World Renowned Guest Speaker Coming to Rhenish
Clem Sunter
Rhenish Primary School Hall
Tuesday 13 May at 7 pm (please be seated by 6:45pm)**

Highly acclaimed Professional Speaker and Scenario Planner, Clem Sunter is also the author of many books including *The Mind of a Fox: Scenario Planning in Action*, *Socrates & the Fox: A Strategic Dialogue*, *Games Foxes Play: Planning for Extraordinary Times*, *The High Road: Where are we now?*, *AIDS: The Challenge for South Africa* and *Pretoria Will Provide*.

Guest Speaker Topic: ‘21st Century Megatrends’

<http://www.clemsunter.co.za/21stcenturymegatrends.html>

In his keynote address, Clem will discuss the differences between ‘hedgehogs’, those who have one big idea, and ‘foxes’, those who adapt their thinking as the external environment changes.

It is not just a matter of having a vision for the future, but, also having radar systems in place to deal with the things that are uncertain and beyond our control. –Clem Sunter

Clem Sunter’s Biography

Clem Sunter was born in Suffolk, England and educated at Winchester College. He attended Oxford where he read Politics, Philosophy and Economics before joining Charter Consolidated in 1966 as a management trainee.

In 1971 Clem moved to Lusaka, Zambia to work for Anglo American Corporation Central Africa. He was transferred in 1973 to the Head Office of Anglo American Corporation (AAC) of South Africa in Johannesburg. He spent most of his subsequent career in the Gold and Uranium Division, serving from 1990 - 1996 as its Chairman and CEO—a time when it was the largest gold producer in the world.

Clem is now Chairman of the Anglo American Chairman’s Fund, which in a recent survey was rated the premier corporate social responsibility fund in South Africa.

Two highlights in his career include a presentation to FW De Klerk and the Cabinet in 1986 and a visit to Nelson Mandela in prison to discuss the future just before his release in 1990.

Since then he has authored and co-authored 12 books, some of which have become bestsellers. One of his recent books, *The Mind of a Fox*, was the No. 1 selling book in South Africa in 2002, No. 2 in 2003 and today remains at the top of the charts. The book was co-written by Chantell Ilbury and deals with the methodology of scenario planning. Published in June 2001, it specifically warned President Bush, in an open letter, that terrorist attacks on Western cities – particularly nuclear terrorism – were the greatest threat he faced during his presidency.

Clem Sunter’s other main project is to mobilise the private sector in South Africa in the war against HIV/AIDS. He is married to Margaret Rowland and they have one daughter and two sons. <http://www.clemsunter.co.za>

THE RHENISH SHOP WINTER OPENING TIMES

From 12 May to 12 September the shop will be open on Wednesday mornings ONLY- 07h30 - 08h00am

Afternoon opening times remain the same:

Tuesdays 13h15 - 14h30

Thursdays 13h15 - 14h30

Thank you for all your support and have a great winter season.

Warm greetings from The Rhenish Shop Management.



Rhenish Primary Orchestra 2014

RHENISH HISTORY CORNER

(Series no.11)

This week we take a closer look at something relatively new in our entrance foyer.

The Barometer Unit

This exquisite wall unit comprising a barometer, thermometer, hygrometer and clock was given to the school by Mrs Sue Wright, who was with us for fifteen years, first as a Gr.3 teacher and subsequently as Grade Head, before leaving us at the end of 2013.

She had a particular passion for establishing and upholding traditions, and it is fitting that her gift is so at home in the foyer, the scene for many the start of a special assembly skilfully organised by a lady of great class.



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- A good source of iron, fibre and some B vitamins.
- Free from sulphur dioxide and mineral oil.

Ingredients: organic raisins and chopped apples.

R28,00



Organic Mango

Enjoy our mango snack packed with organic fruit goodness. All sulphur free, our handy 12 x 25g pack make a perfect snack for your kiddies' lunch boxes.

Ingredients: organic mango.

Nutritional Information:

- A wonderful store of instant energy for children.
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- A good source of iron, fibre and some B vitamins.
- Free from sulphur dioxide and mineral oil

R65,00



Monkey Trail Mix

This is the ideal energy boosting snack food. Extremely nutritious, providing a quick boost from the carbohydrates in the dried fruit, and sustained energy from the mono- and polyunsaturated fats in nuts.

Ingredients: peanuts, sunflower seeds, pumpkin seeds, organic raisins, organic banana and organic mango.

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I would like to order the following:

Qty	Product		TOTAL
	Organic Raisins & Chopped Apples	@R28,00	
	Organic Mango	@R65,00	
	Monkey Trail Mix	@R34,00	
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RHENISH PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY PLANNER

MONDAY 12 MAY – SUNDAY 18 MAY 2014

Monday 12 May	15h30–16h30: Main cast production rehearsal	Tuesday 13 May	<p><u>Examinations for Report Two:</u> Grade 4–7 - Geography</p> <p>Hair, nail and shoe inspection</p> <p>14h30: Netball matches vs Vlottenburg at Vlottenburg (U12A, and U13A)</p> <p>19h00: CLEM SUNTER in the school hall. Please be seated by 18h45</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Happy Birthday Olwyn Launder</p>
Wednesday 14 May	<p>Rugby matches at Gordon’s Bay</p> <p>19h00: Rhenish Combined School Concert in the Endler Hall. (Children participating are excused from sport matches and practices)</p>	Thursday 15 May	<p>14h30: Hockey matches vs Lochnerhof at Lochnerhof U9, U10, U11, U12 and U13 boys and girls</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Happy Birthday Nolan Siebritz</p>
Friday 16 May	<p><u>Grade 7 Test:</u> Technology</p> <p>Chess matches vs Laerskool Stellenbosch at Laerskool Stellenbosch</p>	Saturday 17 May	<p>08h00-13h00: Rhenish Primary School netball tournament – U9 to U13A and B</p> <p>Production rehearsal in the school hall as per the timetable.</p>
Sunday 18 May			