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TUESDAY 17 JANUARY 2017

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Dear Parents and Guardians

Welcome to 2017! We are so excited about what this year has to offer. We also welcome our new families to the Oasis family and trust that they will enjoy a fruitful time at this great school. Accompanying this letter are some vital documents. Please can we ask that all documents sent home at the end of 2016, reply slips and order forms be returned by **Thursday, 19 January 2017**. We will be sending out an 'Extra Mural Pack' later this week, so watch this space!

STAFF NEWS:

We are excited to introduce our staff to you. We are so privileged to have these men and women imparting into the lives of your children this year and are looking forward to a year of incredible growth in all five developmental areas!

Mr. Matt Hogarty – Matt is the principal. He is in charge of the overall running of the school. Email address: admin@oasisprep.co.za.

Mr. Angus van Niekerk – Angus is the vice principal and he is in charge of Student, Staff and Parent development and general well-being. If you have any queries in any of these areas, please contact him on angus@oasisprep.co.za.

Mrs. Shanelle van Niekerk – Shanelle is the vice principal and oversees academics, administration, extracurriculars and School of the Arts. If you have any queries in these areas, please contact her on shanelle@oasisprep.co.za.

Mrs. Lorraine Hattingh – Grade 1 teacher. Email address: lorraine@oasisprep.co.za.

Mrs. Kerry Mellett – Grade 2 teacher. Email address: kerry@oasisprep.co.za.

Mrs. Charlé Hurd – Grade 3 teacher. Email address: charle@oasisprep.co.za.

Mrs. Heather Hammond – Grade 4-5 teacher. Email address: heather@oasisprep.co.za.

Mrs. Meryl Dell – Grade 6-7 teacher. Email address: meryl@oasisprep.co.za.

Mr. Ricard Mouton – IT and Afrikaans. Email address: ricard@oasisprep.co.za.

Ms. Amanda Hearthstones – Sport Coordinator. Email address: amanda@oasisprep.co.za.

Mrs. Khethiwe Chibanda – Zulu, Library and Aftercare Facilitator. Email address: khethiwe@oasisprep.co.za.

TUCKSHOP:

From **19 January 2017**, we are opening our tuckshop, overseen by Mrs. Natasha Dell. We will be serving healthy snacks, smoothies, crisps, fruit juices/water, yoghurts and muffins. The tuckshop will be open at 09:00-09:15 and 11:15 – 11:30, with lunch being served at 11:15 – 11:30.

To order lunches: At the beginning of each month, an order form will be sent home and will need to be filled it and sent back to school. Please indicate your preferred method of payment on the order form. Your child will be able to collect their lunch on the day. All ordered lunches will be charged to your

account, however, no other tuckshop purchases will be allowed to be placed on your account. The tuckshop is a **CASH ONLY** business.

BIRTHDAY BOOK:

Every year we have a Birthday Book drive. This initiative is designed to give all families the opportunity to contribute to the library—a resource that will benefit all students for years to come. This gift is a gift that will keep on giving! We ask that each parent sends a NEW, wrapped 'birthday book' to school, to be handed out on your child's birthday. Once your child has finished reading the book, it is returned to school and added to our library. Please can we ask that all birthday books be brought to school by **Friday, 27 January**. If you are unable to get a book, we will buy one and your account will be charged.

HOPE CENTRE: (Student Support)

In order to provide much-needed pastoral care to our students we have our **HOPE CENTRE** which gives students the opportunity to 'chat' and get input on any issue they are facing on a weekly basis. These meetings are highly confidential and referrals to teachers/parents will be made if needed. Our heart is to create a safe place for students to be able to express and deal with the myriad of emotions they confront on a daily basis. Jenny Nefdt, our school support officer, is a born-again believer who left her job as a nurse to be able to do more for the God and is an integral part of The Oasis Church counselling team. She has a passionate desire to see people set free and walk into the fullness of what God has for them. All queries on the Hope Centre can be directed to the Vice Principal on angus@oasisprep.co.za.

AFTERCARE:

Aftercare is a service provided at the school and monitored by staff members every afternoon until 16:30 (Monday - Thursday). There will be **NO** aftercare on Friday, so please ensure all students are collected at 13:30.

The charges of aftercare are as follows: *(This amount will be charged to your account)*

Rate: R17 per hour
Late Fee: R20 per 15 minutes *(for those collected after 16:30 Monday – Thursday or 13:45 on Fridays)*

Aftercare activities are as follows:

- Supervised homework.
- Assisted reading
- Educational Games
- Rest time for younger kids
- Nurturing and disciplined environment.

Those who will be attending aftercare on a full time basis must please complete the application form and return it to the school office. Aftercare is also available on a once off basis so please notify the school office before 12:30 on the day your child will be attending aftercare.

PARENTS IN PARTNERSHIP:

This year marks a new and exciting chapter for Parents in Partnership as we will be electing new class representatives to assist with the **Friendraising and Fundraising** this year.

We had some incredible events last year and we look forward to seeing ALL parents be actively involved this year to provide for next year's bursary requirements and facility development for the benefit of all students. Each grade will nominate a Parent in Partnership representative to assist with the co-ordination of Friendraising and Fundraising activities. These representatives will be voted in on 26th January.

NEW SCHOOL TIMES:

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Junior Primary (Grade 1 – 3)				
07:45 – 14:30	07:45 – 14:30	07:45 – 14:30	07:45 – 14:30	07:45 – 13:30
Senior Primary (Grade 4 – 7)				
07:45 – 15:30	07:45 – 14:30	07:45 – 15:30	07:45 – 14:30	07:45 – 13:30

Please note: the change in times for the Senior Primary is to incorporate sport.

We are convinced that 2017 is going to be an incredible year. We look forward to partnering with you to see your child flourish!



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ATTENTION ALL PARENTS!

It is that exciting time of year again – our annual Parent Information Evening! It is important that ALL parents attend this meeting as it is a time to meet your child's class teacher and the OPS staff, connect with other parents, voting in our 'Parents in Partnership' representatives and gain insight as to all the necessary information for this year. As an added bonus, we will also be giving away some fantastic prizes!

We look forward to seeing you all there!

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**PARENT
INFORMATION
EVENING
2017**

**THURSDAY
26TH JANUARY 2017
17:30 FOR 18:00**

★ ★ AWESOME PRIZES TO GIVE AWAY ★ ★
CLASS REPRESENTATIVES VOTED IN



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AFTERCARE SIGN UP FORM

Learner details:

Name and Surname: _____

Date of birth: _____ Grade: _____

Allergies/Medical Conditions: _____

Parent details:

Relation to learner: Father / Mother / Guardian

Name and Surname: _____

Contact number: Cell - _____ Work - _____

Relation to learner: Father / Mother / Guardian

Name and Surname: _____

Contact number: Cell - _____ Work - _____

Driver contact details:

Name and Surname: _____

Contact number: Cell - _____

Emergency contact details:

Name and Surname: _____

Contact number: Cell - _____ Work - _____

I/We _____ parents of _____
give permission for my/our child to join in the Aftercare Program. I have read and understand all the rules and regulations as set out in the school code of conduct. I know and understand that the school will not be liable for any loss or damage sustained during the Aftercare Program.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____








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TUCKSHOP ORDER FORM: 19th January - 28th February 2017

Student Name: _____

I would like to order the following meals: *(Please indicate in the monthly column which meals you would like to order for the month and add the total at the end.)*

DAY:	MEAL:		MEALS PER MONTH	UNIT	MONTHLY
MONDAY	Grilled cheese and Ham Roll, served with a side green salad, fruit juice and a packet of popcorn.			@ R40	R
TUESDAY	Herb and bread crumb crusted chicken pieces, served with fruit juice and a crunchie.			@ R40	R
WEDNESDAY	Bacon and egg sandwiches on brown bread, served with coleslaw, fruit juice and a packet of lays.			@ R40	R
THURSDAY	Home-made mini pizzas (2), served with fruit juice and a stick of biltong.			@ R40	R
FRIDAY	Homemade Sausage Roll, served with a small green salad, fruit juice and a packet of popcorn.			@ R40	R
TOTAL:					R

Method of Payment:

- Charged to Student Account
- Cash (Payable before the first of the month)

If your child has any allergies, please state here: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____