



# NEWSLETTER

**FROM THE DESK OF MR TAGG**

Dear Parents,

I hope this finds you well and coping with the many challenges life seems to throw at us each day.

It is hard to believe that September has come and gone and we are now well into the final term of 2021. In just 3 weeks the school will close for the final half-term break of the year and then it is downhill to the 8th of December. This year has certainly been a blur.

However, in spite of the manic year 2021 has turned out to be, there are many positives that we have and will continue to take from the year.

On the CHP side, when all our CHP children returned to school at the beginning of September we officially opened our new STEAM block and the CHP children started enjoying this state-of-the-art building for IT, Art and Science. This block will take our academic offering to a whole new level. Please scroll down to have a look at the pictures of this magnificent new center!

We also commenced with a full co-curricular programme which the children and teachers were super excited to begin. It's wonderful to see our children outside playing, running and developing the skills of the respective sports this term.

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On the 345 side, the children have all been practicing for their Spring concert coming up soon. A sense of normality is creeping back and the children are so excited. In the last few weeks we also enjoyed Heritage Day which is a highlight each year, celebrating and recognizing the multitude of cultures we have at 345.

Enjoy our September newsletter.

It will give you just a small glimpse into the fun and learning that has happened across both campuses.

Have a wonderful day!

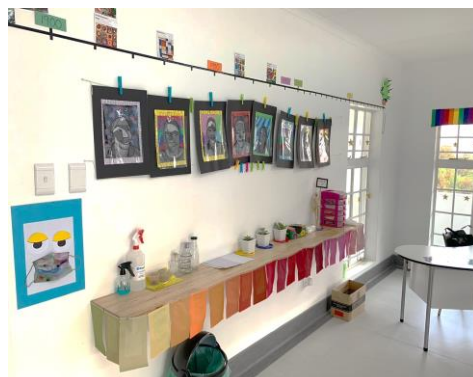
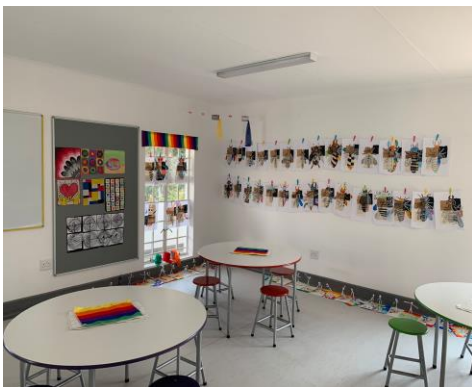
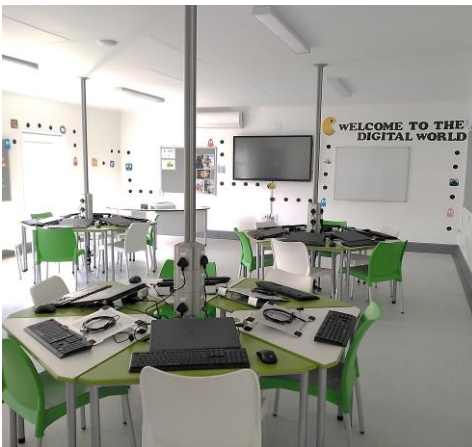
Kind Regards

Stewart Tagg

Headmaster

## New STEAM Centre

One of our proudest achievements in 2021 was the development of our new Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths (STEAM) centre. Spending just over R5 000 000, this state of the art facility has been our largest and most expensive project to date, ensuring we continue to inspire learning through a stimulating 21<sup>st</sup> century environment



# BOUNCING CARE BEARS

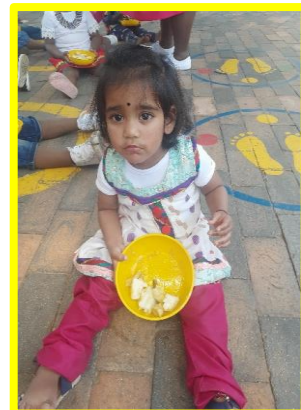


Dear Bouncing Bear Parents,

Bouncing into the amazing month of September we kicked off with lots of fun and games. Starting term 3 with Spring the Bears learnt about what happens to trees and plants, what insects come out and got to see some beautiful butterflies. We have learnt to recognize numbers up to 10, and learnt about 3 new shapes, a Rectangle, Oval and a Diamond. The Bouncing Bears are currently learning about fruit and vegetables and how healthy they. We looked at the colours of broccoli, carrots and both red and green apples. We learnt about tomatoes and got to feel if it was hard or soft and saw the different colours of it before becoming fully ripe. Jumping straight into the last week of September with Heritage Day singing and dancing, the Bouncing Bears looked stunning in their beautiful cultural outfits. Our little ones where spoilt with milk-tart, samosas, and many other yummy treats throughout the day!



HERE IS A PEEK A BOO!!!





# DANCING DOLPHINS



Dancing Dolphin parents, Spring has officially SPRUNG, and we have had a busy start to the third term!

The Dolphins have been exploring many new and exciting themes! So far, we have discovered all the different types of interesting vegetables and fruits and got to taste a few of them too! We had so much fun during our Holiday Programme making ice-cream cones, enjoying messy play, and dressing up!

Celebrating Heritage Day, the Dolphins discovered many new things about our beautiful country, tasted some traditional foods and learned about different people all around the world. Your little ones loved exploring different cultures and enjoyed dressing up in their traditional outfits.

In between everything, we have been practicing for our virtual concert that will be coming up in October and we have had some birthday celebrations too.

The last few months have been delightful so please peek at what your little ones have been up to!



# POUNCING PANTHERS



The time has come, the Grade R can see the finish line...next stop Grade 1! The Panthers are back at school and ready to start prepping themselves for BIG school.

We have learned about different themes this term like Dinosaurs, different Cultures and Space. While exploring Dinosaurs we learned to write BIG new words, sentences and learned how to halve numbers. The arts and craft in class got crazy. We made our own Dino feet and stomped our way around the playground. The Panthers were sent on a Top-Secret mission to become explorers and had to find some special Dinosaur fossils.

For Heritage Day the Panthers dressed up in their tradition clothes. We had samosas, milk tart and for lunch the kids made their own "Potjie", cutting up vegetables, making a fire with the teacher and cooking the chicken. We think the Panthers are great chefs.

Finishing off the month, we are traveling into Space. The first week we are looking at writing news words, forming our own sentences and we are learning how to use a number line up to 30. These little geniuses are getting way too smart now. Can't wait to see what else we will find in Space next.

