



K.E.P.S.

TEDDY BEAR TIMES

Everything you need to know...

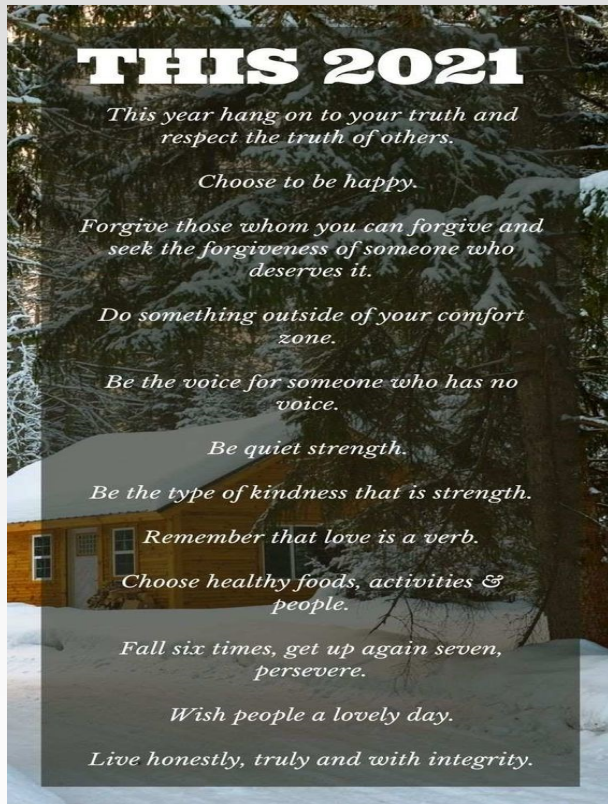


19 FEBRUARY 2021

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon, 15 February 2021	Term 1, 2021 starts
Mon, 22 February 2021	Grade R, 2022 applications open
Sun, 21 March 2021	Human Rights Day
Mon, 22 March 2021	Public Holiday
Thurs, 25th March 2021	Grade R-3 Shavathon
Fri, 26th March 2021	Grade 4-7 Shavathon

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



NOTICES



2021 LEADERSHIP

We have the pleasure of announcing that Ms Khan has officially been appointed the Deputy Headmistress for King Edward VII Preparatory School. On behalf of our school and the SGB, we would like to wish Ms Khan every success in her new position. We have no doubt that she will achieve many great things.

Unfortunately, we have not heard any news as to when our Headmaster will be appointed but the GDE are working on it and will endeavor to appoint the candidate soon. In the meantime, Ms Khan is Acting Headmistress and is looking after the needs of the school with the support of Mr Bragin and the rest of the School Management Team.

STAFF MATTERS

We would like to welcome Mr D Bakos and Mrs. S Narandas to the K.E.P.S. team. Mr Bakos will be teaching Grade 5 Maths and Mrs. Narandas will be teaching Grade 7 English.

RETURNING TO SCHOOL IN 2021

We returned to property as a full school, and would like to wish all our learners a very successful 2021. Remember, new beginnings, new journey, new opportunities and only you can determine how far you can go. Boys, do your best, give it everything you've got. 2020 is history, now is the present and that is a gift. GO SCHOOL!

SWOP SHOP

The shop will be open every Monday starting from Monday, 15th of February from 07:00—07:45. The shop will not yet be opened in the afternoons. No appointments are necessary, but social distancing and sanitising will be required.



SWIMMING

It was with great excitement that we began swimming at the new Aquatic Centre, truly a sight to behold! Boys will be allowed to swim in either a red Speedo or a pair of red swimming tights (also known as swimming jammers). A towel and swimming cap is also compulsory, both of which can be any colour this term, there will be a drive for red towels and house-coloured swimming caps next term as our swimming uniform for P.E. lessons evolves. Since this has been newly decided, our uniform stockists do not have stock of the red swimming jammers yet, these will need to be purchased privately. Please contact Mr Landsdale for any queries. Galas and other competitive scenarios will require red Speedos, a red cap and a red towel.



MEDICAL FORMS

Parents are required to fill in the medical form annually and send to the class teacher. An electronic copy of the medical form is available on the d6, this form is imperative in case of emergencies.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

All arrivals will be processed through the main entrance on Oak Street. Parents are to respect the rules of the Drop-and-Go zone and avoid parking along Oak Street during peak times. U-turns from Louis Botha onto Oak Street are illegal and adds to the congestion! School starts at 07:30 for Grade 3 – 7 and at 07:45 for Grade R-2. Departure times on Monday to Thursday: Grade R – 12:30; Grade 1 – 13:00; Grade 2 – 13:15; Grade 3 – 13:30; Grade 4 – 13:40; Grade 5 – 13:50; Grade 6 – 14:00; Grade 7 – 14:10. Departure on Fridays: Grade R – 12:15; Grade 1 – 12:30; Grade 2 – 12:40; Grade 3 – 12:50; Grade 4 – 13:00; Grade 5 – 13:10; Grade 6 – 13:20; Grade 7 – 13:30. Fir street gate by Burger King will be open to our Grade 4-7 learners who wish to exit there. The gate will be closed at 14:30 (Mon—Thurs) and 14:00 (Fridays). The boys who have siblings in the Foundation Phase can exit through Oak street with their brothers.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term 1 will end on the 23rd of April and not the 31st March as indicated by the original academic calendar.

CHARITY

We will be collecting Easter eggs for charity. Please send donations to class teachers. The recipient of donations will be Hearts of Hope, the children's home we supported during last year's Pink Drive. We believe strongly that charity begins at home so hampers will also be made for our K.E.P.S. boys in need.

GRADE R 2022 APPLICATIONS

Applications for next year's Grade R intake can be fetched at security from Monday, 22 February to Friday, 12 March 2021. Forms can be returned FROM Monday, 15 March 2021. We will not accept any forms before this date.

We are aware of many of our families who have lost loved ones recently. We share your pain and hope that you find comfort in happy memories and the laughter you shared. To those that are ill, we wish you strength to recover your vitality and health. To all our families that have been affected by COVID, we wish you peace and resilience. It is really good to be back at school, surrounded by the innocence and charm of our boys.

MS R KHAN
ACTING HEADMISTRESS

