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Dear Parents/Guardians

Welcome back to all our families. I trust you all enjoyed a relaxing holiday and are ready to become involved in what promises to be a great year! I have no doubt 2012 is going to be another exciting year at Camps Bay Primary School!



I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all our new children and parents to the Camps Bay Primary School 'family'. We have a number of new pupils at Camps Bay Primary this year.

**SCHOOL CLOSING TIMES:** Please note school will be closing at 1pm until Friday 13 January and will revert to normal closing times thereafter i.e. Monday to Thursday 14:20 and Friday 13:00.

#### **INFORMATION PARENT MEETING:**

There will be an important information evening for all parents, particularly parents of children in grades 4 to 7 on **Tuesday 17 January 2012 at 18h00 to 19h00 in the Bernie Segal Memorial Hall**. Please make an effort to attend as it will be an opportunity for you to meet the teachers but also the items on the agenda will include Academics, Sport & Extra-murals, Homework and Discipline. The meeting will be held in the hall after which you will be invited to your child's class to meet with his/her respective teacher. Kindly advise your child's teacher in writing, should you not be able to attend.

Welcome back to the teaching staff as well as to the administration and support staff. We have appointed two new members of staff, Miss Julia Baker, a former Camps Bay Primary and High School pupil, as a Grade 4 teacher and Miss Jessica Grassow, who will be teaching music and assisting Miss Attwell in the Music Department. We are very pleased to have them both join our team of competent, committed and well-qualified teaching staff for 2012.

**Please may I reiterate that we are unable to accommodate changes in classes or teacher requests as it is an unprofessional practice and not a fair practice for other parents and children.**

**PERSONAL INFORMATION FORM AND PREFERRED PAYMENT METHOD FORM:** These were sent home with your children yesterday. Kindly complete them and return to school by **Friday 13 January**.

**IMPORTANT: TEXT BOOKS:** We have been able to secure Books 24/7 on another day for text book sales which will take place on **Monday 16th January from 1pm until 3pm**. You should have already purchased your child's textbooks last year but this is your final opportunity to source your text books if you have not already done so.

**ATTENDANCE:** All pupils must be on campus each morning by 07:50. All pupils report to the Netball court or, in the event of rain, report to the Hall. When the bell rings at 07:50 pupils will line-up at the various Grade venues. Any pupil reporting after 08:00 must be accompanied by a parent and report to the office – pupils will then receive a ‘Late Slip’.

**COLLECTION OF PUPILS:** All pupils must be collected by parents by 14:30, unless they are attending an official school extra-mural activity which commences at 14:30. In this case, they are to be collected by 15:45. **No pupils may play on the playground after school without supervision.** They will be expected to report to Aftercare on a “casual basis” and will be charged accordingly. The ADT Security Guard is NOT an Aftercare facility – he is present for the safety and security of children on arrival and collection of children.

**GRADES 3's PUNCTUALITY & AFTERCARE:** To avoid unnecessary disruption of class time as well as anxiety in our little ones it is essential for all children to be brought to school on time and collected promptly. A child who is left waiting after the other children have gone may become very distressed and believe that she/he has been forgotten. If you are unavoidably delayed please phone the school so that we can reassure your child. Your child will then be placed in Aftercare and you will need to pay the Aftercare managers the casual Aftercare rate. All play arrangements should be made by the relevant adults the previous day, these arrangements may not be made through the office or staff but directly with the Aftercare managers, Mrs Adri Baretta (Cell 083 265 2018) or Mrs Elaine Allen (Cell 082 720 7705).

**AFTERCARE GRADES 4 to 7:** This facility, privately run by Mrs Elaine Allen (Cell 082 720 7705), operates Monday to Friday from the close of school to 17:30. All pupils attending the aftercare facility have to register each afternoon with Elaine Allen. Pupils may only be in the Aftercare room or on the 5-a-side soccer court. No children may be anywhere else in the grounds. All Aftercare pupils will be collected from the Kinnoull Road gate at the back of the school. All aftercare children are expected to bring a change of clothing with them and change out of their uniform and into civvies for aftercare. Any pupils not collected by 14h40 will be sent to the Aftercare facility and parents charged the casual daily rate.

**SPORT: ATHLETICS: IMPORTANT NOTICE:** Next week we will be focusing on Athletics only in preparation for the Inter-House Athletics which is on **Friday 27 January 2012**. We will be having Athletics on the Symmonds Field for each of the three Houses on the following days next week:

**Tuesday 17 January: 14:30 – 16:00 - BLUE HOUSE TEAM**

**Wednesday 18 January: 14h30 – 16:00 - ORANGE HOUSE TEAM**

**Thursday 19 January: 14h30 – 16h00 - PURPLE HOUSE TEAM**

All children selected for their house team must attend on the respective days.

Jan van Riebeeck will be hosting this year's **Inter-Schools Athletics** meeting that will take place on their Athletics track on **Saturday 18 February** in which a number of schools participate. Mr Hagglund will provide further details.

**SCHOOL SPORTS POLICY:** It is our policy that every child participates in ONE summer and ONE winter sporting extra-mural activity. The sports registration and extra-mural timetable for Term 1 of 2012 will be sent to you next week. You are required to assist your child in making a selection as this involves a commitment for the duration of the term. The **summer extra-mural programme** for all other sports, apart from Athletics and Team Swimming, will **commence on Monday 30 January 2012**. Team Swimming before school commences on Thursday 12 January 2012

### **SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP @ CBHS**

Opening hours: Monday and Wednesday 07h30 – 14h00

Tuesday and Thursday 12h00 – 17h00

Fridays CLOSED.

Should you have any queries, please contact Sally Preen on 021-438-1507.

**SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP:** Any donations of school uniform items that your child has outgrown are gratefully received. The shop is open on Friday mornings from 07h30 to 08h00 on the CBPS campus.

**RAD BALLET & CLASSICAL GREEK:** Wishing all our pupils a happy and successful year. Congratulations to Lisl who is now a qualified RAD Ballet Teacher. We wish her every success in her career. Just a reminder that lessons commence on **Wednesday 18 January**. New pupils are most welcome. Interested pupils and parents can meet with June and Lisl on Friday afternoon after school, at 13h10 to find out about classes. For further information please phone June Gruneberg 021 438 9113 or Lisl Gruneberg 073 887 7551.

**IMPORTANT DATES TO DIARISE FOR THE FOLLOWING TWO WEEKS:**



Monday 16 Jan	Books 24/7 Sale in hall from 13:00 – 15:00
Tuesday 17 Jan	Blue House Athletics Team Practice Parent Information Evening 18h00 -
Wed 18 January	Orange House Athletics Team Practice
Thurs 19 January	Purple House Athletics Team Practice
Mon 30 January	Summer Sport Extra-murals begin
Friday 27 January	CBPS Inter-house Athletics @ CBHS Gr 3 – 7

A school calendar (term dates) for 2012 is included at the end of the newsletter for your convenience and planning for the year.

**NEWSLETTER:**

Each week on a Thursday, a newsletter will be circulated. Please insist on receiving your weekly newsletter from your child as it is an important line of communication between school and home. Not only does it consist of news, but it is also an effort to keep you informed of important information as well as of dates for you to diarise. The newsletter is also placed on the school's website which you can access at [www.campsbayprimary.co.za](http://www.campsbayprimary.co.za)

Thank you to the Support Staff, namely, Jason, Happymore, Shepherd and Innocent, Linda and Sharon for the wonderful job they did during the holidays in cleaning our school. We are very fortunate to have such a hardworking team of support and cleaning staff. Well done on an excellent job – it is greatly appreciated!

I look forward to seeing all parents at the **Parent Meeting on Tuesday 17 January 2012 at 18:00** in the Bernie Segal Memorial Hall.

Wishing you a happy, peaceful and successful 2012.

*Proudly Camps Bay Primary*

**PRINCIPAL**

**Thought for the week:**

Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see

(Mark Twain)

Kids Corner:  
 Q: Why did the Jellytot go to school?  
 A: Because he wanted to become a Smartie!



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**RELIABLE CHAR** looking for domestic work on a Wednesday or Thursday – contactable references. Please contact, Lynette Olivier: 082 826 0285.

**GYM WIZARDS:** Funfilled, stimulating gymnastics lessons offered at 14 Hope St, Gardens. Tuesdays 14h00 – 15h00: Gr R – Gr 1, 15h00 – 16h00 : Gr 2 up. Gymnastics develop fine and gross motor control, midline crossing, concentration, social & emotional development. **Book your free class:** Call Chrismari 083 750 0441, email [chrismari@gymwizards.co.za](mailto:chrismari@gymwizards.co.za) and visit [www.Gymwizards.co.za](http://www.Gymwizards.co.za) for info.

**KARATE FOR SCHOLARS:** Give your child an advantage, counter bullying, create confidence, self-esteem and coordination. Karate classes 5 days a week in Greenpoint, Boys & girls of all ages. Phone Shihan Bas van Stenis 021 439 4635 or 083 538 5643. R 500 per school term. For info visit [www.karatekyokushin.za.org](http://www.karatekyokushin.za.org)

**DRAMA CLASSES AT CBPS:** Thursday 19 January in the Kumon Room – OPEN CLASS, NO CHARGE, come and see what it's all about ... How do we help our children operate in a warp speed world? Improvisation! Grades 3 & 4 :14h30 – 15h30, Grades 5 & 6: 15h30 – 16h30. Just rock up! Call Bridget McCarthy 084 523 2300 [mccbridget@gmail.com](mailto:mccbridget@gmail.com)

## SCHOOL TERM CALENDAR 2012

TERM	OPENS	CLOSES
FIRST	11 January	23 March
SECOND	10 April	22 June
THIRD	16 July	28 September
FOURTH	9 October	7 December