

NEWSLETTER

17 November 2023

PARENTS VOTE FOR INCREASE IN FEES AT BUDGET MEETING

Upcoming Events in November

- Grade 4-6 Assessments start 20 November
- School closing times:
 Grade R 12h45
 Grade 1&2 13h15
 Grade 3 to 7 13h30 during assessments
 (except Grade 3 on Friday 13h00)

The annual budget meeting is a very important opportunity for the SGB and management of the school to account to parents for the year that has been completed. As we are dealing with money collected as fees, it is vital that there is transparency and trust in the process.

Another important function of the meeting is to vote on the fee increase for the coming year. The proposed budget which had been prepared for 2024 was shared and the meeting agreed by way of majority vote that an increase of 8.5% was appropriate in order to ensure further development of our school while remaining as affordable as possible. This translates into the following:

	2023	2024	Rand	%
	Fees	Fees	Increase	Increase
Grade R	R45,850	R49,747	R3,897	8.5%
Grades 1 - 7	R42,700	R46,330	R3,630	8.5%

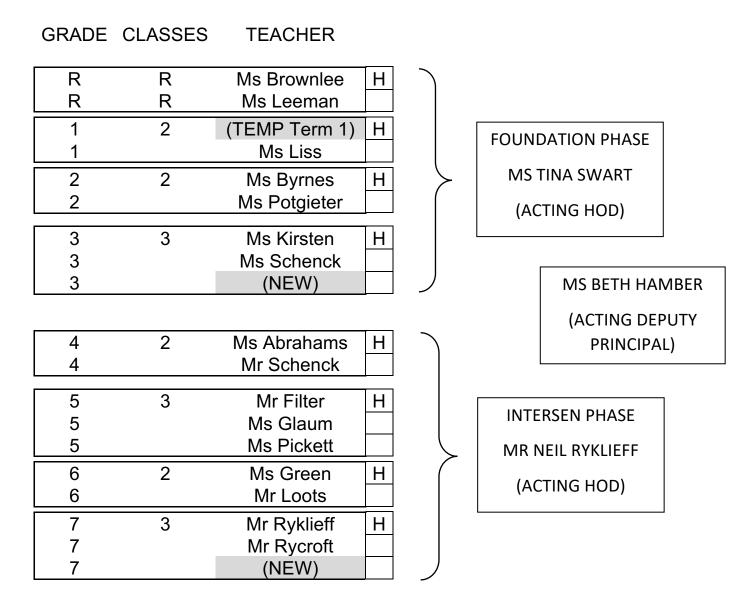
This is the final budget of the present SGB because their term ends early next year. We can all be very grateful to the FINCOM in particular who have worked so hard through an incredibly challenging financial passage which included COVID and a decision to "right-size" our school. It is a credit to them that we go into 2024 with a budget that is achievable and a school that is once again sustainable.

Thanks are especially due to staff who effectively took a 7.6% decrease in salary, which was one of the many measures used to ensure that we remained sustainable. In spite of this, we have seen the quality of much of what we do improve. We are grateful to the staff for making this possible. There is however more to do, and the budget for next year is also a vote of confidence in our ability to become better.

Thanks to those parents who attended on Wednesday night. It is appreciated.

CLASS TEACHER ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2024

I know that many parents and learners are keen to know who will be teaching in which grades next year. The table below gives an idea of our planning at this point. I must caution that there are still a few unknowns for next year and changes may still have to be made, but this is as things stand at present.



CLASS PLACEMENT AND TEACHER REQUESTS

Please note that we do not randomly place children in classes. We started the process some time ago and work on grouping children intentionally so as to balance classes in terms of academic strength, behaviour issues, number of educational support children, gender etc. We then allocate a teacher to the group. It is therefore not possible to entertain requests for particular teachers for your child.

Please respect this process and the outcome thereof. Children will find out which classes they are in at the beginning of next year when they arrive on Day 1.



We are repeating the second hand textbook sale at the Primary Campus. Do it for the planet and your pocket! Support this school initiative.

HOW THIS WORKS

After the assessments each teacher will be asked to take in books on the attached list. We are aware that some people hand books down to siblings. So, this is a voluntary step.

For each book handed in the child will receive a coupon.

Coupons are redeemable at the book sale for discounts on books.

Please note that coupons cannot be exchanged for cash.

HELPING HANDS, RECYCLING & RAISING MUCH NEEDED FUNDS

We gift books to learners who are in need of support!

GRADE 7s: PLEASE donate your grade 7 books as a school-leaving gift. The class that hands in the most books will get a pizza party!

HOW TO BUY SECOND HAND BOOKS - ONE DAY ONLY!!!

FRIDAY 1 DECEMBER IN THE HALL: Morning from 7:30 to 8:30 and from 13:30 – 15:00 in the afternoon. Books can be purchased using either cash, card or via SnapScan.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please message Karen (072 719 6136)

Wednesday 29 November 8:00 to 10:00 to SORT + COLLECT books (two people)

Thursday 30 November 7:30 – 8:30 – SET UP the book sale (2-3 people)

Sales Team: Friday 1 Dec MORNING and AFTERNOON SLOTS (5-6 people per team)

We thank you for your support! Warmest wishes for a successful 4th term The PTA team.

CBPS 4TH TERM RAFFLE

R30 PER ENTRY

Huge thank you to all our generous sponsors and parents for organising all these fantastic prizes, with a total value of more than R90,000! Make sure you get your raffle entries in by the 17th of November to stand a chance to win!



R500 Toy Kingdom or Waterfront vouchers
for the Prep + Primary children
that sell the most tickets!
Dairy Den ice cream cones for
the Prep + Primary classes
PRIMARY SCHOOL that sell the most tickets!

PLUS

PTA NEWS

As we head into exams and the last stretch of the year, CBPS staff have each received a care pack to help them through the next weeks! We are all digging deep to get to the holidays – spare a thought for the teachers who now face piles of marking and report writing. The staff room on the Prep Campus also has a shiny new microwave. (The primary campus staffroom will be getting some attention in the new year.)

The PTA was able to do this with the money remaining from Staff Appreciation Day, which was kindly given by parents in thanks for the entire staff's dedication and care.

THANK YOU... A big thank you to everyone for their support with the annual raffle – our final fundraiser this year.

With incredible prizes donated and lots of tickets sold, we are extremely grateful to all our parents for their massive support. If you have not returned your

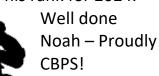
completed raffle sheet, please do so as soon as possible next week.

Looking ahead to 2024, we welcome parent and staff feedback as always. Please email ptahead@campsbayprimary.co.za with your comments and suggestions.



CONGRATULATIONS BMX RACING

Noah Smith participated this past weekend racing his BMX at the Western Cape Champs race, Noah came 6th in the province and secured his rank for 2024.





FROM THE SPORTS OFFICE

Athletics:

It was an incredible Inter-House Athletics Day where a total of 17 records were broken. This is something that has encouraged us to continue to motivate our learners to keep pushing themselves to the next level.

We look forward to the next round of athletics which will be the Inter-Schools meet on 6 February 2024 hosted by Jan van Riebeeck. The school team will be announced in the next week with all the necessary details and general information regarding training.

Swimming:

This approach also pertains to our swimming squad for 2024 where we will announce the learners in each age group who will form part of the squad for the various inter-school galas. These documents along with the Extra-Mural Programme will be released so that we can plan well for 2024.

We host the final gala for 2023 this afternoon and wish our swimmers well. We trust that our Grade 7s will go out with a bang in their final sporting event for Camps Bay Primary.

Cricket:

A special mention to the U8A mini cricket team who went **UNBEATEN** this term. It is great to see that we have strong players coming through the system.

The U9 teams also had an exceptional term. The U9A team did not lose a match whilst the U9B team consistently improved this term. We look forward to seeing the players get involved in hard ball cricket next year.

We wish Kian and Dylan McKeaveney as well as Nate Warley well as they participate in the Regional U11 cricket festival this weekend.

U13 CRICKET TEAM @ GREEN POINT CRICKET CLUB FOR THEIR DAY NIGHT MATCH LAST FRIDAY



CRICKET RESULTS

U11A	JVR won by 7
VS JAN VAN	wkts Nate 16,
RIEBEECK	Kian 14 not out.
	Kian 1/12 after 3
	overs
U13A	CBPS made 46/9
VS	Rondebosch East
RONDEBOSCH	made 47/1
EAST	Rondebosch East
	won by 9 wickets



TENNIS TEAM VS HOUT BAY

MAX FERNANDES SINGLES	MAX AND RYAN DOUBLES	
WON 4-3	LOST 3-4	
ALIX HARVEY SINGLES	ALIX AND JAKE DOUBLES	
WON 4-1	LOST 3-4	
JAKE SCOTT SINGLES	RYAN FOSTER SINGLES	
WON 4-3	LOST 1-4	



