

Dear St. Nicholas Mums, Dads and Staff,

Our first week back after the Easter break was an extremely busy and successful one. Our girls, boys and staff were phenomenal in their commitment and dedication, setting a wonderful tone for the busy term ahead.



### **WORLD BOOK DAY**

On Wednesday, we celebrated a very colourful and exciting World Book Day with our girls, boys and staff coming to school dressed as their favourite book characters. The response was overwhelming and I am incredibly grateful to our dedicated team at school and our supportive parent community for ensuring that the children were so well-prepared and enthusiastically dressed for the occasion. World Book Day is celebrated across the globe, and I hope that last Wednesday's joyful celebration will motivate, encourage and inspire our St. Nicholas School community to read even more regularly.

Continuing to build on the love of reading, we are excited to announce that our annual Books2you Fair will be hosted at school on Thursday, 8 May and Friday, 9 May. This is another wonderful opportunity to encourage our boys and girls to develop a passion for reading. Parents and families are warmly invited to visit the fair, purchase books for their children or even donate a book to our school library. More information regarding the Books2you Fair will be shared by Mrs Hyland and Ms Brown in the next few days

### **MONITOR INDUCTION CEREMONY**

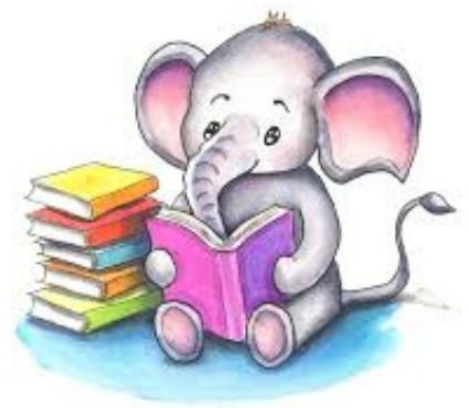
On Friday, we hosted an intimate and meaningful Monitor Induction Ceremony where we formally welcomed our newly appointed learner leaders. The theme for this year's ceremony was Servant Leadership - encouraging our young leaders to lead by serving others first. Mrs. Hyland, our Head of Department and a true example of servant leadership, shared a powerful and inspiring message with the children and parents in attendance. I take this opportunity to wish our newly appointed monitors every success in their new roles. May this be the beginning of a leadership journey that continues to grow into adulthood. Congratulations and well done to our young leaders!

### **WORKER'S DAY**

The school will be closed on Thursday, 1 May in celebration of Workers' Day, a significant public holiday in South Africa. Workers' Day honours the role played by the working class in building our country and commemorates the struggle for fair labour practices and better working conditions. It is rooted in the history of the labour movement's fight against inequality and injustice during apartheid and beyond. On Wednesday, I will be speaking to the children about the importance of Workers' Day, the sacrifices made by so many to ensure dignity and rights for workers and the valuable contribution that every worker makes towards the growth and success of our nation. School will reopen on Friday, 2 May.

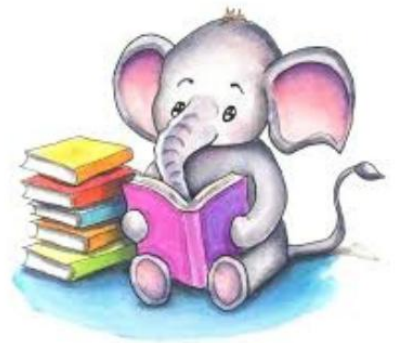
Warm regards,

Kamal Rugbar  
(Headmaster – Junior School)



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| <u>Date</u>      | <u>Event</u>                                                                                                      |
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| Thursday, 1 May  | Workers' Day – School Closed!                                                                                     |
| Friday, 2 May    | Normal School Day<br>Grade 1s to Botanical Gardens                                                                |
| Monday, 5 May    | Chess vs. Athlone at Athlone                                                                                      |
| Tuesday, 6 May   | Experi-Buddies commences<br>Netball vs. Richmond at St. Nicholas                                                  |
| Wednesday, 7 May | Hockey vs. TWC at TWC                                                                                             |
| Thursday, 8 May  | Books2you Fair at St. Nicholas                                                                                    |
| Friday, 9 May    | Books2you Fair at St. Nicholas<br>Cross-Country at Cordwalles<br>U13 Boys Soccer vs. Richmond at Richmond Primary |
| Sunday, 11 May   | Mothers' Day                                                                                                      |