



## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Physical-Education every Wednesday for Grade 2-3, Thursday for Grade 4-7
- Playball for Grade 0 and 1 every Tuesday.
- Remember school caps for PE and Playball
- Children to be in their full winter uniform including blazer everyday.

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## From the Headmaster's desk...

As we walk through shopping malls or read newspapers or surf the net we are frequently confronted by people attempting to sell education products. I am visited up to twenty times a year by reps who want to sell me some new scheme that will make Mathematics as easy as eating candy floss. A modern trend is for people to sell parents software packages that will transform their children into brain surgeons. Among all these offerings one occasionally finds a good product that does what people promise. In 80% of cases exaggerated selling techniques have been used and the results are not nearly as impressive as the sales pitch. To all our parents, I say "caveat emptor" which means buyer beware. If you are in doubt, ask a teacher's opinion or someone that could guide you. "Remember there are very few silver bullets in the world of education". There is no way to become good at reading that does not involve lots and lots of practice of reading. There is no way to become good at Mathematics that doesn't involve doing dozens or hundreds of practice sums, that doesn't involve learning tables off by heart. I hope I have saved you some money.

## Helpful Hints



When faced with a sales pitch, take the advice of people who know.

## School Notices

- We have had an overwhelming response to our request for donations to FreeMe. Our children have had the opportunity to share their blessings and they have shared in abundance. We have collected a total of R6802,33 which will be handed over to FreeMe during next weeks assembly.
- The weather is finally starting to warm up a little. Please ensure that your children continue to wear their full winter uniform until the end of term (they may ask their teachers permission to remove their blazers in class if it is hot.) We will begin wearing summer uniform on 8 October. The reason for the delay is that the school photos will take place on Tuesday 7 October and we will require the children to wear their full winter uniform on that day.

“Only  
passions,  
great  
passions,  
can elevate  
the soul to  
great things.”  
Denis Diderot

## Sports and Performing Arts

- Congratulations to Shani Maré who has been selected to represent D10 in the district Cross Country championships to be held at Ruimsig this weekend. This is a phenomenal achievement. We are very proud of her and wish her luck for Saturday's run.
- Good luck to our chess players who are playing in the Trinityhouse Chess Festival this weekend. Good luck boys.
- Extra murals for Term 3 end this Friday, 12 September excluding karate and gymnastics. The timetable for Term 4 will be sent out in the first week of the new term.
- We will be playing a soccer match against Orban on Thursday 11 September 2014. We will be playing at the Wits Soccer Club, on Judith Road (Down Beyers Naude and then left after the cemetery). The matches are scheduled to start at 14:00 so Grade 1-5 players will leave at 13:10 and Grade 6-7 at 13:40. The last match should end at 16:00. Please return the reply slip as soon as possible so we can organise teams, transport etc. Your assistance with transport would be greatly appreciated.



"A wise man  
will make  
more  
opportunities  
than he  
finds"  
Francis  
Bacon



Andrea Barclay was inaugurated as a prefect of Newton House School on 29 August.

This is an artist's impression of what our new Senior Primary block will look like when we move in for the start of 2015.



## New Pupils



Tshifhi Lukheli



Jayden Muianga



Tumelo Selemo