

31 May 2024

Dear Parents,

The Term continues to be busy.

However, we are two weeks away from an extended Midterm break, and soon you will be able share some quality time with your children and family, as they re-charge their batteries for the second half of Term 2

### Midsummers Night`s Dream

***Step into a world where theatrical excellence takes centre stage. Join us for an unforgettable journey as we bring to life the magic of theatre in our upcoming school production; our very own rendition of A Midsummer Night`s Dream. From dazzling performances to whimsical dancing, get ready to be transported to a realm where Shakespeare comes alive in the modern day and every moment is a magical spectacle. Don't miss out on the excitement – from the 6<sup>th</sup> to the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 2024. Tickets may be purchased at the Senior School reception before the event.***



Production time is upon us as we go Live next Tuesday for a matinee where members of the Rotarus home for senior citizens have been invited to enjoy the opening of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'.

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The Cast has worked tirelessly in the last 2 weeks to pull it all together. I extend my deepest gratitude to Miss Soorjee, co-directors, cast and members of staff that have been working flat out to guarantee an evening of unforgettable entertainment.

Production runs from the 6-8 June. Follow Social Media platforms for more information.

### **Student Teacher Consultation**

On Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> of June a special slot has been created for our parents to engage teachers for our Form 4 and F6 students from 11:00. Thank you for attending the Parent Consultation evening on the 21<sup>st</sup> May. I trust you found the engagement useful.

### **Maths Mania**

This evening the Primary school will be hosting their annual Maths event.

As the advert has suggested on social media.

***“Bring your brain power for an Unforgettable evening of Maths Trivia.”***

We wish Mrs Madziva and her Team all the best this evening.

### **Slipper Day**

Today we participated in the Annual Slipper Day. This is a national program that helps children fighting life threatening diseases reach their dreams.

Thank you to our students for participating in this event in such a generous way.

### **Community Service Programme**

Our Community Service portfolio is running a 'can drive' for our local SPCA. Please send a can with pet food to school with our students. Alternatively, you can donate to the SPCA by following this link.

<https://www.backabuddy.co.za/campaign/spca-mafikeng>

### **Africa Day**

Africa Day was a resounding success. It was a beautiful rich and colourful celebration of our community. Our school choir and marimbas were on song, and struck the right notes under the beautiful African skies on our beautiful forecourt in front of the Theatre. Our biggest bonus was the grounds and maintenance staff that completed the circle in beautiful African song and dance.

The food was delicious and a special thanks to our parents for cooking and serving divine African cuisine on the day, and to Capitol Caterers for assisting us with the logistics and catering.

We extend our gratitude to Miss Maya Le Roux and her student led Cultural Portfolio Committee; thank you to Katlego Mojela and Kudzai Munemo who did all the leg work in the build-up to the event, and special thanks to Claire Chirombe and her Team in the Marketing Portfolio for keeping our Social Media platforms refreshed for all our events.

Finally, a big thank you to all our staff and students that contributed to the success of the day.

### **Orators**

Thank you to Mrs Wells and her Team for presenting a stimulating and enjoyable Orators evening. The quality and the presentation of speeches and prose was of a high standard. Thank you to our parents for turning out in such huge numbers.

### **Winter Games**

The Primary School Winter Games was a huge success. There is always a measure of fulfilment especially when we can share our beautiful sports facilities with schools furthest away from the privileges we enjoy on campus.

Thank you to Mr. Henry Matthews and the Staff at the Primary School for co-ordinating such a successful event.

### **Staffing**

On Monday we bade farewell to Mr. Chiyangwa as he moved on from ISSA to Redhill School in Johannesburg. We wish him and his family all the success at his new school.

On Monday we will welcome Mr Lawrence Kandawasvika, who is joining us from Sally Park High School in Rustenburg where he taught Life Sciences for the past 15 years

Mr. Kandawasvika brings with him extensive experience in teaching Life Sciences, Biology and Geography at A level.

He is currently an IEB Life Science Examiner.

Mr Kandawasvika holds a Diploma in Education, a BSC degree in Geography and Environmental Sciences from the University of Zimbabwe and BSc (Hon) in Environmental Sciences from the University of South Africa.

We wish him and his family all the best as they join the International School of South Africa, and we look forward to benefitting positively from his extensive experience in Biology.



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## Conclusion

I wish to place on record my gratitude to our beautiful ISSA students who push themselves beyond expectations and we are extremely grateful for that. This would not be possible without You. We are sincerely grateful for your support and cooperation.

***"If it matters to the child, it matters to us"***

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bruce Wells'.

**Bruce Wells**  
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