

Newsletter 2 of term 1 2023

A message from

the outgoing SGB Chairperson:

Mr Sizwe Nkonyane

My appreciation goes out to our Irene Primary School community, for the years we have spent together in support of quality education, by our dedicated educators and support staff, to all our learners.



There are learners, staff and parents who have joined the school during the pandemic and have not yet experienced the school's true nature. I appeal to parents to participate in school activities that require them to do so, whether it is co-curricular activities, parents' meetings, fundraising, etc. These have a massive influence on children's view of a school and education in general as children learn better by observing whether in class or elsewhere. The commitment and contribution of parents is the cornerstone of a school, without it, the school will crepitate into oblivion.

My departure has opened a vacancy in the governing body. This voluntary service to the school has no personal benefit and does not need egotistical, solipsist or unconstrained members. The parent member must have in abundance, amongst other qualities, cultural intelligence, flexible time and commitment. Other required quality traits to serve on the SGB include, sensibility, objectiveness, level-headedness and open-mindedness.

It has been a pleasure for so many years to be part of and to lead the team that has made great strides at IPS. Thank you, learners, parents, staff, SMT, and the GDE.

I will leave you with this quote, "Caring for children is a dance between setting appropriate limits as caretakers and avoiding unnecessary power struggles that result in unhappiness." (Charlotte Sophia Kasl)

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From the Principal's desk:

REMINDER OF NOTICE TO ATTEND THE GOVERNING BODY BY-ELECTIONS:

The notice of the above was emailed to all parents on the 23 February 2023. Our nomination and election meeting will be held at school on Saturday, 11 March 2023. Registration commences at 09:00. The nomination meeting will commence at 09:30. The by- election will then follow, provided we meet a quorum.

Should you wish to nominate a parent for the Governing Body, please contact the school for a nomination form. It will be helpful to voters if you could include a brief CV of the nominee when returning the form. We are, in particular, hoping to fill the portfolio of Buildings and Grounds. Please click on the link to view the SGB by-election notice:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1VOZ8kafpol899i9p5QSvTwk9V6G_tDHml-QRIjgTWfs/edit?usp=sharing

World Read Aloud Day

Our senior learners read to the Grade 1s, on 1 February 2023, for the World Read Aloud Day.





<u>Valentine's Day Celebrations:</u> On Tuesday 14 February, our first fundraiser for the year was received with much excitement! Thank you to all our learners for their generous contributions!



IPS Bright Sparks: Our Grade 5 learners displayed their creativity during an English lesson.





water



drops of rain

The house stood on the hill

screamed at me



The house stood on the hill

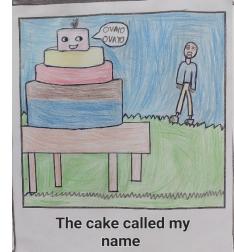


The stars winked in the night sky



My alarm clock shouted at me

Grade 5s Personification





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From the Sports desk:

Our cricket, swimming and tennis season is in full swing at IPS. The excitement and eagerness, however, has been met with consistent inclement weather during the past few weeks. Several cricket fixtures, tennis matches and swimming galas were unfortunately cancelled due to bad weather.

The U13 and U9 cricket teams were fortunate enough to complete their matches against Amberfield college last week. Better weather prevailed this week and all our participating cricket teams attended their matches. Congratulations to our U10 cricket team for winning their match against Glenstantia Primary!





Our swimming team will participate in the Inter-schools' gala on Thursday, 09 March 2023. **There will be no swimming practice on Wednesday, 08 March. (Rest day before inter school's gala).**

The following learners have been selected to participate at the swimming gala and we would like to wish them everything of the best!

Emuhle Nsele	Bukhazi Mtsi	Karabo Mataboge
Ayabonga Sukazi	Kudzayi Gadziso	Masungulo Ngomani
Keilah Mhlanga	Shani September	Goitsoene Mahuma
Kaitlyn Job	Nkateko Mdhuli	Amahle Mdlalose
Lisa Job	Boikgantsho Sehoana	Katlego Makhafola
Amogelang Keohitlhetse	Tumelo Mokone	Aadith Kurup
Wandile Mavuso	Mvula Ndlovu	Legacy Diutloileng
Vuthlare Shiburi	Ryden Garde	Lumkani Dywili
Oreratile Mosiuoa	Kgosi Mashaba	Leano Mahlangu
Olerato Mosiuoa	Tshiamo Pilusa	

A reminder that **All sports practices** will end on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>09 March</u>. Please note that the last fixture for <u>TENNIS</u> will take place on **Monday**,13 March.

We are excited to kick off Soccer season with our Boys' Soccer trials which will be held from 14:00-15:30 as follows:

Tuesday, 14 March - U10

Wednesday, 15 March - U11

Thursday, 16 March - U13

Learners may wear their PE kit and takkies/soccer boots. SHIN PADS ARE COMPULSORY

From the Fees office:

Please be advised that Exemption applications are open for Grade 1-7. Closing date for submissions is **31 March 2023**. Please contact: financeoffice@ireneprimary.co.za

SCHOOL FEES FOR 2023 Gr1-7

* ALL AMOUNTS ARE PER CHILD	1ST & 2ND CHILD	3RD CHILD	4TH & MORE
TOTAL SCHOOL FEES PER CHILD	R 14 000,00	R 12 600,00	R 11 200,00
IF PAID IN FULL BY 31 MAR 2023			
(No discount for cash or cash deposits)			
(5% DISCOUNT) EFT	R 13 300,00	R 11 970,00	R 10 640,00
(3% DISCOUNT) CREDIT/DEBIT CARD	R 13 580,00	R 12 222,00	R 10 864,00
MONTHLY INSTALMENTS (IN ADVANCE) OVER 10 MONTHS COMMENCING 1 JAN TO 1 OCT 2023	R1 400,00 per learner	R1 260,00 per learner	R1 120,00 per learner
QUARTERLY INSTALMENTS (IN ADVANCE AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH TERM)	R3 500,00 per learner	R3 150,00 per learner	R2 800,00 per learner

BANKING DETAILS:

FNB

CENTURION 261550

ACCOUNT 545 027 981 26

NAME Irene School Fund

REFERENCE Family Number (eg.1274)

I.P.S Communication platforms

We encourage parents to use all the available communication platforms to engage with the school. These include the learner diaries, d6 communicator, social media and website. Please note, **email** addresses of class teachers are available under the contacts tab on d6. Alternatively, any communication-related queries can be directed to:communications@ireneprimary.co.za



Photo release:

IPS may take photographs of the learners at our school. We use these images as part of our marketing and communication strategy. We will also use them on our digital platforms. If we use photographs of individual learners, we will not use the name of that child in the accompanying text or photo caption unless if it is to announce an achievement.

IPS may also sometimes be visited by the media who will take photographs or film footage of school events. Learners may appear in these images, which will sometimes be published in local or national newspapers, or on approved websites.

We request permission to publish the images in print and/or electronically for any school-related content. Should **you not grant permission**, kindly send us an email stating that your child/children's images may not be used. Please include your child's full name and class. Contact communications@ireneprimary.co.za