



ORION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Learners

TERM 2 REPORT PARENT-TEACHER FEEDBACK

PRIMARY SCHOOL: Please make arrangements with your child's class teacher to discuss the Term 2 reports at a time that suits both you and the teacher.

HIGH SCHOOL: Feedback on Term 2 progress will be done on an invitation basis by the school or on request from parents. This will only be for learners who are at risk in particular subjects. They will be held via **online panel meetings** after school hours.

EXTRA MURALS start next week. Please return reply-slips by Friday.

MANDELA MONTH CHARITY DRIVE

67 Dignity Packs & A Whole Month of Giving

In honour of **Nelson Mandela Day**, our school community is stepping up to make a powerful impact! We are officially launching our charity drive to create **67 Dignity Packs** for individuals in need, symbolizing the 67 years Madiba spent fighting for social justice.

Each dignity pack will be filled with essential hygiene items and care products to support and uplift members of our local community.

The Great Pivot: Welcome to Nelson Mandela Month!

True to our school theme of "Pivoting" and adapting to make an even bigger difference, we aren't stopping at just one day. We are expanding our efforts into a full Nelson Mandela Month throughout August!

This extension gives every class, student, and family extra time to contribute, organize, and ensure our 67 dignity packs are packed with care and generosity.

How You Can Help:

Donate: Bring in key items (soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, sanitary products, facecloths, and deodorants).

Volunteer: Join us during August packing sessions to assemble the dignity packs.

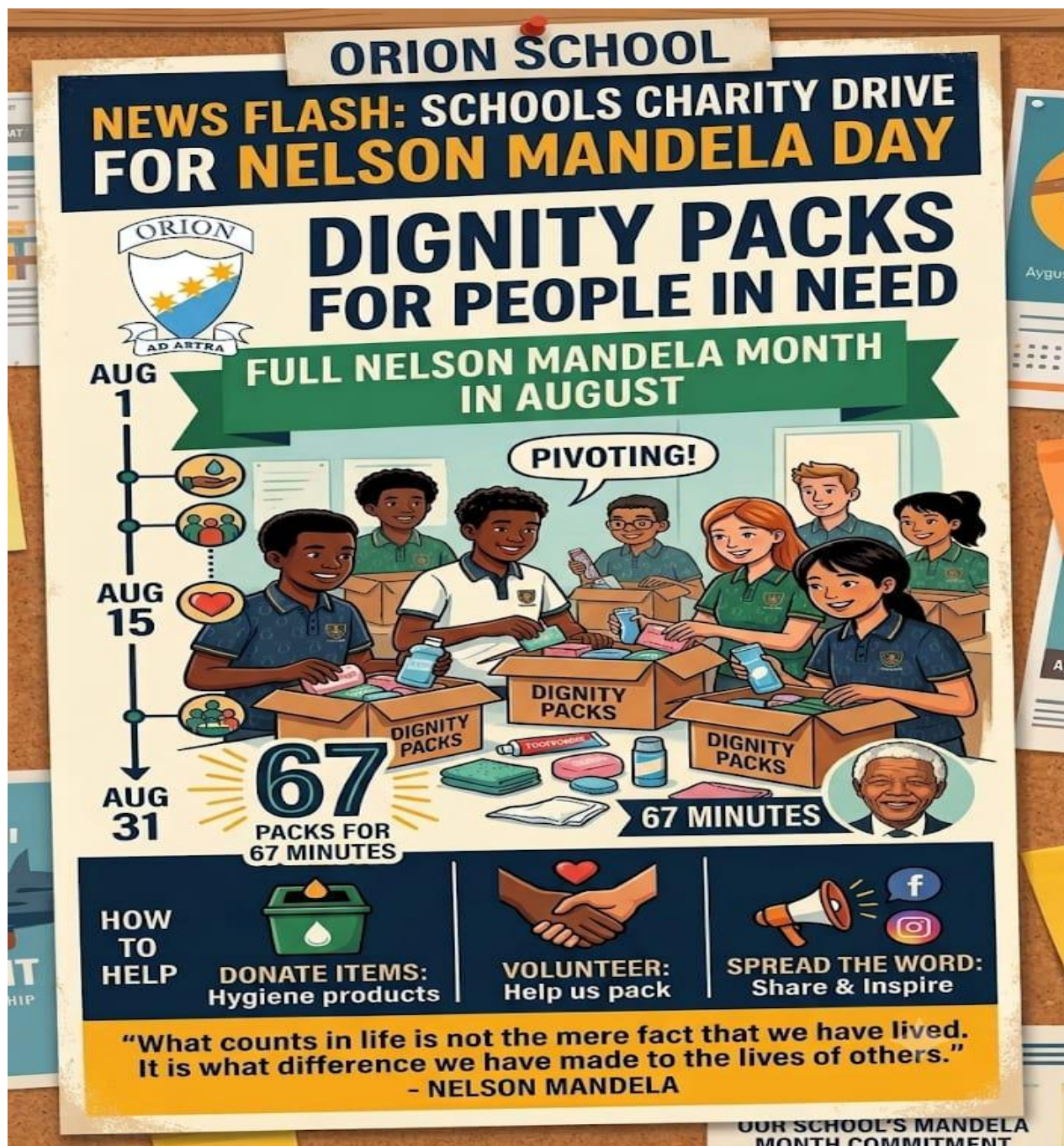
Spread the Word: Encourage friends and family to join our effort!

"What counts in life is not the mere fact that we have lived. It is what difference we have made to the lives of others." — Nelson Mandela

Let's **Pivot with Purpose** together and make this August a month to remember! Drop-off bins are located at the main reception.



CALENDAR	
JULY	
Mon 20 th	Staff back for Term 3
Tues 21 st	Learners start Term 3
Fri 24 th	BOKKE FRIDAY – dress in Springbok green and gold for R20 every Friday!
AUGUST	
Mandela Month	
Mon 10 th	PUBLIC HOLIDAY – for Woman's Day
Mon 17 th	MATRIC PRELIMS START
Sat 29 th	WINTER FAMILY FUN DAY
SEPTEMBER	
Tues 1 st	Grade 12 LO Final exam
Wed 9 th	Grade 9 Subject choice Information Evening
Mon 14 th	HS cycle tests start
Fri 18 th	World Literacy Day – Primary School only
Wed 23 rd	Heritage Day dress up R20
Wed 23 rd	BREAK UP DAY



TERM 3 FUN- RAISING AND EVENTS

This term's fun-raising goes towards the Grade 7 Farewell:

BOKKE FRIDAYS: Every Friday, to support the Springboks, learners will be allowed to wear Springbok shirts and jeans – or dress in green and gold. There will be civvies charge of **R20** per Friday.

ANYTHING-BUT-BAG DAY (Fri 28 AUGUST): Get creative and bring your books and equipment to school in anything but a bag! Prize for the most creative idea! **R20** to join the fun.

WINTER FAMILY FUN DAY (Sat 29 AUGUST): **!!!Please note the date change from Saturday 1 August to Saturday 29 August.**

ORION SHINE LIKE A STAR PAGEANT & TALENT SHOW (22 SEPTEMBER):

To bring this term to a close, we will be hosting a talent show and pageant on the evening of Tuesday 22 September. Get your acts ready!

HERITAGE DAY DRESS UP (Wednesday 23rd September)

On break up day, learners can come dressed in their favourite heritage clothing/outfits for **R20**. Whether you have South African or foreign heritage, everything background is welcome.

WHICH SUBJECTS ARE RIGHT FOR ME?

GRADE 9 SUBJECT CHOICE EVENING – Wednesday 9 SEPTEMBER

Grade 9 learners and parents are invited to join us for an information evening about the Grade 10 subject options. This is an important evening to start planning for the FET phase.

NEW TUCKSHOP/COFFEE TRUCK OWNERS – WELCOME TO 'JOZI JAVA'!

Please take note that the coffee truck/tuckshop is under new management. Pop in to meet the new owners and see what's changed. They are open to suggestions and ideas!

WINTER FAMILY FUN DAY - SATURDAY 29 AUGUST – WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!

We need your support to help us make this day a success. Please support us by:

- **Entering a soccer team** – Dad's and family members are welcome R50 per person
- Enter the **TIC TOC challenge** – see Mrs Job for details
- Contributing to your child's phase **potjie kos competition** with cash donations
- Donating books and bric-a-brac for our **white elephant stall**
- Buying **raffle tickets (soon to be announced)**
- Bring your family and friends on the day and **join the fun!** See advert and more info below.



RACA EISTEDDFOD- dates to be confirmed

Term 3 is our culture term with our annual participation in the Randfontein Arts and Culture Eisteddfod (RACA). Start thinking about your entries and pop in to have a chat with Mr Elderkin about your ideas. The categories are:

- + **Visual Arts** – painting, drawing, film and media, sculpture etc..
- + **Performing Arts** – drama, singing, dancing, prepared reading etc...
- + **Individual and group categories**

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

SCHOOL FEES

Please remember that fees are due **in advance** starting in January until November. The notice period is 3 months. Please contact the finance office with any financial queries.

SARS TAX REBATE

Don't forget that you can get a tax rebate if your child qualifies. Tax letters were sent home via email in March. One of our psychologists or specialists will need to complete the correct form, ITDR 5.

CELL PHONE POLICY

Learners from Grade 4 to 9 are expected to hand their cell phones in at the start of the day. The school **will not take responsibility** for cell phones or any other electronic or personal item that is lost, stolen or damaged if brought to school.



School
Communicator

SCHOOL COMMUNICATION – D6 has been launched!

Please download the APP!

Orion has transitioned to the **D6 school communicator** - for both parents and learners. **Parents and learners** will be required to **download the D6 app**. WhatsApp communication will be phased out soon.

For insight into what's been happening throughout the school, follow us on Instagram or Facebook.

Warm regards. Mrs Robinson and the Orion College staff.



ORION
COLLEGE

END OF WINTER FAMILY FUN DAY



29 AUGUST 2026



09:00 - 13:30



SOCCER



COLOUR RUN



POTJIE
COMPETITION



JUMPING
CASTLE



GAMES



TUCKSHOP



MINI DONUTS



RAFFLE
PRIZES TO
BE WON!



BREAKFAST
ROLLS



WHITE
ELEPHANT STALL



BRING YOUR PICNIC BLANKETS AND CHAIRS!



Great activities,
great food,
great memories!





Supporting Communities Together

ORION'S PREFERRED TRANSPORT PROVIDER

Do you struggle with safe, reliable transport for your child to and from school? Call Apex Blaze Shuttle Service, for a quote. They work exclusively with the Orion Community.

SCHOOL SHUTTLE EXCLUSIVE TO ORION COLLEGE

Apex Blaze now proudly transports learners to and from Orion College, offering more flexibility, better service, and peace of mind for every family.

WHY PARENTS ARE CHOOSING APEX BLAZE

- **Flexible Option:** Daily, part-time, or ad hoc trips, designed around your busy schedule.
- **Clear, Affordable Pricing:** Monthly payments (morning, afternoon, or return) with distance-based quotes or simply use on-demand and pay later.
- **You're Always Covered:** If traffic delays happen, we cover aftercare so your child is never left alone at school.
- **Comfort on Longer Routes:** Snacks and refreshments included for extended trips.

SAFETY IS OUR TOP PRIORITY

- Onboard cameras and real-time tracking
- Fully qualified drivers (PrDP, First Aid & Advanced Driving)
- Strict no-overloading policy
- Regular vehicle maintenance
- Backup vehicles available when needed



Allen's Nek | Constantia Kloof | Fairland | Ferndale | Florida | Florida Glen | Fourways | JHB North | Krugersdorp (Ruimsig Country Estate, Featherbrook Estate & surroundings) | Little Falls | Northcliff | Northriding | Quellerina | Radiokop | Randburg | Randpark Ridge | Ruimsig | Sandton | Strubens Valley | Sundowner | Weltevreden Park | Wilgeheuwel

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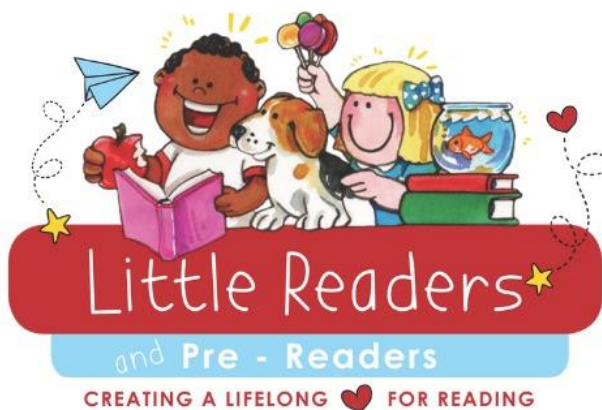
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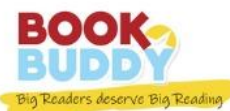
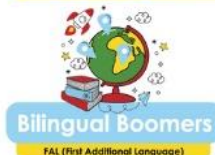
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PASSION FOR PURPOSE

READING SUPPORT

Do you have a child who would benefit from extra reading classes? Offering classes from 3 years to 13 years, one of our teachers runs her own English and Afrikaans reading business afterhours and on weekends.



Through our fun,
**sensory-integrated
lessons**, we build a
strong reading
foundation that sets
the stage for **lifelong
reading enjoyment**
and **academic success**.



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Little Readers Roodepoort

FARM FRESH VEGGIES

If you're looking for farm fresh veggies, why not support one of our Orion families with their new Farm Fresh Vegetable business....

FARM FRESH

Fruit & Veg

FRESH PRODUCE • GREAT PRICES • DELIVERED TO YOU



Fresh from the farm to your home! 



TO ORDER:
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069 442 2783



PAYMENT
ACCEPTED
ON DELIVERY



DELIVERY R35
ROODEPOORT
FREE TO HORIZON & DISCOVERY

EVERY THURSDAY

VEGGIE COMBO PACK

- ✓ 2kg Potatoes
- ✓ 1kg Onions
- ✓ 1kg Tomatoes
- ✓ 1kg Carrots



R90
GREAT VALUE!

Bananas 1kg
Freshpak



R20

Navel Oranges 2kg
Freshpak



R25

Carrots 1kg
Freshpak



R15

Potatoes 2kg
Freshpak



R25

Onions 1kg
Freshpak



R25

Tomatoes 1kg
Freshpak



R25

Sweet Potatoes 2kg
Freshpak



R25

Butternut 2s
Freshpak



R30



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