



Proudly South African Day-
Drumming in our
SA outfits !



Upcoming Events

and Dates

- Tuesday 17 July- 3rd term starts
- Wednesday 18 July- Sjaan's birthday ring for the children
- Friday 20 July- Parents' Social

The rest of the dates for term will follow in the term planner

Term 2

It has been a very cold and wet Cape Town winter thus far. Every day I realize how lucky we are at Prand to have such a beautiful place for the children. Indoors is spacious and with the classes rotating, we are always able to move the children around inside to various enticing spaces and rooms on a rainy day. So many visitors comment on the fact that at some schools the children have only one small room in which to play on rainy days- this must be very frustrating for the children... and the teachers! Our new covered patio with the roll down blinds has added an extra space that we can use. Although the children do miss their outside time, they are very content with the variety that the building offers. We are very blessed! As you are know: our big project this year is to enclose the back garden- also with a cover and roll

down blinds. This will add a further area that can be utilized during rainy weather. This is the project that we are raising funds for this year, so please support us in any way you can. **Please remember to send spare clothes, socks and shoes or to let your little one wear gum boots.** When there is a break in the rain we like to let the children go for a brief run outside.

Kids can save the Earth

This exciting focus for the term was successfully driven by the teachers in the classroom and in the playground. It is such a vast topic, that it will continue to be reinforced throughout the remainder of the year.

Please continue to encourage recycling at home. We are in constant need of recycled goods for art and so you can encourage your little one to help collect things for school .

"It is paradoxical that many educators and parents still differentiate between a time for learning and a time for play without seeing the vital connection between them."

-Leo Buscaglia,
author, educator

South African day

What a fun day this was! It was the culmination of the theme focusing on our beautiful country. Drumkidz joined us and each class had a turn to participate in one of their sessions. These were presented as an interactive story and the children were

spellbound....as you can see in the photo alongside. We also tasted boerewors, pap and chakalaka...I think that the boerewors was enjoyed the most. The children also had Rooibos tea, koeksisters. The tea is definitely a favourite!



Celebrating our moms on Mothers' Day



Making a crown for mom-queen for the day!



Your arms were always open when I needed a hug. Your heart understood when I needed a friend. Your gentle eyes were stern when I needed a lesson. Your strength and love has guided me and gave me wings to fly.

- Sarah Malin



Moms are very special- no words can express this adequately! At Prand we truly treasure the caring, friendly and hard-working moms that we are blessed to have at the school. The children were delighted to spend a day at school with mom; baking, making her a crown and treating her to a special hand massage and nail painting!! They practiced singing so enthusiastically and I must say I was very moved by their singing for their moms on Mothers' Day.

I think that the baking was quite a busy activity, and probably left some of you exhausted, but the

children loved it! Thank you for joining us and thank you for the dedication and hard work that you put into raising the most delightful children!

A special thanks to Adele Paine and Jen Martin. They have come into school on quite a few mornings...either to sort out or to repair the books, or to help the children with putting their handprints on the platters that will be auctioned on Friday night at the Parents' Social.

We are looking for the following items to replenish our art stock; if you are able to collect some of these it would be appreciated!

Newspapers;

Buttons;

Flattened cereal boxes (if you could cut them that would be a huge help)

Tin foil/ lunch wrap inner tubes

Plastic/beer bottle lids

Empty match boxes

Any other recycled goods

Face Wipes..

We have been discussing the value of getting face cloths for each child so that we/they could clean their faces during the morning at school. The problem with this, is that if the children take the wrong cloth by mistake, it could spread germs. Our solution is to please ask you to send a pack of face wipes for your child. You can choose special ones if your child needs ones for sensitive skin. Each child will use their own wipes. Noses and food sometimes need a wet wipe as a tissue may just not do the job!



Baking and a Mini-manicure....





Fathers' Day



Thank you so much to all the dads for joining us on this special morning! The children had been talking about 'dad coming to school' for simply ages! We played games, made crafts and enjoyed a reptile show presented by Imoff Snake Park. The dads and kids had an amazing morning and it was lovely to see how all of you dads were game for anything- thank you for getting involved so wholeheartedly! It meant the world to your beautiful children! Dad's role is just as important in a child's life and I can see from the anticipation from the children that you are all very involved fathers! Once again, the children sang so sweetly and were so brave to sing in front of all those dads!



Grandpa, dad, Thomas and Andy!

My Dad...
He can build
the coolest
rockets,

He is very brave
and always keeps
me safe



He can fix anything!
I want to grow up to
be just like my dad!



Fridays- Dad's coffee morning.....

Dads- if you drop your little one at school on Fridays, stay a little.....enjoy a cup of fantastic "Quaffee" and chat to the other fathers.



Work around the school.....

A lot of work has been done around the school this year and I do report back termly about all the upkeep. These holidays we have worked on all the little jobs, like stripping and repainting the gates, fixing all the "spiders" like light fixtures, the garage door etc. The big project has been replacing of the carpets in the Bright Star and Moonbeam classes and we are delighted with the new flooring. We only had a week to order and have them installed. Thanks to MJ Flooring for speeding up the process!

I have loved the family focus that we have had this past term! This will continue this coming term with the Parents' Social, Grandparents' Day and the mini-walk! Thank you for being such involved and supportive members of our beloved Prand Family!!



Warm regards
Janine Stott

Go to www.prandplaycentre.net to view all the new second term's photos!