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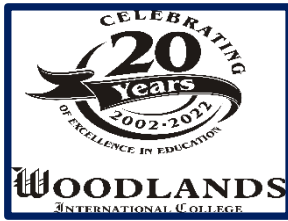
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**WOODLANDS**

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# WOODLANDS PRE-PRIMARY COLLEGE



## NEWSLETTER 18 March 2022



Principal Jenny

Dear Woodlands family,

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Human Rights Day is an international celebration of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. The [United Nations](#) (UN) adopted the declaration on December 10, 1948. The document describes the basic [rights](#) of every human, such as the right to live freely and safely. The UN recognizes Human Rights Day every year on December 10.

[South Africa](#) celebrates its own Human Rights Day on March 21 each year. The day commemorates the [Sharpeville massacre](#), which took place on March 21, 1960. The Sharpeville massacre was a demonstration against [apartheid](#). Many people were killed in Sharpeville as they tried to demand an end to laws that took away their rights.

Everyone, everywhere has the same rights as a result of our common humanity. We are all equally entitled to our human rights without discrimination. These rights are all interrelated, interdependent and indivisible.

Children and young people have the same general human rights as adults and also specific rights that recognize their special needs. Children are neither the property of their parents nor are they helpless objects of charity. They are human beings and are the subject of their own rights.

The Convention on the Rights of the Child sets out the rights that must be realized for children to develop to their full potential.

The Convention offers a vision of the child as an individual and as a member of a family and community, with rights and responsibilities appropriate to his or her age and stage of development. By recognizing children's rights in this way, the Convention firmly sets the focus on the whole child.

The Convention recognizes the fundamental human dignity of all children and the urgency of ensuring their well-being and development. It makes clear the idea that a basic quality of life should be the right of all children, rather than a privilege enjoyed by a few.

#### **The importance of children's rights - UNICEF**

There are many reasons for singling out children's rights in a separate human rights Convention:

##### **Children are individuals**

Children are neither the possessions of parents nor of the state, nor are they mere people-in-the-making; they have equal status as members of the human family.

##### **Children start life as totally dependent beings**

Children must rely on adults for the nurture and guidance they need to grow towards independence. Such nurture is ideally found from adults in children's families, but when primary adult caregivers cannot meet children's needs, it is up to the State as the primary duty bearer to find an alternative in the best interests of the child.

The actions, or inactions, of government impact children more strongly than any other group in society. Practically every area of government policy – from education to public health – affects children to some degree. Short-sighted policymaking that fails to take children into account has a negative impact on the future of all members of society.

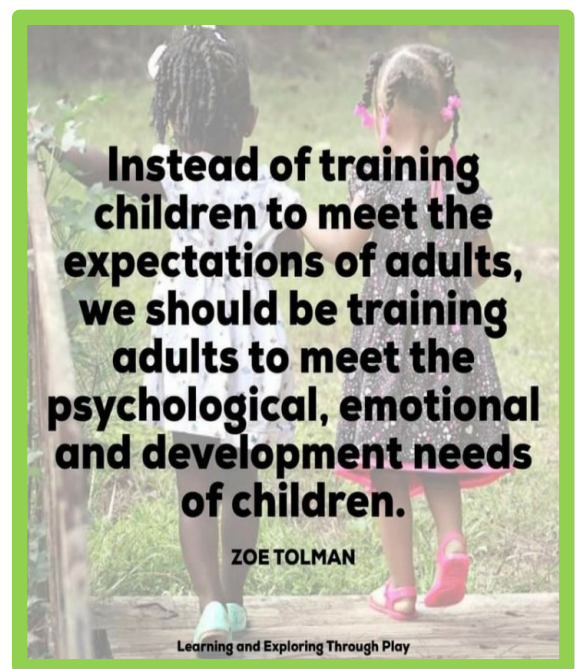
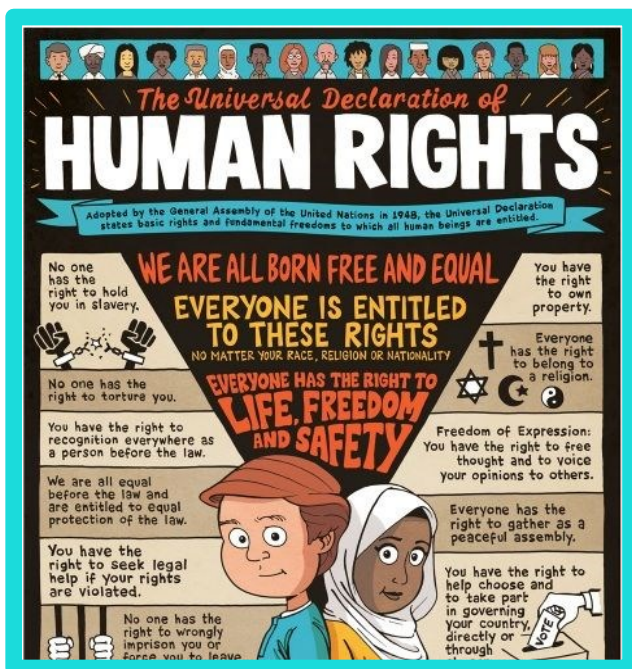
**Many changes in society are having a disproportionate, and often negative, impact on children** Transformation of the family structure, globalization, climate change, digitalization, mass migration, shifting employment patterns and a shrinking social welfare net in many countries all have strong impacts on children. The impact of these changes can be particularly devastating in situations of armed conflict and other emergencies.

The healthy development of children is crucial to the future well-being of any society Because they are still developing, children are especially vulnerable – more so than adults – to poor living conditions such as poverty, inadequate health care, nutrition, safe water, housing and environmental pollution. The effects of disease, malnutrition and poverty threaten the future of children and therefore the future of the societies in which they live.

### **The costs to society of failing its children are huge**

Social research findings show that children's earliest experiences significantly influence their future development. The course of their development determines their contribution, or cost, to society over the course of their lives.

**WISHING EVERYONE A RESTFUL HUMAN RIGHTS DAY ON MONDAY.**



# MARKET DAY

Congratulations to the **Owl class** on their awesome Market Day.  
Thank you to the Owl Parents for all your hard work and dedication!



Our **eighth** Market day will take place next **Friday 25 March**.  
Teacher Lesley's, Grade 000, **Bee class** will be hosting their "**Wild animal**" themed Market day.  
There promises to be some awesome things to buy. R20 is recommended.  
All proceeds go directly to the benefit of the Bee class.



# ST PARTICKS DAY - CIVVIES

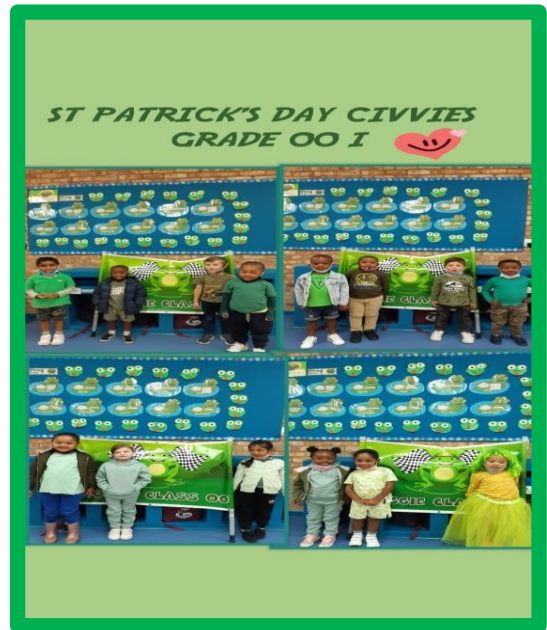


It was a sea of green at Woodlands Pre-Primary as everyone dressed up to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. May the luck of the Irish be upon you today!!

## GRADE 0'S



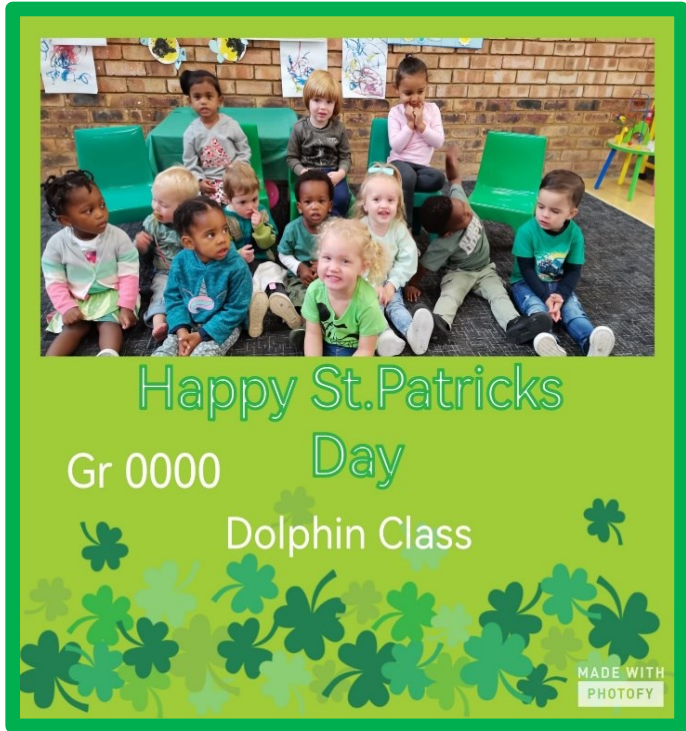
# GRADE 00'S



# GRADE 000'S



## GRADE 0000'S (TODDLERS)



## GRADE 0000W (PRE-TODDLERS)



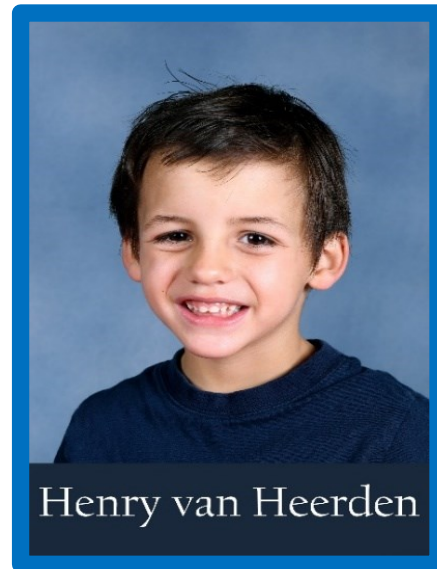
## INDIVIDUAL PHOTOGRAPHS

The photographer will be at College on Tuesday 22 March to take individual photographs of each child. There is no payment needed as this amount has been included in the annual Sundry Costs fee.

Please ensure your child attends College on this day as it is difficult for the photographer to return for absentees.

All children to be dressed in their summer uniform.

Should you require more than one set of photographs please put a note in your child's message book with an extra R100 per set



## RECYCLING

A reminder that we do have a recycling centre. Please feel free to bring any of the following items

- Glass
- Plastic bottles
- Cans
- White paper
- Cardboard

Bags are available in the enclosure in the corner of the car park.





## EDUVET

On Thursday, EduVet came to visit the Grade 00 group. We had a very informative lesson learning all about safety at home, at school and whilst travelling. The children had a lovely time joining in the songs and a few of them even got chosen to dress up.



## BABY MARKET - SATURDAY 26 MARCH 2022 - 9H00 TO 13H00

We will once again be hosting the Baby Market with their awesome variety of vendors. Please feel free to invite family and friends to attend.

**THE BABY MARKET**

**BIGGER & BETTER MARKET DAY**  
**26 MARCH 2022**

Doors open at 8:00 and close at 13:00  
Screening and Vendors open at 08:00  
**NO MASK NO ENTRY**

Come enjoy a day full of shopping  
all under one roof Pre Loved, New  
and Demo items available

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## **PARENT / TEACHER CONFERENCE - 5 / 6 April 2022**

We will be hosting our Parent / Teacher Conference on the afternoon of 5 and 6 April.

You are invited to book an appropriate time to meet with the Teacher to discuss your child's progress so far.

Interview rosters can be found at the classroom doors from Tuesday. Please remember to fill your name in next to the time that best suits you.



## **EASTER HAMPER RAFFLE**

Please continue to sell those raffle tickets.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

All raffle lists and monies to please be sent to school by Friday, 8 April.

Draw will take place on Tuesday, 12 April.



## GUIDE DOG VISIT - MONDAY, 14 MARCH

The Grade 00 & 0 classes were very lucky this week to receive a visit on Monday from Baloo, a guide dog puppy in training, on Monday.

Thank you to all those parents who sent treats for Baloo.



### ***Baloo and Gus's Journey to becoming guide dog...***

You are welcome to follow our journey:

<https://www.facebook.com/carepuppyraisers>

[https://www.instagram.com/care\\_puppyraisers/](https://www.instagram.com/care_puppyraisers/)

Thank you, Carol with Baloo and Gus

[carol.harmzen@gmail.com](mailto:carol.harmzen@gmail.com)

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**For Sponsorship / Donations:**

**GDA contact: 011-7053512**

<https://guidedog.org.za/>

## CONGRATULATIONS

Wishing our **Directors, Ronnie and Janet Matthews**, much happiness as they celebrate their 50th, Golden, Wedding Anniversary.  
May you enjoy many more wonderful years together!  
You are an inspiration to us all.



**Noah Jenkinson in Grade 0C** competed in a gala on Saturday the 12th of March. He competed in 25m noodle race, 25m kickerboard race and 25m motorbike race. He completed all his races and got a medal and certificate for participation.

**Mark Collett in Grade 00C** participated in a soccer tournament this last weekend at Bedfordview Football Club. He is U/6 but played in the U/7 team and they won their age group for the day. He plays for WIFA superstars. If you would like join the U/6 football league this season come down to Woodlands sports field at the main campus on a Monday and Wednesday at 16:30-18:00.



**SAVE THE DATE - GRADE 0 PARENTS  
TO ATTEND GRADE 1 MEETING  
SATURDAY, 2 APRIL 8H30**

All Grade 0 parents should have received their official Invitation to the  
"Ready for Grade 1 Talk".

Looking forward to seeing everyone attend.



**WOODLANDS INTERNATIONAL JUNIOR COLLEGE**

**Preparing for 'BIG SCHOOL'  
Grade One 2023**

The Grade One Teachers  
invite you to attend  
an informative presentation

**Saturday 2 April  
8h30 for 9h00  
Pre-Grade Hall, Caravelle Rd**

Please arrive timeously as COVID protocols  
will be followed

**CELEBRATING  
20  
Years  
2002-2022  
OF EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION**

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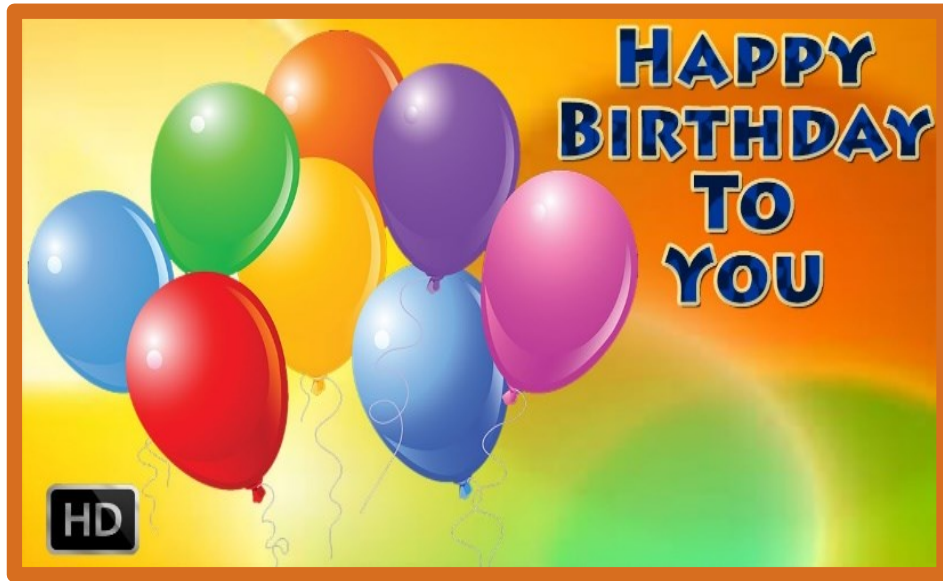
The poster features a photograph of four young children (three girls and one boy) smiling and hugging. The girl on the far right is wearing a pink shirt with the college's 20th anniversary logo. The background is a dark chalkboard with white and yellow text.

**WELL WISHES**

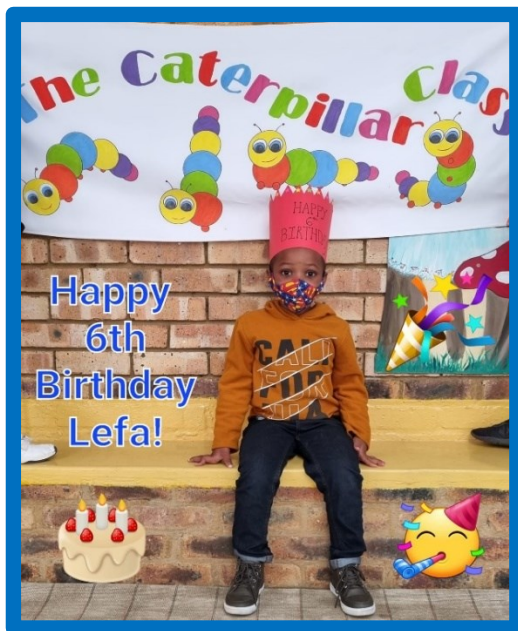
The Pre-Primary would like to send well wishes to the family of Ntando Ndlovu, Grade 00W, who were in a car accident on the way to school on Thursday morning. We are so glad that no one was seriously injured and we look forward to having you back at College soon.



## BIRTHDAYS



Wishing all our Woodlands children who celebrated their Birthday's this week a very happy, special day.



# TERM 1 - 2022

## ***DATES TO DIARISE***



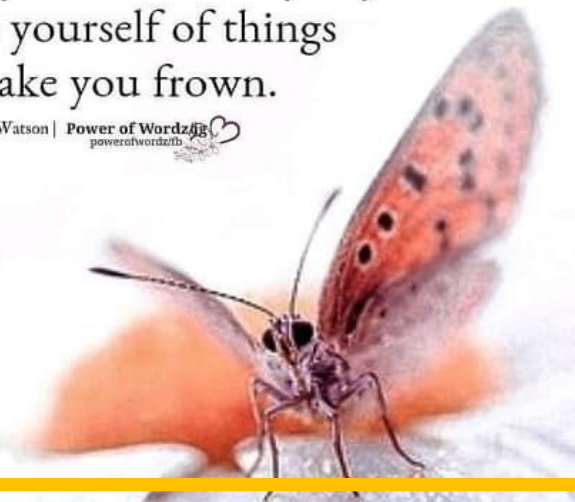
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<b>MARCH</b>		
Monday	21 March	Human Rights Day: PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tuesday	22 March	Individual Photographs
Friday	25 March	Grade 000W Market Day
Tuesday	29 March	Hearing Screening (Grade 000W)
Wednesday	30 March	Hearing Screening (Grade 000I) and all absentees
<b>APRIL</b>		
Friday	1 April	Grade 000I Market Day
Tuesday	5 April	Parent Interviews (13h30 – 17h30)
Wednesday	6 April	Parent Interviews (13h30 – 17h30)
Thursday	7 April	Easter Parade (All Grades)
Friday	8 April	Final day for Raffle tickets to be handed in
Tuesday	12 April	Raffle Draw
Wednesday	13 April	College closes at 12h00 for the start of the Easter Holidays

# **INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE: FROM THE H.O.D 'S OFFICE**

## **WHAT I'VE LEARNED IN LIFE,**

is that for every inch of sadness lies a foot of happiness ahead. I've learned that the simplest of times brings the grandest of pleasures and the hardest goodbyes often lead to the best hellos. I've learned that crazy chances guide us to unexpected discoveries and that tough times unveil the sincerity of people. I've learned that you have to hold onto your smile every day and free yourself of things that make you frown.

Rachel Watson | Power of Wordz   
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**Teacher Ruby**

