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Dear Parents

The year is in full swing! The changes made during last year have resulted in a smooth start to 2011. Our new office environment has created a functional space and the 3 or 5 day choice has been well accepted by most of our parents.

We have employed an extra ASC teacher to cope with our growing numbers. A warm welcome to Mrs Maryna Vorster who is in charge of the Grade 6 mixed boys' and girls' class.

This year, we have implemented a new grouping system at the ASC, hence, the mixed day class groups and bilingual groupings per class. So far, this has been very successful and has reduced the incidence of bullying, which has been a problem in the past. Our Grade 3 boys' only and girls' only classes also seem to be functioning well. These changes were also brought about after sound research and discussion with our colleagues in the Primary School.

Our staff undergoes in-service training every Friday as well as a full weekend training session each year. During these sessions, we are trained to motivate our learners, who have already spent the whole day at school, to remain enthusiastic, produce good work and complete their homework and studies. We have also instituted an extra study class (16:15 - 17:15) in order to provide further support for learners who need to continue their work after extra-murals.

To enhance our levels of communication with parents, we shall have a slot in the KPS Bulletin. We shall use this space to inform you of important notices, fundraising dates and other relevant information. We are at present collating an ASC distribution list of e-mail addresses. Once this has been completed, it will enable us to e-mail our letters to you.

Our lunch menu is very well-balanced, but we are constantly striving to improve on the existing formula. We have the input of a nutritionist who is helping us to eliminate MSG and other preservatives from our food, where possible. Once we have settled on a final, revised version, we shall add the new menu to our school website.

We are about to launch a weekly planner for the Grade 6 & 7 classes, which will assist the ASC teachers in the classroom during study time. This will keep the teacher informed as to what each learner should be doing in any given week. We also wish to keep parents informed of levels of progress. This will be done by a short note completed by the ASC teacher and pasted into the homework diary.

The fundraisers for the year have not been finalised as yet, but the thought is to have a curry and rice (or vetkoek) sale - June; Pancake drive - August or September and a Christmas Biscuit Bake in November.

We trust that the above information will be of use to you. We shall try our best to keep you as well-informed as possible.

Yours sincerely

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