

MAY 2024

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We're voting

With exams ending and elections looming, we decided to enter into the spirit of the occasion and host our very own mini-voting day here at Hurlyvale. The children all campaigned and voted for their favourite takeout. They created their own IDs and experienced standing in a queue and getting their thumbs marked, as they made their very own digital crosses! Apparently, takeout is quite a serious issue and much debating, haggling and downright arguing was heard.

I am proud to report that the voters were all closely monitored and no incidences of cheating, vandalism or grievous bodily harm were evident! All in the spirit of intellectual discourse and individual rights, a successful endeavour and the IEC could learn a thing or two from us! It can also be ascertained without a doubt, that we have verbose future politicians in training here at Hurly, our democracy is safe in the hands of our children.

Our very exciting hall project is up and running. Not only do we hope to improve and upgrade our current hall, but we plan on building an additional multi-purpose hall to accommodate the growing needs of our active learners. The multi-purpose hall will provide much needed space for dancing and music, it will also serve as an alternative rainy day play area. You may or may not know this, but rainy days seem to ignite the children's inner little ponies. The new hall will allow for more play area.

Soapbox Derby.

Our soapbox derby was a huge success, with teachers and parents jumping in to assist with pushing those go-karts to victory! The difficulty was certainly the steering, as many a near collision was averted, and in some cases formed part of the excitement! It proved to be a delightful, family morning and a chance to spend time with the community in support of our school. The funds raised will go towards our exciting hall project! Winners got to wear their civvies and had bragging rights for the day. Transact patches and bandages, I believe, were sold out that afternoon.

Exams are done.

Exams have come and gone, but we are still ploughing through the syllabus. For some teachers, it is completing the current term's requirements, and for others, it is getting a head start on next term's content. But for all, it's back to school as normal. Every minute is utilized to the maximum, so please try to avoid unnecessary absenteeism.

Before you go....

- * A reminder that our open day will be this Saturday the 1st. Please check Edana for more details and spread the news amongst interested parents. Remember we are a very sought-after school and places fill quickly.
- * This Saturday is also our Interhouse Soccer and Netball Festival. Come and see our dynamos in action and witness greatness for yourselves. We have had a phenomenal sporting season and, for more details, read our sports section.
- * Once again the end of term is upon us, a reminder that we will close at 11:00 on Friday the 14 June.
- * Runoffs for our Grade 4- grade 7 Athletics teams will take place on 6 June.
- * Our inter-house athletics will be on the 13 July, a Saturday so please diarise and come and support our runners.
- * Lastly, it is extremely disheartening to see children left after school awaiting their parents or their transport. Please remember that the school does not accept responsibility for children who are not collected on time. The onus is on the parent to confirm the time their children finish, and to ensure that they are fetched at that time. Basically, it is a serious offence to leave your child unattended at school. We have an aftercare facility for this very purpose so please make use of these facilities to avoid a potential problem.

Welcome!

While Mrs Sayers is off delivering our future Hurlyvale learner, we are delighted to welcome Mrs Wright, who will be taking her class. Mrs Wright comes with a wealth of experience and we are excited to have her join the Hurlyvale family.

We will be back...

School reopens on Tuesday 9 July, when we commence our Third Term. Once again use the holidays to replenish stationery and in particular glues! To all our families have a safe and wonderful winter holiday!

Sick children....

Please don't send your ill children to school. Rather let the doctor check them out and give them the all-clear. With the approach of winter, we need to limit the spread of viruses.

Did you know...

“THE WAY WE TALK TO OUR CHILDREN BECOMES THEIR INNER VOICE.”
— PEGGY O'MARA