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**Pre-School Newsletter**  
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**The Importance of  
Easter for Children**



Easter is a special time of year for children, filled with excitement, joy and important lessons. While many associate the holiday with Easter egg hunts and the Easter Bunny, the true significance of Easter goes beyond the fun traditions. It offers an opportunity for children to learn about hope, renewal and the importance of family and community.

At its heart, Easter celebrates the resurrection of Jesus Christ and the message of renewal that can inspire children to reflect on the importance of kindness, forgiveness and the power of second chances. By understanding the meaning behind Easter, children can connect to a deeper sense of purpose and empathy for others.

For many families, Easter is a time to come together, share meals and create lasting memories. The activities, like decorating eggs or attending church services, provide a chance for children to bond with their loved ones and develop a sense of belonging and tradition. These moments help children build positive associations with the holiday, creating excitement and anticipation each year.

Ultimately, Easter serves as a reminder of hope and new beginnings. Through the fun celebrations and the lessons it imparts, Easter helps children grow emotionally, spiritually and socially, making it a truly important holiday for young hearts and minds.

**We hope that you and your families enjoy this special time together, making memories that will last a lifetime in your own unique ways.**

*Miss Alison MacLachlan*

GRADE 000 - HEDGEHOG CLASS TEACHER



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# The Hedgehog's Week of Easter Activities



# Tea With Lee: Grade Os



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Mrs Milner took the time to connect with each and every Grade 0 child in her special 'Tea with Lee' way!

From chatting about their best friends to their favourite colours, Lee believes it is vital to make sure every child feels heard and valued. As a keepsake of this memorable moment, each little one received a special "Tea with Lee" badge.

**Be sure to ask your child about their tea party with Mrs Milner.**





# Dates to Diarise



**Monday, 31 March**  
**Tuesday, 1 April**

Parent/Guardian-Teacher Meetings  
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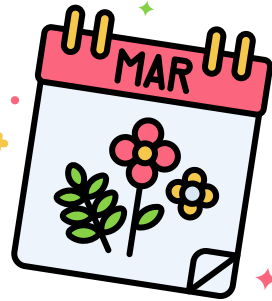
**Mon, 31 Mar - Thur, 3 April**

Easter Egg Marshmallow Drive



**Friday, 4 April**  
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**Tuesday, 6 May**

Easter Fun Day | Hopping into the Holidays!  
End of Term 1 | School Closes at 11:30  
School Starts for Term 2



## Lost & Found: Reunite with Your Long-Lost Items!



Parents & Guardians,

Our **Lost & Found** is bursting with forgotten treasures, just waiting to be reunited with their little owners!

Please take a moment to check for any misplaced items before they find a new home. Any unclaimed belongings will be donated to Project Feed the Children on **Tuesday, 1st April**.

## Birthdays!

A WEEK-LONG BIRTHDAY BASH

### Upcoming Birthdays

29 March	2 April	3 April	4 April
BEN ROSSAM	TALEN HEWITT	COURTNEY PEARSON	MIA DOS SANTOS & LEFIKA MWALE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!





## A Warm Welcome

We are excited to welcome Mrs Charmaine Janse van Rensburg to the Pre-School family!

Charmaine will be joining us in Term 2 as the Grade 0 Lemur Class teacher, bringing her warmth, dedication and years of expertise. With 18 years of experience in Early Childhood Development and a Bachelor of Education in Foundation Phase Teaching, Charmaine has a special way of making learning fun and meaningful. Charmaine will be in the Lemur Class getting to know all the little Lemurs on Monday, 31 March and Tuesday, 1 April so be sure to pop in a say hi!

We know Charmaine will be a wonderful addition to the school!



## Big Walk Preparation



This past weekend, Mrs Lee Milner participated in the 8km Beyers Run, adding another race to her list of achievements. Just two days earlier, on Friday, 21 March, Lee also completed a 10km run, demonstrating her dedication to distance running.

Mrs Milner can not wait to hit the road again next term with you at the **Big Walk**, we hope you have your walking shoes ready!

# Lightning Safety Reminders



### ⚡ Stay Informed:

- The full Lightning Policy is available on the SDC App under 'Pre-School Policies.'
- A lightning warning system is in place across the campus, including sirens and strobe lights.

### ⚡ When Lightning is Detected (15km radius):

- Sirens will sound for 15 seconds.
- Strobe lights will flash until the 'all clear' signal is given.
- Notifications will be sent via SMS, email and the school App.

### ⚡ During a Lightning Warning:

- Stay indoors or under cover.
- Only move along designated lightning-protected pathways.
- Do not stand within 5 meters of a lightning conductor.

### ⚡ If You Arrive During a Warning:

- Stay in your car until the 'all clear' signal is given.

### ⚡ 'All Clear' Signal:

- The siren will sound, and strobe lights will stop flashing.
- Notifications will be sent to staff and parents.

**Your safety is our priority—please follow these precautions. Any person insisting on leaving the area of safety before the 'all clear' signal has been given, does so at their own risk.**

# Easter Egg Marshmallow Drive

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As part of our cherished Easter tradition, we are once again hosting our Easter Egg Marshmallow Drive in support of **Project Feed the Children**.

Easter eggs can be donated from Monday, 31 March to Thursday, 3 April.

Your generosity will help bring joy to children in need during this special time of year. Thank you for your support in making a difference!



YOU ARE INVITED TO  
HOP INTO THE HOLIDAYS WITH US!

**EASTER  
FUN DAY**

**4 APRIL**

07h00 - 08h30



SCAN HERE TO RSVP

# Something To Do This Easter With Your Little One!

Looking for something to do with your little one this Easter holiday? Be sure to check out the 'Easter @ Home' guide which will be shared on your class groups!

*Easter @ Home*



## Tiny Triumphs: Big Wins from Our Little Stars!



On 15 March, **Leshariya Rammanhor**, from the Lemur Class took the stage at the highly anticipated Music Stars Extravaganza, hosted by Duerell's School of Music.

Competing in the 5-8 year category, she delivered a flawless and heartfelt performance of 'The Itsy Bitsy Spider'.

Her exceptional performance earned her 3rd place. It was a proud moment, showcasing both her dedication and passion for music.

A bright future surely awaits this young musician!



**BE IN OUR NEXT ISSUE!**

Has your child excelled outside of the classroom? We would love to hear about it!

Send an email to [nduplessis@stunstan.co.za](mailto:nduplessis@stunstan.co.za) with photos and a short description of the event so we can include it in the next Newsletter.

## Welcome to the World Little One!

Congratulations to the Moodley Family!

The Moodley family (**Krishna Moodley** from the Bee Class) has been blessed with a beautiful new addition! We are delighted to celebrate the arrival of their precious daughter and share in their joy during this special time.

Wishing the proud parents endless love, laughter and cherished moments. May their little girl bring light and happiness to their lives always!

Welcome to the world, little one!

