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# CLIFTON

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11 August 2023

Dear Parents,

As we approach a well-deserved half term break, I am pleased to share some exciting updates and highlights from our vibrant school community.

**Clifton Road Building Progress:** I am thrilled to inform you that our Clifton Road building project is making remarkable progress. The construction efforts are well underway, and we are eagerly anticipating the completion by the end of August. We are grateful for your patience and support throughout this journey.

**Thriving Together on Out and About Day and Clifton Fort Building Competition:** Our recent "Out and About Day" was a resounding success, offering our children the opportunity to engage with the world beyond the classroom and provide an opportunity to connect with new friends across grades.. Witnessing their enthusiasm and excitement as they explored and learned was truly heart-warming. Following this, our Clifton Fort Building Inter-House Competition brought out the imaginative and collaborative spirit of our students. The forts were a testament to their creativity and teamwork.

Congratulations to Barbarians who won the Inter-House Fort Building Competition.



**Clifton Community get together:** The atmosphere buzzed with excitement as parents, children, and members of the Clifton Community came together for a memorable and joyful get together last Friday evening. This certainly was a testament to the close-knit and special bond that defines our school community. It was a time to connect, share stories, and appreciate so many good things happening in and around school. Thank you to each and every one who joined us on this evening.

**Looking Forward to a Restful Half Term Break:** As we approach the half term break, I would like to extend my warmest wishes to all of our families. May this break be a time of relaxation, rejuvenation, and quality moments spent with loved ones. We recognize the hard work and dedication that goes into each term, and we hope that this break offers you the rest you truly deserve.

I eagerly anticipate our return, ready to continue the journey of education and growth with renewed energy. Until then, please take care, stay safe, and enjoy a fantastic half term break.

Herewith a copy of our bi-weekly [e news](#)



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## Pupil News:

Congratulations to Claire Beckermann who won the prize for the Botswana photograph competition with her Black-Backed Jackal.



We would like to acknowledge the following Grade 6 children who received a certificate for completing the Grit Challenge whilst on their Babanango trip. The challenging feat consisted of 3 early morning Polar Bear swims, 100 consecutive burpees, and a 4km run. Their dedication and determination were truly commendable and congratulations to these pupils for their impressive accomplishment!



This is what you can expect over the next two weeks:

### Monday 14 August

Literature Week  
Book character dress-up day  
Books2You  
Hooked on Books  
Chapel: 7.30-8.30am – All Welcome (Maple tree outside the Chapel)  
Costume parade: 8.30am  
Girls' tennis matches



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<b>Tuesday 15 August</b>	Books2You Athletics – Preliminary Events: 2.00-4.00pm
<b>Wednesday 16 August</b>	Books2You Gr 00-3 Mini Olympics: 10.00am-12.30pm Gr 4-7 Inter-house Athletics: 12.30-4.00pm <i>Children to be fetched after cocurricular</i>
<b>Thursday 17 August</b>	Half-Term JHB bus departs: 5.00am. Arrives Wanderers: 11.00am DBN bus departs: 7.00am. Arrives Pavilion: 8.30am
<b>Friday 18 August</b>	Half-Term
<b>Saturday 19 August</b>	Half-Term
<b>Sunday 20 August</b>	Half-Term
<b>Monday 21 August</b>	Half-Term JHB bus departs Wanderers: 12.00pm. Arrives: 6.00pm DBN bus departs Pavilion: 3.00pm. Arrives: 4.30pm <i>*No boarders may return before 2.00pm</i> Boarders to return between 2.00-5.00pm OR
<b>Tuesday 22 August</b>	Boarders return by 7.00pm Gr 1&2 boys' mini hockey festival at Howick Gr 1&2 girls' mini soccer festival at Clifton
<b>Wednesday 23 August</b>	
<b>Thursday 24 August</b>	Boys' tennis matches
<b>Friday 25 August</b>	No JP assembly Pre-primary Grandparent's Day: 8.30-9.30am JP Grandparent's Day: 10.00-11.00am Gr 4-7 closed weekend/X-Factor weekend
<b>Saturday 27 August</b>	Gr 4-7 closed weekend/X-Factor weekend Boys' hockey festival at MHS Girls' soccer festival at Clifton
<b>Sunday 28 August</b>	Gr 4-7 closed weekend/X-Factor weekend Gr 3 closed squash tournament at Clifton

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards,

**Eswee Prinsloo**  
HEADMASTER

