



LADDSWORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL



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HEADMASTER'S NEWSLETTER #01

15 JANUARY 2020

Welcome

We welcome all families to the start of the new school year. A special welcome is extended to all our new families. We hope that your time at Laddsworth will be a long and happy one.

Staffing for 2020

- Mrs Sibiya continues as Grade 5, 6 and 7 isiZulu teacher after her maternity leave.
- Mrs Meyer has been employed as a Grade 1 Class Teacher.
- Mrs Moodley has moved into Grade 3.
- Mrs Fourie has moved into Grade 2.
- Mrs Marx has moved into Grade 7.
- Ms Kock has been appointed as a Class Teacher in Grade 5.
- Ms Wessels, from Helen O'Grady Drama Academy, has joined the Drama Department.
- We welcome the following Interns for 2020: Ms Todd (JP), Ms van Deventer (JP), Mr Schmidt (SP), Ms McLuckie (SP), Ms Binedell (SP), Ms Rolfe (SP), Mrs Makhonza (isiZulu) and Mr Taylor (Sports).

We welcome all new staff members to the Laddsworth family. Laddsworth is a special school, with a very rich tradition.

Parent Interview Evening – Thursday, 16 January 2020

All parents are urged to attend this very important information meeting. The class teacher will discuss classroom management, homework policy, discipline, expectations, etc.

These talks will take place in your child's classroom or as otherwise stated. They will start promptly at the indicated time. No babysitting facilities will be available.

Junior Primary:	Grade 1 & 2	17h00 → 17h30	Classrooms
	Grade 3	17h00 → 17h30	Centenary Centre
Senior Primary:	Grade 4	17h45 → 18h30	Classrooms
	Grade 5	17h45 → 18h30	Aftercare
	Grade 6	18h45 → 19h30	Aftercare
	Grade 7	18h50 → 19h50	Centenary Centre

School Fees 2020

At the budget meeting, in November 2019, the Laddsworth parents voted unanimously on a 2020 school fee of R28 250.00. Resolutions regarding the payment of school fees and application for exemption from or reduction in school fees were also unanimously adopted. Parents, who pay the 2020 fees in full, by **28 February 2020**, will receive a 5% discount on the school fees. Monthly accounts will be sent to all parents who have indicated that they will be paying fees monthly.

2020 Fees	1 Child	2 Children	3 Children	4 Children
Annual fee	28 250,00	56500,00	84750,00	113 000,00
Annual discount - 5%	- 1412,50	- 2825,00	- 4237,50	- 5650,00
Total (by 28/2/2020)	26 837,50	53 675,00	80 512,50	107 350,00
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Monthly fee (10 months)	R2 825,00	R5 650,00	R8 475,00	R11 300,00
(January to October)				

Communication – Emailing and D6 School Communicator

- Newsletters will be emailed to parents today (Wednesday, 15 January). If you do not receive one electronically and would like to, please send Mrs Jager your email address of choice: admissions@laddsworth.co.za . If we have not heard from you by **Friday, 17 January 2020**, we will assume that you are happy for Laddsworth to use your existing email address.
- Parents are reminded that the weekly newsletter is loaded onto the resource page of the D6 School Communicator each week. It is then the responsibility of parents to read the newsletter to find out what is happening during the week.
- Please load the D6 communicator on your Smartphone as well as your PC, as this will enable you to receive information and alerts more effectively.

Medical and Information Forms

All children will receive a medical and information form by the end of this week. Please return the completed forms to school by **Wednesday, 22 January**. Should your child have a serious allergy, please ensure that we have the necessary medication and information at the office.

Sick Bay

Any pupil who is injured or is feeling unwell during school times will report to the Admin office. Parents are notified immediately in serious cases. For any allergies or chronic ailments, parents are reminded to ensure that the appropriate medication is kept at the office. Clear instructions for the administration of such medication and written permission from you and your doctor are required for the school to administer such medication.

Grade One and Two School Times

Please take note of the following school times from next week for Grade 1's and 2's:

- Grade 1: Monday, Wednesday and Friday – 12h40
Tuesday and Thursday – 14h05 (after Junior Primary Sport)
- Grade 2: Monday and Wednesday – 14h05 (after Junior Primary Sport)
Tuesday, Thursday and Friday – 12h40

Sport is compulsory and considered part of the school day.

Please note that Grade 1's will finish school at 12h00 for this week only. (Wednesday, 15 to Friday, 17 January).

School Times

The school day begins at 07h30 and ends at 12h40 for Grades 1 to 2 and 14h05 for Grades 3 to 7. **Friday school closes at 12h40 for all grades.** Staff are at school by 07h15.

Manners and Courtesy

We view this as the initial responsibility of the parents, followed by the school. Please support us in our endeavours to inculcate an attitude of respect in our pupils towards all people at all times.

Discipline

A set of school rules will be placed in every homework notebook today. Parents are asked to go through these rules with their children to become familiar with them. Detention will take place on Friday afternoons from 12h45 until 14h15. Detention takes precedence over all other activities/sport and is viewed in a very serious light.

Absenteeism

Any absence from School, during official hours, must be explained by a written note from the parent/guardian. **Absence on medical grounds of three (3) days or more must be explained by a doctor's certificate.** These notes must be presented immediately on the pupil's return to school.

Parents are asked to notify Mrs Tamsen (Switchboard) via telephone or email:

switchboard@laddsworth.co.za

In terms of updated regulations and the electronic submission of information to the Education of Department, if a learner exceeds twenty days (20) days absent, that pupil is automatically flagged.

Please note should your child be sent home, due to illness, before 10h15, he/she will be marked absent for the day.

Tuck Shop Orders Procedure

- Orders for meals for breakfast **MUST** be placed the day before.
- Tea break and lunch break meal orders **MUST** be placed at the Tuck Shop **OR** via WhatsApp on **076 593 4299** in the morning between 06h45 and 07h30.
- The Tuck Shop Menu has been posted on the D6 School Communicator under 'Tuckshop'.
- Method of payment:
 - Cash at the time of ordering.
 - Placing orders using SMS - you will need to pay in advance, either in cash at the Tuck Shop, where you will be issued with a receipt **OR** via EFT with your child's name and class as a reference. A manual record will then be kept of all purchases made.

Please use the following banking details:

Name of Account:	SAR Ulyate
Bank Name:	Standard Bank
Account Number:	052973026
Branch Number:	057525
Reference:	Child's Name & Grade

Please feel free to contact Shan Ulyate on 082 309 1778 or 076 593 4299 should you have any suggestions, comments or queries.

Lost Property

All items found will be sent to the 'Lost and Found' cupboard, which is kept at the Aftercare Facility. Lost items may be collected from Aftercare in the afternoons when the Aftercare Staff is in attendance.

Opening times for collection:

- Monday to Friday: 12h40 –17h00

All items that are **unmarked and not collected** at the end of the term will be resold at the quarterly 'Lost and Found' sale.

Aftercare

Aftercare is open from Monday to Friday from 12h35 until 17h15 at an **hourly (R10.00)** and **half hourly (R5.00)** rate. We urge parents who work to make use of this excellent facility. **Should you arrive after 17h15 to collect your child, you will be charged R100.00 penalty per day.**

Incoming phone calls can be received directly at Aftercare on 033 3433 256/260 from 12h40 onwards.

Alternatively, the Aftercare staff can be contacted on the following cell numbers:

Mrs Yeoman: 084 517 4011; Mrs Labuschagne: 073 581 3505; Mrs Makhonza: 081 484 7275.

Uniform

Please assist us by ensuring that **ALL** items of clothing are **clearly marked**, including shoes and strops (no initials please).

A few reminders:

- No full tracksuits in summer (the first term).
- Strops may only be worn in the 1st and 4th terms and may not be worn with tracksuits.
- Earrings – only thin plain gold/silver sleepers or round gold/silver studs are permitted for girls.
- No coloured hair or tinted eyebrows.
- No nail varnish.

Uniform Shop – Times and Payments of Uniform Shop Items

Megan Baldrey and Leanne Pringle run this facility. They can be contacted at the following numbers.

Leanne Pringle: 071 898 7688 / Megan Baldrey: Cell: 084 595 5123

Email: uniforms@laddsworth.co.za / Fax: 0862425565.

The Uniform Shop is open every morning between 07h15 and 08h00 and Thursday afternoons between 12h30 and 14h30. A credit card facility is available.

Please note that **ALL** payments regarding the Uniform Shop must **NOT** be paid into the Laddsworth Primary School account. Please see **Uniform Shop** banking details below.

Uniform Shop Banking Details:

Name of Holder: M. Baldrey
Name of Bank: Capitec Bank
Account Number: 153 818 9249
Branch Code: 470010
Ref. Number: Invoice Number and Child's Name

Kindly email proof of payment to: uniforms@laddsworth.co.za

Sport

All sport for Grade 1 to 7 learners will start on **Monday, 20 January**. Please have a careful look at the sports timetable and assist your child in choosing a sport for the term. The term calendar has also been sent home to assist with making a decision. **It is compulsory for your child to participate in at least one sport per term.** Registration for Under 9 to Open age group sport will take place at the first sports practice.

Under 9 and Under 10 Swim Heats will take place during school time on **Thursday, 10 January**, Under 11 on **Friday, 16 January** and Under 12 and Opens on **Monday, 20 January**. Please ensure that the correct swimming kit is brought to school on the relevant days. **Please note these heats are compulsory.**

Parent Consent Forms (Appendix D) and the Sports Timetable for the Senior Primary (Grades 3 to 7) have been sent home today (**Wednesday, 15 January**). Please ensure that the Consent Form is signed and returned to school by **Friday, 17 January**.

Sport for the Week

Sport	Age Group	Date	Time
Cricket Trials	Under 9, Under 10 & Under 11	Friday, 17 January	13h00 to 16h00
Basketball Trials	Under 11 Girls	Friday, 17 January	13h00 to 15h00
Cricket Trials	Open	Saturday, 18 January	08h30 to 11h30
Basketball Trials	Open Girls	Saturday, 18 January	08h30 to 10h00

Sports Department Contact Details

Please diarise the following contact numbers

<u>Head of Sport (Grade 3 – 7)</u>	<u>Junior Primary Sports Co-ordinator (Grade 1 & 2)</u>
Mr K Nero Email Address: sports@laddsworth.co.za Cell Number: 072 233 8065	Mrs L Wolhuter Email Address: jpsports@laddsworth.co.za Cell Number: 079 559 3258

Yours sincerely



Mr G Lambooy

HEADMASTER

Thoughts from the Headmaster

“If a man does not keep pace with his companions, perhaps it is because he hears a different drummer. Let him step to the music which he hears, however measured or far away.”

Henry David Thoreau

“Someone is sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree a long time ago.”

Warren Buffett