



# LADDSWORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL



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**HEADMASTER'S NEWSLETTER #29**

**TERM THREE**

**25 AUGUST 2020**

## **A Reason to Celebrate**

Due to having been granted permission by The Department of Education, to deviate from the Phased Return to School, Laddsworth has successfully been open from **Monday, 8 June 2020**, for Grade 7; **Monday, 6 July 2020**, for Grade 6 and all other Grades since **Tuesday, 7 July 2020**.

With yesterday, **Monday 24 August 2020**, marking the official return of all Grades in South African public schools, Laddsworth has had the opportunity to gain an extra 24 school days. (Excluding the Grade 7 pupils who had been at school for 20 days in addition to this).

Despite the Lockdown closure of schools, the many weeks of Lockdown Homework and all the other challenges that have come with the COVID-19 Pandemic, we have managed to catch up the 2020 Syllabus.

Considering the new Amended 2020 School Calendar, where the Fourth Term ends mid-December, Laddsworth pupils will not need to carry over the 2020 Syllabus into 2021.

This means that all necessary Core-Skills will be covered and Foundational Skills will not be compromised.

I must extend a tremendous vote of thanks for the hard work, commitment and trust in the 'Laddsworth Family' from all stakeholders; parents, pupils and staff.

Collectively we have managed to achieve some remarkable milestones. I look forward to us all keeping Laddsworth safe and productive in the weeks and months ahead.

## **Spring Fun Civvies Day**

On **Friday, 4 September 2020** Laddsworth will have a 'free' Fun Spring Civvies Day. The Grade 1 and 2 Group that come to school on **Thursday, 3 September 2020** may also wear their Spring Day Civvies.

The idea is to celebrate that, despite the threat of COVID-19, the school is open and functioning very well, thanks to the collective efforts of staff, pupils and parents.

## Hair, Nail and Uniform Inspection

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Hair, Nail and Uniform Inspection will take place on **Wednesday, 26 and Thursday, 27 August**.

Understandably, many of the boys have come back from the Lockdown time at home with very long hair. With Barbers and Hairdressers now open again, please have your child's hair cut neatly so that it conforms with the requirements at Laddsworth.

We are proud of our Laddsworth uniform and ask that all children wear it with pride and make every effort to dress neatly.

## Children Leaving Laddsworth at the end of 2020

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Parents are reminded that it is a requirement to give one term's notice for any children who will be leaving Laddsworth, excluding Grade 7 learners. Parents, who intend to remove their children from Laddsworth at the end of 2020, must submit a letter to the Headmaster **before the end of this term**. This information is vital to us, as we prepare budgets for next year and consider applications we have received for new pupils for 2021.

## Microsoft 365

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On **Thursday, 20 August 2020**, Microsoft Account Consent Form for Pupils 2020 forms were emailed to all parents by class teachers. Kindly returned the signed forms to class teachers by **Wednesday, 26 August 2020**.

## Yearbook 2020

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Laddsworth prints an annual yearbook, which is distributed to pupils and staff at the end of the year. The Laddsworth Yearbook covers all areas of the school, including academics, sport, culture, outings and outstanding achievements.

The Laddsworth Yearbook will be viewed for years to come and is the ideal place to advertise a company associated with the Laddsworth family. Despite the challenges our country has faced with regards to the COVID-19 pandemic, we believe it is important for the children to have a record of this extraordinary year.

The school publishes 600+ yearbooks, one book per family and staff member. The Laddsworth Yearbook will be approximately 60 pages long in 2020 and will be a high-quality publication printed in full colour and bound by CPW printers.

For the publication to be a success, we require sponsorship of pages, as well as advertising in the Yearbook. We would like to invite parents to advertise or sponsor a page in the 2020 Yearbook. The sponsorship letter and booking form have been posted on D6+ Connect and School Communicator under **RESOURCES (Yearbook 2020)**. There is limited advertising space available and bookings will only be confirmed once payment has been received. Please contact Mrs Tilbury at [pro@laddsworth.co.za](mailto:pro@laddsworth.co.za) for more information.

## D6+ Connect App

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- As from the **beginning of September 2020**, Laddsworth will no longer be connected to the D6 School Communicator App.
- Please load the D6+ Connect onto your Smartphone, as well as your PC, because this will enable you to receive information and alerts more effectively.
- Once you have switched-over to D6+ Connect, please remove the D6 School Communicator App from your device.

Kind regards

*G. Lambooy*

Mr G Lambooy  
**HEADMASTER**

### **Thought from the Headmaster**

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“The highest reward for a man’s toil is not what he gets for it but what he becomes by it.”

**John Ruskin**