



APPLEWOOD PRE-PRIMARY



Applewood
Pre-Primary School

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A Friend to Read, is a Friend Indeed

Fantastic Friends

There was an exciting buzz in the pre-primary last Friday as our little ones waited in anticipation for their "big" friends to come and read stories to them. The Grade 3's read to the Clever Cats, Grade 4's read to the Busy Bees and Grade 6's read to the Apple Pips. The morning was a great success. We are especially proud of the caring way in which the older children dealt with their little friends. The children all exchanged cards to express their appreciation of their new friends. Older children have been seen visiting the pre-primary classes during the course of this week to sneak a peek at their new found friends.



Friends forever



Birthdays



Gabriella Kershaw 02 February
Benjamin English 08 February

We hope you have a fun-filled day!

Upcoming Events

Swimming

Clever Cats please remember your swimming costumes for Friday mornings swim at the Elgin Learning Foundation (09:00 – 10:00).

What's happening next week?

Grade R (Clever Cats)

Theme: Community Helpers: Health Services

Grade 00 (Busy Bees)

Theme: My Body - Hygiene

Grade 000 (Apple Pips)

Theme: My Body

Music, music...

Last Thursday was the first day that we ran a full Kinder Musik morning for ALL the children in the Pre-Primary. Kinder Musik now forms part of our Pre-Primary curriculum. The children are taught in groups of 8 by qualified Kinder Musik staff. The lessons were thoroughly enjoyed by the children as they were given the opportunity to sing, move to music and play instruments. We look forward to witnessing their continued development in this area.



Remember...

- **Sandwich day** is every Thursday.
- **Lost Property:** We will be passing all the lost property in pre-primary onto a charity in the Grabouw community next week. Please check for any of your child's belongings one last time.

You light up our lives

The Grade R's have had a new addition to the classroom. He is small, fluffy and has the ability to fill our class with joy! Welcome to Grade R, Scruffy - our new pet hamster. The children are learning to care for Scruffy and they take responsibility for him by each having a chance to take him home for a weekend. The noise levels in the classroom have dropped considerably for fear of giving Scruffy a heart attack. Thank you for lighting up our lives!

Welcome to the Team

We welcome Jolene Jonkers to our Pre-Primary. Jolene provides wonderful support to our phase as she helps with the cleaning and she supports the teaching staff where ever possible. Thank you, Jolene, for all your love and care towards the children! We are happy to have you on our Team!

Wishing you all a restful weekend!

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