



THORNTREE
PREPARATORY SCHOOL

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Dear parents,

'The greatest glory in living lies not in never falling but rising every time we fall.'

- Nelson Mandela

I do believe that these are really tough times and we need to pray that we all rise after all this devastation that our beloved country is going through.

We welcome the extension that President Ramaphosa has insisted on for the start of school until 26 July 2021. We keep all our friends and family that have COVID, are recovering from COVID and grieving because of COVID in our thoughts and prayers.

Thorntree Preparatory School will go online from 20 July - 23 July 2021 to ensure we keep our children in routine, learning and revising before we open up with face to face learning on the 26 July 2021.

All information for online learning will be shared by the teachers and heads of phases as it is relevant, we are however very grateful to have our online learning program well revised and reliable.

Our Sprouts Academy ages 2-5 and Grade R will be open with face to face learning from 20 July 2021.

We would like to announce that two thirds of our teachers, admin staff and ground staff have been vaccinated. We are very excited to be part of the change and the fight against COVID-19. We lead by example and we hope that when your time comes for you to receive your vaccination that you stand first in line with a few friends that you can tag along too.

'There is nothing permanent except change' Heraclitus

As we go into another term we are dealt with change from every perspective and we hope that you keep this quote in mind when we are forced to change things without too much warning.

We would like to welcome our new Foundation Phase teacher Dane Grobelar, Dane is 5 months away from graduating from North West University. Dane is studying BEd majoring in Life Science and Physical Sciences. We are so excited for you to join our wonderful team Dane and know you will grow from strength to strength and add enormous value to our family.

Thorntree Parents, again thank you for being resilient, kind and understanding through this difficult time. Keep safe, keep us updated with your status of COVID and exposure to the virus.

We look forward to another exciting term, all our planning for extra curricular activities will be sent when we have more information on change of levels of lockdown and safety.

Should you need to contact me, please do not hesitate to.

Kind regards,

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