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### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – MRS V NAIDOO**

#### **Dear Parents and Learners**

As we come to the end of another school year, which has been a very challenging and unprecedented year, I would like to reflect on some important matters that took place.



Firstly, my heartfelt gratitude to the Board of Directors for their continued visionary guidance, the Parents for the ongoing support and immense trust that you have shown, to our Educators and staff who have shown the resilience and tenacity to continue with our full academic curriculum. To our learners, a huge thank you as you have soldiered on these changing times and have reaped the rewards by your excellent results.

This academic year has taught us many lessons and one of the greatest lessons has been the adaptation to changing times. We have had the privilege to continue our syllabus both physically at school and also on the online portal. Owing to the alarming numbers of the Omicron variant, our school will still offer both physical attendance on a rotational basis for Grades R-11 and concurrently on the online platform. Grade 12 learners will have to report physically to school daily. I would like to acknowledge the hard work of all staff who have worked tremendously in planning, preparing and being in readiness for the commencement of academic instruction from 19 January 2022.

Learners who are physically reporting to school will have to conform to the school rules and must be attired in full school uniform. No cell phones are allowed. In a case of an emergency, calls will be made from the Admin office/Reception.

Please take note of the school fee structure and early settlement discount. Please note that all outstanding fees must be settled before the new year and in case of any concerns, kindly contact our finance department to make suitable arrangements.

Everything of the best to our outgoing matriculants. We are looking forward to some excellent results.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, and staff, I would like to wish you and your loved ones a safe, well-rested and joyous festive season.

God bless you, always.

***"The beautiful thing about today is that you get the choice to make it better than yesterday"***  
***– Robin Sharma***

#### **H.O. D's REPORT – Miss U Mothilal (GRADES 4-12)**

We have come to the end of our Academic Year for 2021 successfully. Our learners have worked hard during these challenging times to achieve good results overall. Thank you to our parents for your support at MEPS.



Thank you to our dedicated educators who have made great efforts to ensure our school is functioning efficiently with our Online Platform. We also appreciate the hard work of our Matric Educators who have worked tirelessly to prepare our matriculants for their final examinations during these challenging times. It has been great teamwork from the entire staff of MEPS and this is highly appreciated.

To the staff, learners and parents of MEPS, we would like to wish you and your families a joyous peaceful festive season.

Take care and keep safe.

#### **REPORT OF FOUNDATION PHASE HEAD - MRS A MAHARAJ (GRADES RR-3)**



As we come towards the end of the year, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your continued support and loyalty to M.E.P.S. Our Foundation Phase learners were able to conduct formal tests online and physically so that no learner was disadvantaged in any way. They are well equipped to move onto the next grade. Learners were able to display their talents through drama, show and tell, performing and visual arts amidst the pandemic.

Our Foundation Phase learners participated in a cultural day programme and learners were treated to sumptuous meals. This was a fun filled and entertaining day in which learners learnt about the different cultures in South Africa.

COVID-19 protocols were strictly followed at MEPS by embracing the wearing of masks, sanitising and maintain social distancing during these challenging times we all have to be very careful and not complacent.

We encourage our learners to do some constructive reading during the holidays to prepare themselves for the forth coming year. We at MEPS ensure that our school strives towards academic excellence. We continue to strive to motivate our learners to give off their very best. I take this opportunity to wish each and every one of you a blessed and safe holiday. May the new year bring much joy and prosperity for all.

## Farewell Message

MEPS family wishes farewell to the following educators Mr R. Baijnath, Mrs T. Naidu and Ms V. Moodley. You taught, not just what ought to be taught... but also what you thought learners needed to learn. Thanks for everything.

Dear teachers... we are bidding you farewell but our hearts will never say goodbye to the wonderful things you've contributed to grow our MEPS family. We wish you great luck in the future!



## FOUNDATION PHASE

### Grade RR- Know your name



A person's name is their greatest connection to their own identity.

Grade RR learners were given the opportunity to explore with a variety of art materials to sequence their name. Here are some of their creative efforts😊



### Grade R – Life Skills

Grade R learners celebrated heritage day by dressing in their cultural attire and pasting coloured paper on the South African flag.



*Beautiful*

## FOUNDATION PHASE

### Grade 1A – Life Skills

My grade 1A chefs took to the kitchen to prepare a healthy snack for show and tell. My learners outdid themselves by preparing delicious, mouth-watering meals. From sandwiches to salads, smoothies to delicious breakfast oats, fruit skewers and not forgetting a divine custard tart. Learners took much time and effort in preparing these meals. Learners also made a voice note explaining step by step the ingredients they used and how they put it all together to create their spectacular masterpieces. Well done to my amazing boys and girls. Once again you have all made me proud. I take this opportunity to wish you all well as you venture into your new grade. I was blessed to be a part of your lives for the academic year 2021. To all the parents and guardians that have travelled this journey with us, a huge thank you to you all, for your kindness, patience and understanding during these trying times. I wish you all a blessed festive season. Stay safe and stay blessed. Love Tina Mam.



### Grade 1B – Life Skills

Bringing the year to an end, learners were given a festive arts and craft activity. A Christmas wreath that traditionally indicates honour or celebration. Its circular shape represents eternity for it has no beginning and no end. My smart little elves showcased their creativity by decorating and making their own unique Christmas wreaths.



## FOUNDATION PHASE

### Grade 2A – Life Skills

The Grade 2 learners made a 3D Christmas tree. Learners were encouraged to be creative and decorate their Christmas tree which got them into the Christmas spirit. This was an exciting task as they collected different types of material to decorate their tree. It was a fun-filled experience for the learners.



### Grade 3 – Poster on Rights and Responsibilities

Rights and Responsibilities empower learners beyond the classroom. Young children need to understand equality and know their rights. The concept helps create a safe environment and gives learners an opportunity to discuss and challenge views. Learners instil respect, tolerance and an understanding to improve relationships in our diverse and challenging society.



## INTERMEDIATE PHASE

### Grade 4A & 4B – Life Skills

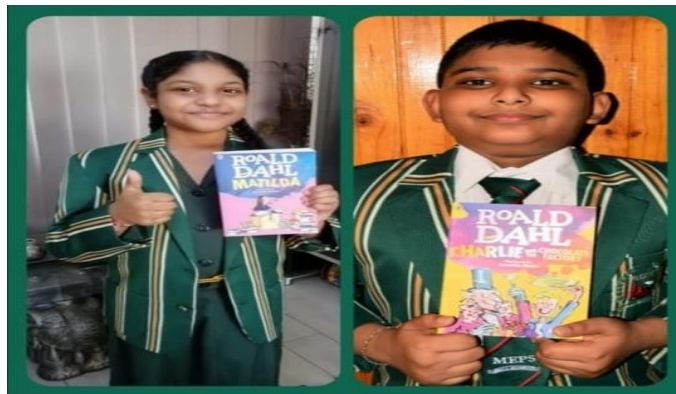
Our Grade 4 learner's learnt about the traffic rules and road safety. The learners created road signs to show awareness of road safety. Well done everyone! I want to take this opportunity to wish all our students a blessed and prosperous festive season. Remember to always shine like the stars you all are.



### Grade 5A & 5B – English

Reading has always been a source of knowledge, happiness, pleasure and moral courage. It develops your mind, broadens your knowledge and teaches you lessons of life.

Our Grade 5 learners were given the task of writing a book review on one of their most recent books read. After being introduced to Roald Dahl's, "James and the Giant Peach" and "The Big Friendly Giant", our Grade 5 learners have continued exploring the range of fascinating books by one of their favourite authors. Meliyah Naidoo completed her book review on "Matilda", the extraordinary girl whose love for books and learning helped her set things right and Kaelin Naidoo took us to a fascinating and interesting trip to the chocolate factory with his book review on "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory". Well done learners on putting together an excellent writing piece and may your love for reading grow.

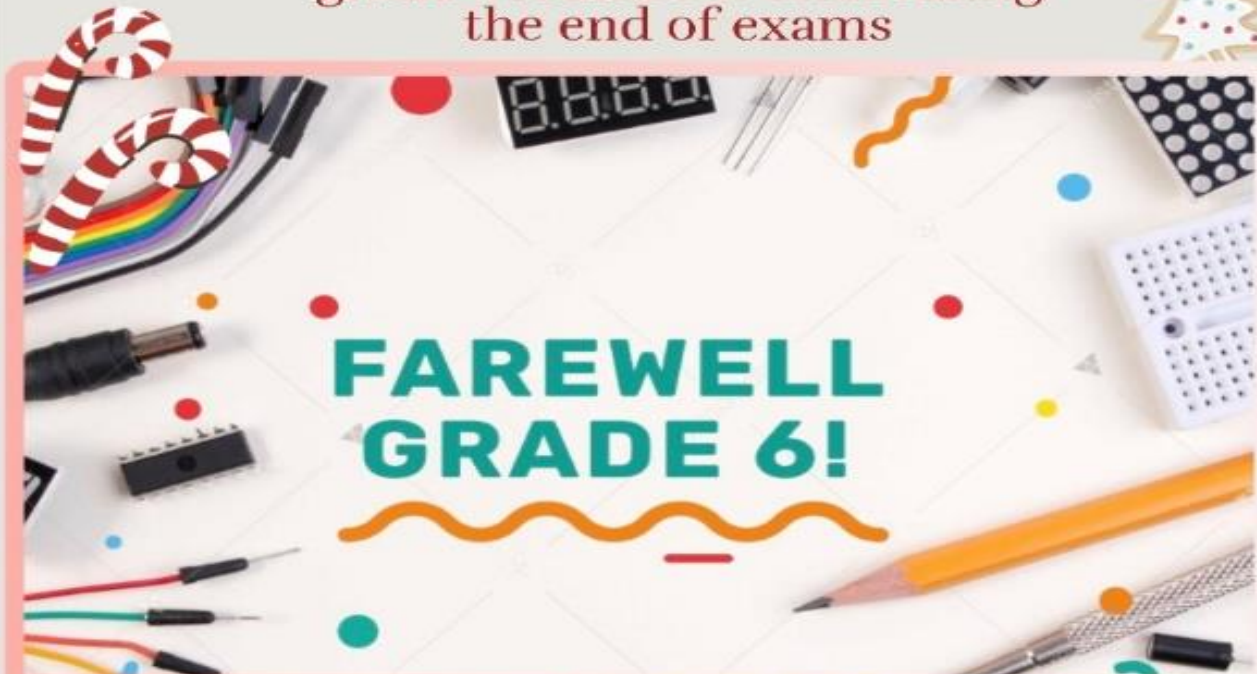


## INTERMEDIATE PHASE

# GRADE 6 A & B

Miss S Baijnath (6A) and Miss S Pillay (6B) would like to acknowledge the hard work and dedication all the learners have put into this year. We are sad to bid them farewell and would like to wish them well for grade 7 next year.

**Pictured: The learners from grade 6 A and 6 B celebrating the end of exams**



## SENIOR PHASE

### Grade 7A and 7B –Creative Arts

#### DANCE

Our Grade 7 learners have yet again outdone themselves with their artwork and dance tasks during the term. Our learners were required to choreograph a traditional dance, Simisha Peruma and Adhya Gopal stood out with their intricate dance moves and beautiful traditional attire.



#### VISUAL ART

Our Grade 7 learners put their creative and design making skills to use as they designed their own T-shirt for their favourite store. Below are some beautiful and eye-catching designs by our learners – Adon Munsamy, Amina Sheik, Chloe' Madanjit and Kelita Singh.



Well done to our Grade 7 learners on the hard work and efforts during the year, we would like to wish our learners all the best as they begin their high school career next year.

Miss A Anthony & Miss N Rajbally

## SENIOR PHASE

### GRADE 8A & 8B

The Minister of Health had announced that 12-17 year olds are now eligible to receive Covid vaccine. Let's fight this pandemic together. These brave learners of Grade 8 are one step closer to combating Covid-19. Let's remember to wear our masks, sanitise and social distance as we approach the festive season.

Learners shown in image below: Aditya Maharaj, Sidhanth Deepnarian, Dhiya Ramkelawan, Leoni Govender



### GRADE 9A & 9B

#### Why is it important to learn vocabulary in English?

Vocabulary is critical to reading success for three reasons:

1. Comprehension improves when you know what the words mean.
2. Words are the currency of communication. A robust vocabulary improves all areas of communication — listening, speaking, reading and writing.
3. When children and adolescents improve their vocabulary, their academic and social confidence and competence improve, too.

Using the five years of high school can make a huge difference, whereas cramming for a few months before the exam generally will not yield the same results. As we all know, slow and steady wins the race.

Without a doubt, the best way to improve one's vocabulary is to read a variety of challenging books, magazines, or websites with great content. Reading helps you understand less common or more complex words through context. It is easier to remember the meaning and use of these words than simply memorizing words.

**Learning is an adventure, and we hope you enjoy the journey!**

# F.E.T PHASE

## GRADE 10A & 10B

### COMPUTER APPLICATION TECHNOLOGY

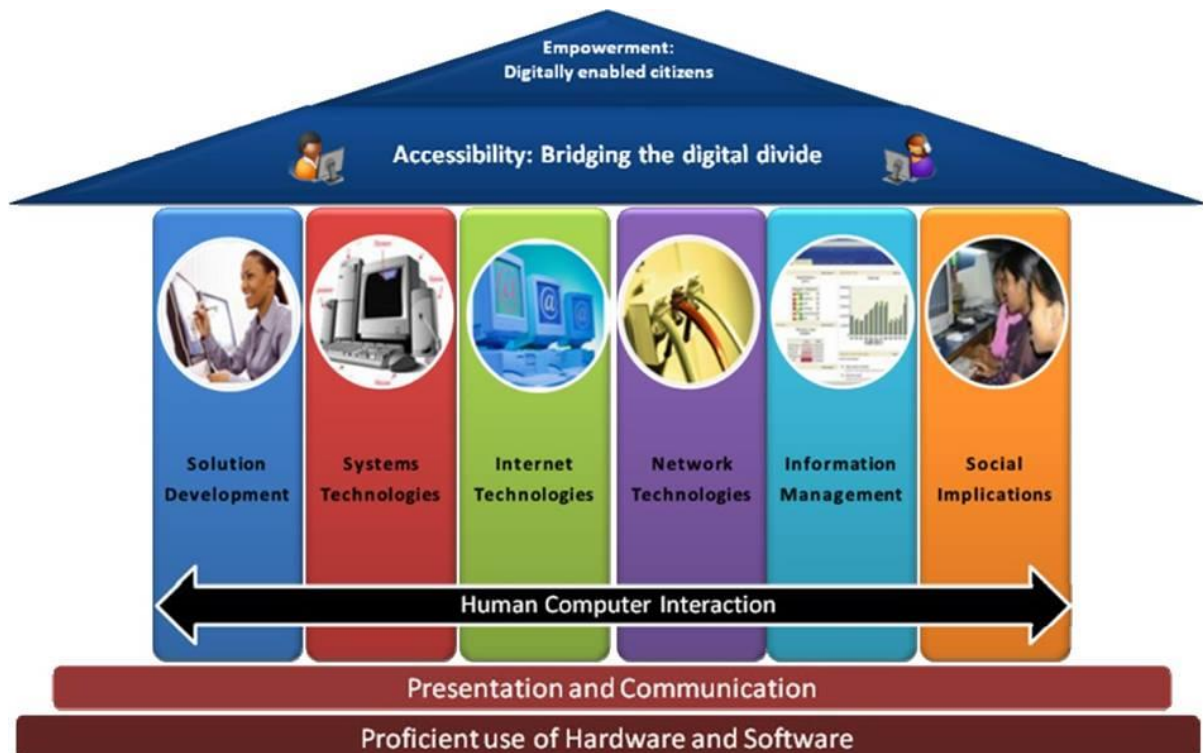
From 2022, Mount Edgecombe Private School is offering an another interesting and essential subject COMPUTER APPLICATION TECHNOLOGY in the FET Phase.

Computer Application Technology equips learners with knowledge, skills, values and attitudes to create, design and communicate information in different formats. It also makes it possible for learners to collect, analyse and edit data and to manipulate, process, present and communicate information to different sectors of society. CAT will ensure that learners are equipped with marketable skills to cope in an information society.

In this subject, the learner learns to work with the word processor (MS WORD), spreadsheets (MS EXCEL), HTML and Access (MS ACCESS) that is a database program. All these programs can be of considerable value in any work environment.

Learners having Computer Applications Technology as their background are ready and skilled enough to become productive and successful members of society.

#### *Pillars of Computer Application technology*



Computer Application Technology is a practical subject. The number of learners able to select CAT will be limited by the number of computers that are available. Learners opting to do CAT must have access to a computer at home in order to complete assignments.

## **Grade 11A**

### **Poem: THE NEW NORMAL**

*The grey of the sky matches the grey in my heart.  
Life is uncertain, life is falling apart.  
The new normal is on everyone's lip  
It's better to stay apart, that's the biggest tip.  
How will we survive this unending pain?  
At the end of the day, what is there to gain?  
We learned to care, we learned to cope.  
We learned that there is always hope.  
We grew relationships from miles away.  
We learnt to laugh during the day.  
We cherished each moment more than before.  
Our days were uncertain, we wanted more.  
More than money, more than wealth.  
We wanted love and good health  
Grey is the colour of hope and choice  
So choose wisely and use your voice  
To herald the new normal with joy and hope  
And see a future where we all can cope!*

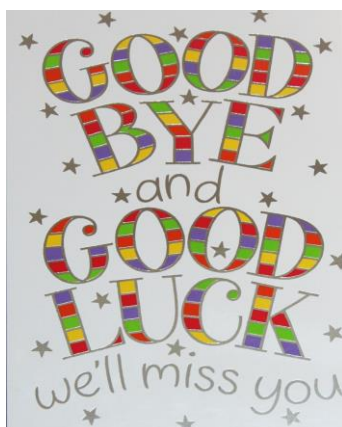
## **Grade 12**

*Our MEPS family are all here to bid farewell to our Grade 12 students who are leaving this school after successfully completing their 12th year at MEPS.*

*Today, we are honored to say, we are proud of your many achievements over the years and your various accomplishments in curriculum and extra curriculum activities. Your brilliant achievements in academic discourse and in sports are indeed acknowledged. Your sweet memories will forever remain in our hearts.*

*We wish to thank you for the uncommon zeal you have demonstrated towards your studies, in your relationship with the teachers, management, the junior students, and even among yourselves.*

*MEPS family bid you farewell and wish you best of luck in your days ahead.*



# MATHEMATICS

*The only way to learn maths is to do maths.  
Practice, hardwork & dedication is the formula  
for success.*

**M**istakes  
**A**llow  
**T**hinking to  
**H**appen

If you are not making mistakes,  
you are not learning.

"Usually, learners who do not  
have any mistakes in their books  
are not attempting the work or  
are just copying the corrections  
from the board."

- Mr. B



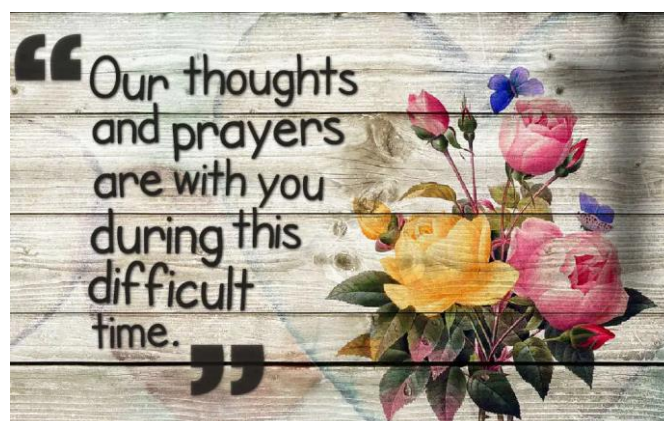
## STAFF NEWS

The festive season is just around the corner. To celebrate this joyous occasion Mrs V. Naidoo together with her little elves decided to get our MEPS family together. Staff celebrated an end of year function at school where we were visited by a secret santa. Food, laughter and smiles were shared as we created new memories together. Thanks to Dr A. Moodley, Mr Singh and other directors for making this day so special. From our family to yours, we wish you a bless and safe festive period.



## Our Condolences

On Behalf of the Board of Directors, Management and Staff we would like to express our condolences to the bereaved families of MEPS on the passing away of their love ones especially those that succumbed to COVID-19



## Online Programme

Please ensure that your child attends lessons timeously, and that deadlines given for assignments and tests are met. If your child is unable to attend lessons, or is unable to submit work on the due date, please ensure the form educator and subject educator are informed.

Educators will make contact with you with regards to getting your child onto the school's WhatsApp groups, which are used to send out important information. Please note that if there are any subject queries you may contact the school who will then contact the respective educator.



## School Fees:

No cash payments to be made at school. Only EFT/ Card payments will be allowed at school. We encourage debit order or stop order payment. Failure to honour school fee payment arrangements may result in your account being handed over for collection and further procedures as well as your child/ward being deregistered from MEPS. Statements have been emailed to parents, should you have not received your statement, kindly contact the Finance Team on [accounts1@mepschool.co.za](mailto:accounts1@mepschool.co.za) and [Bursar@mepschool.co.za](mailto:Bursar@mepschool.co.za)

### Banking Details for MOUNT EDGECOMBE PRIVATE SCHOOL

**BANK: STANDARD BANK**  
**ACC NO: 053029534**  
**BR CODE: 057829**  
**BRANCH: UMHLANGA RIDGE**

**PLEASE USE LEARNER'S NAME AND GRADE AS REFERENCE.**

*School*  
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## 2022 SCHOOL FEE STRUCTURE

Eldest child pays full fees – (top figure)

All siblings pay discounted rate – (bottom figure)

Grade	Annual	Monthly	Gross
	Settlement Fee		Monthly amt X 10mths
GRADE RR	R23,036.00	R2,561.00	R25,610.00
Sibling Rate	R20,734.00	R2,304.00	R23,040.00
GRADE R	R24,249.00	R2,695.00	R26,950.00
Sibling Rate	R21,825.00	R2,425.00	R24,250.00
GRADE 1	R24,923.00	R2,760.00	R27,600.00
Sibling Rate	R22,431.00	R2,486.00	R24,860.00
GRADE 2	R25,934.00	R2,862.00	R28,620.00
Sibling Rate	R23,341.00	R2,577.00	R25,770.00
GRADE 3	R26,270.00	R2,897.00	R28,970.00
Sibling Rate	R23,643.00	R2,608.00	R26,080.00
GRADE 4	R26,674.00	R2,965.00	R29,650.00
Sibling Rate	R24,007.00	R2,668.00	R26,680.00
GRADE 5	R28,493.00	R3,167.00	R31,670.00
Sibling Rate	R25,353.00	R2,850.00	R28,500.00
GRADE 6	R30,042.00	R3,335.00	R33,350.00
Sibling Rate	R27,038.00	R3,001.00	R30,010.00
GRADE 7	R32,333.00	R3,570.00	R35,700.00
Sibling Rate	R29,098.00	R3,212.00	R32,120.00
GRADE 8	R33,950.00	R3,772.00	R37,720.00
Sibling Rate	R30,554.00	R3,396.00	R33,960.00
GRADE 9	R35,769.00	R3,974.00	R39,740.00
Sibling Rate	R32,192.00	R3,577.00	R35,770.00
GRADE 10	R39,406.00	R4,379.00	R43,790.00
Sibling Rate	R35,465.00	R3,941.00	R39,410.00
GRADE 11	R43,033.00	R4,783.00	R47,830.00
Sibling Rate	R38,739.00	R4,304.00	R43,040.00
GRADE 12	R47,286.00	R5,254.00	R52,540.00
Sibling Rate	R42,557.00	R4,728.00	R47,280.00

## **Dates to Remember**

School Reopens on: **19<sup>th</sup> January 2021**

