



Auckland Park Preparatory School

SPECIAL DAYS: SECOND TERM

SPELLING BONANZA

The Spelling Bonanza is a wonderful opportunity for our girls to 'learn and earn' for charity. Each pupil from Grade 2 to Grade 7 is given a class list of spelling words to learn. The girls are sponsored at a predetermined rate per word by their families and friends before participating in the annual spelling assessment.



isiZULU FIRESIDE TALES

The annual isiZulu Fireside Tales has historically been an evening hosted and run for pupils, friends and families at APPS. Grade 5, 6 and 7 APPS girls wear traditional clothing and perform songs and dances, and Mama Ndaba tells African stories around a campfire. Djembe items from the Djembe groups are often invited to participate too; this adds a Foundation Phase element! All families across the grades are invited to attend and can bring a picnic or pre-order a traditional, Halaal or vegetarian plate of food. It is an evening not to be missed. An evening where our APPS community comes together to enjoy the grade presentations, and share and learn more about each other.



AMESA (Association for Mathematics Education of South Africa) MATHS CHALLENGE

This Mathematics Challenge is a multiple-choice paper and all Grade 4 to 7 girls participate in the First Round. Girls may choose to enter individually or with a partner for this. According to results, girls will progress to further rounds.



SCHOOL TOURS

Sleepover tours are organised once a year for the Grade 4 to 7 girls. Detailed letters and indemnity forms are sent home to parents prior to the respective camps. Grades 5 to 7 camps/tours are held in the second term and the Grade 4 camp is held during the third term. Teachers accompany the girls, and much fun and adventure is appreciated by everyone.



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APPS SCIENCE FAIR

After much research on a chosen topic and learning to conduct a scientific investigation, Grade 6 girls will participate in this annual event and present their projects to outside adjudicators, pupils across the grades and interested parents. According to the results, the top projects are selected and are entered into the Eskom Science Expo for Young Scientists.

This experience exposes the girls to a range of investigations, increasing their awareness of the wonders of science, adding to their knowledge and broadening their scientific horizons.



GRADE 0 BRAAI

Grade 0 dads, or significant others, are invited to APPS to celebrate Father's Day. The girls perform musical and choral verse items in the hall before going out to enjoy a braai under the oak.





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POLAR BEAR SWIM

This is a fun day for those daring and brave enough to swim in the middle of winter! All girls and enthusiastic family members have a relatively short swim and are rewarded afterwards with a hot chocolate drink. In

2019, in support of the school's environmental drive, the pool was filled with plastic waste which gave everyone an idea of the seriousness of the state of our oceans. The Polar Bear Swim is a fundraising event for the Grade 7 Leavers' Party so girls will be asked to contribute a small set amount to participate in the event.



SCHOOL PLAY

Where does one start? The Senior Play, for Grade 4 to 7 girls, is a production not to be missed. This play is presented skillfully through well-rehearsed characterisation, movement and musical items by a cast who, without exception, are superb. The bar is set high right from curtain-up and you will be held captivated. Several performances take place and Grade 7 girls play leading roles, with ensemble played by Grade 4 to 6 girls. Tickets are sold quickly, so watch the dates for the booking week for your grade.



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INTERHOUSE GENERAL KNOWLEDGE QUIZ

An interhouse activity which takes place during the school day for Grade 3 to 7 girls. Whilst questions may reach the audience, they are first presented to a table of house representatives chosen from Grade 3 to 7. It is a competitive quiz covering a range of topics, testing knowledge about the world. Questions on geography, general facts, movies, arts, landmarks, inventors, music and many more areas provide much entertainment for all.

GRADE 1 KITE DAY

Grade 1 girls are set a task to make a kite with the help of a parent or guardian, prior to being asked to come in on Kite Day with their significant 'helper', to fly their kites across the school field. With fingers crossed, teachers hope for a windy day so that kites can soon be seen hovering above the expectant kite-flyers. It is a great learning process and a fun event culminating in hot drinks and muffins served to all.



GRADE 0 WOMEN'S DAY PICNIC

Grade 0 mums, or significant others, are invited to bring in picnic baskets to celebrate Women's Day with the Grade 0 girls. A picnic is enjoyed by all participants in our beautiful grounds.





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GRADE 3 and 7 PICNIC

Grade 3 girls each invite a Grade 7 girl to a picnic and prepare a picnic basket for them to enjoy together. If there are not enough Grade 7 girls, one or two teachers are lucky enough to be

