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Dear Parent/Guardian

The year is now more than half gone, yet there remains so much work to do during this academic year. **Learners who have not been working to their full potential need to "pull up their socks" and work hard to ensure that they meet the pass requirements at the end of the year.** It was disappointing to see that many of our Intermediate and senior phase learners stayed away from school after the exam week last term. What made it worse was that many of those learners had not done well in their exams and would have benefited immensely from attending school until the end of term. Please ensure that this does not happen again as this will have a negative impact on your child's future schooling career.

STAFF:

Sadly, we say goodbye to Mrs Roberts and thank her for the 12 years that she spent at our school. We will miss her qualities as a special colleague and wonderful teacher. Our best wishes to her and her family in their relocation to China. We welcome to our **Strubies** family two new teachers. Mrs Duranty (Life Skills) and Mr Van Wyk (Mathematics) have joined our staff and we wish them well during their stay at our school.

EXTRA-MURAL ACTIVITY LIST FOR TERM 3:

Included in this newsletter please find the extra-mural roster for Term 3. This includes cultural, academic and sporting activities. Please take note of days and times of all relevant activities so that proper transport arrangements can be made.

Remedial classes are extremely important and should be attended by all identified learners on a regular basis.

Learners need to take responsibility and ensure that they bring all the clothing and equipment required for those days. It is costly and time consuming to phone parents all the time. Our administrative staff is becoming inundated with requests to hand out various items to learners who forget things at home on a regular basis.

SPORT:

At the moment we are busy with cross-country and cricket. On Wednesday (1st August) we are hosting an Inter-school Cross-Country meeting at President's Park at 14:00 and as a result all our staff will be involved. Please take note that on **Wednesday the 1st August** our school will be **ending at 13:15** to give our staff enough time to get to the venue on time and be ready for the event. Some of our Foundation Phase learners are also busy with **Mini-Cricket, soccer and netball**. Our school will be participating in an **annual soccer and netball tournament** which will take place on **Saturday 18th August** at Selcourt Primary. An **Inter-house** netball and soccer will take place on **Saturday 1st September** at our school. More details will be sent home to all learners involved.

FUND RAISING:

Currently we have a partnership with **John Dory's** which will benefit both parties. When you eat out at John Dory's (Springs Mall) please remember to deposit your slip in the Strubenvale Primary box. The school gets back 10% of the total amount you spend on your meal.

Mondi Paper Collection is another way of raising funds. Please support this project and encourage your children to bring paper to school. Thank you to the Term 2 winning classes for their effort and support. There is a competition at the moment and we are lying 3rd in Gauteng at this stage. If our school wins this competition we would qualify for a R20 000 pay out which we so desperately need. Please send all newspapers, old telephone directories, magazines, junk mail and cardboard to your child's class teacher. It will be greatly appreciated.

My School Card is another way of raising much needed funds for the school. It costs you nothing, but the school does benefit when you present your card at participating stores. If you do not have a card please apply for one at the office.

ANNUAL FUN DAY: Will take place on **Friday 3rd November 2018**. More details will be sent home closer to the time.

SWOP SHOP: The swop shop will be open every **Thursday** from 12:30 to 13:30. There are a variety of quality clothing items available at affordable prices.

SICK BAY: If your child has influenza or a cold, please do not send him/her to school. Our sick bay cannot accommodate the volume of children and they do not recuperate properly when at school. It is important for parents to update their contact details on a regular basis.

SPRINGS ART AND SPEECH FESTIVAL: Many of our learners are participating. Please ensure that your child prepares well and is dressed neatly in school uniform when they go and do their presentation. The venue is Strubenvale Primary but the date and time varies for each individual. Please ensure that you know the date and time when your child is performing.

CURRICULUM: The importance of homework, to reinforce skills, cannot be stressed enough. Learners need to read more to develop good skills which will have a positive effect on all subjects. In Maths it is essential that time tables are mastered at an early age. Learners who lack this knowledge will fall further behind in all tasks performed and eventually cannot cope. Please ensure that learners revise their work on a regular basis. Parents must please make an appointment to see teachers if there are any concerns. Don't leave it to the end of the year.

SCHOOL FINANCES: Thank you to all parents who have paid the school fees regularly and on time. We encourage parents to **make direct bank payments** and to supply the school with proof. Our fax No. is 011815-6505. Remember that we are a Section 21 school which means that we need school fees for survival. We cannot provide quality education without school fees being paid by parents. Our banking details are as follows:

**Grade R to 7 –FNB- Strubenvale school fund- Selcourt Branch No. 253742
ACCOUNT NO.62074114259**

Important dates:

9th August 2018 – National Women's Day (Public Holiday)

10th August 2016 – School Holiday

Mr C.F. Ramos - Principal