



# Laerskool Roodebeek Primary

## GPS Coordinates

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2021 school year at Roodebeek!!! Although this is an unprecedented time, we are confident that this year will be a memorable one for every learner.

A warm welcome to new staff members at our school: Teachers Telanie, Buyisiwe and Lihan. We wish them all the best!

We also welcome the Presidential Youth Initiative appointees that consist of groundsman, cleaners, brigades and educator assistants.

Samukela ngezandla ezifudumele all Gr. R, 1 and other new parents and learners. May your child's learning journey bring joy and purpose.

### Covid 19 Protocol:

Attached please find our Covid-19 protocol document. Make sure you **do** read it so that you as parents can assist us in trying to keep all of us safe.

### Individual Photo's:

Photo day: 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of March. More information to follow.

### School Calendar for 2021:


<u>School Days 2021</u>
15 February – 23 April
03 May – 09 July
26 July – 01 October
11 October – 15 December

### Term Programme:

You will receive a term programme during the week to assist with specific dates for assessments etc.

We look forward to working with you as a team to help each learner at Roodebeek meet their goals and have a successful school year.

Please keep safe!  
Warm Regards,

  
MRS. M. VISSER  
PRINCIPAL



## **COVID-19 PROTOCOLS FOR 2021**

There is no space that can be 100% safe from infection but we are making the school as safe as possible.

We hope with sharing information you will be more confident that we are doing all we can.

### **Please take note of the following important information:**

#### **School Readiness:**

- The school has been sanitized and staff members have received PPEs (personal protective equipment)
- Each learner will receive one cloth mask on the first day of their return to school.
- Upon arrival learners and staff members will be screened and sanitized according to regulations.
- Social distancing will be observed at all times.
- Learners with a fever and/or those presenting symptoms will be moved to an isolation area. Parents will be contacted and will be expected to fetch their learner immediately or as soon as possible.
- Masks are to be worn at all times by staff and learners. Please ensure that your learner wears a clean mask each day and that their mask is washed and ironed every day.
- Please send your child to school wearing a mask.
- If possible please send with your child a packet of wet wipes, a small travel size sanitizer (at least 70% alcohol), own stationary, own lunch and a bottle of water (as to avoid drinking from taps).
- Please ensure that learners come to school wearing a clean uniform every day.
- Windows and doors will be open in classes all day to ensure proper ventilation.

#### **School hours:**

- The gate will be open at am 7:00 for initial screening of learners and learners will be screened again before entering classes by the register teacher.
- **Please note:** The following gates will be open:  
Foundation Phase learners need to use the church gate in Teenstra Avenue, while Intersen Phase learners need to use the gate in Koeberg street.
- Parents/transport dropping off learners may not accompany them into the school premises for safety reasons.
- School will start at 7:25 and end at:  
13:00 for Grade R,1,2 & 3  
13:30 for Grade 4-7

- **There will be no sport or any other activities until further directive from the Minister of Education.**
- The gate will close at 14:15pm so please make arrangements for pick up before 14:15pm to ensure that there is no overcrowding at the pick-up point.
- There will be no aftercare.
- The gate will be locked at 14:15pm so that the school can be sanitized for the next day.

### **Safety of learners:**

#### **The safety of our learners is paramount and as a result we have put the following systems in place:**

- Classes are divided into 2 groups (red and yellow) with  $\pm 20$  learners in a class (one learner per desk).
- Groups will be attending in alternating days as was the case in 2020.
- After breaks before entering classes learners will be sanitized.
- Desks and chairs will be sanitized regularly throughout the day.
- Learners will remain in their class for the entire day, teachers will move from class to class.
- Social distancing will be observed at **all** times and learners need to wear masks at **all** times.
- Each class will be in a separate area for break to avoid overcrowding.
- Bathrooms will be sanitized before and after every break.
- Learners will have to sanitize their hands before entering the bathroom.
- Sanitizers, soap and disposable hand towels will be readily available in each bathroom.
- Grades will also use separate bathrooms during break.
- There will be no sharing of textbooks, stationary, food etc.
- On the first day of school all Gr R and 1 learners will be given orientation on Covid 19 (symptoms, transmission, correct wearing of masks, social distancing, bathroom use, washing hands etc.)
- It is very important for you as a parent to also discuss safety rules with your child and **not to send your child to school if he/she is sick.**

### **Tuckshop:**

- Cooked food will be sold, only individually wrapped/package items.
- The Tuckshop staff will move from class to class to sell items.
- Each item sold will be sanitized.

### **Comorbidities:**

- Parents must please declare if your learner has any underlying health issues such as asthma, diabetes, autoimmune diseases etc.
- Please indicate on the tracking and tracing form given to your learner.

### **Discipline:**

- Please talk to your learner about the correct way to wear their mask and not to touch other learners or their masks at any time for everyone's safety.

### **Visitors:**

- Parents are allowed to come to school to make payments without prior appointment at the reception desk. All persons who enter the reception area will need to observe social distancing rules and sanitize their hands upon entering.
- No visitors will be allowed into the school building without prior appointment with the school. Certain protocols will have to be followed.
- Please contact the office to make an appointment.

### **Google Classrooms and Communication to parents:**

- Google classrooms will still be used as a valuable resource to supply learners with all work done in class as well as extra work/homework to do on their "off" day at home.
- Please make sure your learner does the extra work when at home so as not to fall behind.
- All communication to parents will be done on the class WhatsApp groups and/or via email.

**Our shared goal is the safety of our learners and educators.**

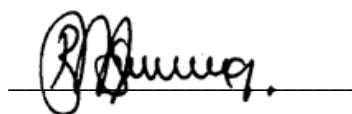
**With your co-operation and ongoing support we are confident that we will overcome any challenges we might face going forward.**

**Roodie greetings**



**M. Visser**

**Principal**



**B. Masango**

**SGB Chairperson**