

LORETO CONVENT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Learning and Learning in Love and Justice

Volume 21 Issue 06

18 April 2019

Dear Parents,

Lent will be drawing to a close this week, with the celebration of Easter. As we draw near to this time of celebration and rejoicing in the Risen Christ, let us remember the miracle of the cross, and what it means for every Christian.

Christ took upon Himself, every pain, every illness, every sin and every tear. He offered His life so that we would not suffer the wages of sin – death. Jesus was our substitute. The cross is our ever reminder from God, that conflict can never be resolved by force, but only ever by love, that integrity is costly but is always ultimately honoured by God, and that those with power and privilege are sometimes more in the wrong than the weak.

Becoming a Christian, to many people, means the supposed end to all suffering, the end of hardships and a life filled with holiness and God-given "sunshine". Imagine the disappointment when they realise that the same hardships remain. The same challenges are there every day to wear them down, steal their joy and wear them out. Suddenly, the realisation that life goes on in pretty much the same fashion, and perhaps, with even more challenges, dawns on the young Christian. Often that realisation makes people give up on God. If He promised salvation, why does life still feel so ruthless and isolating?

The answer is simple. Life IS just life. However, when you become a Christian, you have a Partner, a Helper. Becoming a Christian means realising that you no longer have to face life's hardships alone. He is always with you, wanting to carry you through every challenge you face.

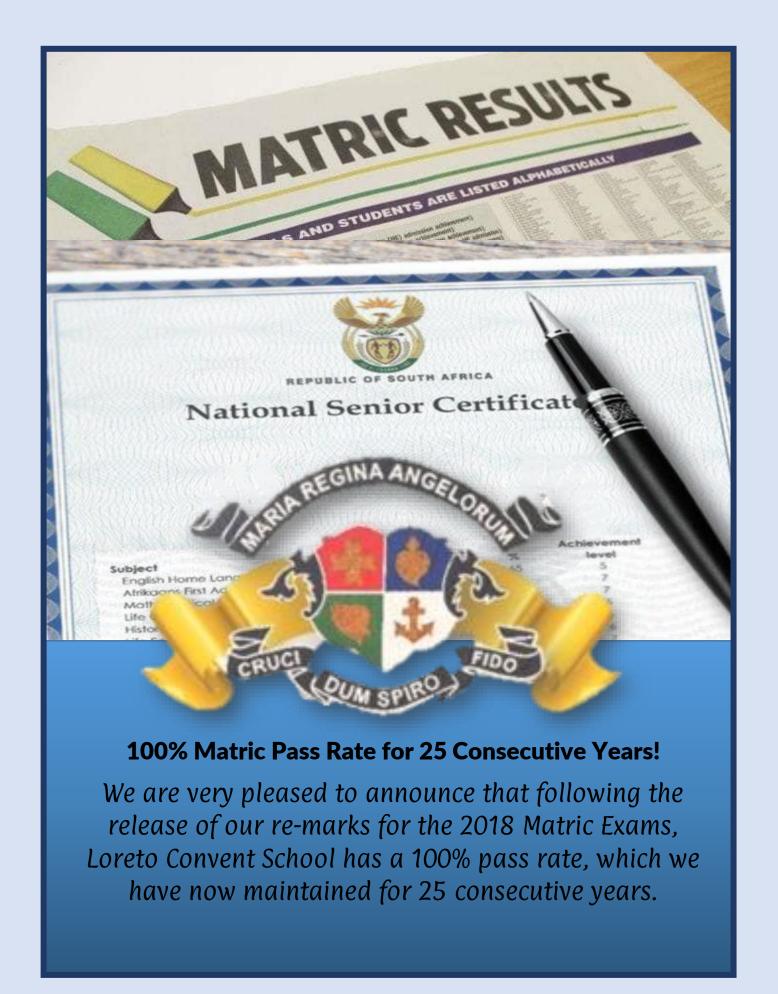
In Matthew 11:28 – 29 we read: "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." Jesus carried the heavy beam of the cross through the streets, falling under the weight of it. It is at this time, some believe, that He shows us that He is always there to help us carry our burdens in life, to take on our heavy load and to rise up when we cannot carry the weight any more.

Simon helps Jesus carry his cross after he cannot carry the weight any longer. This may be a representation that we, as brothers and sisters in Christ, also need to be there to help those who cannot carry their own burdens in life. As a Christian, it is your duty to be the hands, feet, eyes and ears of Jesus here in this world. Even as Christ received help in His darkest hours, so we should also be willing to accept the help that is offered us – whether by a fellow believer, or by the Lord himself. So often, we do not want to receive the help that is being offered by others because we are waiting for some greater sign or miracle from God himself. God uses people!

During this time of reflection on the crucifixion, the resurrection and the end of this period of lent, let us always remember that God is always there to bear our burdens and carry our suffering – and He uses people to do it! Be His agent here in this world to deliver hope, comfort, help and love wherever it is needed, and accept help wherever it comes from.

From the Principal's Office





GENETZAL NEWS (HS AND PS)

SCHOOL CONTACTS:

General Enquiries and Reception – Mrs Mateka – 012 326 6342 (switchboard) reception@loreto.co.za

Executive Principal – Mrs Truter – principal@loreto.co.za

Executive Principal's Office – Mrs Stoman – pa@loreto.co.za

Admissions - Ms Westra - admissions@loreto.co.za

Finance Office Mrs Swart - finance@loreto.co.za

Primary School Deputy Principal - Ms Hill - michelleh@loreto.co.za

High School Deputy Principal – Ms Alves (previously Mrs Pinto) – mariaa@loreto.co.za

EMIS Officer – Mrs Swanepoel – admin@loreto.co.za

Sports and Physical Education Queries – Mrs Haupt – sherilynh@loreto.co.za

Daycare - daycare@loreto.co.za

Website (for booklists, school fee info, bank details, calendar, newsletters and other information) www.loreto.co.za

DEBIT ORDERS 2019

Please note that debit order processes are not currently functioning (Feb/March), and any parent who was paying by debit order should please ensure that for now, payments are made by EFT until we can load the debit orders for the end of April. Also, please check your bank statement, to ensure that no payments have been missed.

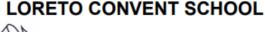
We have decided to change to a more efficient and reliable debit order system. May we humbly request that any parent who wishes to pay by debit order in 2019, please fill out a new form and either Email it to admin@loreto.co.za or drop the form off at reception as soon as possible. (If you have filled in a form, please do so again.)

We have already received a number of forms, and have been in contact with those parents as we finalise the process. Thank you so much!

UNALLOCATED PAYMENTS / REFERENCES

We have a large number of payments that have been made into the school's bank account that do not have any references, or incorrect references. If you have made one of these payments, please do send your proof of payment to Mrs Swart at finance@loreto.co.za so that she can allocate it.

We would also like to appeal to parents to <u>PLEASE</u> reference their payments correctly, as it is almost impossible to allocate correctly, or understand what is being paid for. Reference payments as following please:



The Tramshed 0126

Gas: 0123242780

E-mail: finance@loreto.co.za

Banking details: Standard Bank Main Account

Bank: Standard Bank of S.A Ltd

Branch code: 051001

Account holder: Loreto Convent School

Account number: 010387927 Account type: Cheque

ACCOUNT STATEMENT ON 20 MARCH 2019

Account reference: 1017 (MOK012)

Learner information:

[Grade 1/1F]

The reference is your four digit family code number, <u>NOT</u> the old family code (in this case, NOT MOK012 please)!

Thereafter, please indicate what the amount being paid is for. This means, that for this account, the correct bank references will look like this:

1017 School Fees

D1017 Day Care

1017 Extra Fees

1017 Textbooks

1017 Netball Camp

1017 Hockey Camp

1017 Matric Dance

Please also do try to pay correct amounts, as the system gets confused when large amounts are paid that do not match any amounts. When amounts are correct, and referenced in this way, the system is able to allocate to the account automatically and mistakes are avoided.

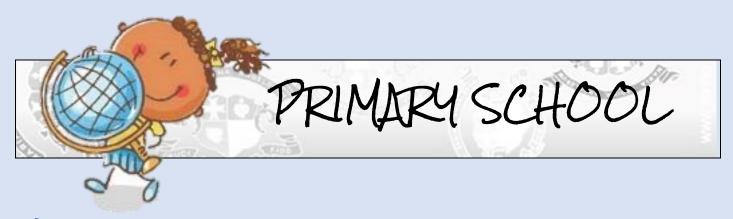
Please do try to assist us in this regard so that we can effectively provide a great service to you!

UNALLOCATED PAYMENTS / REFERENCES

The following payments have no reference and cannot be allocated:

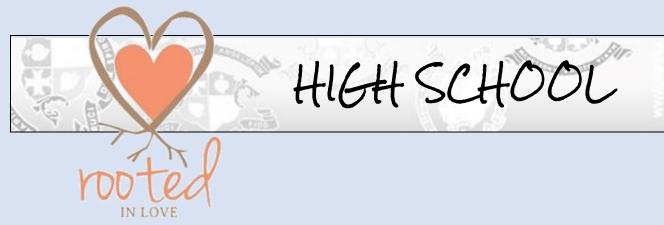
| 2019-02-18 | ATMDEPAUTOBANK CASH DEPOSIT | 500.00 |
|------------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| 2019-02-18 | PAY ELECTRONIC BANKING PAYMEN | 2,000.00 |
| 2019-02-18 | ATMDEPAUTOBANK CASH DEPOSIT | 3,000.00 |
| 2019-02-21 | MIDBBLKPMTSasol Shared Service | 5,900.00 |
| 2019-03-01 | TRFR REAL TIME TRANSFER FROM | 650.00 |
| 2019-03-06 | ATMDEPAUTOBANK CASH DEPOSIT | 1,950.00 |
| 2019-03-07 | <u>NETBALL</u> | 879.00 |
| 2019-03-18 | <u>DNG003</u> | 2,400.00 |
| 2019-03-18 | ATMDEPAUTOBANK CASH DEPOSIT | 200.00 |
| 2019-03-18 | ATMDEPAUTOBANK CASH DEPOSIT | 1,950.00 |
| 2019-03-19 | CAPITEC M BANDA | 2,500.00 |
| 2019-03-19 | TRFR REAL TIME TRANSFER FROM | 2,550.00 |
| 2019-03-19 | ATMDEPAUTOBANK CASH DEPOSIT | 3,500.00 |
| 2019-03-22 | ATMDEPAUTOBANK CASH DEPOSIT | 2,500.00 |
| 2019-03-22 | PAY ELECTRONIC BANKING PAYMEN | 25,000.00 |
| 2019-03-29 | Morgan Carver | 5,795.00 |
| 2019-04-11 | SCHOOL FEES | 5,000.00 |
| 2019-04-12 | TRFR REAL TIME TRANSFER FROM | 5,000.00 |
| 2019-04-15 | <u>DNG003</u> | 2,400.00 |
| 2019-04-15 | ATMDEPAUTOBANK CASH DEPOSIT | 300.00 |
| 2019-04-15 | R1184 | 5,000.00 |
| | | |

<u>PLEASE</u> make sure that one of these payments does not belong to you! If you suspect that one of these payments is yours, please contact the finance office and speak to Mrs Swart so that she can correctly allocate payments to your account.



- **Welcome back** to Term 2! It is going to be a very busy term, with many sporting and cultural activities, as well as exams starting at the end of May.
- Thank you to all the parents that attended the **Parents' Evening** on 11 April. If you would still like to see some of your child's teachers, please contact reception to make an appointment.
- Thank you to all the parents that sent in **Easter eggs** to be distributed to those less fortunate.
- Please ensure that your **day care fees** are up to date, as well as **school fees**. Please also ensure that when EFT payments are made, your reference number is clearly indicated.
- On Tuesday, 23 April, we will be celebrating **World Book Day**. Primary School children may come to school dressed as a character from a book. This is **NOT** compulsory and parents are requested not to go out and spend money on a costume. Normal school uniform should be worn by those choosing not to dress up as a book character.
- During **Phys-Ed** this term, the children will be doing **fitness and athletics**. Learners are to please come to school dressed in their sports clothes on **Phys-Ed days and on Wednesdays** for activity periods.
- Letters inviting learners to attend **extra lessons** have been sent home. Please sign and return the reply slip to Ms Hill as soon as possible. Extra lessons will start on **Tuesday, 23**

- April. Should any parent wish their Grade 4-7 daughter to attend these lessons and they did not receive a letter, please ask the child to see Ms Hill.
- **Foundation Phase parents** are asked to send in the box of tissues and packet of sealed sweets for the new term.
- The **Grade 5 girls** will be attending a retreat at school on **Thursday, 25 April**, and the **Grade 4 girls** on **Tuesday, 30 April**, from 8h00-11h30. Girls must please bring their Bibles, RE books, exam pads, stationery and packed lunch to school.
- Our annual **Bible Quiz** test will be written on **Friday, 26 April**. Letters were sent home last term with details about the scriptures to be studied for the test-please encourage your child to prepare well for the test.
- A reminder of **Public Holidays** coming up: **Wednesday, 1 May**, Workers' Day and **Wednesday, 8 May**, Election Day.
- Winter uniform commences on Monday, 06 May. Please ensure that your child has all the necessary items. Learners may not mix summer and winter uniform.
- Our **netball teams** will be participating in many matches this term. If your daughter has been chosen for the team you would have received a letter with all the details. Please make sure that the necessary transport arrangements are made, as the matches will end about 16h 00.
- The **Foundation Phase Choir** will be participating in the Winter Concert on 07 May, at the Musaion at the University of Pretoria. More information will follow in a letter to the choir parents soon.
- Happy Easter to all No school on Good Friday, 19 April or Easter Monday, 22 April.



- We would like to wish all parents, learners and staff a wonderful **Easter**. If you are travelling this weekend, please do stay safe on the roads and enjoy your time away.
- All **team sports and compulsory extra lessons** started this week while other sports and clubs will start on Tuesday, 23 April. Attached is a copy of this term's extra curricula roster.
- The annual **Bible Quiz** will be written on Friday, 26 April. However, as the Grade 10 Geography and Grade 11 Life Science and Geography learners are away on the day, they will write the exam on **Thursday, 25 April**.
- We wish all **Grade 10 Geography and Grade 11 Life Science and Geography** learners a wonderful educational experience at Maropeng.
- We would like to raise a plea that all parents look at the **length of their daughters' skirts**.

 Many of our learners' skirts are very short and **inappropriate** for a Loreto girl.
- **Blood Drive** is on **24 April from 9:00 13:00**. We encourage any learner who is 16 or older to donate blood. Any parent who wishes to do the same is welcome.
- **Exams** are around the corner. Please encourage your daughter to prepare a study timetable and to start focusing on them. Teachers are available for extra help on the days as shown in the Extra Curricula Roster below. Teachers will also be available between 11:00 and 12:00 during the exam period.
- We would like to ask parents to refrain from having extremely long braids put in for their daughters, which hangs down their backs and extends to their legs, or even knees. The very

long braids are sat on, tend to get stuck in chairs and furniture and are not practical at School. This is a safety concern for us here at School, as we do not wish to have learners injured unnecessarily because of hair braids. If they are very long, please ensure that they are tied up so as not to hang down so low.

We would like to again appeal to parents of High School learners, who are meant to wait at their own specially **demarcated area near the tuckshop**, to not ask their daughters to wait in the front of the School. Due to numbers, Primary School and High School cannot both be in front at the gate. Please do assist us in this regard, as we are also very aware of the safety of our learners, and it is not safe to have hundreds of learners trying to squeeze into a small area where cars are passing through.

DATES TO REMEMBER

| Tuesday 23 April | World Book Day (Book Character Dress-Up - NOT CIVVIES!) Sports, Clubs and Extra Lessons start | | |
|-------------------|--|--|--|
| Thursday 25 April | Retreat Grade 5 | | |
| Friday 26 April | SP and HS Bible Quiz Maropeng Outing for Grade 10/11 Geo and LS (11) | | |
| Tuesday 30 April | Retreat Grade 4 | | |
| Wednesday 01 May | PUBLIC HOLIDAY (Worker's Day) | | |
| Monday 06 May | WINTER UNIFORM COMMENCES | | |
| Tuesday 07 May | • PS Confessions 09h30 – 11h00 | | |
| Wednesday 08 May | • Election Day (PUBLIC HOLIDAY) | | |
| Friday 10 May | HS Confessions 09h30 – 11h00 Primary School Inter-School Bible Quiz (Iona) Mother's Day Tea HS Bible Quiz Final | | |

Application for Payment by Debit Order:

| l, | | (full name & surname) hereby authori | se Loreto Convent School |
|--|---|---|---------------------------|
| to debit my bank account on | the 1 st / 15 th or | 25 th day of each consecutive month, with the an | nount required for school |
| fees, day care, extra fees and | building levy as per | Acknowledgement of Debt signed. | |
| | | | |
| | | ng, at least 30 days prior to the next debit ord | |
| - | | nd acknowledge that a fee of R200.00 will be char | rged should any payment |
| be returned by the bank as u | npaid. | | |
| Name of Bank | | | |
| Name of Account Holder | | | |
| Bank Account Number | | | |
| Branch Code | | | |
| Type Of Account | Savings / Cheque | e / Current / Other: | |
| Signed at | | _ on this day of | 20 |
| Full name of account holder | | | |
| Signature | | | |
| Contact number | | | |
| School ref number (FAMILY | CODE PLEASE) | | |
| Amount 1st debit order (this obuilding levy) | an include extra fees, | | |
| Amount of debit order there next 9 months) | e after (this is for the | | |
| Date of 1st run | | | |
| Date of last run | | | |
| <u>Calculation of Payment:</u> | | | |
| School fees per month | | | |
| Day care per month | | | |
| Extra fees | | | |
| Building Levy | | | |
| Total payment | | | |

HS SPORTS / CLUBS / LESSONS TERM 2 - 2019

| | CLUB / | T | T | |
|---------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| DAY | SPORT / LESSON | TEACHER | TIME | GR. |
| MONDAY | YFC / RCL | Ms Nyirenda | Long break | Gr. 8 – 12 |
| | Jr Debating | Mrs Parker | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 8 – 9 |
| | Hockey practice | Mrs de Bruin | 14:10 - 15:30 | Teams |
| | Tennis team practice | Mrs McLaren | 14:20 – 15:00 | Team |
| | Netball (practice) | Mrs Smit / Ms Hermann / Ms | 14:00 – 16:00 | All teams |
| | (1.0000) | Sitsha | | |
| Extra Lessons | CAT PAT | Mrs Mazango | 14:10 - 15:00 | Gr, 10 only compulsory |
| | Afrikaans | Mrs Taljard | 14:10 - 15:00 | Gr. 8 only |
| | Geography | Mrs Matebesi | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 8 – 12 |
| | English | Ms Sitsha | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 9 – 10 |
| | Afrikaans | Mrs Thomas | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 10 only |
| | Maths | Mrs Albertyn | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 8 only |
| | Maths | Mrs Brown | 14:10 – 15:30 | Gr. 11 only |
| | Life Science | Mrs Waldeck | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 12 only |
| | Study / Homework room | Mr Wolmarans | 14:10 – 16:00 | Gr. 8 – 12 |
| | 1 , | | | |
| TUESDAY | Tennis matches | Mrs McLaren | 14:10 – 17:00 | Team |
| | Hockey beginners | Mrs Nkosi | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 7 and 8 only |
| | Netball matches | Mrs Smit / Ms Hermann / Ms | 14:10 – 17:00 | Teams |
| | | Sitsha | | |
| | Green Team | Mrs Matabesi / Mrs Waldeck | 14:10 – 15:00 | |
| | Wellness | Ms Tshabangu | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 8 – 12 |
| | Senior Debating | Mrs Parker | 14:10 - 15:00 | Gr. 10 – 12 |
| Extra Lessons | CAT PAT | Mrs Mazango | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr, 11 only compulsory |
| | Maths | Mrs Marais | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr 10 only |
| | Physical Science | Mrs Muganiwa | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr 10 – 11 |
| | Accounting | Mr Agyepong | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr 10 – 12 |
| | Study / Homework room | Mrs Taljard | 14:10 – 16:00 | Gr. 8 – 12 |
| | <u> </u> | | | |
| WEDNESDAY | Tennis coaching | Mrs McLaren | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 8 – 12 |
| | Choir | Mr Bezuidenhout / Mrs Vosloo | 14:10 – 15:30 | Gr. 8 – 12 |
| | Career Guidance | Mrs Buys | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 8 – 12 |
| Extra Lessons | Maths | Mrs Albertyn | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 8 only |
| | Afrikaans | Mrs Thomas | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 9 only |
| | Afrikaans | Mrs Taljard | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 11 – 12 only |
| | Maths | Mrs Brown | 14:10 – 15:30 | Gr. 12 only |
| | Maths | Mrs Smit / Mrs Marais | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 9 only |
| | Life Science | Mrs Waldeck | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 10 only |
| | NS (PS) | Mrs Muganiwa | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 8 – 9 |
| | Study / Homework room | Mr Agyepong | 14:10 – 16:00 | Gr. 8 – 12 |
| | 2.23/ / | 1 , .3, .63 | 7 | 0 |
| THURSDAY | Green Team | Mrs Matabesi / Mrs Waldeck | 14:10 – 15:00 | |
| | Stretching and Relaxation | Ms Swartzberg | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 9 – 12 |
| | Choir | Mr Bezuidenhout / Mrs Vosloo | 14:10 – 15:30 | Gr. 8 – 12 |
| | Hockey Matches | Mrs de Bruin | 14:10 – 17:00 | Teams |
| | Netball matches | Mrs Smit / Ms Hermann / Ms | 14:10 – 17:00 | Teams |
| | | Sitsha | | |
| Extra Lessons | English | Mrs Parker | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 11 – 12 only |
| | English | Ms Tshabangu | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 8 only |
| | CAT PAT | Ms Mazango | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 12 only compulsory |
| | Life Science | Mrs Waldeck | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr. 11 only |
| | Physical Science | Mrs Muganiwa | 14:10 – 15:00 | Gr 12 |
| | Study / Homework room | Mrs Monnakgotla | 14:10 – 16:00 | Gr. 8 – 12 |
| | | | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
| FRIDAY | Liturgical Choir | Ms Nyirenda | 14:00 – 14:30 | |
| | Prefect meeting | Mrs Matebesi | 14:10 | Prefects only |
| | 1. Toloot illooting | INTO IVICIONOSI | 11.10 | 1. Totodo offiny |