



LORETO CONVENT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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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.

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From the Principal's Office

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100% Matric Pass Rate for 25 Consecutive Years!

We are very pleased to announce that following the release of our re-marks for the 2018 Matric Exams, Loreto Convent School has a 100% pass rate, which we have now maintained for 25 consecutive years.

GENERAL 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

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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 **PLEASE** reference their payments correctly, as it is almost impossible to allocate correctly, or understand what is being paid for. Reference payments as following please:



LORETO CONVENT SCHOOL

P.O. Box 11381
The Tramshed
0126
Tel: 0123266342
Fax: 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, NOT 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	NETBALL	879.00
2019-03-18	DNG003	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	DNG003	2,400.00
2019-04-15	ATMDEPAUTOBANK CASH DEPOSIT ...	300.00
2019-04-15	R1184	5,000.00

PLEASE 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.



PRIMARY SCHOOL

- ♥ **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 **demarkated 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Book Day (Book Character Dress-Up - NOT CIVVIES!) Sports, Clubs and Extra Lessons start
Thursday 25 April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retreat Grade 5
Friday 26 April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP and HS Bible Quiz Maropeng Outing for Grade 10/11 Geo and LS (11)
Tuesday 30 April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retreat Grade 4
Wednesday 01 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PUBLIC HOLIDAY (Worker's Day)
Monday 06 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WINTER UNIFORM COMMENCES
Tuesday 07 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PS Confessions 09h30 – 11h00
Wednesday 08 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Election Day (PUBLIC HOLIDAY)
Friday 10 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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:

I, _____ (full name & surname) hereby authorise Loreto Convent School to debit my bank account on the **1st / 15th or 25th** day of each consecutive month, with the amount required for school fees, day care, extra fees and building levy as per Acknowledgement of Debt signed.

I agree to notify Loreto Convent School in writing, at least 30 days prior to the next debit order run date, should this arrangement have to be terminated or changed and acknowledge that a fee of R200.00 will be charged should any payment be returned by the bank as unpaid.

Name of Bank	
Name of Account Holder	
Bank Account Number	
Branch Code	
Type Of Account	Savings / Cheque / Current / Other: _____

Signed at _____ on this _____ day of _____ 20_____

Full name of account holder _____

Signature _____

Contact number _____

School ref number (FAMILY CODE PLEASE)	
Amount 1 st debit order (this can include extra fees, building levy)	
Amount of debit order there after (this is for the next 9 months)	
Date of 1 st run	
Date of last run	

Calculation of Payment:

School fees per month _____

Day care per month _____

Extra fees _____

Building Levy _____

Total payment _____

HS SPORTS / CLUBS / LESSONS

TERM 2 – 2019

DAY	CLUB / 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 Sitsha	14:00 – 16:00	All teams
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
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 Sitsha	14:10 – 17:00	Teams
	Green Team	Mrs Matabesi / Mrs Waldeck	14:10 – 15:00	
	Wellness	Ms Tshabangu	14:10 – 15:00	Gr. 8 – 12
Extra Lessons	Senior Debating	Mrs Parker	14:10 – 15:00	Gr. 10 – 12
	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
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
	Maths	Mrs Albertyn	14:10 – 15:00	Gr. 8 only
	Afrikaans	Mrs Thomas	14:10 – 15:00	Gr. 9 only
Extra Lessons	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
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 Sitsha	14:10 – 17:00	Teams
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