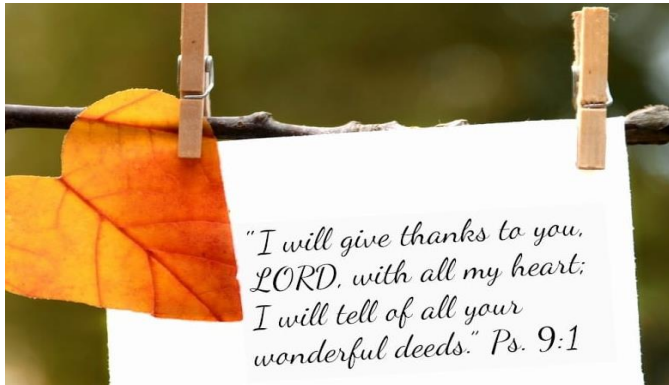


Welcome to 2022

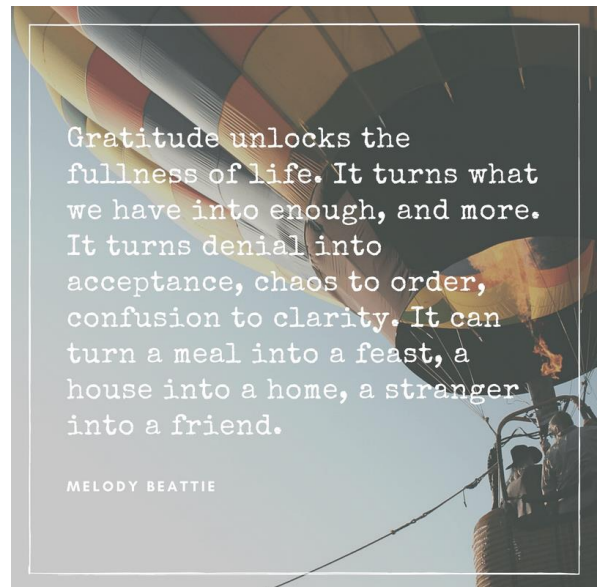
attitude OF gratitude



Welcome back to PEPPS Prep for what looks to be an exciting year of normal schooling. For those families who are new to us, I extend a heartfelt welcome and trust that you will soon feel part of our family. We look forward to getting to know you and ask that you feel free to contact your Grade Head (details on myHomework) should you have any settling-in questions. We believe that your child will quickly make friends and find his/her place to shine.

I would like to welcome our new teachers to the school.

Our theme for the year is **"Attitude of Gratitude"**. We have endured much turmoil over the past 2 years, but if we find ourselves alive, there are things for which to be grateful. Many of our families have suffered hardship or loss at the hands of Covid and to them we send sincere condolences, prayer and an offer of support.



From back left: Farzaana Adam (Gr 2 Maths), Bonay van der Schyff (IP English & Projects), Dineo Sibiyi (IP Maths & Projects), Rozani Maree (IP Afrikaans), Retahbile Mothapo & Kay-Lee Jacobs (IP Assistants) and Naadiya Hannif (Gr 1 class teacher)

This year I challenge you to seek out and record the gifts life has to offer you. Gather them on lists, or in a journal or jar so that you can be reminded easily. Let us teach our children to become satisfied with the plenty that they have – or better yet – to be grateful. Let us spend the year consciously building collective gratitude and appreciation so that we can grow into happy people. We can only gain if we focus on the plenty of good we have to enjoy.

PEPPS inspires **CURIOSITY** &

ACADEMIC RIGOR?

School Logistics & Reminders

Covid screening will continue every morning from 06h45. Mask wearing remains compulsory and social distancing will be monitored. We ask that you remain vigilant and NOT send children to school if they display ANY symptoms or if anyone in your home is awaiting the results of a Covid test.

School times: Pupils must gather for *line up* at 07h25 for announcements. School comes out at 13h30 (Monday to Thursday) and 12h30 (Fridays). Our Extra-curricular programme is offered from Monday to Thursday from 14h00-15h30. The Foundation Phase has its extra-curricular activities integrated into the school day (12h40-13h30). Loitering is UNSAFE and is NOT tolerated. Children must be collected from the Outdoor Classroom between 15h30 and 16h00. Any pick-ups after 16h00 result in a fine. Staff are only on duty from **06h45–16h00** daily.

Uniform (including hair, nails and jewellery) checks will be implemented from Monday 17 January. The uniform expectations are clearly outlined: Red golf shirt (beige Grade 7 Leadership golf shirt for Grade 7s); navy sports shorts; white socks; black takkies or blue/grey sandals (as specified by PEPPS); tracksuit top on cold days. Please visit the website (www.pepps.co.za) for a detailed outline of acceptable physical presentation. Penalties will be issued from Monday onwards.

Yours in partnership in excellent education!!



Amanda Korff

Head of PEPPS Preparatory School



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Swimming takes place in Term 1&4. Costumes, towels and swimming caps are compulsory, as is participation. Teachers will communicate which days these are required at school.

PEPPS uses **digital platforms to communicate** with parents. Please ensure that you do the following as soon as possible.

1. Visit the **myHomework** (<https://myhomeworkapp.com>) website and register as a user. You will have to join the *PEPPS Prep School General Communication* class for day-to-day programme updates and announcements. Your child (Grade 4-7) must join each of his/her teachers' classes for access to test scopes, work schedules and additional resources and information.

2. Sign up with ADAM (<https://pepps-polokwane.adam.co.za/>) for a running report of your child's academic progress.

3. Every Grade 4-7 pupil will be given a login and password for **Matific** (<https://www.matific.com/za/en-za/home/>)

Weekly Matific homework will be given and marks allocated for this mathematics practice. Work issued will be communicated in class and on myHomework. Deadlines will be adhered to and marks will stand on ADAM. We urge parents to support this programme from home.

