



CURRO AURORA and COVID19 – A word from our Executive Head

Dear Parents and Guardians

Up to now the 2020 academic year has been particularly challenging as we charter our way through COVID19 lockdown, new online teaching models, screening protocols, a rising infection rate and the challenges posed by the changing economic landscape.

At Curro Aurora our aim is to provide a safe and calm environment for all our learners and staff. We are very proud of our community and the way we have quickly adjusted to the restrictions and requirements. One example is the way our learners have coped with being dropped off, screened and picked up at the various entry points.

I'd like to personally thank our parent body for the thoughtful and supportive way they are responding to the Government requirements. I would also like to thank our school community for the support and care they are showing towards our staff who have been working very hard to successfully implement our hybrid teaching model.

During this unprecedented time, we want to make sure that you remain well-informed and that you understand our efforts to support our learners. Please take time to read newsletters, emails and messages - good communication is key to the successful completion of the 2020 academic year while respecting the social distancing guidelines established during this pandemic.

As a school we are following all the required hygiene, cleaning and social distancing practises and will continue to do so.

As we continue into an unknown future, I am reminded that we are not alone in our efforts to deal with and manage this pandemic. Let us remember His words:

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand". Isaiah 41:10

Please stay safe and take care of those around you.

Mr JC Engelbrecht
Executive Head



FROM MR MAREE'S DESK...

We welcome back **Mrs Brownyn Gardener** and **Mrs Nicole Wood** who returned from maternity leave. It is wonderful to see how quickly their little ones have grown over a period of four months. We are grateful that both mums and their little ones are well.

Remember that school is closed next week **Friday, 7 August 2020** and pre-recorded lessons will be available for learners to engage with on the day. The lessons will be available at the beginning of next week and learners can already complete the work should they wish to do no work on the Friday. **Monday, 10 August** is a public holiday, Women's Day.

Women's rights are the fundamental human **rights** that were enshrined by the United Nations for every human being on the planet nearly 70 years ago. These **rights** include the right to live free from violence, slavery, and discrimination; to be educated; to own property; to vote; and to earn a fair and equal wage.

A massive congratulations to **Amy Crous in Grade 3** and **Karla Lotz in Grade 6** who were awarded with an A+ for their online public speaking. We are truly proud of these two girls.



GRADE 3 PEN LICENCES

We would like to congratulate the following learners for acquiring their pen licenses. The learners have earned their pen licenses due to continuous effort in applying the correct spacing, letter formation, overall neatness and seldom making errors. By earning their pen license these learners are now allowed to complete all their schoolwork in pen.



GRADE 3 PEN LICENCES



Congratulations to the following learners:

Moloko Machaka
Boithati Malebane
Kaylah Schenckenberg
Saskia van Achterbergh
Kiana Perumal
Ella-Rose van Rooyen
Onalenna Mavundla



CURRO VIRTUAL GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

You're invited to participate in our first-ever Inter-Curro Virtual Golf Championship hosted by Curro Aurora! You can earn your place on the leader board in any of the following categories:

- High school team (Grade 8 to Grade 12)
- Primary school team (Grade 1 to Grade 7)
- High school individual (Grade 8 to Grade 12)
- Primary school individual (Grade 4 to Grade 7)
- Primary school individual (Grade 1 to Grade 3)
- Staff category

How will it work? There will be three rounds of 18 holes each.

Round 1: Played from Friday, 7 August to Sunday, 23 August. First round scores to be submitted by Wednesday, 26 August at 12:00.

Round 2: Played from Monday, 24 August to Sunday 13 September. Second round scores to be submitted by Wednesday, 16 August at 12:00.

Round 3: Played from Monday, 14 September to Sunday, 27 September. Third and final round's scores to be submitted by Wednesday, 30 September at 12:00.



This will definitely be a TEE-rific championship!



PRIMARY SCHOOL CULTURE- Dane Gabin
#Straight2Camera Monologue Festival

Excitement is building for the #Straight2Camera Monologue Festival! Over the next few weeks, we will release a step-by-step video web series of 6-7 episodes made by professional actors, dealing with their approach to preparing a monologue.

The first of these monologue masterclasses, by the incomparable young actor David Viviers, is already on our Curro Create YouTube channel. When we upload the masterclasses, we drop the entire 'season' of each masterclass; all seven of David's episodes are already live and available from his first encounter with his monologue to final performance. Learners are encouraged to visit these short episodes as a guide to the preparation of their own monologue entries for the CCNYTF #Straight2Camera Monologue Festival. Of course, it is also incredibly useful for our Drama learners, whether they will be taking part in CCNYTF 2020 or not. We will load the other masterclasses as they come out of editing.



CAS 2020

Thank you so much to all the learners for sharing their ever-growing talents virtually with CAS 2020. Your dedication to this project is deeply appreciated and, despite the challenges we faced, we are so impressed by the enthusiasm of teachers and learners alike.

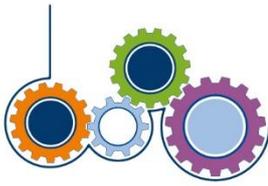
Congratulations to the learners mentioned below, for their outstanding CAS achievements, we are very proud of you all.

Curro - Create - Shoot it!			
Daniel Assad	5PS	Participation	60 - 64.9%
Kayla-lee de Vos	7TE	Black Raven	85 - 94.9%

Curro - Create - Play it!			
Karla Lotz	6LH	Silver Surfer	75 - 84.5%
Jordan Cook	6LG	Silver Surfer	75 - 84.5%
Ryan Diamond	7DE	Silver Surfer	75 - 84.5%
Kiasha Govender	7RW	Silver Surfer	75 - 84.5%
Ruohan He	7DE	Silver Surfer	75 - 84.5%

Curro Create request no posting of any results onto social media platforms at this stage as they are still busy with the adjudication process and would like to finalise this before distributing any results of CAS 2020.

BELOW ARE THE RULES FOR STRAIGHT2CAMERA MONOLOGUE FESTIVAL...



CURRO CREATE NATIONAL Youth Theatre Festival 2020

#Straight2Camera Monologue Festival

To create opportunities for the actors in our schools, we have decided to continue with the CCNYTF, but in the form of a festival of #Straight2Camera monologues.

The Rules

- The festival is open to all learners between Grades 4 and 12 who are enrolled in any of the Curro schools.
- There will be three sections: one for primary schools, and two for high schools.
 - Section 1: The YoungStars – primary school (Grades 4 to 7)**
Monologue duration: minimum 1½ minutes (90 seconds), maximum 3 minutes
You may enter in one of two categories:
 - Comedy
 - DramaIn each of the two categories above, we may choose up to 10 finalists, but this number will be determined by the quality of entries.
These learners will be mentored to polish their monologues.
After polishing, these monologues will be re-recorded and resubmitted and the mentor-adjudicators will determine the first three places in each category as well as an overall #Straight2Camera YoungStar of 2020.
 - Section 2: The Rising Stars – high school (Grades 8 to 10)**
Monologue duration: minimum 2 minutes, maximum 5 minutes
You may enter in one of these four categories:
 - Theatre monologues (from an existing play, published or not, or a stand-alone theatre monologue, newly written or not.)
 - Movie monologues (a character monologue from a film)
 - Poem/prose monologues (first person prose/poetry monologues)
 - Shakespeare (soliloquies/monologues from any of Shakespeare’s plays – no poems or sonnets)
 - In each of the above categories, we will select a top 5.
 - These learners will have to add more material of their choice to their monologue to form a programme of 8 to 10 minutes, built around the theme of their initial monologue. Material can come from other monologues, poems, songs, lyrics, etc. Creativity in compilation is key.
 - Curro Create will provide professional mentorship to these finalists. Note: the compilation of the programme is the learners’ responsibility – the mentorship is only for polishing of performances.
 - These final programmes will be recorded #Straight2Camera, submitted and our adjudication panel will determine the winner in each category, as well as an overall #Straight2Camera Rising Star of 2020.
 - Section 3: The Stars – high school (Grades 11 to 12)**
Monologue duration: minimum 3 minutes, maximum 6 minutes
You may enter in one of these four categories:
 - Theatre monologues (from an existing play, published or not, or a stand-alone theatre monologue, newly written or not. May be performed in any style)
 - Movie monologues (a character monologue from a film)
 - Poem/prose monologues (first person prose/poetry monologues)

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Yours in education

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