

# Modicademy Newsletter 2024 Term 1

Welcome to the start of "Race Acts 20:24". In a new year, we practice for our athletic events. We train to get fit so that we can do our best. Come on! Let us start race 2024 by faith and finish it strong!

Acts 20:24 "However, I consider my life worth nothing to me; my only aim is to finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me—the task of testifying to the good news of God's grace."

#### **Important numbers:**

Office number: 014 717 1112 / 063 289 7487

Principal's number: 073 181 8006

Boarding & Aftercare - Ma'am Ella: 072 147 9600

Aftercare – Ma'am Jolize: 065 575 3668 Finance - Ma'am Jolene: 081 064 6322

#### **Calendars:**

Each student received an A4 laminated calendar for your fridge. Please contact the office if you did not receive yours. We keep to the dates on the calendar. Any extra information will be communicated through the WhatsApp groups. If you are not on the groups, please contact the office urgently.

#### **School uniform:**

Students wear NAVY golfers on Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays and WHITE golfers on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Pre-Schoolers only wear navy.

Students may come to school barefoot or wearing school shoes. Modicademy cricket hats and beanies are also available from Finestwear and Jimmy's Cycles.

Learning Hub students have their own dress code. If you are not sure please talk to the relevant teacher.

#### **School fees:**

School fees are divided into 12 months and are payable one month in advance.

You will receive your statement on the 25<sup>th</sup> of every month or the working day closest to it, through WhatsApp.

Please make sure to communicate any financial matters with **Ma'am Jolene**. Ma'am Jolene is available on:

Mondays 09:00 – 11:00 Tuesdays 09:00 – 11:00 Wednesdays 11:30 – 13:00 Fridays 09:00 – 11:00

#### **Aftercare:**

Our Aftercare facility is in full swing. Aftercare hours are from after school until 17h00. Please be on time. When a child is fetched after 17h00 there is a fine of R2 / min that will be added to your invoice. You are welcome to send a lunchbox to Aftercare. Alternatively, a daily cooked meal @ R40 per meal, can be ordered from Ma'am Ella. Orders must be placed and paid in cash in advance @ ma'am Ella by every Friday for the coming week. This is very important in order for us to be fully prepared for your child with a healthy meal.

Contact our office to register your child for Aftercare.

#### Rules regarding neatness of school:

Being neat and presentable at school is of outmost importance. Please read through the attached list and ensure that the students comply with these rules.

#### **Athletics:**

During Term 1 the students will practise athletics. Each teacher will communicate the days of practice with their group in order for the students to wear sport attire on the day.

## **Swimming:**

The students will swim as part of their curriculum. Teachers will communicate the different days for the different classes on the WhatsApp groups.

# **School hours and use of gates:**

Learning Hub students at 15 Tamsen Street: Mondays - Fridays – 07:30 – 14:00.

Pre-School to Grade 6: 08:00 - 13:00 (Monday to Friday) at the student gate in Magazyn Street. Students may be dropped off from 07:20 and needs to be picked up at 13:00 at the student gate, in Magazyn Street, where a teacher will be on duty.

If a parent arranged with someone else to fetch a child, the school needs to be informed beforehand in the morning, as the teachers are not available on cell phones during class time.

We cannot release a child to anyone if it is not arranged. Please come to fetch your child at the gate. Students are not allowed to exit the gate by themselves.

If you need to enter the school premises between 08:00 and 13:00, please use the office entrance in Collin Street.

#### **Birthdays:**

We will specifically bless your child on his/her birthday. You are welcome to send special treats to the class on that day. Please make all arrangements concerning this with the class teacher personally. Students may wear casual clothes on their birthdays.

### B2M (Boys to men) and B2S (Born to serve):

For boys and girls from Gr 4 and older in separate groups on Thursday evenings @ 17h15 - 18h15 at the boarding facility. It will commence in February. It is extremely important to be on time and fetch the students at exactly 18h15.

### **Cycling:**

On a Wednesday afternoon @ 17:00 for students Gr 4 and older. A bicycle, helmet and water bottle are compulsory.

#### Food at school:

It is very important for us to cultivate healthy eating; therefore sweets, chips, cookies, cold drink and juice are not allowed. Please send a healthy lunch box and water bottle filled with water to school. Students will be able to refill their water bottles at school. On the last school day of each term, students may bring treats.

#### WhatsApp Groups:

We have Modicademy-, Grades-, Aftercare- and Boarding WhatsApp groups. It is for necessary communication.

Please communicate with our Office if you are not on the mentioned groups, or if your number changes. If you are not on the group then you will miss out on communication.

# Unit Studies: This is an integral part of our school. Here we build Godly character and cultivate a love for learning.

Our Godly Character Trait for Term 1 is THANKFULNESS.

Definition: Be aware of the things we receive and thank God for it.

Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 5:18

"Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

## Ministry Team from England will visit Modicademy:

12 – 14 February Calvin, Rani and Family will visit our school and impart Kingdom values into the student's lives. We are looking forward to their visit.

#### **Word from the Principal:**

May 2024 be a blessing to all our families and students. To the new students who are joining us in 2024, you will be a part of our family and you are welcome in our hearts and in our school. Here we live like a family and we function like an army. I have an "open door" policy. If you need to discuss any matter or are in need of a cup of tea, feel free to make an appointment.

The main objective at Modicademy is that students will love God and love learning. The "love for God" settles them in their spirit, with an eternal outlook. The "love for learning" will settle them for life here on earth with the world as their classroom, and the potential of flourishing in all walks of life. As principal, I want to ensure you that your child's best interest is of utmost importance to us. Every student in our school has a very special place in our hearts and are entrusted to us by God. Therefore, we will take good care of them.

Please know that we are constantly praying for you and your family. Your health, protection, peace and abundance are important to us.

Thank you for entrusting your most valuable asset to us. No other belonging has the potential to last for ever. Only our children will live forever with us!

Thank you for your investment into your child's life. It is a wise decision. Have a blessed year full of thankfulness.

# All Families and students are invited to enjoying a Camp fire Family Evening with the principal:

When: Tuesday 13 February 2024.

Where: Boarding Facility 15 Tamsen Street

Time: 17h15

We will share hearts, eat together, spend time together, answer questions and <u>Communicate</u> important information. Do not miss out on this opportunity.

FURTHER INFORMATION TO FOLLOW ON WHATSAPP GROUP. PLEASE RESERVE THE DATE.





# MODICADEMY NEATNESS RULES

- Clean and neat uniform
- Boys' hair may not hang over the ears and the fringe may not touch the eyebrows.
- Boys' hair must be trimmed evenly. Height no higher than 2cm.
- Girls' hair must be tied up securely against the head if hair is long and touches the collar. Braids are allowed, braided tails must be tied and not hanging over the eyes and in the face. Braids may only be the colour of the hair.
- Only white, navy or turquoise ribbons & beads will be permitted.
- Clips, hairbands and scrunchies must be white, navy or turquoise.
- Clean black school shoes. Barefoot is also allowed during summer.
- Students are allowed to wear school shoes or tekkies with the tracksuits in winter. Tekkies must be white, black, turquoise or navy or a combination of those colours.
- With grey pants only school shoes are allowed (no tekkies).
- No jewellery allowed, except for a watch, silver or golden stud or small ring earrings and a signet ring.
- No T-shirt / vest may be visible under the school shirt.
- Shirt must be tucked in at all times.
- No make-up allowed.
- Nails must be kept clean, neat and short at all times. Nail polish is not allowed.
- Boys are allowed to wear long, grey pants in winter.

We love God and we love learning. And, we love you!

Wishing you a blessed Term

Albert and Lourin Viljoen and the Modicademy Dream Team