

DATE	THEME	YOU NEED TO HELP YOUR CHILD AT HOME WITH THESE IDEAS:
21-24 July	Looking After God's Creation	 How can we all help to protect the environment? Teach your child to recycle. Save water, electricity and don't litter. Remember to Reduce, Re-use and Recycle.
27-31 July	Oceans 	Talk about what animals live in the oceans. Discuss how fish breathe under the water. Visit the Pretoria Zoo aquarium or a local Pet Shop that has a sea aquarium (Corals and reef fish).
3-7 August	Numeracy	Play clapping games with your child, clap in patterns, i.e. two fast claps followed by one slow clap. Sing counting songs together like "1, 2, 3, 4, 5, once I caught a fish alive" Build a puzzle together! This is great for pre-maths skills.
11-14 August	 Birds	Close your eyes and listen to the different bird calls. Go for a walk and find out the names of the different birds you see, or visit a bird hide at a botanical garden or nature reserve. Say rhymes like "two little dickie birds". Visit the Montecasino Bird Gardens and see the bird show.
17-21 August	OPPOSITES	Take some of your child's toys that can easily be compared to each other e.g: small and large balls. Explain the difference between the objects. Take pictures of your child with their back to the camera to explain front and back. Let the child sleep with their head at the foot of the bed
24-28 August	Creepy Crawlies 	Talk about different types of creepy crawlies and how many legs they have (spiders = 8, insects = 6). Go outside and see how many insects, caterpillars and spiders you can find. Discuss how various insects pollinate flowers and can produce honey, wax and silk. Dig in the ground and show your child what earthworms look like.
31 August - 4 September	SPRING 	Go for a nature walk and look for the new green leaves beginning to grow on the trees, spring flowers and blossoms. Look for birds building nests and insect life. Plant a flower or vegetable garden.
7-11 September	Be clean, fit, and healthy	Your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit. Eat fresh fruit and vegetables daily to remain healthy. Go for a walk with your child or cycle together. Food like KFC and McDonald's should only be eaten on special occasion. Check your child's teeth and are they brushing before bed. 
14-18 September	 Pond Life	What kind of forms does water come in? Steam, Liquid, Ice. Ice floats on water and it expands. Talk about the water cycle: Clouds, Rain, Streams & Rivers that eventually go to the Oceans. Visit the Snadspruit beautiful "River Walk" at the end of 8 th Avenue off Bowling Avenue.
21-23 September	My Country 	Where is your country on a map? Talk about the provinces/states. Who is the president? Sing the national anthem with your child. What are your national flower and animal? Enjoy some traditional food of your country. Eg: South Africa has biltong, milk tart, chakalaka and amagwinya (vetkoek).

DATES TO REMEMBER

21 July: Schools Open
23 September: Schools Close

9 August: Public Holiday- Women's Day
24 September: Public Holiday- Heritage Day

10 August: Public Holiday
6 October: School Opens

FUN DAYS

linked to our themes

Friday 28th August: Bee Day. We will learn about the importance of Bees in our world. **The cost for this event will be R60.**



Friday 4 September: Teddy Bear's Picnic.

Pack a picnic snack for your child. Bring a small blanket and Stuffed Toy to school.



Friday 11 September: Sports Day

Come and support your child - details will follow closer to the time.



Thursday 17 September: School Photo Day

Graduation, class and individual school photo's will be taken on this day. Please come dressed for the occasion.. Toucan class need black shoes for graduation photos.



Wednesday 23 September: Braai Day.

Dress your child in traditional clothing. We will be celebrating Heritage Day with a braai at school for lunch.

