Dear Parent/Guardian,

As we welcome you to the second term of the academic year 2017/2018 and wish you a prosperous 2018, we would like to thank God for bringing us up to this point. We hope you had a lovely festive season and as the family of RIS we would like to thank you all for your unwavering support.

**SCHOOL MORNING ROUTINE**

Is as follows:

* **Monday**: Bonding time.
  
  The teacher and the children will come together to have a chance of sharing experiences and discussing matters pertinent to their class and life in general.

* **Tuesday**: Buddy Reading.
  
  This is where a child will freely select a buddy and together they identify a book which they will be reading every Tuesday morning.

* **Wednesday**: Moral stories.
  
  Here we allow teachers, students or parents to share any moral story that will help develop children's character and values.

* **Thursday**: Class novel reading.
  
  The teacher will be guiding the children through a carefully selected novel. They will read together until the end.

* **Friday**: School assembly.
  
  Each class will be allocated a Friday when they can present to the rest of the school.

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**Important Dates**

- 9th January, 2018
  
  School Opens

- 2nd February 2018
  
  Swimming Gala

- 5th to 9th February, 2018
  
  Book-week

- 9th February, 2018
  
  Grand Finale

- 9th February, 2018
  
  Break for Mid-Term

- 19th February, 2018
  
  Resume form Mid-Term

- 20th to 23rd February, 2018
  
  PTC/Consultation Day

- March 19th to 23rd March 2018
  
  End of Term II Tests

- 28th March, 2018
  
  School Closes

- 29th March 2018
  
  Report collection day

Dubbed as “Book Cruiser”, this is among the major activities aligned for this term. The idea of book-week is to initiate children into the culture of reading books, not for exam but for leisure and knowledge. The week will include the following activities:

- A visit to the RU library
- Reading competition
- A book project
- Dress-up
- Spelling bee

More information will be sent to you in due course.
SWIMMING GALA

This is the first major event this term and it’s scheduled to take place on 2nd February 2018. Students will be in two competing houses and each house will have a captain and a patron. A team is working on this and you will be notified as soon as it’s completed.

BASKETBALL AND BADMINTON COURTS

The school is setting up a basketball and a badminton court in the school compound to help children develop their sporting skills.

SPORTS AND SWIMMING

We are proud to let you know that we are now following the sports and swimming calendar given by the international schools. Our plan this term is to separate key stage 1 and key stage 2 for better training and offering skills. Details of how this will be done will be given to you in due course.

LEARNING SUPPORT TEACHER

Children learn in different styles and pace. The role of the school is to identify the style and pace taken by each child and offer a conducive environment. The identification of each child’s need is done through a collaboration of class teacher and a specially trained teacher. Through this spirit we will offer the necessary intervention with the help of a learning support teacher where the child’s pace and style of learning are different from the rest. As a parent/guardian you will be informed and offered a chance to discuss with the teacher in case your child is to be in a learning support program.

CLUBS

As you are aware our school has an array of clubs offered on Saturdays. We encourage parents to ensure each child is in at least one club. However, the school is introducing a few other clubs in one of these afternoons in our school compound. This will help children develop better attitudes towards a certain areas of life. The list of clubs and the patrons will be sent to you soon.

PTC

It has been the norm to hold PTC at the end of the academic term. A closer look at this shows that parents do not get ample time to discuss the holistic life of their children. To allow enough time where every aspect of your child’s life is discussed, the school has preplanned the way PTC is held, and this term’s PTC will be held on 20th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd February 2018 from 3:00 – 4:30 pm.

Parents will be free to select the most suitable day and time.

TESTS AND ASSESSMENTS

In term 1 we only gave students formative assessment. However, in term 2 we will have both formative and summative assessments. Each will be clearly indicated in the student’s report card.