

ODIES NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Good day Parents

This time of the year is very special for all of us but even more for our children. It is time to relax but also time to work on your relationships. Children demand focused attention from their parents. Your mere presence is simply not good enough.

It is at times like this that a child can feel lonely even if you are close to him. You must focus on your child and give them quality attention.

A child remembers doing things with a parent rather than what you said.

It is my wish that during this holiday, you will listen carefully to what your child is saying and take a genuine interest by asking the right questions.

Enjoy being a parent and have a blessed Christmas and a happy New Year.

Mr D Brunner

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VALUE OF THE WEEK

Gratitude:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Luke 2:14



I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

John 14:6



WISHING THE ODIÉ FAMILY A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS AND A SUCCESSFUL YEAR AHEAD!

MAY THIS CHRISTMAS BRING JOY AND PROSPERITY TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.
HAPPY HOLIDAYS!"

WITH LOVE, MR & MRS BRUMMER

Ho ho ho, Learners and Colleagues! 🎅🎄

We've made it through another year – and what a ride it's been! As we head into the festive season, I want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas filled with laughter, good food, and memories worth keeping.

May your holidays sparkle brighter than the tinsel on the tree, and may your days be as warm as a Christmas pudding fresh out of the oven! 😊🌟

Please stay safe, enjoy every moment, recharge those batteries, and come back ready for an amazing new year ahead.

Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and all the festive cheer!



Mr Buys



In Afrikaans, we have a beautiful Christmas song that we sing every year. It has always been my favourite, as it perfectly captures the wish I carry in my heart each festive season. The song is called "Somerkersfees"—which translates directly to "Summer Christmas."

Welcome, O silent night of peace
Under the Southern Cross
While voices from the old past
Rustle over fields of stars

Do you hear how softly the bells chime
In an age-old language?
Look, even the nightly silence
Tells the old story

Do you also feel His warm love now
As we remember the day
When He sent us His Son
Our greatest Christmas gift

Christmas is coming, Christmas is coming
Give glory to God
Grant us a bright summer Christmas
In this country, O Lord

To all our wonderful learners, parents, and staff,
Wishing you a Merry and Blessed Christmas! May the Lord surround you with His loving embrace, filling your heart with peace, joy, and hope. May you feel the true spirit of Christmas in every moment—through laughter, love, and special memories with those dear to you.
May this festive season bring warmth to your home, light to your heart, and countless blessings for the year ahead.

Mrs S Pienaar



Dear Parents and Students,

As we reach the end of another busy and rewarding school year, I want to take a moment to thank you all for your hard work, dedication, and support. It has been a joy to see each student grow—not only in their grasp of English, but also in confidence, creativity, and character.

May this Christmas bring you peace, laughter, and special moments with loved ones. Take time to rest, reflect, and enjoy the simple joys of the season. I look forward to another wonderful year of learning and growth in 2026.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Warm regards,

Ms I BOONZAIER



Dear learners,

Thank you for a wonderful year, filled with curiosity, hard work, and growth. I'm truly proud of each one of you. Wishing you a joyful Christmas and a happy, restful New Year. May the holiday season bring you peace, laughter, and well-deserved rest.

Take care and enjoy the break!
Ms M Greyling



Good day Parents & Learners

May your Christmas be merry and bright, and your new year be filled with knowledge, laughter, and all your heart's desires!

From Ms Baloyi





Merry Christmas to you and your family. May you have a prosperous New Year!
See you in the next year.

Love Ms Mabotja



As we come to the close of this year and prepare to celebrate Christmas, I'm reminded of how special this season truly is. Christmas invites us to pause and reflect on the birth of Jesus Christ—our greatest gift, our saviour, who brings love, hope, and peace

As a teacher, it is a joy and a privilege to walk alongside our students each day, watching them learn, grow, and care for one another. This season encourages us to model the values Christ taught—kindness, patience, forgiveness, and compassion—both inside and outside the classroom.

My prayer this Christmas is that our students and families experience the warmth of God's love, the joy of togetherness, and the peace that comes from knowing we are deeply cared for. May the light of Christ shine brightly in your homes and hearts during this holy season and into the year ahead.

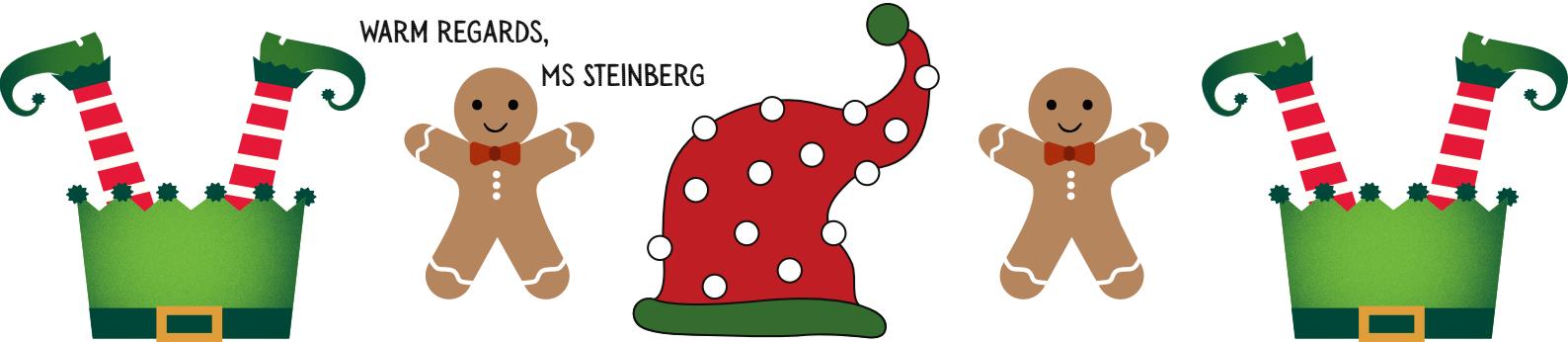
Wishing our entire school community a blessed, joyful, and restful Christmas

Ms Coetzer

AS WE WRAP UP ANOTHER BUSY SCHOOL YEAR, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OUR LEARNERS AND PARENTS FOR YOUR HARD WORK, SUPPORT, AND TEAMWORK THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. IT'S TIME TO PRESS PAUSE, RECHARGE YOUR BATTERIES, AND ENJOY SOME WELL-DESERVED REST. MAY YOUR HOLIDAYS BE FILLED WITH TREMENDOUS MOMENTS, PRESENT MEMORIES, AND PLENTY OF JOY WITH THOSE WHO MATTER MOST. WE WISH ALL OUR ODIÉ FAMILIES A SNOW-WORRY CHRISTMAS AND A SAFE, REFRESHING HOLIDAY. WE LOOK FORWARD TO BRANCHING OUT INTO THE NEW YEAR TOGETHER, READY FOR FRESH STARTS AND EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES.

WARM REGARDS,

MS STEINBERG



As we reach the end of the academic year, it's time to hibernate, recharge, and let our hard work bear fruit. I would like to thank all our learners and parents for your commitment, curiosity, and growth throughout the year.

May this holiday be a season of rest and renewal — a chance to adapt, regenerate, and enjoy quality time with family and friends. May your days be filled with positive energy and your hearts with renewed purpose.

Wishing all our Odié families a well-balanced Christmas and a safe, refreshing holiday. I look forward to seeing everyone back in the new year, ready to grow, evolve, and thrive together.

Warm regards,
Mr Steinberg

Dear Parents and Students,

As the year draws to a close, I would like to take a moment to thank each of you for the role you have played in making this year meaningful.

As we celebrate Christmas, may your homes be filled with peace, joy, and special moments with loved ones. May the season remind us of kindness, gratitude, and hope—and may the new year bring fresh opportunities and renewed purpose.

Wishing you all a safe, restful, and blessed Christmas, and a prosperous

New Year.



Regards,

Ms Cilliers

Dear Odié Community

It is my prayer that everyone will be intensely aware of Christ during Christmas.

May His peace be upon us.

Love

Ms McD

WARM REGARDS,

MS STEINBERG