

## PRE-PRIMARY

### NURSERY, PRE-RECEPTION AND RECEPTION

#### SCHOOL HOURS

##### Monday to Friday :

<b>Nursery</b>	-	09:00 – 12:30
<b>Pre-Reception</b>	-	08:30 – 12:30
<b>Reception</b>	-	08:30 – 12:30

#### FACILITIES

Housed in newly renovated classrooms the Pre-School offers:

- 1 Nursery class for 3-4 year olds
- 2 Pre-Reception classes for 4-5 year olds
- 2 Reception classes for 5-6 year olds

The education programme includes:

- Religious education
- Communication – encompassing life orientation skills
- Creative activities
- Action Ball – including gross motor, rhythm and ball skills
- Baking
- Kindermusik – singing, percussion, rhythm and movement
- Numeracy and Literacy
- Outings

Also available to the Pre-Primary children:

- Pottery – Claystation
- Tennis
- Ballet
- Diving

#### AFTERCARE

Available for all pupils in Pre-Primary and Junior

School until 17:45 during term-time only.

Casual Aftercare : R22 per hour

#### EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT

Occupational Therapy and Education Support teachers available for all grades on the premises.

## JUNIOR SCHOOL

#### GRADES

Springfield offers Grades 1 – 7 with a maximum of 28/29 per class and two classes per grade.

#### SCHOOL HOURS

##### Monday to Thursday:

Grades 1 & 2	-	08:00 – 13:30
Grade 3 to 7	-	08:00 – 14:20

##### Friday

Grade 1 to 7	-	08:00 – 13:00
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#### LEARNING AREAS

The curriculum includes:

Religious Education & Life Orientation	Economic Management Sciences
English	Physical Education
Afrikaans	Xhosa
Mathematics	Class Music
Natural Sciences	Speech and Drama
Information Technology	Art
Human & Social Sciences	Design & Technology

#### EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Art & Craft	Origami
Scrap Booking	General Knowledge Club
Celtic Dancing	Junior & Senior Primary Choirs
Chess	NIB (Nose in Book) Club
Community Outreach	Orchestra
Computer Club	Living Maths
Conundrum Club	Pottery
Modern Dancing	Enviro Club
Speech & Drama	Quilting

#### TEAM SPORTS

Cross Country	Netball	Synchronised Swimming
Diving	Swimming	Water Polo
Hockey	Tennis	

The children may learn the following instruments –

Cello	Guitar	Recorder
Clarinet	Harp	Saxophone
Drums	Marimbas	Violin
Flute	Piano	

## SENIOR SCHOOL

#### GRADES

Springfield offers Grades 8 – 12 with three classes per grade.

#### SCHOOL HOURS

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday	08:05 – 14:40
Wednesday	08:05 – 14:00
Friday	08:05 – 14:30

#### LEARNING AREAS

The curriculum includes:

Religious Education	History	Life Orientation
English	Geography	Natural Sciences
Afrikaans	Art	Technology
Xhosa	Drama	Arts & Culture
French	Music	Consumer Studies
Mathematics	Accounting	Physical Sciences
Life Sciences	Economic Management Sciences	

#### EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Art Club	Interact
Ceramics	Veritas
Choir/Chamber Choir	Orchestra
Community Service	SMILE
Culture Club	S.R.C.
Modern Dancing	C.H.O.C.
Debating Society	Photography Club
Drama Club/	Xhosa Society
Directors Workshop	Jazz/Marimba/
90x2030 Club (Environment)	Guitar Groups
Think Club	Creative Writing Club

#### ENRICHMENT

Information Technology	Life Skills
Lifestyle and Wellness Programme	Singing

#### SPORT

Cross Country	Swimming
Diving	Synchronized Swimming
Hockey	Squash
Indoor Hockey	Tennis
Netball	Water Polo

#### MUSIC

Cello	Harp	Saxophone	Pipe
Clarinet	Marimbas	Trumpet	Organ
Drums	Piano	Violin	
Flute	Recorder	Guitar	

## AN EXCELLENT SCHOOL IN BEAUTIFUL SURROUNDINGS

In 1871 a group of Irish Dominican Sisters who had come to the Cape and founded a school in the city in 1863, were looking for a property in the country on which to start a boarding school. After the stifling heat of the city, they were looking for a place with fresh country air, and were eventually able to purchase a Wynberg property called Springfield for £800.

From small beginnings, Springfield has grown over the years, to the flourishing school it is today. The Boarding department was phased out in the 1970's and the space vacated was incorporated into the day school.

As in most Dominican schools, the motto is *Truth*. This not only involves speaking the truth but searching for the truth that is to be found in all disciplines and in its fullness in God. Religious Education has its basis in the Catholic religion but Springfield welcomes all girls and teaches respect and tolerance for others' beliefs. Pupils are encouraged to deepen their faith and explore the world in the light of the Gospel. It is an important part of the curriculum and provides an inspiration for the school's outreach to those in need.

Since its earliest days, Springfield has been a leading academic school and was one of the first to offer Matriculation examinations to girls. We offer a comprehensive and balanced academic curriculum and our teachers are experts in their fields, imparting a strong work ethic, for which we are renowned. It is this mindset which is the foundation of our academic excellence – consistently resulting in 100 % matric pass rate. The Matric Class of 2009 again posted outstanding results at Springfield. 97% of this Grade achieved a 'Bachelors' Pass' enabling them to study towards a Bachelors Degree at a tertiary institution. Springfield was again honoured by being placed second in the **Top 10 Schools in the Western Cape** for Excellence, by the Department of Education.

A constant programme of renewal ensures that facilities are modern and updated. The Centenary Hall, which serves both the Senior and Junior schools, was recently upgraded into a magnificent theatre providing a professional and impressive platform for all school functions and productions. A large, modern and secure car park was built to service both schools and to provide an important and aesthetic link between the campuses. 2009 saw the completion of a state-of-the-art media centre for the Junior School and the building of a multi-purpose science laboratory in the Senior School. A striking feature of the school is its beautiful grounds. The six tennis courts and three playing fields are situated behind the Junior School, while the northern section houses beautiful swimming and diving pools situated within magnificent gardens. Physical fitness complements academic prowess and we encourage physical activity and a healthy but friendly competitive spirit! We are proud of our sporting excellence with many pupils achieving national representation across all sporting disciplines.

Springfield stimulates creative expression through Music, Art and Drama and each faculty boasts impeccable facilities and opportunities which ensure that the unique spark within each and every girl is fully expressed. There is a variety of extra-curricular societies and clubs where pupils are encouraged to develop their talents and become even more accomplished adult individuals.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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*Throughout the school's long history, girls who have been educated here have been drawn back throughout their lives by Springfield's spell. They can't define it; they can't name it; they can only tell you that here they find a peace and atmosphere that they find nowhere else.*

# SPRINGFIELD CONVENT SCHOOL



1871 - 2010