

## **Newsletter March 4, 2022**

Greetings to you all parents. We are towards the end of term 1, only a few weeks left until the school holidays start. We thank you all for your support and cooperation.

### **Term 1 examinations and issuing of reports**

Learners have been writing their controlled tests for term 1 as from the 4<sup>th</sup> of March. The last papers are going to be written today the 15<sup>th</sup> of March 2022. Thank you all for encouraging learners to study and providing them with the support they need. We are hoping for the good results. Term 1 reports for the grade 11, AS & A level will be issued to parents on the consultation day which will be on the 9<sup>th</sup> of April. For all other grades will be issued to parents on the 17<sup>th</sup> of March 2022.

### **Holiday lessons and Extra classes**

School will be closing tomorrow from the 17<sup>th</sup> of March and will re-open on the 5<sup>th</sup> of April 2022. Our examination classes will have holiday lessons. The extra classes for term 1 will be offered per school level. Any further information on this will be sent as soon as we are done with the preparations. Learners need ample time for them to prepare for their final examinations and hence we kindly ask for your support for the program to be a success.

### **Uniform policy**

We would like to thank you all for the effort you are putting in providing the proper uniforms for the learners. There is a great improvement in learners observing the uniform policy. However, please take note that the woolen hats, jerseys and scarfs are supposed to be Taalnet branded. Also take note that uniforms are seasonal, there is one for winter and the other one for summer. Winter uniforms are not supposed to be worn in summer. Monday is a Blazer day all learners must put on their blazers. Friday is the only tracksuit day in summer season. However there will be two tracksuit days in winter which will be Wednesday and Friday.

There is a uniform list for school prefects. May the respective parents take note of the uniforms that their children have to put on as school prefects.

### **Teaching and learning Resources**

There is a shortage of the teaching and learning resources. These include stationary and textbooks. We are kindly asking parents who did not provide stationery for the 2022 to do so with immediate effect.

Around 40% of our learners are having textbooks and 60% do not have. This affects the teaching and learning process and the results of learners in a negative way. The School Governing Board (SGB) came up with the textbook levies per grade. We would like to thank all parents and guardians who have paid for the book levy. Already we have received some books for the school of different grades of which most of them are for primary school learners.

### **Disciplinary issues**

School discipline refers to the rules and strategies applied in schools to manage student behavior. At the beginning of this year we issued out our code of conduct to the grade 7 up to the high school learners. The forms were signed and brought back. We educated the learners about our rules and

regulations. However, we are facing some challenges. Some learners are not observing the rules and regulations. In extreme cases we involve parents to iron out issues for the sake of maintaining the best learning environment for everyone.

Generally, Discipline in the classroom helps students stay focused on their academics. Teachers and administrators will maintain discipline to create an effective learning environment.

### **School fees payment**

A reminder to all parents, school fees have to be paid by the 3<sup>rd</sup> of every month. Please take note that there are three methods of fees payment.

1. Annual
2. Termly. - To our termly payers, please take note that the termly fees have to be paid before the beginning of the term
3. Monthly which has to be on debit order.

NB. The monthly fees will be subject to the interest at a rate of 2.5 % per month, calculated from the date the amount is overdue until the payment date.

In addition to the school fees there are termly levies that have to be paid by the end of every term.

### **School events and activities**

The month of March is busy with a variety of activities. These include:

- Taalnet inter-schools athletics competitions which will be held on the 8<sup>th</sup> of March at Germiston stadium. We would like to appreciate all the parents who have paid for their termly sports fees. We wish our learners best of luck for success.
- Entrepreneurship day will be on the 11<sup>th</sup> of March 2022. Foundation phase learners will be selling items. They will calculate their profits after the event.
- Parents' meeting for the grade 10 and 11 will be held on the 12<sup>th</sup> of March. We will be elaborating on the curriculum we offer to parents.

Thank you.

Yours in education

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