



Letter 1/2022

02 February 2022

Dear Parent / Guardian

### **2022 WELCOME REMARKS AND NEWSLETTER**

We trust you have had a wonderful summer break and are looking forward to the year ahead. 2021 was an extra ordinary year following the worldwide spread of Covid 19. Condolences to all who may have lost their loved ones due to this pandemic. To returning students and their families - it's great to have you back. To our new learners and their families we would like to extend to you a warm welcome to the Taal-net Beula Park School and community.

It is our desire that the first term of the school year be excellent for all. If you need to meet with the principal, deputy principal, teachers or college administrator or matrons (for boarders) do not hesitate to contact us. We suggest that parents /caregivers call first to schedule appointments before coming in so that you will not experience any delays.

Throughout 2022 you will see changes based on feedback from parents, other stakeholders and learners, all driven by our desire to make Taal-net Beula Park School the shining star of Gauteng. Every step we take in this journey we will take it together to make our school stronger, wonderful and better for our children.

The school has arranged for a **Meet the Teacher week from the 22<sup>nd</sup> to the 25<sup>th</sup> of February** at the school premises from 1400 -1530 hours. Parents will have the opportunity to meet their child's teacher and get to know about the class programmes. Meet the teacher week will also provide you and your child's teacher a one-on-one opportunity to discuss;

- Your aspirations for your child this year.
- Any historical information you feel the teacher needs to be aware of that may impact on or support your child's learning.
- For your child's teacher to discuss with you initial 'settling' into the new grade observations.

#### **NOTE:**

**During this session all parties are expected to observe the COVID 19 regulations and procedures as per the country's regulations.**

As Term 1 gets underway, please do not hesitate to ask questions to make sure you know more about the school. We look forward to getting to know the children better and meeting you all as the term progresses.

Communication is an important part of our partnership with you and newsletters are a key part of this. Our newsletters will have a mixture of housekeeping information, student learning celebrations and information about what is happening in and around the school.

### **Important dates for term 1:**

Meet the teacher week	22 <sup>nd</sup> to the 25 <sup>th</sup> of February
Civvies days	Every fortnight
Inter-house athletics competitions	To be announced
Inter-Schools athletics competitions	To be announced
Prefects' leadership and induction workshop	15 March
Valentine day celebration bash	18 February
Educational trip	Term 2
Ongoing Assessments	Fortnightly and Monthly

### **Text books and stationery**

Parents are reminded that all learners are expected to have textbooks by the 28<sup>th</sup> of February. Parents who have not yet purchased the books are urged to do so. Textbooks are the core of teaching and learning. Lack of textbooks compromises the quality of learning and teaching. As such class teachers will be following up with individual parents in cases where stationary or textbooks would not have been bought.

### **School hours**

Lessons start at 0730 hours and end at 1500 hours (Monday to Thursday) and 1530 hours for grade 12.

Friday 0730 hours and end at 1300 hours for grade 1 to 9 and 1330 for grade 10 to 12.

Assembly is held every Monday at 0730 hours.

### **School trip**

Learners will be taken on a school trip beginning of April.

### **Sports**

The school is currently having athletics for sports. Preparations are underway for inter house and inter schools competitions. Parents are urged to provide learners with sports attire.

### **Civvies days**

The school holds civvies days every fortnight. We kindly request parents to give the learner **R10** for the civvies day. Money raised is used as petty cash for the day to day running of the school

### **Uniform**

Learners are expected to be in complete uniform as per the school code of conduct. **Blazers are compulsory** and with effect from 1 March any learner without a blazer will not be allowed in the school unless a valid reason has been given to the school management or in a case where a parent has paid for the blazer and is still waiting for the order from the uniform shop.

The school pledges to excel and ensure that quality education and a safe learning environment are provided to the learners.

### **Hair Styles**

No fashionable hairstyles / haircut are allowed.

Boys: No steps, Lines or colour allowed.

Girls: No wigs, Coloured hair. Girls should plait their hair and tie it back.

### **Code of conduct**

Learners have been issued the code of conduct. Parents are requested to read the code of conduct to the children and to sign accordingly.

### **School Fees Payment**

The school is a fee paying school and therefore all parents are expected to meet their obligation to pay school fees at the beginning of each month. May you refer to your fees statement and invoice for school fees update.

### **Nominations for School Governing Body**

The school runs with the support of parents and as such we need parent representative who would be part of the SGB. We invite parents who are willing to be part of this body to send a message to the administrator. The new SGB will be expected to commence its duties on the 11<sup>th</sup> of February. For the roles of the SGB kindly refer to the document accompanying this letter.

The school wishes to thank all parents who have given us feedback on our service. We pledge to improve and offer quality and excellent education for the betterment of our youngsters' future.

***Together we can make 2022 a successful and fruitful year for our children.  
Education is a three legged pot supported by Educators, parents and learners.  
Your success is our success!***

Yours in Education

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Moyo K.R.  
(School Principal)