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Hoërskool Voortrekker

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#Mission

Hoërskool Voortrekker wil die skool van keuse wies met behoud van getalbe opvoedende onderwys in die tradisie van ons skool

Hoërskool Voortrekker strives to be the school of choice through an equal partnership between parent and educators resulting in the enrichment of our children and the development of each one to his/her full potential through quality education, to the benefit of the community.

21 February 2022

Dear Parents

NEWSLETTER: 3 OF 2022

1. TEST TIME TABLE

Please find attached the test timetable starting on 2 March 2022. Note that learners will only be writing for 1 hour during the day. The rest of the day is normal school. To many learners convince their parents that they do not need to attend school if they are not writing on that specific day.

2. Gr 12 learners:

The Gr 12 learners are not totally focused as we as educators would wish them to be. They need to take the responsibility for their work, "The price of greatness is responsibility". - Winston Churchill.

The Holiday timetable has been given to the gr 12 learners. We urge parent to please ensure that your child attend these classes.

3. BIRTHDAY WISHES

Mr Redgard, Mrs Du Preez and Mrs Doherty celebrate their birthdays this month. Thank you for being part of our wonderful staff.

4. VACCINATIONS

Please be informed of the following:

HS Voortrekker was identified by the District-based vaccination teams and vaccination will be done at school this week.

Only learners with signed COVID-19 vaccination consent forms will be vaccinated.

The Gauteng Provincial Covid Command Centre (PCCC) has approved the Department of Health's (GDOH) proposal to implement a school zone-based vaccination programme as part of the broader Gauteng City Regions' Vaccination Strategy with Gauteng Department of Education (GDE) and Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs playing an active role in urgently implementing it to increase the vaccination rates within the province. The Minister of Health announced that all children 12-17 years and older will be eligible to receive Pfizer vaccine as follows:

- 12-17 year olds will receive one dose and 42 days thereafter a booster dose (2nd dose) and
- 18 year olds and older will receive their first dose and 42 days thereafter their 2nd dose. A booster dose (3rd dose) will be received after 180 days.

5. READ, READ, READ

We are implementing reading time every day at school. Learners are requested to bring their novels of English or Afrikaans to read during this time. Donations of novels that can be kept in classes, would be very welcome.

6. WINTER SPORT PRACTISES

Practise for Rugby, netball and hockey will commence from Tuesday till Thursday every week. Please ensure that your child do not leave their belongings unattended.

7. SAFETY

We are receiving more and more reports of learners being robbed after school outside the school property. Learners must, if possible, wait for their transport inside the school grounds.

8. SGB BI-ELECTIONS

Bi-election will be held on 3 March at 18:00.

9. FINANCIAL PROGRAM

We have started on a new financial program. We ask parent to please to communicate any discrepancies to the finance office asap.

10. SCHOOL FEE REDUCTIONS:

All school fees for January should be paid by no later than Friday 4 February 2022. Parents who want to apply for a reduction in school fees must hand in the completed forms before Friday 4 March 2022 at the financial office. The prescribed forms are available from the finance office. All applications are assessed according to the official formula as stipulated in the Norms and Standards for School Funding. The school makes use of an external auditor approved by the Governing Body to evaluate each application. It is imperative that all relevant documentation be made available and that the application form is completed in full. Furthermore, the form must be handed in as soon as possible. The Governing Body has the legal right to exact payment from you. Please make sure that the proof of income is attached to the form.

PLEASE NOTE THAT SUBSIDY WILL ONLY BE CONSIDERED FROM THE DATE HANDED IN TILL END OF THE YEAR.

11. ANTI-BULLY CAMPAIGN

Anti-bullying legislation is a legislation enacted to help reduce and eliminate bullying. This legislation may be national or sub-national and is commonly aimed at ending bullying in schools

Bullying can take many forms including:

- Physical bullying which can include kicking, hitting, pushing and taking away belongings;
- Verbal bullying which includes name calling, mocking and making offensive comments;
- Emotional bullying which includes isolating an individual or spreading rumours about them;
- Cyber-bullying where technology is used to hurt an individual – for instance text messaging or posting messages/images on the internet or any form of social media
- Racist bullying occurs when bullying is motivated by racial, ethnic or cultural prejudice.
- Sexual bullying is where someone makes unwanted physical contact or makes sexually abusive comments.

WHAT DO YOU DO IF YOU ARE BEING BULLIED?

Those who bully like to think that they have power over their targets, so you need to remove that power!