

DATE: 26 April 2024 / Amberfield College Newsletter

Weekly activities

MONDAY:	Public Holiday (2 May)
	Intervention
	Culture & Sport
TUESDAY:	Intervention
	Culture
	Sport
WEDNESDAY:	Intervention
	Culture & Sport
THURSDAY:	Intervention
	Culture
	Sport
FRIDAY:	
SATURDAY:	Intervention Gr 11 & 12

UNIFORM

Our uniform shop is open Monday – Friday from 09:00 – 15:00 and every last Saturday of the month from 09:00 – 12:00

Word from the executive principal

Dear Parents

We hope this message finds you well. We writing to inform you about an upcoming mid-break scheduled for May 2024.

As part of our academic calendar, we have incorporated a mid-term break to provide learners with an opportunity to recharge, rejuvenate, and spend quality time with family and friends.

Kind Regards:

Mr M Ponnen - Executive Principal

Important dates and events

*Please see the D6 Connect App for the detailed calendar

Mid-Term Break: 1 May 2024 – 5 May 2024
11 May: Big Open Day

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Pre – Primary news

New Staff:

We would like to welcome Ms Rohanette Kruger to Amberfield College. She has been appointed as the Gr R teacher in the place of Ms Frobos. We hope that she will be very happy in her new class.

Uniform:

Parents are welcome to dress their little ones in the winter tracksuit as it is getting colder. Please note that the official day for winter uniform is on 6 May 2024.

Sick children:

Parents are reminded that if their child is sick, they must please keep them at home. We have quite a few cases of Swine flu and it is highly contagious.

Your appreciation in this regard will be highly appreciated.

Special days for Term 2

Wednesday 1-5 May – MIDTERM BREAK

Friday 10 May – Mommy and Me day

Friday 17 May – Storybook Character Day

Friday 24 May – Drive-In movie day (Dads need to make a car using a box big enough for their child to sit in)

Friday 7 June – Daddy and Me day

Friday 14 June – Schools close at 10:00

Tuesday 9 July – School opens for Term 3

Kind Regards

Ms L Pretorius

Pre-Primary Principal



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Primary School

Uniform

The weather seems to be rather erratic at the moment. As we transition to winter, learners will be allowed to wear either summer or winter uniform depending on the day's weather. From 6 May, only winter uniform will be allowed so please ensure that you have stocked up on the necessary winter uniform.

"Dress up as a Character from a Book" Day

Our learners enjoyed dressing up as their favourite book character on 23 April, which also happened to be World Book Day. Check out the Cinderellas and Tinkerbells alongside Dracula, Aladdin and Robin Hood!



Learner Appreciation:



Our multi-talented Grade 1 learners were tasked with creating/building a house with recyclable materials. They took to the task with zeal and created some masterpieces. Well done Grade 1's!

It was World Earth Day on 22 April 2024. To honour and celebrate our remarkable planet on this extraordinary day, here is some beautiful art created by our Grade 3 learners.



Grade 7 Creative Arts:

The Gr 7's made exceptional 3D artworks for their Visual Arts formal task last term. The theme was "Waiting" which had to link to nature and sustainability.



Kind Regards and Amo
Bronwen Derbyshire
Primary School Principal

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High School News

As the High School, we are filled with pride as we celebrate the outstanding achievements of our learners. It is our pleasure to extend a heartfelt congratulations to all of our learners who participated in the Rotary Inter-Schools Quiz Competition. A special round of applause goes to our junior team for securing second place in the Competition! Your hard work, dedication, and enthusiasm have truly paid off. You have represented our school with excellence, and we couldn't be prouder of your achievement.

We would like to extend a sincere thank you to Ms. Mahele for her invaluable efforts in organising and guiding our learners throughout this enriching experience. Your commitment to their growth and development is truly commendable.

JUNIOR TEAM

Siyanqoba Mahlangu
Melokuhle Nxumalo
Kamva Sakhela
Ntokozo Mkhwebane

SENIOR TEAMS

Mmeli Ndlovu
Tumo Mokoena
Motheo Makamo
Tshegofatso Selota
Wavhudi Malovhele
Reatlegile Modirapula
Mahlako Mabapa
Simphiwe Masuku
Neema Mathebula
Murangi Muneri



Furthermore, we are thrilled to congratulate the AADC Dance Crew on their remarkable success at the World Dance Cup South Africa Competition! Achieving 5th place in the Junior Small Group Street Dance & Commercial category is a testament of your talent and dedication. Well done!

AADC

Kgosigadi Maredi
Esam-Isipho Manjez
Zoey Lekgothoane
Ronewa Mbubana
Thabang Shai
Ogorositse Ramoshaba
Hlamalani Matshela
Sinothando Malefane
Siya Zwane



A special thank you goes to Ms. Mahlase, our Coach and Head of Dance, for her tireless support and guidance in nurturing our dancers' skills and talents.

In addition, we would like to extend our congratulations to Mr. Masemula for his appointment as a teacher moderator for History, and to Ms. Herzog for her appointment as a teacher moderator for Drama. Your expertise and leadership will undoubtedly enrich our academic programs.

Lastly, we would like to kindly request our High School learners to exit the school from the bottom gate for their collective safety. Please refrain from using the top gate and waiting in the parking area. Your safety is our utmost priority, and we appreciate your cooperation in adhering to this guideline.

Once again, congratulations to all the learners, teachers, and coaches on your remarkable achievements! Your hard work, dedication, and passion are truly inspiring.

Kind Regards

Yashmita Jasmat
High School Deputy Principal

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Culture News

AMO! The learners are having a very fun and enriching time during their cultural activities.

Public Speaking

How do I write an argumentative speech? In Public Speaking we are learning how to use the given topics and develop a well thought-out speech with three clear arguments.

Marimbas

Marimba learners are very excited and have shown great enthusiasm, as they will be working on their first song, the classic "Pata Pata" song by Miriam Makeba.

Christian Student Council

The sessions for the Grade 1 - 7 learners will focus on prayer, worship, sharing of testimonies, witnessing to friends and Bible stories. Mrs Ramdeo will be teaching the learners how to do devotions and how to keep a prayer/devotional journal.

We will continue learning the Books of the Bible (Old and New Testament). The theme for this term is the Armor of God. Due to the amounts of extra mural activities during the week, Mrs Ramdeo is moving CSC to Friday afternoons from (13:00 - 14:00) to accommodate learners who have other activities during the week.

Singing

A new warm up method was introduced to the learners. The learners were divided into two groups. Each group had to come up with a song for next week.

Art

The Grade 3 Art learners are drawing a tree and using autumn colours to paint the colours of the season at hand.

This week the Gr. 4 - 7 art learners will carry on with painting artworks that is related to what was happening during dark times and what is happening today since freedom was declared.

HSC

This week, the Hindu Student Council will delve into the significance of Hanuman Jayanti and Kavady, two auspicious festivals in the Hindu calendar. Our celebration will feature soulful bhajans and heartfelt praise dedicated to Lord Hanuman and Lord Muruga, embodying the spirit of devotion and reverence. Join us as we commemorate these sacred occasions with reverence and joy.

Drama

This week, the learners have done some dramatic expression and body language.

Learners are going to be handed a script and will have to audition for their roles in the play and monologue, as good practice in drama class.

Dance

The Primary School learners are thrilled to explore the world of hip-hop dance! Hip-hop dance is not just about movement; it's about expression, creativity, and confidence-building.

In our classes, your child will:

1. Learn the fundamentals of hip-hop dance, including various styles such as popping, locking, and breaking.
2. Develop coordination, rhythm, and agility through fun and engaging choreography.
3. Cultivate self-expression and confidence as they explore their own unique style.
4. Build teamwork and social skills by dancing alongside their peers in a supportive environment.

We are passionate about sharing the joy of hip-hop dance and are dedicated to helping your child reach their full potential.



We've got that boom boom pow!

**Warm Regards,
Primary School Culture Co-ordinator
Monique Haughton**

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Sport News

- Congratulations to all the soccer Boys who won their matches against Cultura High and The German School. The Table Tennis learners had a convincing victory over Hoërskool Waterkloof. WELL DONE!
- We also want to congratulate Ongama Bonkolo who went to the International Karate Tournament in Namibia. There he achieved a Gold and Silver medal and qualified to go to the Karate World Championships.



The Primary School Netball and Soccer teams had great games against Pinnacle Raslow. The U/11 Soccer boys WON 6 – 1, U/13 Soccer WON 9 – 0. U/10/12 and 13 A and B Netball teams won their games. WELL DONE!

A peek of what is ahead:

- Soccer Cup games against Crawford College.
- Soccer league matches against Greenwood College.
 - Table tennis against the German School.
- U/10 – 13 Soccer and Netball vs. Fleur Primary at Amberfield on Tuesday 30 April.

Kind Regards
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Therapy News

HOW TO STREAMLINE YOUR STUDY ROUTINE?



As the midterm break approaches, it is a good opportunity to not waste time. **By following these tips, you can enhance your study routine, stay organised, and maintain motivation throughout your academic journey.**

1. Organisation is Key

- Use a Year Planner. Note down all deadlines, projects, assessments and test dates.
- Create a Study Time Table: Display it prominently and include motivational quotes or images.
- Find a suitable study space. Choose a location conducive to focus, like the dining room if your bedroom is too distracting.

2. Healthy Habits

- Opt for healthy snacks. Prepare a snack plate with salad, fruit and nuts instead of junk food to maintain healthy energy levels.

3. Combat Procrastination

- Start Early: Avoid the guilt of procrastination by beginning tasks as soon as possible.
- Minimise Distractions: Keep your phone away and set a timer to stay focused.

4. Break Tasks Down

- Divide and Conquer: Break larger tasks into smaller, manageable ones to reduce overwhelm.
- Utilise Lists: Create simple to-do lists in your diary and tick off completed tasks for a sense of accomplishment. Jot down questions for your teachers to ensure that you don't forget them. Teachers have loads of stories to tell of how learners upped their marks when they were failing. They know how to help you improve your mark & will have personalised suggestions/tips on what you need to do to succeed.

5. Study Support

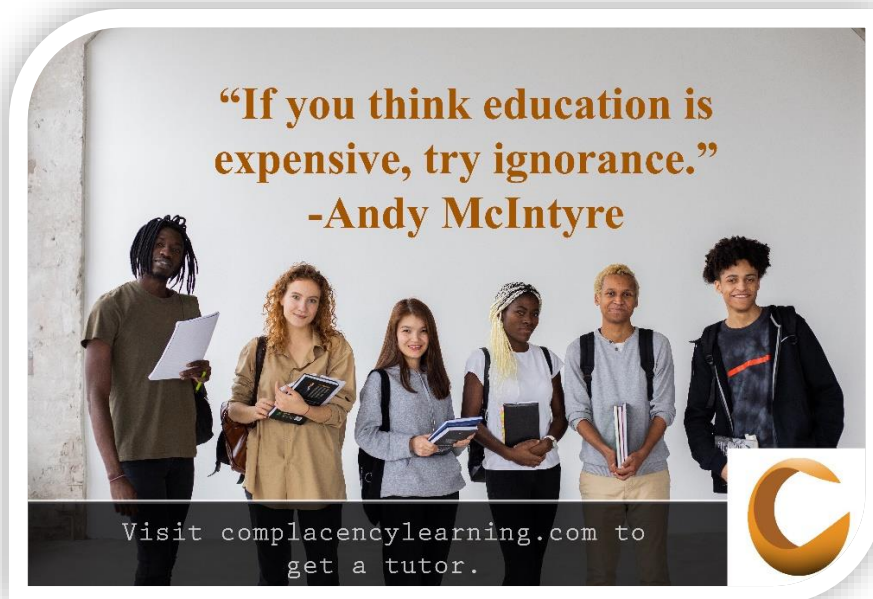
- Consider Studying with others: Join a study group or find a study buddy for motivation and accountability.

6. Self-Care and Balance

- Take regular breaks to recharge and avoid burnout.
- Prioritise: Recognise that you can't do everything and focus on what's most important. Here, again, your teachers can guide you. Choose wisely and maintain balance.

Kind Regards
Mrs Gail Sentoo
School Social Worker

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