

DATE: 14 March 2025 / Amberfield College Newsletter

## Weekly activities

<b>MONDAY:</b>	
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	
<b>SATURDAY:</b>	

### UNIFORM

Our uniform shop is open Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 07:00 – 12:00  
 Tuesday and Thursday 10:00 -15:00  
 Every last Saturday of the month from 09:00 – 12:00(excluding school Holiday)

## Word from the executive principal

### Dear Parents

For the safety and well-being of our children, we kindly ask that you refrain from allowing your child to buy food, snacks, or other items from vendors outside the school premises.

We strongly encourage you to provide your child with meals and snacks from home or use the school tuckshop, where we ensure that all items meet the necessary standards. Together, we can help ensure the safety and health of our children.

Kind Regards:

Mr M Ponnen - Executive Principal

## Important dates and events

\*Please see the D6 Connect App for the detailed calendar

28 March: Reports will be emailed to parents – Grade R – Grade

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28 March: School Closes

## BANKING DETAILS

**Account name:** Amberfield College

**Bank:** ABSA

**Account number:** 4113850140

**Type of account:** Current

**Branch code:** 632005

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## Pre – Primary news

### **Warm greetings from Amberfield Pre - Primary School.**

Last week Friday, our Pre-Schoolers had a fun water day with lots of activities to keep them busy. They had a science lesson where they could make a foam snake using a bottle, sock and dishwashing liquid. They enjoyed playing on the slip and slide and with the sensory bins which had slime and toys to play with.



### **Uniform shop**

The uniform shop will be **closed** from Monday 31 March to Friday 4 April 2025.

They will **re-open** on Monday 7 April 2025 from 9:00 – 12:00 and Tuesday 8 April 2025 (school starts) from 7:00 – 15:00

From Wednesday 9 April 2025 the uniform shop will continue with their normal trading hours.

### Staff Birthdays:

Ms Amor Bezuidenhout 12 March

Ms Zandile Mahlangu 24 March

### **Special days for Term 1**

Friday 28 March – School closes at 10:00

Tuesday 8 April – School starts for Term 2

Kind Regards  
Ms L Pretorius  
Pre-Primary Principal

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## Primary School News

### ***Warm greetings from Amberfield Primary School.***

As we are near the end of a fantastic term, we'd like to take a moment to celebrate our achievements and look forward to the exciting events ahead. Thank you to all the efforts made by our staff, parents and our learners.

#### **Farewell and Welcome**

We bid a heartfelt farewell to Ms. Bekker, who has resigned from her position. We wish her all the best in her future endeavours. We are delighted to welcome Ms. Sandos, who has joined us as her replacement. Ms. Sandos started on the 6th of March, and we are excited to have her as part of our school community. Please join us in extending a warm welcome to her!

#### **Assessments and Test Cycle**

All grade 1-7 assessments cycle tests will come to an end on Monday 17 March. Please take note that normal teaching and learning continues until end of term and learners should not remain at home unnecessarily. Well done to our learners for all their hard work and effort.



#### **International Mathematics Day**

On 14 March we celebrated International Mathematics Day! On this special day, our students had the opportunity to dress up as their favourite mathematicians or math-related characters or have any math-related outfit. Thank you to all that participated.



Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community. We hope you have a wonderful month ahead!

**Kind Regards**  
**Mrs B Derbyshire**  
**Primary School Principal**

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## High School News

### ***Warm greetings from Amberfield High School.***

There has been so many events taking place that we have only realised now that the term is almost over. Many of our learners are looking forward to the holidays.

In the last few weeks, the learners have been busy with their cycle tests and SBA Tasks. Many of them have been doing very well.

Our learners will also be taking part in the prestigious ESKOM SCIENCE EXPO for young scientists, as well as the SAYWP – Arts of water problem awareness initiative. Thirty senior phase learners and twenty FET phase learners will participate, supported by our dedicated subject-specific staff members. Communication was sent out on February, 28. We would like to encourage our learners to participate in this incredible opportunity.

The Wellness Committee visited Jacob's Well Tzuria to donate items for the disabled children at this home. The dedication that was shown by the learners is astounding and it shows that they are committed to community service.

Ms Herzog (Deputy Principal) took the grade 10 and 11 Drama learners to the Jo'burg Theatre on 28 February 2025 to watch "If you strike a woman, you strike a rock" as part of the drama curriculum. Learners participated in a Q & A with three of the actors who performed. This was an enlightening experience for the learners.

Saturday, 08 March 2025, Amberfield College hosted learners from two other schools for the First Aid Training Course. It was an informative experience for the learners.

The University of Pretoria hosted its Open Day on 08 March 2025. Many of our grade 12 learners attended this event. It was a day of learning and acquiring information for their future career paths.



***All the best for the next two weeks of school. Yours in education.***

Kind Regards  
Yashmita Jasmat  
High School Principal

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## Discipline News

### *Warm greetings from Amberfield*

For the safety and well-being of our children, we kindly ask that you refrain from allowing your child to buy food, snacks, or other items from vendors outside the school premises. **These vendors are not regulated by the school, and we cannot guarantee the hygiene, quality, or safety of their products. The school is also working closely with the local TMPD to assist us with this situation.**

We are also concerned about the children who are crossing roads to make purchases. This exposes them to unnecessary danger, and we urge you to remind them not to leave the school grounds for this reason. In addition, please ensure that your child does not bring cash to school. Carrying cash may lead them to make unsafe choices by buying from these external vendors.

We strongly encourage you to provide your child with meals and snacks from home or use the school tuckshop, where we ensure that all items meet the necessary standards. Together, we can help ensure the safety and health of our children.



*Thank you for your cooperation in maintaining a positive and secure environment at Amberfield College.*

***Yours in Discipline***

**Kind Regards**  
**Mpho Masemula**  
**Discipline Manager**

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## Culture News

*Warm greetings from Amberfield Culture.*

### Primary School

#### AMO!!

This term's cultural activities have run smoothly, wrapping up last Tuesday to allow students to focus on control tests. While we take a short break, some activities will resume after the test series.

#### \*\*Public Speaking\*\*

Learners have been developing confidence, expression, and quick-thinking skills through engaging exercises like tongue twisters, impromptu challenges, and silent speeches. Their progress in communication and self-assurance has been inspiring! Try this at home: "Red leather, yellow leather" – how fast can you say it?

#### \*\*Singing\*\*

Learners began with vocal exercises led by Mrs. Morake and are now working on a group song, continuing into next term.

#### \*\*Dance\*\*

Students are learning a new hip-hop routine for the Term 3 Dance Festival. The Amapiano dance crew auditions were a hit, and everyone is loving their practice sessions!

#### \*\*Hindu Student Council\*\*

This term, learners explored Hindu festivals like Kavady and Maha Shivarathri and practiced weekly yoga, focusing on Surya Namaskar. These activities have fostered cultural appreciation and spirituality.

#### \*\*Christian Student Council\*\*

With 43 learners attending weekly sessions (Fridays, 13:00-14:00), activities include prayer, worship, Bible quizzes, and memory verses. Learners also have prayer buddies and are learning the Books of the Bible and The Lord's Prayer.

#### \*\*Drama\*\*

Foundation Phase learners explored poetry with rhyming, actions, and voice projection. Intermediate learners practiced improvisation, pantomime, and narrative speaking, enhancing creativity and confidence.

#### \*\*Art\*\*

Foundation Phase students focused on self-portraits and shading techniques, while Intermediate Phase learners experimented with canvas painting and shading, bringing their artwork to life.

### HIGH SCHOOL

#### Wishing Our Learners Success in Their Upcoming Competitions!

As we embrace the spirit of excellence and dedication, we extend our best wishes to our talented learners who are preparing for their upcoming competitions.

#### Upcoming Competitions:

 **Ad Libitum Choral Competition** – 15th March 2025

 **ShowUp University of Pretoria Competition** – 24th-26th March 2025

 **Debate Team Tournament** – 20th March 2025

#### Celebrating Our Debate Team's Success!

A special round of applause goes to our **Debate Team** for their remarkable performance at their first tournament, held on 27th February 2025 at **Pretoria Boys High**. The team secured **five wins and only two losses**, a fantastic achievement that showcases their debating prowess and teamwork. We would like to congratulate **Lerato Chimone** and **Hikhensile Mabunda** for being recognized as **Best Speakers**. Your eloquence and critical thinking have made us all proud! A heartfelt thank you to **Ms. Radebe, Ms. de Kock, and Ms. Radebe** for their unwavering support, guidance, and mentorship. Your dedication to the team has been instrumental in their success.

Kind Regards  
Ms Monique Haughton  
Primary School Culture Coordinator

Kind Regards  
Ms Ofentje Mahlase  
High School Culture Coordinator

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## Sport News

***Warm greetings from Amberfield Sport.***

### **Amberfield College Sport: Pursuing Dreams beyond the Season**

Our young Sports men and Women have been hard at work thus far this term and the results they have achieved can attest to that:

Our Primary school participated in their first BIG inter School's Swimming Gala. We swam in the Pretoria D – League competition and came in 2<sup>nd</sup> place out of 13 schools. We managed to win 16 gold medals. Luniko Toyo was awarded with Best Performing Boy (Victor Ledorum) at the gala. Well done to each and every one of our swimmers! We are extremely proud of you!



Our High School Softball girls ended their season on a HIGH note by beating Reddfordhouse Blue Hills and Roosevelt High. Well Done Girls!

We have also started with our Winter Sports Pre – Season Training and have had a few matches already. Our U/12 and U/13 Soccer boys beat Curro Hazeldean.



Kind Regards  
Mr G Daverson

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## Therapy News

*Warm greetings from Amberfield School Social Worker.*

### **ACTS OF RANDOM KINDNESS: 'BE KIND ON SOCIAL MEDIA'**

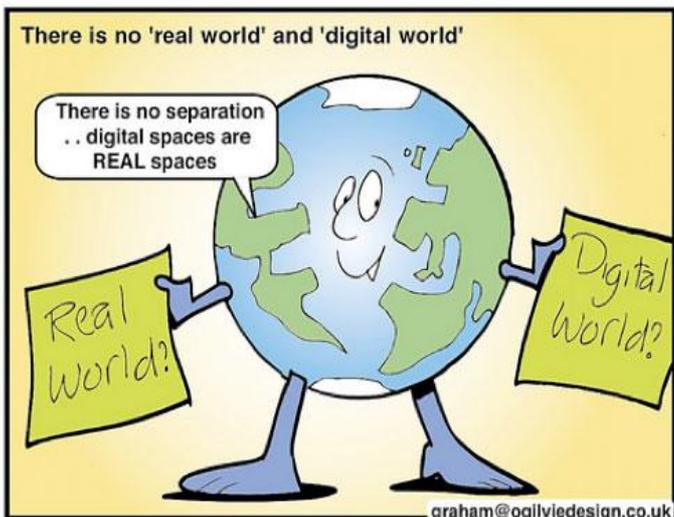
Dear Parent

It is inspiring to see the ARK Art Group fostering such positive and meaningful interactions through the ARK initiative. Teaching children and teens the importance of kindness, especially on social media, is an important step toward creating a more compassionate digital world. Even small changes can have a ripple effect over time.

The parents of the ARK Parent/School Committee have provided excellent ideas; some of them have been implemented this month and we will continue to implement other ideas during the course of next term. I would like to share some of their great ideas that you could use with your children at home as fun holiday activities:

- Help children understand how our words impact people in digital spaces.
- Have family debates: "Is social media a force for good or bad?"
- Download kindness activities to do with your children and emphasize how kindness makes a difference.
- Discuss how online messages can be taken out of context. Talk about how important it is to pause and think before reacting online.
- Emphasize how kindness and empathy should be part of the digital space.

Please join us in creating a kinder digital generation for the online world to become a better space.



Kind Regards  
Mrs G Sentoo  
School Social Worker

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- ✓ Online **MATRIC BOOST** sessions in August 2025 covering:
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  - English
  - Afrikaans; and
  - Physical Science
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- ✓ Homeschooling



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### Parents



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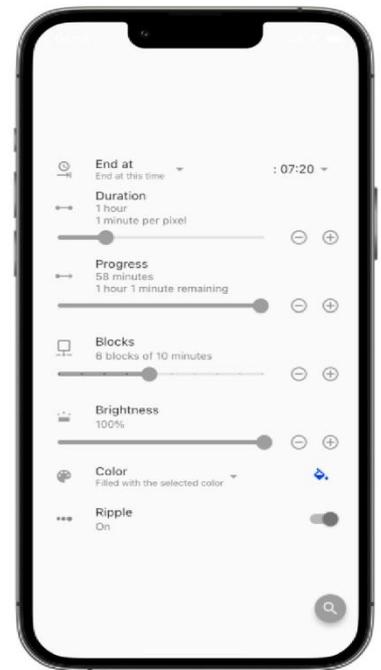
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