

Neekly Vewsletter

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Weekly activities

MONDAY: Intervention **Culture & Sport** TUESDAY: Intervention Culture **Sport** WEDNESDAY: Intervention **Culture & Sport** THURSDAY: FRIDAY: Intervention Gr 11 & 12 SATURDAY:

Word from the executive principal

Dear Parents

It is with great pleasure that we announce the appointment of Mrs Jasmat as the new Head of our High school. Mrs Jasmat brings with her a wealth of experience and commitment to excellence.

Mr Masemula has been appointed as the Discipline Manager of the College after serving as discipline coordinator of the High school.

We look forward to them adding exceptional value to our school's management team.

Kind Regards:

Mr M Ponnen - Executive Principal

Important dates and events

*Please see the D6 Connect App for the detailed calendar

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

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We will update you on important school info daily!

Contact us for more information













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<u>Pre – Primary news</u>

We are currently very busy with assessments and we would like to humbly request that parents do not keep their little ones at home unless they are ill.

Swine flu is in the air and we ask that you take your child to the doctor as soon as they have a fever and start coughing, as it is very contagious.

Our school mascot has a name!! We would like to introduce *GIZMO* to you all



Mommy and Me Day

Our "Mommy and Me" day was a huge success and we would like to thank each and every mom that made the time to come and spend the morning with us.







Special days for Term 2

Friday 17 May – storybook character day

Friday 24 May – Drive in movie day (Dad needs to make a car using a box big enough for 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

Primary School News

Staff News:

Congratulations to Mrs Rashika Solomons who gave birth to a beautiful baby girl! We wish her all the best with her new bundle of joy. While she is on maternity leave, her class is in the capable hands of Mrs Belinda Minnaar. We would like to extend a warm welcome to Mrs Belinda Minnaar, and we hope her stay at Amberfield Primary will be a happy and memorable one.

Learner Appreciation:

Congratulations to Noah Berry and Boikano Matome who qualified for the third round of the Mathematics Olympiad. We are rooting for you both!

Lost and Found:

Once again we are appealing to parents to speak to your children about being responsible for their belongings. The Lost and Found area is over flowing with lost property. Please label your children's' uniform, pencil cases, lunch bags and water bottles to make it easier to identify who lost property belongs to. If lost uniform is not claimed by the end of the term, it will be donated to the second-hand uniform shop.

Mid-Year Examinations:

The Mid- year examinations for Grades 4 – 7 will start on Wednesday, 22 May and will end on Monday, 3 June. Grade 1 -3 formal assessments will end on Friday 24 May 2024.

Please take note of the following information for the examination period:

- 1. Learners must be at school by 07:30.
- 2. All exams are written in the second session and will end at 13:00. Therefore school will end at 13:00 from 22 May to 3 June for ALL learners (Gr 1-7). Please make necessary transport arrangements to pick learners up at 13:00 during the exam period.
- **3.** As from Tuesday, 4 June, normal lessons will resume and we will revert to our normal closing times. Attendance is compulsory as teaching of content will continue.
- 4. Please refer to demarcations (sent 29 April) and letter sent on 14 May for more information pertaining to the exams.



Good luck to all our learners and parents! May you have a successful and rewarding examination period! I leave you with the following quote:

"Study while others are sleeping,
Work while others are loafing,
Prepare while others are playing,
And
Dream while others are wishing"

Kind Regards and Amo Bronwen Derbyshire Primary School Principal

High School News

As always, we had many exciting events taking place at our school. Here's a roundup of the latest news and achievements:

Our Grade 9 learners recently completed psychometric tests, a crucial step in their academic journey. These tests will provide valuable insights to aid them in making informed decisions about their subject choices, as they progress through high school.

We're thrilled to report that our Open Day on the 11th of May was a resounding success! We extend our heartfelt thanks to all the teachers who dedicated their time and effort to make the day informative and engaging for prospective students and their families.

A round of applause is in order for Azimisele Zuma, Malwande Sangweni, and Aobakwe Komane, who have qualified to represent our country in Croatia at the Dancestar competition. Their dedication and talent have earned them this prestigious opportunity, and we couldn't be prouder of their achievement.

Lastly, we're delighted to announce two important appointments within our School Management Team. Mrs. Jasmat has officially been appointed as the new High School Principal, bringing with her a wealth of experience and commitment to excellence.



High School Principal
Mrs. Jasmat



Discipline Manager Mr. Masemula

Additionally, Mr. Masemula will take on the role of Discipline Manager for the entire college. We're confident that under his guidance, the discipline at our school will continue to thrive and uphold its values.

As we gear up for the examination season, we want to remind all students that exams officially start on the 17th of May. We'll be closely monitoring both the school and exam rules to ensure a fair and conducive environment for everyone.

Kind regards Yashmita Jasmat High School Principal



Culture News

Dear Parents / Guardians

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

Dance

The children are still 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.

Hindu Student Council

This week at the Hindu Student Council, we're getting ready for our upcoming festival with prayers, songs, and practice sessions. We'll be singing ancient hymns and songs that bring us closer to our faith, and we'll also be practicing our dance moves and rituals for the festival. Let's come together to celebrate our culture and strengthen our friendships and connection to our beliefs. Join us for a week of spirituality, music, and togetherness!

Public Speaking

How do I prove my arguments? We are working on our speeches this week, to add in reliable sources that support the arguments we are making in our speeches. Every week we also practice breathing, stretching, resonating our voices and articulating our words.

Art

Learners completed connect the dot pictures in celebration of Mother's Day.

Christian Student Council

Student Christian Council will now take place on Fridays from 13:00 - 14:00. The sessions for all the 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.

They will continue learning the Books of the Bible (Old and New Testament). The theme for this term is the Armor of God. Mrs Ramdeo's focus is to change the sessions into a fun and fellowship afternoon for the learners.

Drama

Learners did the final auditions for the youth day assembly at the end of the term. We have selected our two speakers that will be participating in the youth day assembly.

We have also discussed the play that we will he doing for the festival in term 3. Learners will hopefully get their scripts this week or latest next week Monday. Learners are really excited and enthusiastic about the upcoming performances.











Warm Regards, Primary School Culture Co-ordinator Monique Haughton



Sport News

High School:

• Congratulations to all the U/14 and U/15 soccer boys who won their matches against Pretoria central and the U/17 who won the Glen High. Our U/15 & U/17 boys also won their games against Rabonni. The Hockey girls showed their toughness by winning Hercules 1-0, WELL DONE!

A peek of what is ahead:

Please note that we are trying to move all matches until after the exams wherever possible. Practice sessions will continue in order to help the kids to cope with the exams, and to get rid of their frustrations.

We want to wish all of our athletes good luck with the exams!

Primary School:

Well done to our Chess team. They beat Loreto Queenswood convincingly, our U/13 Soccer boys WON against Pinnacle Copperleaf 3-0. The U/12 Soccer Boys beat against Pinnacle, Kyalami 2-1.

Please refer to the Sports memo that was sent on WhatsApp on Thursday,16 May 2024 regarding Sports for the remainder of term two.

GOOD LUCK WITH THE EXAMS GRADE 4 - 7!!!









Kind Regards
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Ms R Hurn
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Therapy News



"Children are by definition dependent, and their dependency means that the nature of their family relationships profoundly influences their experiences in both health and illness" (Corinne Rees, 2007).

Attachment can be defined as "the enduring, emotional closeness which binds families in order to prepare children of all ages for independence and adult life" (Rees, CA).

Children who have secure attachments have the assurance that their parents and caregivers will be able to address their needs. In times of distress they look for their attachment figures. If children feel securely attached, they know that their attachment figure will readily comfort them when they are upset and attend to their needs. It is more likely for an infant to form a secure and stable relationship when the caregiver is alert to the child's cues and reacts properly to the child's needs. Research shows that caregivers that are oblivious and always reject children's needs were more likely to have children that had insecure-avoidant attachment styles, meaning they would lack self-esteem and push away those that they are closest to while also craving their attention.

Attachment aids in emotional regulation before children can self-regulate. Secure attachment also increases academic performance and motivation. The greater the lack of secure attachment that a child feels, the greater the likelihood of dysfunction. Harsh parenting can leave children disorganized and ineffective in fostering healthy relationships with others, unable to be self-sufficient and lacking in empathy. Childhood attachment continues to be reflected in adult personal, social and professional relationships and in approaches to parenting.



To all our learners: Study, believe in yourself & conquer that exam!

Kind Regards Mrs Gail Sentoo School Social Worker





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