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Dear Parents

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Even though it's cold outside, we are all still fired up and steaming ahead. We have come to the end of a busy, important term.

Academics

Included please find your child's report for this term. Congratulations to those who achieved. Your hard work and commitment paid off. To those who did not achieve, don't give up. It is never too late to put in extra effort and to improve.

Please check the report, sign and send it back to the homeroom teacher. It will then be returned to you. It is vital for the Grade 7's to keep their reports. They will be applying for Grade 8 and will need their reports.

Merits and demerits

Since returning to school full time it has been found nationally that learners have changed in their behaviour and attitude. More than ever parents and teachers need to work together as a team to discipline, guide and nurture learners. We have to do this together and we appeal to you to work with us in this regard. Learners with more than 10 demerits were notified as well as those with more than 30 merits. Congratulations to those achieved.

It has also come to our attention that some of our learners are creating WhatsApp groups to "name and shame" as well as taking questionable videos and pictures and circulating them. Please monitor your child's screentime and become aware of what they post and who they communicate with.

Cycle Tests

Term 3 is a Cycle test term. This will take place on 5 – 9 September 2022. Details to follow.

Admissions for 2023

These open for Grade 1 and 8 on 22 July 2022.

Thank you to those Grade R parents who have already returned their forms. Remember you must still apply online and get a reference number. Thank you to the Grade 7 parents for attending the parents evening on 23 June 2022.

Admission for Grades R, 2 – 7 2023 open on 5 September 2022.

Reregistration will also take place next term.

Sports

Rugby

Our teams all advanced to the finals of their leagues.

U/9, U/11 and the 1st team won their leagues and the 1st team were the overall winners of the Falcon's League.

Congratulations to all the team players and stars.

Cross Country

This will take place next term. Letters have already gone out. Make sure they train during the holidays. Fixtures by the important dates.

Cricket (u/9 – u/13)

Practises start on 26 July 2022.

More information will be available early next term.

Mini-Cricket (u/7 – u/8)

There will be Mini-Cricket trials for Grade 2 learners on Tuesday 26 July 2022 and Thursday 28 July 2022 at school from 13:45 until 15:00.

The Grade 1 learners will have their trials on Tuesday 2 August 2022 and Thursday 4 August 2022 at school from 13:45 until 15:00.

The learners who are chosen will receive a team letter to participate.

Remember we can only choose 12 learners per team.

We encourage those who don't make the team to please go to Sport Skills to improve their Mini-Cricket skills. Learners must bring conformable clothes and takkies to practise with.

Sport Skills

Sport Skills for Gr 1 – 3 will resume next term.

Cultural

Germiston Eisteddfod (Reading and Drama) is from 1 - 4 August 2022.

Con Spirito Drama will take place on 1 & 2 August 2022.

Those learners taking part need to practise and prepare. Good Luck.

Public Speaking

Inter-schools public speaking will take place on 30 and 31 August. More details to follow.

Congratulations and good luck to Alonzo Armogon for going through to the ATKV Redenaars National Finals on 16 August 2022.

General

Late coming and leaving

Late coming is still a problem. We appeal to parents to please discuss the issue with transport. Late comings disrupt lessons and miss out on work. Please address this issue.

Late leaving has improved and we thank the parents for addressing this issue.

Uniform

Some learners are still not wearing the full winter uniform. We appreciate that there were some shortages experienced by the stockists but this has been addressed.

Remember only the school beanie may be worn. The DriMac is part of the uniform but the hoodie may not be worn in class.

Covid Vaccinations

Thank you to those parents and learners who had their vaccinations and booster shots on 23 June 2022. Remember it's for your benefit as well as your child's.

Colour Run

The letters for the Colour Run went out already. Please support us in this important fundraiser. It will take place on 23 July 2022 at Boksburg Stadium.

Theme Scheme / Carnival Week

We are once again celebrating the week of 12 – 16 September 2022. More details to follow.

Important Dates

Tuesday 19 July: School re-opens.	Friday 22 July: Admissions open for Grade 1 and 8.
Saturday 23 July: Colour Run.	Monday 25 July: Remedial Starts.
Tuesday 26 July: Cricket (u/9 – u/13) practises start. Mini-Cricket (u/8) Gr 2 trials.	Wednesday 27 July: Cross Country at Boksburg Stadium.
Friday 29 July: Detention.	Monday 1 August: Con Spirito Drama. Germiston Eisteddfod. Re-registration Gr 1 – 6.
Tuesday 2 August: Con Spirito Drama. Germiston Eisteddfod. Mini-Cricket (u/7) Gr 1 trials. Sport Skills Gr 2 – 3 start.	Wednesday 3 August: Cross Country at Boksburg Stadium. Germiston Eisteddfod.
Thursday 4 August: Germiston Eisteddfod.	Monday 8 August: Public School Holiday.
Tuesday 9 August: National Women's Day – Public Holiday.	

Kind regards


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