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PARENT CIRCULAR NO 9 OF 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians

1. SCHOOL HOLIDAY AND REPORT CARDS

School closes at the end of the week. Learners adjourn on Friday, 23 April at 11:00. Staff will be present until the normal school day ends for the learners whose parents do not give permission for them them to leave at 11:00.

As the department is still experiencing problems with the SA SAMS program on which all marks must be recorded, we hope to make reports available to parents by 10 May. The final date, as well as the manner in which reports will be made available, will be communicated in the first parent circular in the 2nd term.

Learners may wear casual clothes on Thursday by paying R5 at their register teacher.

2. <u>FAREWELL</u>

Unfortunately, we have to say goodbye to the following staff who will be leaving us at the end of the term:

- (Uncle) Willie Enslin who lived on the school premises for 21 years. Among other things, he was responsible for the early morning opening and closing of the school and knew the school like the back of his hand. Most of our parents know him too. Over the years, he has proven himself as someone who is extremely reliable, loved by learners, staff as well as the community. He leaves Gauteng to retire at Bonnievale. We wish him and his wife good health and many years of happiness.
- Refilwe Motshabi, Nombuso Manzini, Nonhlakanipho Mathonsi, Splendor Maleya, Nomsa Madondo and Jeanne Wernick who have been appointed under the Presidential Youth Employment Initiative since the beginning of 2021. The staff assisted in many areas and contributed to the functioning of the school. The Department of Basic Education has tentatively decided to discontinue the initiative.

3. <u>ORATORS - 2021</u>

The English Orators on 15 April was a huge success thanks to all the Fesies enthusiasm and hard work. We would like to congratulate all the participants:

Grade 4:	Grade 5:
1st place: Ayanda Mlambo	1st place: Oratile Mohlamonyane
2nd place: Keneilwe Kgame	2nd place: Amantle Manana
3rd place: Botlhale Malapane	3rd place: Hunadi Machaka

n Gelukkige kind, 'n suksesvolle skool! A happy child, a successful school!

Participation: Ogho Mathosa	Participation: Letlhogonolo Madileng
Participation: Omolemo Makgwane	
Grade 6:	Grade 7:
1st place: Kamogelo Tebele	1st place: Agobokwe Busang
2nd place: Xibye Mahlaule	2nd place: Botshelo Kgaswe
3rd place: Thato Manaka	3rd place: Nhlakanipho Masango
	Participation: Rendani Mokgola

Photos can also be viewed on our school's Facebook page.

Special congratulations to Oratile Mohlamonyane who is the overall winner of 2021!



4. SPORTS AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Please take note that practice will start early in the 2nd term.

5. COMMUNICATION VIA WHATSAPP - QR CODES

Only 30% of our parents have registered for the Whatsapp communication option. Parents are once again requested to download the QR code relating to the grades in which they have children, so that the school will be able to communicate easily and quickly with parents in the different groups.

Whatsapp groups are set up according to the grade in which your child is. Because of the limit of 254 users per group we request that only **ONE** parent registers.

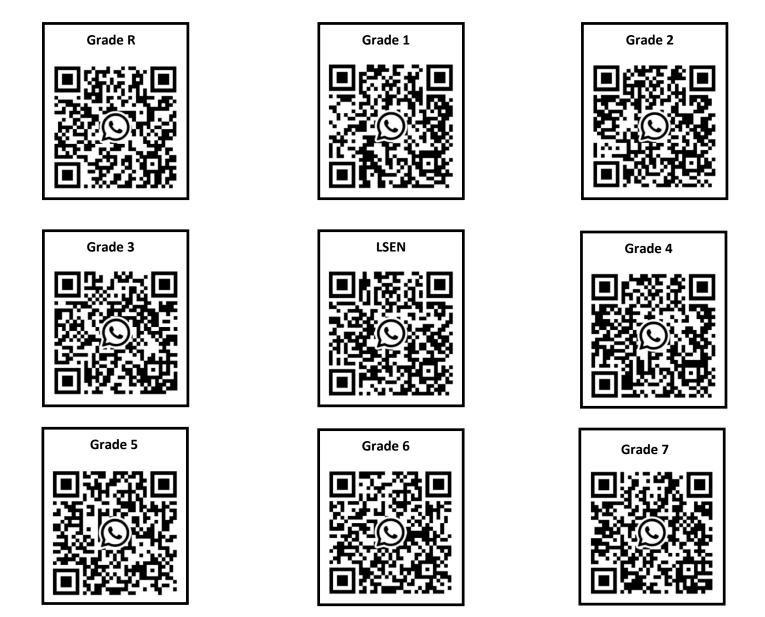
You will not be able to send messages on the group. Please be aware that other parents on the group will be able to see your phone number but not your name. We ask all parents to please respect one another's privacy.

To scan the QR Code please do the following:

(A video explaining the QR-codes was uploaded on our Facebook page).

Android / Any device except an iPhone	iOS / Apple iPhone
- Open your Whatsapp.	- Open your Whatsapp.
	 Select the Camera icon at the bottom of the page.
- Hold your phone over the <u>correct</u> QR Code.	- Hold your phone over the <u>correct</u> QR Code.
	 Your phone will scan the QR Code and automatically add you to the chosen group.
- Welcome!	- Welcome!

Please scan the QR Code/s below that are applicable to your child's grade. REMEMBER: Only one parent per learner, per grade. Thank you.



6. TEXTBOOKS

We have noted that there are textbooks that have already been damaged. We urge parents to check your child's textbooks regularly to assist to keep the textbooks in a good condition.



7. SCHOOL RE-OPENING AND WINTER SCHOOL UNIFORM

The possibility of returning to full capacity was discussed during the Governing Body meeting. On the recommendation of the district office, it was decided to stay with the rotation base of alternative days and 50% capacity, until the Minister of Education amends the regulations.

Please note that school will reopen for Group A on Monday, 3 May and for Group B on Tuesday, 4 May at 07:18. Learners will then wear winter uniform. If you are unsure what qualifies as winter wear, you are referred to pg. 22 and 23 in the diary or to the school's website where photos are uploaded under "Die Fesies" School Uniform.

We wish all our parents a well-deserved holiday and look forward to welcoming everyone back at the beginning of the second term.

Fesie greetings

MR. J. G. CLAASSEN PRINCIPAL