Newsletter

12 February 2025

Valentine's day...

A reminder that Grade 7s will be selling Valentine's chocolates and sweeties on Friday. Tuck will not be open until we have all had the opportunity to support this "sweet" drive, raising funds for the Grade 7 farewell.

Children may also wear civvies on Valentine's Day. Let's focus on red, white or pink colours to bring some love into the mix!





Looking closer at how we look...

Teacher Kathy and Teacher Michelle's children are off to the optometrist in the Norkem Mall on Friday. As they will be wearing civvies for Valentine's Day, please ensure that they are also wearing sturdy shoes for the walk. Remember a sunhat and a layer of sunscreen in the morning too. Ensure that they have an extra bottle of water to carry with them please. Pupils will be taken to Steers for ice-creams after their eye exams (a little "surprise"). Preschool pupils remaining at school (Teacher Shirley, Teacher Ploutos and Teacher Estelle) will be enjoying a "baking" day at home.

Highschool options...

We strongly encourage our Grade 6 and 7 pupils to do proactive hunting for the high-school best suited to your family's requirements. Our most popular "feeder" schools are Maranatha, Shangri La, Ashton International College, St Dunstans, Holy Rosary and Jeppe. Local government schools of choice are usually Jeugland, Birchleigh and Edenglen.

Most of the private schools mentioned above will have an "Open Day" (e.g. see classifieds advert for Ashton's Open Day on the 22nd of February) or they invite prospective parents to make an appointment to view the school. Again, we strongly recommend that you take the time to walk through the possible

schools and "get a feel" for them, as they all have a different ethos. The atmosphere will often indicate if your child will feel at home and flourish in the school. Our Grade 7 pupils must enrol NOW (preferably this month) for the high school of your choice, as many high schools start their entrance examinations in March already. Grade 6 parents, we recommend you start visiting schools and gathering information so that you can make an informed and wise decision early in 2026.



Pizza and bookbags

Grade RRR-2, remember to return your bookbag tomorrow morning. Please report badly damaged books to us on:

https://forms.gle/hwZxp6ZHpd41NWrD8 or with a general email if you'd prefer.

Also remember that pizza orders for Friday will be taken in tomorrow at the office for R40.





Remember to save the date...

A reminder to keep March the 15^{th} open for our annual Sports Day. We deliberately choose an autumn athletics day, as the cooler weather is more pleasant for our little athletes.

Booming new extra-mural...

We're excited to announce drumming as a brand-new extra-mural at Solids. Drum lessons will take place on Tuesday or Friday afternoons at school, and will be private one-on-one lessons. They cost R600 pm (half price for Feb) which is very market-related for private music lessons. We highly recommend this extra-mural. Children need rhythm for fluid reading, and drumming is also a fantastic tool for overall brain stimulation and midline crossing. See classifieds for enrolment info.



Prayerfully and playfully
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Classifieds...

Ashton International College invites Grade 6 and 7 pupils to see their high-school...



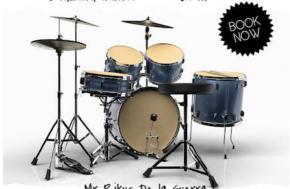
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Drum Lessons Registration form

Name of Student(s)	Age
Parents names	
Address	
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Email address	cellphone number
Please keep us current on your email address as we us	se email to contact students, send reminder notes and newsletters.
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