

#### **Dear Parents**

What a crazy time we have had in the last few days. No sooner have I sent a message to the parents with a timetable than I get news of positive cases and have to change all the plans (again) at very late notice. Thank you for your patience and for your support through this all. I stand firm in the belief that closing our schools has been the right thing to do, not only for our pupils and staff but for their families and for the extended community. The safest place for all of us to be is at home.

We bade an informal farewell to Mr Mapfumo today. He has given 14 years to our school and I celebrate and acknowledge all he has done in that time. We will say a formal farewell to him when we are able to have an assembly again. We wish him every success and happiness.

The rising COVID cases in our province are real. Peace of mind flaps in tattered shreds in the winds of anxiety and each day brings a new stress. COVID fatigue is real too. We are exhausted and need that very peace which is proving elusive. As a community, we need to stand by one another and reach out whenever we can to offer support. We also need to cherish those we hold dear and take care of our wellbeing. I hold you all in my prayers and hope that this holiday brings some respite and calm.

Be safe

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# **CLASSROOM NEWS**

Top Ten per Grade

Congratulations to the following on their outstanding results this term. They are in alphabetical rather than rank order.

### **GRADE 8**

Baloyi, Ripfumelo Chiliya, Mary Chakawizira, Annie Dzambukeri, Rabelani Kamera, Anesu Khan, Sara Kujinga Tinotenda Munyoka, Marilyn Nekhavhambe, Uhone Netshitangani, Unarine

### **GRADE 9**

Abdulla, Husnaa Choabi, Thato Mabilo, Dziphathutshedzo Magada, Lufuno Mapfumo, Anesu Mashigo, Charity Mulaudzi, Nduvho Shateyi, Kuitakwashe Thosago, Cleopas Thosago, Mokgadi

### **GRADE 10**

Bessong, Pascal Chabalala, Stanley Dagada, Ndakayanga Malitsha, Tshinakaho Mapfumo, Tanatswa Mudau, Humbulani Mukoma, Ndivho Muleya, Nicole Ndlovu, Mncedisi Shleso, Betelhem

### **GRADE 11**

Dagada, Masindi Dawood, Ayesha Mukwevho, Matodzi Nemaranzhe, Ndiene Nembelwe, Pricilla Patel, Safvan Ramulongo, Ronewa Sikhubuni, Beauty Sithole, Sana Thothori, Zwothe

### **GRADE 12**

Baloyi, Nyikwana Bessong, Dede Kujinga, Tinashe Manuga, Gudani Manzoor, Muhammad Marivate, Linah Ntini, Ntebeti Shivambi, Risuna Sijiye, Abokoe Sinyosi, Tendani



## WRITING COMPETITION

As a school, we have entered an Intercompetitions.com Writing Competition. The essay topic given was "What is Life" and entries had to be 700 words.

We entered the following candidates:

Anesu Kamera
Munaka Bopape
Anesu Mapfumo
Lufuno Magada
Nduvho Mulaudzi
Lerato Mphaphuli
Shengane Baloyi
Tinashe Kujinga
Ntebeti Ntini
Dede Bessong
Priscilla Nembelwe
Gudani Manuga

**Zwothe Thothori** 

As part of the competition, the essay was given to all the Grade 8 and 9 pupils to write in the examination session. As an internal competition, the following candidates were placed with the top 3 marks:

Grade 8:

"What is Life.

First Place

Munaka Bopape Anesu Mapfumo Nduvho Mulaudzi

Second Place
Grade 9: First Place





## **COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

Lavhe Fambe

In a previous newsletter, we made an appeal for clothing and tinned food to take to an orphanage out of town. The Prep worked with us on this project and the response was fantastic. Lavhe Fambe has spent this week sorting and packaging the clothing for delivery.

## ISABILITY GOLF DAY

Last weekend, some of our staff members took part in the IsAbility Golf Day to raise funds for differently abled athletes as well as able-bodied athletes. Well done and thank you to you all for participating, particularly our Head of Sport, Mr Viljoen, and my PA, Ms Annemie Meintjes.





### **OLYMPIAD NEWS**

#### World General Knowledge Olympiad

Ten learners from our school have qualified for the 2nd round, which will take place on 3 August. In addition, Mrs du Plessis received a teacher's certificate of recognition for the time and effort she put into entering learners for this competition.

In total, 3852 schools participated. Approximately 300 learners in total qualified to take part in the 2nd round. Our ten participants are:

Thendo	Makuya	Gr 8
Dziphathu	Mabilo	Gr 9
Ndivho	Mukoma	Gr 10
Masechaba	Mathonsi	Gr 10
Providence	Manyamba	Gr 10
Wanani	Mutobvu	Gr 10
Andani	Takalani	Gr 12
Marthe	Dede	Gr 12
Nyikwana	Baloyi	Gr 12
Ranwedzi	Nengwekhulu	Gr 12

#### Computer Applications Olympiad

We have also received news that Ranwedzi Nengwekhulu (Gr 12) made the second round of this Olympiad. He was written the test and we await his results.

