

HSH - WE DO EXTRA-ORDINARILY



VALUE FOR TERM 2 – PAY IT FORWARD!

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Dear Parents

The value for Term 2, which never happened, is “pay it forward”. Quite apt if I look at the open hearts and hands of everyone in the HSH family. The way in which people are supporting our efforts to feed the needy in the Hopefield community, is really heart-warming. We can also never thank our parents enough for their positivity towards our school. It is clearly reflected in the way you are continuing to pay your school fees. I can assure you that by doing that, you are investing in our beloved school and you are also ensuring that the HSH your child is returning to, is the exact same HSH he or she left before lockdown.

1. Personeel

Mev. Zuanda Botha is in mev. Anine Rossouw se plek aangestel vir die tydperk wanneer Anine met kraamverlof gaan wees. Baie welkom by die HSH familie en baie sterkte met hierdie belangrike taak!

Baie sterkte aan Anine en juffrou Sania Potgieter (WCMA) wat op die drumpel van moederskap staan. Dit gaan baie goed met die nuwe mamma, juffrou Nicola en haar baba. Baie voorspoed aan Meester Johann van Rhyn wat hierdie week begin het met sy behandeling vir prostaatkanker. Ons weet hierdie storie gaan 'n goeie einde hê.

2. HSH Family

As far as we know, everyone in the HSH family is still in good health as far as the Covid 19 virus is concerned. We are absolutely overjoyed to report this. Please, let us all stay safe and, very important, stay at home!

3. Skoolprogram

Ek het reeds gerapporteer dat ons lewe in interessante tye en waar enige nuus baie vinnig ou nuus is. Ek kan rapporteer dat alle terrein- en koshuispersoneel, admin.-personeel en skoolbestuurspanlede, Woensdag by die skool was vir oriëntering. Vanaf Maandag, 18 Mei is alle admin.-personeel telefonies beskikbaar vanaf 08:00 tot 14:00. Alle skoolbestuurspanlede is ook beskikbaar vanaf 08:00 tot 14:00.

Vanaf Maandag, 25 Mei, gaan alle personeellede by die skool wees. Dit is baie belangrik dat almal moet kennis neem dat die datum van skoolheropening vir Graad 12 en 7 leerders op Maandag, 1 Junie, 'n tentatiewe datum is. Minister Angie Motshekga se aankondiging op Maandag, 18 Mei, sal hopelik meer lig werp op die pad vorentoe wat onderwys betref.

4. **Eisteddfod**

Unfortunately, we have to inform parents and learners about the inevitable – all Eisteddfod activities for 2020 were cancelled. A sad day indeed, but it was news that was expected. Next year is going to be our year for Eisteddfod! Watch this space!

5. **Sanitering van skool- en koshuisgeboue**

Op hierdie stadium is HSH terreinpersoneel, asook ons koshuispersoneel, kliphard besig om alle geboue en busse te saniteer.

Die Beheerliggaam het ook die volgende toerusting aangekoop:

- Koorsmeters vir skool, busse en koshuise
- Maskers en gesigskerms vir alle personeel
- Voetpompe / saniteringspunte by elke ingang
- Spuitrugsakke om geboue en busse op 'n daaglike basis te saniteer
- Handsaniteerders
- Perspekskerms by elke bedieningspunt
- Saniteringsmiddels
- Handskoene vir terreinwerkers

Ons verwag ook 'n aflewering van die WKOD wat handskoene, saniteringsmiddels, 2 maskers vir elke leerder en bleikmiddel sal insluit.

I want to assure everyone in the HSH family that School Management will do their utmost to ensure a safe environment for all our learners and staff in our school, hostels and buses.

6. **Recess – Distance Teaching**

In the best interest of our learners, we will take a break from distance teaching in the week from 25 – 29 May. We took into consideration that Term 2 is an examination term where 4 weeks are allocated to the writing of exams. We also came to the conclusion that it is most likely that we will be in the distance teaching game for the long run. It is possible, if we look at the planning of the Department of Education, that it might run deep into August before things return to normal.

Iemand plaas nou die dag dinge bietjie in perspektief: HSH is een van 25 000 skole in Suid-Afrika wat al die opdraendes in die gesig moet staar. Regoor die wêreld is miljoene skole wat worstel met planne oor pouses, maskers, roosters en nog wat. Ons moet net absoluut glo dat ons hierdie “besigheid” in die bed gaan sit. Dit sal ook verbygaan! En dan bly die woorde van die Vrystaatse beesboer in my kop draai: “As die Here ons nie vanjaar seën nie, sal dit die eerste keer wees”.

Kom ons tel ons seëninge!

Ek mis julle almal, selfs die stoutes en moeilikes, ongelooflik baie!

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