

# HSH – WE DO ORDINARY EXTRA-ORDINARILY!



## VALUE FOR TERM 2 – ENTHUSIASM!

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Liewe Ouers

'n Tyd gelede is ek bekend gestel aan die lirieke van 'n Afrikaanse sanger met 'n effens ongelukkige verhoognaam. Een van die liedjies het 'n refrein wat lui "Raak vir my rustig, vat dit soos 'n Vrydag!" Ek is baie bly om te kan sê dat ek, en ek glo die res van die personeel en ons leerders, vanaf Vrydag beslis hierdie opdrag gaan uitleef. Die rustigheid van 'n weeklange vakansie klink baie aanloklik en ek sien baie beslis uit daarna!

### 1. Staff

We are very glad to report a new addition to the HSH family: Inerise Osborne! Inerise is a new addition to the Osborne family and we wish Mrs Ciska Osborne and her husband Danie all the best. We certainly cannot wait to meet her!

### 2. Learner achievement

After the Grade 12 remark process, Tiaan Ebing's marks were adjusted and HSH can now boast with 9 average A symbols in our matric class of 2020! Well done, Tiaan! We are very proud of you!

Bradley Williams is going to participate at South African Roadbike Championships in Laingsburg during the holidays. We wish him all the best! We also wish our underwater hockey players all the best for the S.A. Junior National Underwater Hockey Championships during the holidays.

Ons is ook baie trots op ons top akademiese presteerders in die onderskeie grade. Dit is ook baie belangrik dat ons net so trots is op elke HSH-leerder wat sy of haar bes gedoen het.

#### Graad 4

1. Ruan Huisamen
2. Emmalie Geyser
3. Frederik Kotze
3. Daniel van Hansen
4. Madison de Wit
5. Allison Mostert

#### Graad 5

1. Liam Skuce
2. Alexander Samuels
3. Ruzaan April
4. William Melck
5. Jack Slabber

<p><b><u>Graad 6</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Dané Meintjes</li> <li>2. Kara Huisamen</li> <li>3. Cornelia Smit</li> <li>4. Hendré Jacobs</li> <li>5. Tristan Schwulst</li> </ol>	<p><b><u>Graad 7</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Jumaine Basson</li> <li>2. Mienke Teubes</li> <li>3. Maritza Harmse</li> <li>4. Maria Geyster</li> <li>5. Carla Conradie</li> </ol>
<p><b><u>Graad 8</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Daniel Olivier</li> <li>2. Isabella Brune</li> <li>3. Schalk Jonker</li> <li>4. Micah Cyster</li> <li>5. Nikole Botha</li> <li>6. Philippus de Villiers</li> <li>7. Emilie Pyper</li> <li>8. Zoey du Preez</li> <li>9. Janco Britz Petrus Meintjes</li> <li>10. Danae von Molendorf</li> </ol>	<p><b><u>Graad 9</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Daniella van Niekerk</li> <li>2. Chrizandi Basson</li> <li>3. Thinus Moolman</li> <li>4. Marnia Opperman</li> <li>5. Anastasiya Hanekom</li> <li>6. Charl Visser</li> <li>7. Marli Redelinghuys</li> <li>8. Moyra Connaway</li> <li>9. JJ Teubes</li> <li>10. Christelle Bester</li> </ol>
<p><b><u>Graad 10</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Arminelle Briel</li> <li>2. Jano Reynolds</li> <li>3. Julia Swanepoel</li> <li>4. Elsuné Cloete</li> <li>5. Jaya Abraham</li> <li>6. Madelaine Hoffman</li> <li>7. Nicola Dippenaar</li> <li>8. Schalk Meintjes</li> <li>9. Jeandré Theart</li> <li>10. Sumari Smit</li> </ol>	<p><b><u>Graad 11</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Kiara Kirsten</li> <li>2. Mia Thamcharoen</li> <li>3. Hanlie Matthysen</li> <li>4. Jano Snyman</li> <li>5. Kelly Boltman</li> <li>6. Chyle Mlondolozzi</li> <li>7. Jadie Slabbert</li> <li>8. Calleigh Cupido</li> <li>9. Sarah-Jane Venter</li> <li>10. Ingrid Schulze</li> </ol>
<p><b><u>Graad 12</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Leoné Brand</li> <li>2. Isabelle Bester</li> <li>3. Ian van der Linde</li> <li>4. Emily White</li> <li>5. Tiaan Visser Jian Slabber</li> <li>6. Charlé Moolman</li> <li>7. Alexander Moolman</li> <li>8. Logan Strydom</li> <li>9. Nadine van Dyk</li> <li>10. Darren de Jager</li> </ol>	

We also remind our parents about the HSH Pass. Learners who meet the requirements of this pass will get a green stamp on their report cards. This is an effort to create an environment of academic excellence at Hopefield High School – an additional pass criteria implemented in Grades 4-12.

**These pass requirements do not replace the minimum promotion requirements. It is an effort to motivate learners not just to aim for a pass, but to get them to work for better marks.**

**The minimum requirements for HSH Pass are as follow:**

**Grade 4-7**

**An average of 65% in all subjects and no subject below 50%**

**Grade 8-12**

**An average of 55% in all subjects and no subject below 40%.**

Zelda Schultz, een van HSH se oud-leerders, het skitterend presteer tydens die afgelope S.A. Atletiekkampioenskappe. Zelda het aan die 20 km stap deelgeneem en het as S.A. Kampioen uit die stryd getree. Ons hou styf duim vas dat ons haar later vanjaar by die Olimpiese Spele in aksie gaan sien!

**3. New winter uniform**

For the past few years our girls have been in our ears about a more effective uniform for the cold winter mornings of Hopefield. Last year the Governing Body went through a very extensive process of research and consultation about a new winter uniform for our girls. The ethos and character of the school, the good appearance of our girls and the cost implications, among other factors, were taken into account. After a very thorough process, the Governing Body approved the new uniform during a meeting held on 4 November 2020. The result of our decision was evident in the spontaneous applause from our girls when this decision was communicated to them. This winter dress will be kept in stock at the school. Price range from R300 to R365. Orders were taken for the new dresses. This will be optional as school uniform from May 2021, but will be compulsory from May 2022. I am very excited about this new addition to our school uniform. Contact Mrs Cathrin Maree for more information. We are also glad to announce that the school will also keep thermal stockings in stock at the clothing bank. This warmer option will certainly be to the benefit for our girls.

**4. Skooluniform**

Na konsultasie met leerders, ouerlede van die Beheerliggaam en personeel, is die volgende verandering t.o.v. skooldrag aangebring. Vanaf 2020 kan Gr. 6- en 7-leerders inskakel by die hoërskool se winterdrag.

Seuns: Baadjie, das en wit hemp met met boordjie  
Dogters: Baadjie, skoolrok, swart opaque kouse.

Vanaf 2021 is bg. winterdrag verpligtend vir alle Gr. 6- en 7-leerders en vorm skoolsweetpakke net meer deel van hulle amptelike skooldrag nie.

Winterdrag word vanaf 1 Mei gedra. Vanaf 2021 is die dra van 'n kleurbaadjie verpligtend vir Gr. 6 – 12.

## 5. **Government Gazette 44339**

According to this Government Gazette the following measures must be in place when resuming sport and cultural activities:

- “(i) A COVID-19 compliance officer must be appointed to each venue;
- (j) there must be one controlled entrance to the venue;
- (k) all participants must undergo health and temperature screening before warm-up or event;
- (l) any person who enters the venue must undergo the health and temperature screening;
- (m) hand sanitisers must be available at the entrance gate and every person who enters the venue must sanitise their hands;
- (n) participants and officials must sanitise their hands before and after a match or event;
- (o) a person who leaves the venue temporarily and returns again, must undergo the process of health and temperature screening, and hand sanitising;
- (p) for contact tracing purposes only, a register of all officials and learners from visiting and hosting schools who are attending a school match or event must be kept by the hosting school for at least 21 days and must contain the following information of officials and learners:
  - (i) full names;
  - (ii) residential address;
  - (iii) cell phone number, telephone number or email address; and
  - (iv) contact details of the person of persons living in the same residence as the person attending training or a school match or event;
- (q) a digital registration and health screening platform, such as the *Teacher Connect Application*, may also be used to assist with the administration of the registration process contemplated in paragraph (p);
- (r) if a person has COVID-19 symptoms or presents with a temperature above 38 degrees Celsius, that person must be refused access into the venue;
- (s) the number of persons, including participants, referees, adjudicators, technical officials, volunteers, medical team, media or broadcasting team, and stadium workers, permitted at a venue at any one time is limited to –
  - (i) a maximum of 100 persons, for indoor venues; and
  - (ii) a maximum of 250 persons, for outdoor venues.And if the venue is too small to hold 100 persons indoors or 250 persons outdoors, observing a distance of at least one and a half metres from each other, then not more than 50 percent of the capacity of the venue may be used, subject to strict adherence to all health protocols and social distancing measures.
- (t) teams, technical officials, volunteers, relevant stadium staff, medical staff and registered members of the media or broadcaster team must leave the venue as soon as their responsibilities are completed;
- (u) social distancing and the wearing of face masks must always be maintained by persons who are not participating in matches or events;
- (v) participants must always wear face masks, except when participating in an event;
- (w) technical officials must report before the start of any event of competition for a COVID-19 regulations and protocol briefing session and screening;

- (x) all ablution facilities must be sanitised regularly and kept clean as per COVID-19 protocols;
- (y) entry to the ablution area will be regulated to adhere to social distancing protocols; and
- (z) all sport equipment must be sanitised before and after use.”

**We also need to stress the fact that no spectators are allowed at this stage. Let us hope that this too will change soon!**

In dieselfde asem wil ek sê dat ons ongelooflik opgewonde is oor die feit dat normale ligawedstryde vir wintersporte op 8 Mei teen Vredenburg en Topolino begin. Ons wil ouers en leerders weereens verseker dat ons alle Covid-maatreëls in plek stel met ons personeel, leerders en ouers se veiligheid as ons nommer een prioriteit. Daarom het skoolbestuur ook die volgende maatreëls in plek gestel:

1. Alle sport gaan in vier areas gespeel word en elke area kan 250 persone huisves.
2. Elke area het een toegangspunt waar die koorsmeting en administrasie afgehandel word.
3. Daar is geen wisseling tussen areas nie.
4. Kontrole by toegangspunte monitor die getalle van elke area en lig die areahoof in as die 250-perk oorskry word.

Die areas is soos volg: (Sien op webtuiste)

- Area 1 - Netbalbane by die skool
- Area 2- Nelbalbane by die sportgronde
- Area 3- A-rugbyveld by sportgronde
- Area 4- Hokkieveld B en C rugbyvelde

#### 6. **Afwesigheid**

Ons wil weereens 'n dringende beroep op HSH-ouers doen om die skool op dieselfde dag in te lig oor leerderafwesigheid. Indien die kantoor nie ingelig word oor afwesigheid nie, word die leerder aangeteken as afwesig sonder verlof.

Met sport op Saterdag wat een van die dae weer 'n realiteit, wil ons leerders en ouers se aandag vestig op die skoolreël dat leerders wat op 'n Vrydag afwesig is, nie vir sportspanne op 'n Saterdag oorweeg sal word nie.

#### 7. **Marking of school uniform**

Parents are requested to see to it that all school and sport uniforms are clearly marked. The secretary's office is packed with lost school uniforms, especially after sport events, and these costly uniforms are rarely claimed. We have more than 700 learners with exactly the same uniforms and if the items are not clearly marked, there will be confusion. Thank you for your co-operation.

#### 8. **Learners out of school grounds**

We are living in dangerous times, even in the tranquility of Hopefield. We need to manage these risks at school and therefore we need to inform parents that no learner will be allowed to leave the school grounds during school hours. The only exception will be when a parent or legal guardian accompanies a learner in person from the school grounds, with a valid reason and with permission from the principal.

## 9. Illness during examinations / assessment

It happens from time to time that learners fall ill during exams or when Formal Assessment Tasks are completed. **When learners are absent, the school must be informed and a doctor's or clinic certificate must be handed in at school.** When a learner is absent with a valid medical certificate, the learner will get an 'absent' and his/her term mark will reflect all the other tasks completed for that specific subject. In such cases no learner will receive a class average mark or a zero mark.

We also get requests to accommodate learners not feeling well during exam/assessment by letting them taking their tests outside the normal exam times. We simply cannot manage these requests for the simple reason of question paper security and time constraints. We certainly appreciate the fact that a learner who is not feeling well, still wants to complete his/her exam papers, but these exam papers must be completed at the same time as the other learners completing these subjects.

## 10. Resolusie 1 – 100% HSH

Tydens die Begrotingsvergadering is die volgende resolusie eenparig deur die ouers teenwoordig aanvaar: **'n minimum maandelikse betaling van R250 skoolgeld deur alle HSH-ouers word aanvaar.** Gesien in die lig dat daar in die 2020 boekjaar R2 397 985 afgeskryf is a.g.v. kwytskeldings asook die kwaliteit onderrig wat alle leerders by HSH ontvang, **word 'n beroep op ouers wat vrystelling ontvang, gedoen om hierdie minimum betaling van R250 per maand te doen.** Hierdie resolusie is nie afdwingbaar nie, maar ons doen 'n beroep op ouers wat vrystelling ontvang om ook hulle 100% vir HSH te gee en sodoende 'n bydrae te lewer tot die skep van 'n uitnemende skool.

## 11. Tweede detensiebrief

NB! Wanneer 'n leerder 'n tweede (of volgende) detensiebrief ontvang, verander die sanksies na **4 detensies**. Die Beheerliggaam behou die reg voor om chroniese oortreders dissiplinêr te verhoor. **Met die ontvangs van 'n tweede (of volgende) detensiebrief, verloor die leerder die voorreg om aan die eerste skoolaktiwiteit wat dan sal volg, deel te neem. Skoolaktiwiteite sluit in kultuur, sport, uitstappies, ens.**

When a learner receives a second (or follow-up) letter for detention, the sanction changes to **4 detentions**. The SBG is reserving the right to conduct disciplinary hearings with repeat offenders. **With reception of a second (or follow-up) letter for detention, a learner forfeits the privilege to take part in the first school activity that follows. School activities include culture, sport, excursions etc.**

## 12. Projekte voltooi

Die volgende projekte is tydens die eerste kwartaal voltooi:

1. Die voortuin van die skool is met meer as R17000 se plante, struik en besproeiing opgradeer.
2. HSH se junior kleedkamers het 'n splinternuwe baadjie gekry – 'n lang gekoesterde droom het uiteindelik waar geword!
3. Verf van Snoepie.
4. Vervang die Musiekklas se dak.
5. 15 Lugversorgers en die krag is opgradeer vir die lugversorgers.

6. Verf van Jurgens Schreuder se klaskamer en Visser Bezuidenhout se kantoor.
7. Herstel van die speelpark.
8. Herstel van die badkamer by die klein skooltjie.

Ek wil afsluit deur die HSH-familie terug te neem na die begin van die jaar. Die hele land was in die wurggreep van 'n tweede Covid-vlaag. Elkeen van ons het besef dat Covid nie meer 'n siekte is wat met "ander" mense gebeur nie. Dit het nou ook met "ons" mense gebeur. Ons was bang en benoud ... Tog het HSH-personeel gevoel dat die fokus van 2021 moet wees om skool weer 'n lekker ervaring vir ons kinders te maak en in hierdie omstandighede van Covid het hulle nie weggeskram nie. Die Beheerliggaam het ons ondersteun en ons ouers en leerders het ingekoop. En vandag kan ons terugkyk op 'n kwartaal wat vir ons almal 'n hele klomp lekker dinge ingehou het! Baie dankie aan almal in die HSH-familie wat ons ondersteun het.

Hoe sê hulle in Engels? "Watch this space!" Ek kan nie wag vir volgende kwartaal nie!

Geniet die vakansie!

Wehan Fourie (Skoolhoof)