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Dear parents,

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A man and his wife were once going with their donkey to the market. As they were walking along, by his side a countryman passed them and said, "You fools, what is a donkey for but to ride upon?" So, the man and his wife rode on the donkey, and they went on their way.

But soon they passed a group of men, one of whom said, "Aren't you ashamed of yourself for overloading that poor donkey of yours with you and your wife?"

So, the man ordered his wife to ride, but they hadn't gone far when they passed two men, one of whom said to the other, "Stupid man, he should ride because he is the boss, not his wife"

So, he ordered his wife to get down and he got to ride.

But they hadn't gone far when they passed two men, one of whom said to the other, "What a selfish man! He should be kinder to his wife."

So, the man and his wife tried to think of what to do. They thought and they thought. Until, at last, they cut down a pole, tied the donkey's feet to it, and raised the pole and the donkey to their shoulders.

They went along amid the laughter of all who met them until they came to a bridge, when the donkey, getting one of his feet loose, kicked out and caused the wife to drop her end of the pole. In the struggle, the donkey fell over the bridge, and with his forefeet being tied together, he drowned.

What lessons can we learn from this?

- You cannot please everybody.
- Whatever you do, there will be people who will criticize you.
- Just do what you believe is right, and don't be distracted by criticism.

Mr. A. Edwards

Blazer Mondays:

A friendly reminder - All High School learners are expected to wear their blazers to school on Monday mornings for their weekly assembly. We are cultivating and entrenching the values and ethos of our school and in doing so this will be a compulsory requirement henceforth. Please ensure that blazers are clean, marked with your child's name and that all buttons are sewn onto the blazer. We look forward to seeing our learners looking smart and proud!

Extra Lessons:

It is the academic policy of our school, that all learners who do not achieve above 50% in a subject, attend compulsory extra lessons. Please take note that extra lessons have now commenced for high school learners and that it is imperative that you support us in this endeavor. The only way to achieve excellence is through discipline and dedication. Please make sure that your child uses this valuable resource to meet their academic goals.

Rugga Roots:

If any grade 7-9 learner is interested in participating in Rugga Roots. Please visit www.ruggaroots.zo.za to enroll. Grade 7-9 is on a Monday @ 14:45-15:15.

Magazines:

We are doing a magazine drive for our school. We are always in need of magazines for projects/classwork and reading. Please send any surplus or unused magazines to school with your child.

Important Upcoming Dates & Events:

28 Feb – Matric Exam meeting
1 Mar – World Compliment Day
3 Mar – Gr 11 Cake Sale
3 Mar – Twilight Colour Fun Run & Night

13 Mar – Exams Start
20 Mar – Special School holiday
21 Mar – Human Right's Day
27 Mar – Exams End
29 Mar – School Ends for Students

EXCITING EVENT!!!

With the sun still high in the sky, and temperatures in the mid 30's, we are all aware that summer will end sooner than anticipated, and with this in mind it is time for the annual Burgundy Estate & Riverside College 5 km **TWILIGHT Colour Fun Run** which is in aid of **Iris House Children's hospice and takes place on the 3rd of MARCH.**

This 5km Fun Run takes place in the secure environment of Burgundy Estate and ends with the fun filled blast of colour as you throw your colour bombs in the air! Dress up as your favourite TV or book character, superhero or even as a clown, but make sure that you are ready to have fun.

This event was hugely successful last year and promises to be even better this year. Please bring yourself, your family and all the friends you have to enjoy this extraordinary day with us and know that it is all for a very good cause. Iris House is a very well-known NPO that does the most awe-inspiring work with children and families who are in need of respite care.

This event is for individuals and teams who want to exercise, have fun and enjoy an evening market in a fun and relaxed environment.

Entry fees are as follows:

R120 per individual which includes 2 colour bombs.

R450 per team of 4 members which includes 8 colour bombs.

There will be prizes for winners of the following categories: (male/female/child/pensioner + best dressed team).

Tickets: <https://qkt.io/C9RBv4>

Hurry and book your tickets NOW!



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Principal's message:

I would like to thank all the parents who joined us for the Welcome braai. It was a lovely evening filled with laughter and joy. We are looking forward to many more of these events this year. Our next big event will happen on March the 3rd! This is one of our signature events. This event is in aid of Iris House and we ask for your support so that we can offer our support to them. It will be brimming with colour and lots of fun!

This week was the week of love. I hope that you spoilt your loved ones. We had so much fun at school showing compassion to our peers and teachers. Let's stay in the spirit of spoiling each other with small gestures every day and not wait for those calendar days to show our love and appreciation.

Our teachers attended academic meetings this past week to ensure that we are following the guidelines of the WCED and that we are able to go above and beyond to support our learners with their academic goals. It is important for teachers to stay informed about what is expected of them and how they can empower their learners.

With all the athletics meetings done for the year, we will now be focusing on our academics, so that we are ready for the upcoming test series in March. I would like to encourage all learners to use their teachers, because they are your most valuable resource. Take time during the lesson to ask questions and attend extra classes.

To all our parents who stay committed to their financial obligations, we thank you!

May you have a blessed week ahead; that your obstacles are minor and insignificant; that you feel loved; that you have the support you require; and that all your stresses are under control. We cannot keep on driving if we have a flat tyre, and we cannot do everything and be everywhere if we do not fill our cup! Fill your cup this weekend with whatever is needed.

School Schedule:

Monday	Day 1	07:55 – 15:15
Tuesday	Day 2	07:55 – 15:15
Wednesday	Day 3	07:55 – 15:15
Thursday	Day 4	07:55 – 15:15
Friday	Day 5	07:55 – 14:00

Have a good weekend.

High School Staff!

2023 Term Dates:

Term 1

Start Date: Learners – 12 Jan
20 March school holiday (long weekend)
Learners writing until 27 March.

End Date: Learners – 29 Mar

Term 2

Start Date: Learners – 12 Apr
26,28 April school mid term

End Date: Learners – 21 Jun

Term 3:

Start Date: Learners – 19 July
10, 11 Aug mid term

End Date: Learners - 28 Sept

Term 4:

Start Date: Learners – 11 Oct

End Date: Learners- 13 Dec

