



HOËRSKOOL RICHARDSBAAI

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22 April 2021

Dear Baaitjie Parents

1. STAFF

We wish the following staff members, who have either retired during or will be retiring at the end of the 1st term, all the best for the future:

- Ms A Pretorius
- Ms S de Clercq
- Ms A van der Westhuizen

2. TERM 2 (3 May – 9 July): SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

The school re-opens on 3 May 2021 for the 2nd term. Week one of the new school term will be a junior and Gr 12 week. Day 1 – 5 of the time table will be followed.

Grade 10 and 11 will start on 10 May and follow Day 6 – 10 on the time table.

Planning for Term 2 can be found on the last page of this newsletter.

3. ABSENTEEISM / LATE COMING

We have noticed that some learners are habitually absent on Fridays and Mondays, thus creating a long weekend for themselves. Please don't allow/permit your child/children to be absent; it does more harm than good.

It would also seem that some parents are allowing their children to be late for school. The first bell rings at 07:25 so learners have to go straight to class as the first period of the day starts at 07:30. Some learners only arrive at school at 08:05. **Being habitually late not only creates a bad impression, but is also disrespectful. Please assist us by making sure that your child is at school by 07:25.**

4. "D6 SCHOOL COMMUNICATOR"

VERY IMPORTANT! ALL formal communication from the school is posted on D6. That means ALL homework, test dates, newsletters and other important notices are communicated here. It is of the utmost importance that each parent downloads the "D6 School Communicator" on their phone or computer.

Please contact the "D6-team" by email at appsupport@d6.co.za or on 0878200088 for any D6-related problems.

5. FREE WIFI AT SCHOOL

We have free wifi available for all learners on a daily basis from 14:00 to 07:10 at the main netball court in front of the school hall.

Baaitjie learners are encouraged to use this opportunity to download homework from D6 and other platforms (google classroom, etc.) for the weeks they have to work from home. **The password is HRB00000**

6. SPORT & CULTURE

Unfortunately, at this stage, we will not participate in competitive sport and cultural activities in term 2. The safety of our players and their opponents cannot be guaranteed and the risk factor is just too high.

The fact that no spectators will be allowed also has significant financial implications.

7. UNIFORM

We are proud of our beautiful uniform and learners should wear it correctly. PHED clothes do not form part of our school uniform and may not be worn as a substitute.

Boys MAY NOT wear earrings to school! Please note that girls are only allowed to wear long grey trousers as part of their **winter uniform**.

8. NAME TAGS

I consider it extremely important to know the children in my school and to greet them by name. The new colour-coded name tags form part of the school uniform and must be worn everyday. Teachers will monitor this closely.

9. SASAMS

The departmental SASAMS mark system is still not functioning 100% and we have had to make alternative plans to capture this term's marks. We will issue a report which will indicate the learners' raw marks for all assessments done in term one. These marks might differ once they are entered on SASAMS.

10. ON-LINE APPLICATIONS (Please watch the website for the launch)

We will make use of an on-line application system for admission to the school this year. This form will be available on the school's website i.e. www.hsrichardsbaai.co.za and can be completed using a mobile phone or computer. Should you encounter any problems with this process, please contact one of the secretaries for assistance.

11. ENQUIRIES CONCERNING PROGRESS WITH ACADEMIC WORK

Numerous parents have enquired why certain classes have covered more academic work than others. There are two main reasons:

- i. Your child does not have a certain subject in the first week of the time table. The number of periods your child has in a certain subject may differ from week one to week two. At the end of a 3 week cycle they should all have

- completed the same amount of work.
- ii. Classes work at different tempos as more remediation needs to be done to explain certain concepts.

12. GRADE 8 & 9 MATHEMATICS GOOGLE CLASSROOM

In Grade 8 & 9 the foundation is laid to continue with Mathematics in Grade 10. Should your child not be part of Google Classroom yet, we encourage you to come on board as they miss out on many valuable videos and other mathematical material.

13. SCHOOL FEES

Thank you to all the parents who make an effort to pay their school fees. There are, however, numerous parents who have not yet paid any school fees nor made any arrangements for payment.

The financial secretary will contact you to make an appointment to see me in this regard.

Baaitjie Greetings

H J P MULLER
PRINCIPAL



SCHOOL ATTENDANCE
2nd Term: 3 May – 9 July

DATE	ACADEMIC CYCLE	GRADE
Week: 3 May – 7 May	Day 1 - 5	8, 9, 12
<i>Week: 10 May – 14 May</i>	<i>Day 6 - 10</i>	<i>10, 11, 12</i>
Week: 17 May – 21 May	Day 6 - 10	8, 9, 12
<i>Week: 24 May – 28 May</i>	<i>Day 1 – 5</i>	<i>10, 11, 12</i>
Week: 31 May – 4 June	Day 1 – 5	8, 9, 12
<i>Week: 7 June – 11 June</i>	<i>Day 6 - 10</i>	<i>10, 11, 12</i>
Week: 14 June – 18 June 16 June – Public Holiday	Day 6 - 10	8, 9, 12
<i>Week: 21 June – 25 June</i>	<i>Day 1 – 5</i>	<i>10, 11, 12</i>
Week: 28 June – 2 July	June Examination	8 - 12
Week: 5 July – 9 July	June Examination	8 - 12