



16 March 2020

Dear parent/guardian

After the announcement made by our President on 15 March 2020, we would like to inform you of the following:

1. The Department of Health has launched a WhatsApp service where news, information, questions and updates regarding the COVID-19 pandemic will be available. Simply add this number **060 012 3456** as a WhatsApp contact and type 'Hi' in the message block.
2. The following events have been cancelled and new dates will be communicated next term:
  - a. The drama show.
  - b. SA Schools' Athletics meeting
  - c. Open day for grade 7 learners
3. All sporting activities that were scheduled for the March holiday has been cancelled.
4. The 'Voortrekkers' will inform involved learners and parents about arrangements with regards to their camp that was scheduled for this March holiday.
5. The tests that were supposed to be written by the Grade 11 and 12 learners on **19 March 2020**, will now be written on **14 April 2020**.
6. The tests that were supposed to be written by Grade 11 and 12 learners on **20 March 2020**, will now be written on **15 April 2020**.  
These dates will only change if the President releases a new statement.

We request that parents ensure that their children are well-informed with regards to personal hygiene. The following information was shared during the President's address:

- a) Wash your hands with soap and water for approximately 20 seconds.
- b) Cough/sneeze in a tissue or in the bend of your elbow.
- c) Avoid contact with any person with flu or cold-like symptoms.
- d) Reduce/avoid physical contact.
- e) Limit domestic travelling
- f) Avoid functions/ events with large groups of people.

We want to urge you to stay calm during this time. Any information from the Department of Basic Education will be shared on our website and social media pages.

Rest assured that the safety of your child is our top priority and that all necessary steps are and will be taken to ensure your child's safety. A protocol has been prescribed by the Department of Basic Education should any learner or staff member get in contact with or be tested positive for the virus themselves.

We request that you contact the school immediately should a learner or any member of your household be tested positive for the said virus.

Kind regards

**HLP VAN ZYL**  
**PRINCIPAL**