



## **Headmaster's Newsletter**

January/February 2018

Greetings to the Benoni High Community

Thank you for the many well wishes that I received upon the announcement of my appointment as School Headmaster. Thank you to Mr. Van Der Westhuizen for keeping the school together for the last six months of 2017. It was most appreciated.

Welcome to all the Grade Eight parents and any new parents to the family of Benoni High.

School sport is in full swing. Congratulations to the first boys' cricket team who have won all their fixtures to date. Keep going gentlemen. Thank you to Mr. Joubert for taking over the running of the cricket team. Both the athletics and swimming inter-house have been completed; congratulations to Sparta who won the athletics by one point!

The following upcoming sporting events are to be noted:

Super Inter High Athletics: 13 February - Sasolburg

Inter High Athletics: 19 February - Germiston

Inter High Swimming: 26 February - Germiston

School Governing Body (SGB) elections are upon us. Dates have been set (5 March and 7 March). Please show your support. More information will follow shortly.

Detention; specifically Friday detention – parents are requested to please work with the school in dealing with the discipline structures of the school. The practice of Friday detention is part of the school rules that are the bedrock of the school. This is in line with the practice of 'Zero Tolerance' towards any negative behaviour in the school. Academics will forever be the core function of Benoni High School and at no stage can we afford to have educators out of class, missing teaching time, and dealing with learners who simply do not want to comply with an established set of rules.

The first tests are also to be written shortly. Mathematics test for Gr 8 – 12 will be written on 12 February – Good Luck! Please motivate the learners to begin to study and I know they will achieve. Everyone can be successful; there are no short cuts to success. I would like everyone's report card to reflect the commitment to the school's core function – education.

Thank You.

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HEADMASTER**