

Headmaster's Newsletter

June 2018



Greetings to the Benoni High Community

Mid-Year exams are well underway and I am sure the learners have placed all their energies in the right place. Please remember to inform the school telephonically of a learner's absence from an exam. Upon returning to school the learner must present a doctor's note. No doctor's note will result in the learner receiving a zero for that particular examination.

Cell phones, although required for multiple reasons, have to be handed in prior to any examination starting. Failure to do so will result in an irregularity and the learner will receive zero for that particular examination. This is as per the Education Department guidelines.

There will be a 'winter school' for the matrics. Mr. Alberts will present a schedule for the times of the various lessons.

Parents Lapa: Thank you to Gareth Greenwood (Sand Shifters) for building the facility and to Dieter Witthaus (Troy Witthaus Grade 11) for organising the entire process. To both gentlemen the work is most appreciated. The facility, consisting of 'several braai areas', is open to all parents and alumni of the school. The official opening of the facility was a 'Dads and Lads' evening that was a resounding success.

Provincial rugby: Congratulation to Jabu Mabena, Troy Witthaus, Joseph Matadi, Jaco (JJ) de Jager and Sonwabo Maseko on their selection for the various 'Valke' rugby teams. Good luck in all the tournaments in the July holidays.

Netball: Congratulations to the U17A Netball team who are the league and district Champions. Well done.

'Supporters Items': Ms Bekker has posted certain items, on the communicator and the web site, which parents can purchase from the school to wear and show their support at various sporting and cultural fixtures. To repeat, the practice of purchasing various clothing items is present in many schools and I am sure a stronger community identity will be created.

The following sporting activities are available in Term 3: Soccer, Softball, Cricket, Angling and Cross Country for all learners. Cultural activities will include Eisteddfod, Pipe Band, Chess, Drama, Choir, Public Speaking, Gavel Club and Toastmasters (Fridays).

School will re-open on 17 July 2018 and there will be a Parents evening on 19 July 2018. Educators will be available between 16h00 and 19h00 on 19 July 2018. Have a good mid-year break.

Thank You.

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