

# TAFELBERG SCHOOL

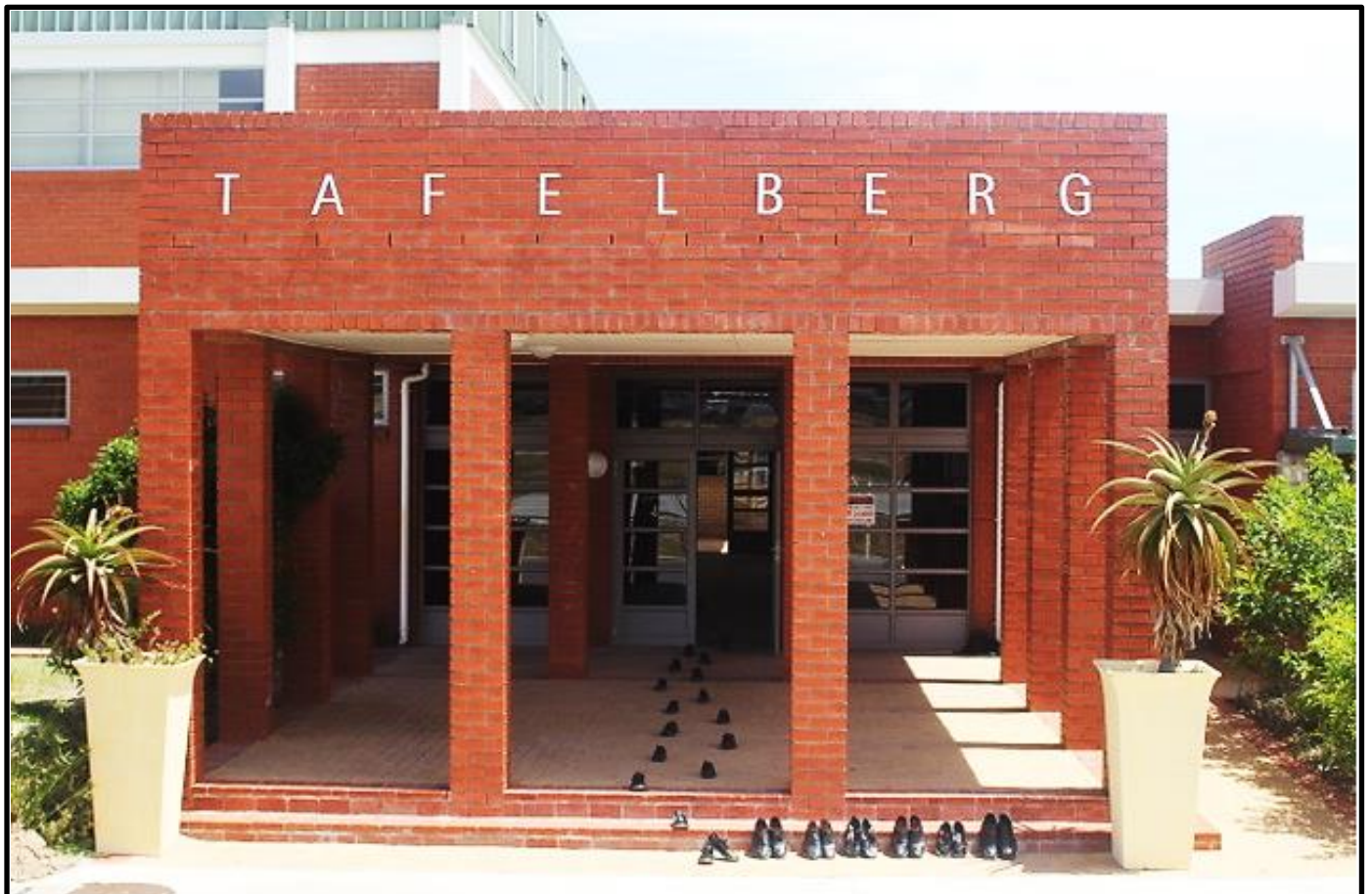


## Newsletter



10 JANUARY 2019 – 1<sup>ST</sup> TERM – NUMBER 01

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Gone but not forgotten! The legacy of the Class of 2018 ... another 100% pass rate, and their school shoes which will be donated to disadvantaged learners at schools in our circuit.

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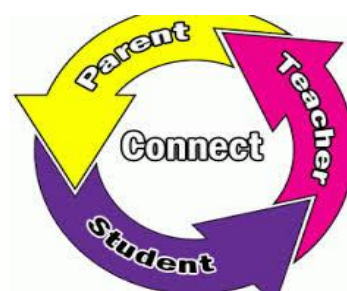
Dear Parent

Welcome back to all our learners and their families, and a special welcome to all the new learners and their families. We hope that all had a wonderful holiday. The big news is that once again our matrices have attained a 100% pass rate. We will not rest on our laurels though, and aim to continue with the goal we set in 2018, that of emphasizing quality. The staff will again do their best, and we again request that learners do their best and parents give the teachers the support they need to get the best out of their child. Furthermore, in 2019 we will continue to grow our sport program, and also create more cultural events for our learners. Improving facilities and infrastructure will also continue this year. New cameras have been installed in the classes and the IT system is being upgraded to prepare for more technology-driven lessons. In this regard we will soon be installing large-screen TV sets in classes as technology shifts from data projectors to using smart TV as a vehicle to present lessons. Lastly, the WCED will complete the last phase of the remedial work started in 2018, by repairing the roofs and gutters. 2019 promises to be another exciting year.

## NB INFORMATION

### 1. NB dates

09 Jan	School re-opens for 2019 school year
14 Jan	<b>Grade 7 – 9</b> <u>Parent meeting</u> in school hall @ 7pm
15 Jan	Prestige Assembly @ 8:20am
15 Jan	<b>Grade 10 – 12</b> <u>Parent meeting</u> in school hall @ 7pm
15 Jan	<b>Grade 1 – 6</b> <u>Parent meeting</u> @ 7pm in learners' classes
17 Jan	Due date for return of all <b>Reply Slips</b>
18 Jan	Annual Tafelberg school braai at the pool (6pm – 8pm)
27 Jan	Thera-parent workshop in school hall



### 2. School fees 2019

Tafelberg is a Section 21 fee-paying school, and the SA Schools Act thus places a duty on the SGB to collect such school fees from all parents as agreed upon at the parent AGM. The Budget and school fees for 2019 were voted on at the parent AGM on 7 November 2018. The Budget, school fee increase and certain policies (e.g. Code of Conduct, Uniform and appearance, Language, Religious, and Admission policies among others) were tabled and accepted by a majority vote of parents at the AGM.

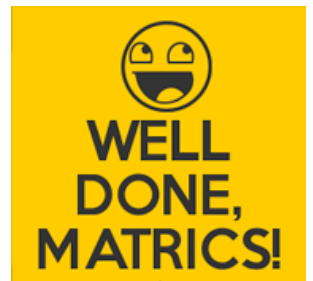
<b>TIER</b>	<b>FEE PER MONTH (11 months)</b>	<b>FEE : ANNUAL AMOUNT</b>
1. <b>Grades 1,2,10 + 11</b>	R1 835-00	R20 185-00
2. <b>Grades 3,4,5,7,8,9 + 12</b>	R1 690-00	R18 590-00
3. <b>Grades 6</b>	R1 530-00	R16 830-00

- 10% discount on fees if paid in full before end of February 2019
- First Debit Order run : 1<sup>st</sup> working day of each month
- Fees are paid over 11 months, starting January 2019 (for 2019 fees)
- Exemptions and non-payment of fees are dealt with as per legislation and school policy.
- All enquiries regarding payment of school fees and exemptions must be directed to Mrs M Vicentini only @ 021 558 2405 or bursar@tafelbergschool.co.za

## GENERAL NEWS

### 1. Class of 2018 : 100% pass rate

We can all be very proud of the matric class of 2018. Not only did they produce another 100% pass rate, but the quality of the passes was outstanding. This will be the 25<sup>th</sup> year in a row that we have achieved a 100% pass rate. The average percentage increased from 2017, while all the subjects (except 2 which remained the same) saw an increase in their averages over that of 2017. All our learners obtained either a Bachelor's pass or a Diploma pass. Furthermore, the number of Bachelor passes increased by 30%, from 44% for the matrics of 2017, to 74% for the class of 2018 – a truly wonderful achievement. The remaining 26% of the 2018 class all obtained Diploma passes. There were 6 subject A's and 26 B's and a heap of C's. The top three matrics were : 1<sup>st</sup> Jezi O'Hagan (who will receive the Dux trophy at our prestige assembly), 2<sup>nd</sup> Rachel Roberts and in 3<sup>rd</sup> place, Daniela D'Agrela. We salute and congratulate the amazing class of 2018, for the magnificent set of results. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their hard work, but also congratulate their teachers on a job well done. Lastly, thank you to the parents for supporting your child and their teachers ... *together* we can make it happen because nothing is too difficult.



### 2. Staff news

Tafelberg welcomes some new members to its family this year. Mr Last joins the senior school while Mrs de Waal joins the junior school staff. Mrs v/d Merwe and Ms Pienaar join us as class assistants, while Mrs Chetty takes over as School Secretary and Mrs Vicentini joins the Bursar's office. We wish them all a wonderful year.

### 3. Newsletter

Newsletters will only be send out to parents via email and will also be available on the School's website. Should you not have access to internet/email please inform the school and a hard copy will be send to you every week.

### 4. School Safety



- We want to ensure the safety of all our learners while at school, and thus ask all parents to support our safety and security measures. No adult is allowed to enter or leave the school grounds via the learner gate. Parents/visitors must enter via the main gate, and report to the school secretary immediately. No parent/visitor is allowed to approach any learner on school grounds, nor go directly to a classroom. Parents/visitors **must** park in the designated parking area (at own risk).
- Should you not want photographs of your child to appear in the Newsletter or school Magazine etc, please forward this request to the Principal in writing.

### 5. Uniform / appearance

Please ensure your child conforms to the hair and appearance policy and is properly dressed as per regulations, before he/she leaves home in the morning. Learners will face punishment if they arrive at school improperly dressed, unshaven etc.



## 6. Textbooks

Learners who did not return textbooks will not be issued with a textbook until the book is returned or replaced.

## 7. Stationery

Please ensure your child has all their stationery requirements. This includes the 4 reams of rotatrim copy paper – this item was again approved at the parent AGM on 7 November 2018. You will be disadvantaging your child should they not have all their stationery requirements by the time school commences.

## 8. PTA

I again encourage ALL parents to join and or give support to the PTA when needed. It is a parent-driven organization which raises much needed funds to help the school provide certain facilities and resources for all our children. Please, get involved with this amazing group of moms and dads. Contact La-Verne at [laverne@itec-cpt.co.za](mailto:laverne@itec-cpt.co.za)

## SPORT

League sport practices will begin in the week of 22 January 2019



## THE LAW AND YOU

### *FUNDING OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS*

#### **School fees at Public schools**

39 (1) Subject to this Act, school fees may be determined and charged at a public school only if a resolution to do so has been adopted by a majority of parents attending the meeting (AGM) ...

SOUTH AFRICAN SCHOOLS ACT 84 OF 1996

**QUIZ :** What is a Dirk?

**THOUGHT :** “.....Today is your day, your mountain is waiting, so get on your way” – Dr Seuss

Mr L Benecke  
Principal



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