

TAFELBERG SCHOOL



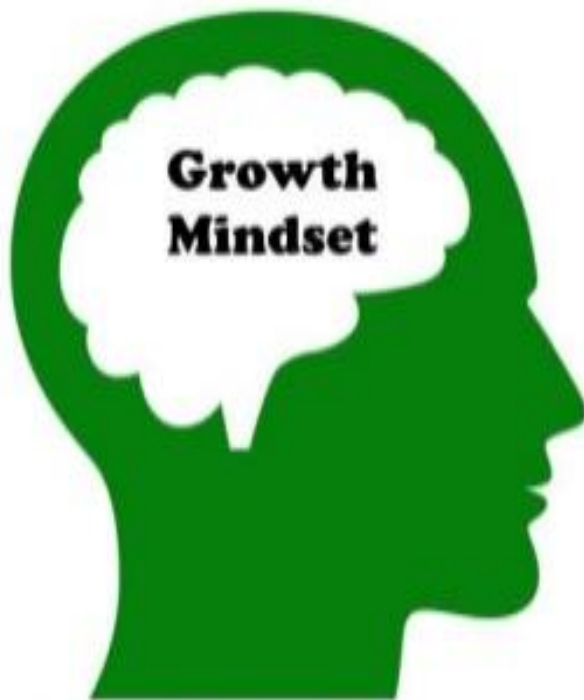
Newsletter



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CORE VALUES : RESPECT ... RESPONSIBILITY ... HONESTY ... CARING

What Kind of Mindset Do You Have?



**Growth
Mindset**

I can learn anything I want to.
When I'm frustrated, I persevere.
I want to challenge myself.
When I fail, I learn.
Tell me I try hard.
If you succeed, I'm inspired.
My effort and attitude determine everything.



**Fixed
Mindset**

I'm either good at it, or I'm not.
When I'm frustrated, I give up.
I don't like to be challenged.
When I fail, I'm no good.
Tell me I'm smart.
If you succeed, I feel threatened.
My abilities determine everything.

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Dear Parent

Tafelberg is one of the pilot schools for the “Transform to Perform” strategy being introduced by the WCED. Staff have attended a session on the program, and from September to November this year we will be introducing our learners to the Transform to Perform (T2P) program. The goal of this program is to change the mindset of learners and thereby improve their academic performance. The crux of this approach is to make learners realise that by making mistakes we learn valuable lessons (thus do not be afraid of trying and failing), and with effort (on their side) they can learn to master subjects and situations they thought they could not. The approach is based on the “fixed” mindset versus the “growth” mindset. I am excited about the program and believe if we all work as a team and instill a growth mindset in all our children, we will see amazing and *real* learning taking place in our children’s lives. With all the talk of the Fourth Industrial Revolution, education seems still to be playing catch-up. I believe the T2P strategy will provide the bridge to the expectations of the fast changing world we live in. We will work with our learners at school but we need parents also to embrace the change and growth mindset vision. Please see the link to a video on growth mindset.

NB INFORMATION

1. NB date

30 Aug	Last of the Friday Sports program
02 Sept	Test Series start (Grades 7-12)
04 Sept	Test Series start (Grades 4-6)
20 Sept	School closes for Term 3 @ 11am / Reports handed to learners
01 Oct	School re-opens for Term 4

**TESTS
are
coming!!!**

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.

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

- 10% discount on fees if paid in full before end of February 2019
- First Debit Order run : 1st 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. Staff news

It is with great sadness that we will say farewell to Ms M Johns (Grade 4) at the end of this term. Ms Johns has decided to resign for personal reasons. The SGB will look at appointing a suitable replacement before the start of next term. We are sorry to see Ms Johns leave and thank her for her contribution to our school, and particularly for her dedication to her learners. We wish her well for her future plans.



2. Last week of school

All parents are to note that school officially closes on the 20 September 2019. Therefore, once the Test Series / Mock Matric ends, all learners (***including Matrics***) MUST be at school until close of school on 20 September. It is an important time, as teachers will be giving feedback to learners on the test/exam papers they wrote. This feedback will stand them in good stead for the end-of-year examinations. We are relying on the co-operation of parents in this regard.

3. Test Series

Please ensure you and your child have read and understand the exam rules, and that your child is properly prepared for the upcoming assessments. Furthermore, ensure that they hand in tasks on the due dates.



4. PTA

Congratulations to all those involved in organising and making the MADD evening such a success. The funds will help keep school fees lower, and help fund upgrade projects for the benefit of all our learners. Please continue to support your PTA in realising their 2019 fundraising target.

- Please use your Makro and MySchool cards when making purchases, and ensure that Tafelberg school is the beneficiary.
- Upcoming PTA events:
Term 4 : Warrior Challenge on 29 November

5. Road safety

Please obey the traffic rules and regulations. They are there to protect all road users and to prevent accidents as far as is possible. Some parents still ignore basic traffic rules: double parking, parking facing oncoming traffic and stopping on pedestrian crossings. It only takes a second for an accident to occur. Let us always have safety as our first priority.

6. Sport fields upgrade



Our sports fields took a beating during the drought and never fully recovered. The SGB have now managed to source a contractor to level the fields and relay the entire area with grass. I need to congratulate the SGB and Estate Manager on the latest project, since it is being done without making loans nor bumping up school fees to pay for the improvements – we are fortunate to have such an astute Governing Body.

7. Reminders

- Please adhere to the road signs and safety rules of the school to ensure the safety of all children, staff and members of the public.
- Please ensure your child conforms to the school rules with regard to school and sport/PE uniform and appearance, BEFORE they leave home in the mornings, failing which they will be placed in DT
- The school in no way endorses any product, service or entity (nor any claim made by them) advertised in this Newsletter.

8. Transport

- Transport offered from Goodwood to Bothasig in the mornings and afternoons. Please contact T Swartz 076 3478 169

SPORT

- This Friday will be the last of the Friday program – as from next week learners must wear winter uniform and NOT tracksuits on Fridays.
- All winter sport is now finished for Term 3.

THE LAW AND YOU

GUIDELINES FOR ... ADOPTING A CODE OF CONDUCT FOR LEARNERS

8. Punishment

8.1 Punishment is a corrective measure or penalty inflicted on an offender who has to suffer the consequences of misconduct in order to maintain the orderly society of the school.

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QUIZ : What goes up and down, but remains in the same place?

LAST WEEK'S ANSWER : Wales

THOUGHT : "I haven't failed -- I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work." – T Edison



Mr L Benecke



ENTER TO LEARN, LEAVE TO SERVE

