

TAFELBERG SCHOOL



Newsletter



27 JANUARY – 1st TERM – NUMBER 03

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



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Dear Parent

Safety at schools and at school events / activities have made headline news with the tragic deaths of 4 learners in various incidents this past week. Our condolences go out to the families, and our thoughts are with the schools at this traumatic time. These events highlight the issues around school and learner safety and security. At Tafelberg we will always do everything that is possible and reasonable to ensure the safety of our learners and staff. Therefore, I again re-iterate the need for ALL parents to heed the safety and security procedures and policy we have at Tafelberg school. We, the staff, at times watch in dismay at parents disregarding procedures and policy. Please use the drop-go zone outside the school properly – do not park facing oncoming traffic, do not occupy the parking bay unnecessarily. Furthermore, do not park within the pedestrian crossing area to drop or pick up your child. With regard to school premises, parents may not use the learner gate but must enter via the main gate. Should parents/family enter the premises in a vehicle, they must park only in the designated parking area, and report to the front office immediately. No parent/adult may approach any learner on school premises. Thank you for your support and co-operation in keeping our learners and staff safe.



NB INFORMATION

1. NB dates

- 4 Feb **Gr 7, 10+12 Parent workshop** by Elevate Education in the hall @ 6:30pm
- 5 Feb Thera-parent workshop in the Brenda Slabbert clubhouse @ 16:30
- 7 Feb Inter-house gala (Gr4 – 12) @ school from 9:00-14:00
- 8 Feb New parent and Grade 4 workshop presented by Mandy Turner
- 20 Feb Inter-house athletics at Parow track (Gr 1 – 12)
- 20 Mar 2020 Term 1 : school closes

2. School fees 2020

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 2020 were voted on at the parent AGM on 13 November 2019. The Budget, school fee increase and certain policies (e.g. Code of Conduct, Uniform and Appearance, Language, Textbook, Religious, and Admission policies among others) were tabled and accepted by unanimous parent vote at the AGM.

TIER	FEE PER MONTH (11 months)	FEE : ANNUAL AMOUNT
1. Grades 1 – 3	R1 980-00	R21 780-00
2. Grades 4 – 9	R1 825-00	R20 075-00
3. Grades 10 – 12	R1 980-00	R21 780-00

- a) 10% discount on fees if paid in full before end of February 2020
- b) First Debit Order run : 1st working day of each month
- c) Fees are paid over 11 months, starting January 2020 (for 2020 fees)
- d) Exemptions and non-payment of fees are dealt with as per legislation and school policy.
- e) All enquiries regarding payment of school fees and exemptions must be directed only to Mrs M Vicentini @ 021 558 2405 or bursar@tafelbergschool.co.za

GENERAL NEWS

1. Annual Tafelberg braai

Thank you to all the parents who joined us at our annual Tafelberg “welcome back” braai. It was good to see so many parents, and all seemed to have been having a wonderful time.

2. PTA

The PTA will be holding its first meeting on Tuesday, 28/01 at school, at 6pm. We look forward to seeing all our new parents at this first meeting. The PTA need the injection of new faces and ideas. Parents are called on to give back to their child’s school in some form. The PTA forms an important part of the Tafelberg Family and through their fundraising we are able to keep annual school fee increases to a minimum, and furthermore, purchase various items for ALL our children. Join this dynamic and hardworking group of involved moms and dads, and help create a better school for all our children. Please remember to use your MySchool and Makro cards – it costs nothing, yet brings in much needed funds for the PTA. Thank you for your support, it is greatly appreciated.



3. Grade 4 and new parent workshop

We look forward to seeing all Grade 4 and new parents at this very worthwhile workshop at Tafelberg on 8 February 2020, starting at 9:00 – 12:00

4. Stationery: copy paper

Should you not yet have sent in the required reams of copy paper, please ensure this stationery requirement is sent to school with your child, as soon as is possible, so as not to impact on your child’s academics. Thank you for your co-operation.



5. Lift clubs

Parents are once again reminded that they are **to inform** their lift clubs / shuttle service providers that they are NOT allowed to enter the school grounds, as per SGB decision. Transport providers must wait for their charges outside the school premises. Furthermore, please ensure your lift club/transport provider fetches your child on time. If they are late, they must contact the school, and they must enter on foot and collect the children from the foyer area.

6. Learners leaving early

No learner may leave the school grounds without the proper authorization of the Principal or Deputy Principals. A request for leaving school during the school day must be made via the correct channels, the reason must be given and adequate notice period must be given. If a learner is given permission to leave early, the parent must fetch the learner from the foyer area, after signing the necessary document. Should the parent send a family member/friend to fetch the learner, we will require ID and other checks of the person fetching the learner. They too must fetch the learner from the foyer area. No learner will be released unless the school is satisfied.

7. SMS service

- Should parents need an additional sms service, it will be activated as soon as the payment of R50 is submitted.

8. Term 1 Assessments (GR 4-6)

The CASS schedules for Term 1 were handed to Gr 4-6 learners today.

9. Transport

- Transport needed from school to Goodwood SAS Wingfield. Please contact Layla at 081 4664273
- Transport available to share from Vasco to School. Please WhatsApp Elza Eksteen at 082 566 8628

10. Reminders

- Please read the “Supervision of Learners” policy on the website
- Return all completed Reply Slips by Friday, 31 January
- No learner nor parent may take and or distribute any photograph and or video showing any Tafelberg learner on school grounds or outside the immediate school premises.
- The school in no way endorses any product, service or entity (nor any claim made by them) advertised in this Newsletter.

SPORT

Tuesday 28 February Snr Cricket and Snr Swimming Practice will go ahead as planned Time 14:00 – 15:00

Sport	Practice	Match
Snr Swimming	Tuesday 28 Jan	Thursday 30 Jan 2020 – Elkhana Sunningdale
Jnr Swimming	Thursday 30 Jan	-
Snr Cricket	Tuesday 28 Jan	Thursday 30 Jan 2020 – Vista Nova
Jnr Cricket	Thursday 30 Jan	-
Athletics	Thursday 30 Jan	-
Girls Soccer	Thursday 30 Jan	-



THE LAW AND YOU

FUNDING OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Enforcement of payment of school fees

41 The governing body of a public school may by process of law enforce the payment of school fees by parents who are liable to pay in terms of section 40.

SOUTH AFRICAN SCHOOLS ACT 84 OF 1996

QUIZ : Which is the longest bone in the human body?

LAST WEEKS ANSWER : Japan

THOUGHT : What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make – J Goodall


Mr L Benecke



ENTER TO LEARN, LEAVE TO SERVE

T2P

FIXED MINDSET VS CHANGE MINDSET



IT'S NOT HOW
GOOD YOU ARE

**IT'S HOW
GOOD YOU
WANT TO BE**