

TAFELBERG SCHOOL



Newsletter



11 MARCH – 1ST TERM – NUMBER 09

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



2020 top athletes and swimmers



Dear Parent

The first week of Test Series has been completed without any major issues. We have a contingency plan (which also has limitations) but the ever-present threat of ESKOM load shedding is a constant concern during this Test Series period. We will do all we can within our means to mitigate the effects of possible loadshedding. With regard to the learners, most seem to be prepared for the Test Series, however, there are still some learners with a poor work ethic. As stated before, in many subject areas there is only **one** FAT/PAT this TERM. There are no other “chances” to improve on the mark once the FAT/PAT is completed, and that mark will reflect on the Term Report, and will be carried forward to the end-of-year mark for promotion and progression. Furthermore, some learners have arrived at the exam venue without a pen, pencil, ruler etc. – totally unacceptable as they cannot borrow/lend equipment during an assessment. Please check they have the correct books and stationery for the school day before they leave home in the mornings. Thank you for your support and co-operation.



NB INFORMATION

1. NB dates

11 Mar Jnr Test Series end
13 Mar Snr Test Series end
14 Mar Tafelberg games evening in school hall : 4pm – 7pm
20 Mar Term 1 : school closes @ 10:30 / Term 1 Reports to be handed out

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. PLEASE, support the “**Games Evening**” on 14 March. Last year’s event was enjoyed by all. It again promises to an evening of good family fun – see you there.

2. Easter Eggs

Once again we are appealing to our Tafelberg school family to donate as many easter eggs within the next week. We will, again, be handing over all the donated eggs to the De Grendel Lions club, who will give them to children less fortunate than ourselves. Help us make this easter a little brighter for some underprivileged children, and thus live out our core value of “care”. Thank you for your support.

3. Road safety

Once again we urge parents to use the drop-off/pick-up zone outside the school properly, and with due regard to the safety of our children and other road users. Please note the drop and go zone is exactly that - park properly, greet your child and then leave. Please do not stop/park within the pedestrian crossing area as it can compromise the safety of any of our learners using the crossing correctly. Furthermore, the road outside the school resorts under the City, and traffic officers will fine parents disregarding any of the traffic rules –the school has no jurisdiction over this.



4. Covid-19

As an extra precaution, we urge parents to provide their children with a small bottle of liquid hand-sanitizer, which they can use at school, in class etc.

5. PTA

Please support YOUR very hardworking PTA – they do outstanding work fundraising for much-needed projects which benefit all our children. Let us get behind our PTA and help them achieve their 2020 targets. Please remember to use your MySchool and Makro cards (make Tafelberg the beneficiary) – it costs nothing, yet brings in much needed funds for the PTA. Thank you for your support.



6. Support staff parcels

We are starting early with collecting items for our support staff end-of-year gift parcels. Any donation of dried foods, sugar, canned foods, toiletries etc. will be most welcome and appreciated. It makes a huge difference to them at the end of the year.

7. Subject changes

FET subject changes are strictly controlled, and are governed by certain regulations and processes. Without the correctly completed documents and

evidence, and proper authorization from the WCED, no learner will be allowed to change subjects in the FET Phase (Grade 10-12). Take note of the following:

- Requests for Grade 12 are closed for 2020
- Due date for Grade 11 requests is 31 March 2020
- Due date for Grade 10 requests is 30 June 2020

8. Reminders

- Please inform the school immediately should there be a change in your phone numbers, home/work addresses and medical information.
- Please remind your child of the safety measures at school, and to stay out of demarcated areas.
- No learner may leave the school premises without the proper authorization.
- No learner nor parent may take and or distribute any photo or video showing any Tafelberg learner on school grounds or immediate school premises.
- The school in no way endorses any product, service or claim made by them) advertised in this Newsletter.



SPORT

Thursday (12/3) and Tuesday (17/3)	Soccer – Girls Practice U16/19 Boys U14/U12 Soccer Rugby Practice Snr Netball Practice
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THE LAW AND YOU

LEARNERS

Prohibition of corporal punishment

10 (1) No person may administer corporal punishment at a school to a learner

SOUTH AFRICAN SCHOOLS ACT 84 OF 1996

QUIZ : What high school did Siya Kolisi attend?

LAST WEEK'S ANSWER : The Black Death

THOUGHT : "A man who does not plan long ahead will find trouble at his door." – Confucius

Mr L Benecke

ENTER TO LEARN, LEAVE TO SERVE



Coach Hines 🇺🇸
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Dear Parents,

Your child's future boss isn't going to give them a raise simply for "showing up".

They WILL however, reward them (or fire them), based on their work ethic, character, teamwork, and willingness/ability to get the job done!

Sincerely,

Coaches Who Truly Care

