

# TAFELBERG SCHOOL



## Newsletter



4 AUGUST 2020 – 2<sup>nd</sup> TERM – NUMBER 27

CORE VALUES : RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, HONESTY, CARE



Thanks to Mrs Yeowell, the passage walls in the junior school section are getting a much needed facelift. Captain Underpants has joined the TBS family.

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Dear parent / guardian

There is some information on certain issues which we are still awaiting, while there may be changes to information already given out to schools and or doing the rounds in the media. We are planning with the most current information obtained via the WCED, and ask parents and learners to be patient and understanding should changes be announced at “short” notice. We will always attempt to keep changes to a minimum to prevent too much disruption at school and for the home, but sometimes it is unavoidable. These are stressful times but we need to stand together and do what is right for our learners, staff and parent community. We, as a school, will always strive to ensure quality teaching and learning in every classroom for each learner, and to create a safe and caring environment for all our learners and staff ... I know I have your full support in this matter. The disruption caused by Covid-19 on our school and education system will not dissipate when all learners return (sometime at the end of August as suggested) but will continue to the end of this year and into 2021, and most probably 2022. It will not be a return to what was before Covid-19, but we need to get basic teaching and learning back on track, with the lessons learned these past 5 months. It is going to require much effort from teachers and learners to establish some “normality” in school life once again. As our school motto states : “nothing is too difficult” ... so let’s get on with it.

## NB INFORMATION

### 1. NB Dates (some of which may change)

04 Aug	Term 2 Test Series start (only for Grade 12)
07 Aug	Grade 12 Test Series end
10 Aug	Public holiday
14 Aug	Due date for the return of Grade 9 subject choice form
01 Sept	Matric mock exam starts (provisional – to be confirmed)



### 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.

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

- 10% discount on fees if paid in full before end of February 2020
- First Debit Order run : 1<sup>st</sup> working day of each month
- Fees are paid over 11 months, starting January 2020 (for 2020 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 only to Mrs M Vicentini @ 021 558 2405 or bursar@tafelbergschool.co.za

**NB : The school’s audited Annual Financial Statements are available for inspection by parents at the school secretary’s office from 10am to 2:30pm.**

## GENERAL NEWS

### 1. Return to school

Please note the following, and make the appropriate arrangements:



- 3 August – all Grade 12 learners to return to school
- 10 August – public holiday
- 11 August to 14 August – Grade 7.2 return to school.
- 17 August to 21 August – Grade 7.1 return to school.
- 24 August to 28 August – Grades 1.2, 2.2, 3.2, 4.2, 6.2, 9.2, 10.2 and 11.2 return.
- 31 August to 4 Sept – Grades 5.1, 8.1 and 9.1 return.
- 7 Sept – Grades 5.2 and 8.2 return.

**NB : Refer to the updated Class rotational calendar for August.**

### 2. Grade 12 Test Series

Grade 12 learners will write their Term 2 SBAs this week, as per the schedule sent out earlier – early closing (11:00) on Wed 5 Aug and Thurs 6 Aug. Please ensure your child is at school every day to write these important FATs (Tests) as they form part of the year mark. **NB** : should they miss any FAT for a valid reason (medical certificate) then they will have **ONE further opportunity only** to write the FAT i.e. Saturday, 15 August from 10am. Please remember that these FATs are written under exam conditions, and the *school is paying for the matric invigilator* to conduct the session on Saturday.

### 3. Ordering of school uniform items

Please take note of ordering uniform items from the school store:

- Parents can order “on-line” by contacting Mrs Dippenaar on [edippenaar@tafelbergschool.co.za](mailto:edippenaar@tafelbergschool.co.za)
- Payment must first be made before the item(s) will be released.
- Parent will be informed when the order is ready for collection.
- Once payment has been received, the item(s) can be collected from the front office (Mrs Chetty) from 10:00 to 12:00.
- Should the item(s) be incorrect/wrong size, the parent must inform Mrs Dippenaar via email, and return the item(s) to Mrs Dippenaar asap. The correct item(s)/size will be forwarded asap.

### 4. NB : Grade 9 Subject choice for 2021

All present Grade 9 learners and their parents are to consult the school website (Academics tab) to view the information regarding subject choices for next year. The form must be completed and received by the school, by 3pm on 14 August 2020. Please contact the Senior Phase Head (Mrs Woods) should you have any queries. Should learners not return the forms on the due date, the school reserves the right to choose the subjects for the said learners.

**KEEP SAFE .... KEEP WASHING YOUR HANDS**

## 5. Covid news

No new cases of infection have been reported among staff, and no cases of learner infections at school have been detected or reported at this time. Two teachers have been given leave to work from home by WCED because of comorbidities, but they have indicated that they will be coming in to teach as per normal, at this stage.

## 6. Outstanding School Based Assessments (FATS/PATs)

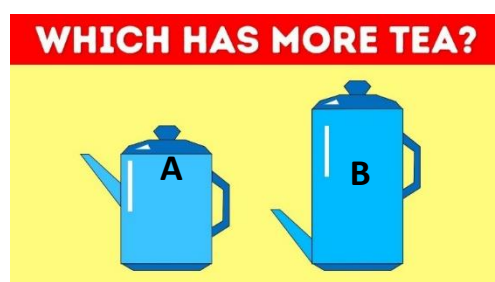
Some learners have still not completed FATS/PATs from Term 1 due to medical reasons. These learners and parents have been notified that these FATS/PATs **MUST** be completed as these marks will be used for promotion purposes at the end of the year. Please ensure your child presents himself/herself to write the FAT/PAT on the day scheduled by the school. Failure to present himself/herself on the date of the further opportunity arranged by the school, will result in your child receiving a zero (absent without valid reason). We appreciate your co-operation in this matter.

## 7. Reminders

- Please screen your child before sending them to school.
- Should you like to book Zoom support lessons, please email Mrs Turner on her home email address: [mandyed@mweb.co.za](mailto:mandyed@mweb.co.za) or call 084 677 2554. Check previous Newsletter for more information.
- If you currently have a Debit Order arrangement with the school and are having difficulties, please contact Mrs M Vicentini at [bursar@tafelbergschool.co.za](mailto:bursar@tafelbergschool.co.za).
- The school in no way endorses any product, service or entity (nor claim made by them) advertised in this Newsletter.

**Last week's answer :** Canberra

**QUIZ :**



**Thought for today:** Be stubborn about your goals, but flexible about your methods.



Mr L E Benecke  
Principal

**ENTER TO LEARN ... LEAVE TO SERVE**

# 2020

# August

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
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