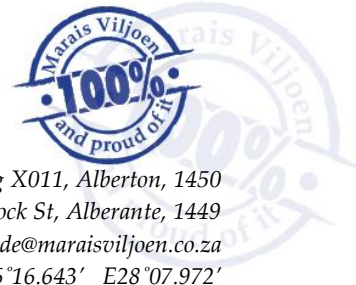




Hoërskool Marais Viljoen

Marais Viljoen High School



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20 January 2017

Dear Parent / Guardian

CIRCULAR 1 (2017)

Welcome back to all our parents after the school holidays. We are looking forward to a year in which the school, with your support and prayers, will continue to provide only the best for your child.

1. NEW DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

We are privileged to welcome our new deputy principal, Mr Helgard Müller. We are looking forward to many prosperous years with him as part of our team.

2. NEW TEACHERS

At the start of this new year we have the privilege of welcoming new teachers at our school. They are Messrs J. Potgieter, D. Stewart and F. Roos. We also have Mesdames R. Oosthuysen, B. Viljoen, C. Matthysen and R. Haerter.

Miss Haerter is from Switzerland. Six years ago she was an exchange student at our school. She is currently studying to become an English teacher. Practical experience is part of the teaching course. She has to do her practical in a country where English is one of the official languages. Miss Haerter immediately decided to come back to South Africa and do her practical here at Marais Viljoen. We are very proud of the fact that she chose us. She will be with us for the next five months.

We are sure that all these new teachers will enjoy being a part of our school.

3. MATRICULANTS EXCELL!

We are very proud of the matrics of 2016. Our school achieved a 100% pass rate. 61% of our matrics matriculated with full exemption, 34% with a diploma and 2% with a higher certificate. This is definitely something to be proud of. After the remarking has taken place we will inform you of the number of distinctions that they have obtained.

Our teachers also deserve a pat on their backs for their hard work and commitment towards the learners entrusted to them.

4.1. INDEMNITY / CONSENT FORM

All the learners received an indemnity / consent form. The form must be completed by **every** parent. It will be used for the following:

- i. Transportation of your child when school transport is used. It includes all transportation to sporting events and any other excursion.
- ii. The indemnity / consent form will also cover camps and tours that your child may go on.
- iii. Permission to practise an activity.

Please note that no learner will be allowed to participate in the above-mentioned if this form is not returned signed by you.

4.2. BULLY POLICY and DRUG POLICY

Your child also received the above-mentioned forms. Please ensure that you are aware of the content. Please sign the forms and send them back to school without delay.

5. SCHOOL FEES 2017

For the sake of our “new” parents, who have not received the information concerning the school fees, we again provide the following information:

The total amount of school fees for 2017 is R22 406.00 (including the first payment).

A. School fees with a rebate

A rebate (discount of the school fees) is applicable if you make use of one of the following two options:

Option 1: A once-off payment:

If you pay either before, or on, 28 February 2017 – either by cheque, EFT, cash or credit card:

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| Total of school fees for 2017 | R22 406 |
| Minus first payment (payable before or on 30 November 2016) | <u>R 1 850</u> |
| Balance payable before, or on, 28 February 2017 | R20 556 |
| Minus rebate | <u>R 1 713</u> |
| TOTAL | R18 843 |

Option 2 : Payment by means of AEDO debit order:

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| Total of school fees for 2017 | R22 406 |
| Minus first payment (payable before or on 30 November 2016) | <u>R 1 850</u> |
| | R20 556 |
| Minus rebate | R 1 713 |
| Fixed debit order over 11 months, thus Jan. to Nov. 2017 | <u>R 1 713 per month</u> |
| TOTAL | R18 843 |

Please note: if the debit order is returned as unpaid you will forfeit the rebate.

A summary of the rebate:

- The amount of R18 843 is payable if you make a 100% payment either before, or on, 28 February 2017.
- You pay R1 713 per month over 11 months (that means 1 month's discount) if you make use of the AEDO system.

AEDO is an electronic debit order system for which you do not have to complete any forms. You only have to swipe your Debit Card, once, at the school and the amount will be debited monthly from your account. **This must be done before or on 26 January 2017.** You will only qualify for the rebate if the first payment has been made.

Please note that if you have not yet used the AEDO system this year (2017) you must please come and swipe your card **again** at the school.

B. School fees if neither options 1 or 2 are used:

A monthly total of R1 713.00 for **12 months** – is payable if you are not using either options 1 or 2. Payment can be made by EFT, cheque, cash, credit card or debit card.

School fees for 2017 R22 406

Minus first payment payable before or on 30 November 2016 R 1 850

R20 556

Amount payable over 12 months: 12 x R1 713 = R20 556

Details for EFT: ABSA Bank, Alberton Branch

Account number : 210-510-990

Branch Code : 631 – 142

Reference : Name and Surname of learner and account number

6. SCHOOL FEES 2016 AND FIRST PAYMENT 2017

A big, hearty thank you to the parents whose school fees were paid up at the end of 2016. We are appealing to the parents, whose payments are in arrears, to do their duty and to come and make an arrangement at the finance office. Many parents have not yet paid the first instalment of R1 850 for 2017. Please do so without delay.

7. AFTER SCHOOL CENTRE

Parents are invited to make use of the after school centre on the school grounds. It is located in Room 42. The times are as follow:

- Monday to Thursday – from after school until 18:00
- Friday – till 17:00

For more information please contact Christelle Döhne at 082 785 9168 or by e-mail: "christelle3725@gmail.com"

8. SCHOOL CAPS NOW COMPULSORY

The school cap is compulsory for all the boys, from grades 8 to 12, this year. Boys must wear the cap every Wednesday during assembly and at sport meetings.

The cap is available at the clothing store on the school grounds.

Grey school socks are now available at "Die Blou Meul".

9. INTER HOUSE – RUIMSIG STADIUM

As you know our first athletic meeting has already taken place at the Ruimsig Stadium against Linden. It was a huge success and many of our learners enjoyed the day. Thank you for encouraging your child to be part of the day, without them it would not have been so successful.

10. YEARBOOKS

The 2016 yearbooks are available in Room 2. Learners must pay R100 at Room 1 and then present the receipt at Room 2 to receive the yearbook.

11. SCHOOL HOURS

For the sake of all our new parents, we would like to inform you of our school hours. School starts at 07:30 in the morning and ends at 14:00 every day.

12. ABSENTEEISM FROM DETENTION

If a learner is not able to attend detention due to a doctor's appointment or a licence appointment he/she has to make arrangements with Mrs Mentz, in Dr Krause's office, prior to the detention date. Failing to do so will result in 50 demerits being awarded for not attending detention.

13. MARCH 2017

Parents, please take note of the following important dates in March 2017.

17 March 2017

24 March 2017

30 March 2017

These dates are either before a long weekend or a holiday. Tests will be written on these days. If you are planning on going away over a long weekend, or for a holiday, please ensure that your child attends school to write his/her test and is, therefore, not penalised for not writing it.

On 25 March there will be a PUK event at Noordheuwel High School.

14. SCHOOL GROUNDS

We receive many compliments about the neatness of our school grounds. We would like to thank Mr Matthysen and his team of workers and congratulate them on a job well done!

15. HONEST LEARNERS

Marius van Staden and Kelton Naidoo picked up cellphones and handed them in.

16. DIARY

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| Monday 23 January | Cricket Athletics Concert | HPM: Gr 9 Afrikaans: 08:30 – 13:00 Coke T20 ¼ Final Junior Coke ¼ Final Gr 8 practice: 14:15 – 16:00 Gr 8 Concert: 18:00 | |
| Tuesday 24 January | Athletics Concert | Gr 8 practice: 14:15 – 16:00 Gr 8 Concert: 18:00 | |
| Wednesday 25 January | Tennis Athletics Cricket Concert | HPM: Gr 9 English: 08:00 – 13:00 Play-offs: Girls Gr 9 – 12 Gr 8 practice: 14:15 – 16:00 MV u/14C vs CBC u/14B MV u/15C vs CBC u/15B MV 3 vs CBC 2 Gr 8 Concert: 18:00 | Home Away Away |
| Thursday 26 January | Athletics Cricket | Gr 8 practice: 14:15 – 16:00 Coke & Jnr Coke Semi Final | |

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| | Concert | Gr 8 Concert: 18:00 Gala evening | |
| Friday 27 January | Athletics | Linden (Compulsory for grade 8 and "geesvang" group) | UJ-stadium |
| | Cricket | MV 1 vs CBC 1 | Away |
| Saturday 28 January | Cricket | MV u/14A vs CBC u/15A | Away |
| | | MV u/14B vs CBC u/14A | Away |
| | | MV u/15A vs Ben Vorster u/15A | Home |
| | | MV u/15B vs Anker u/15A | Away |
| | | MV Combo vs CBC u/15B | Home |
| | | MV u/16A vs CBC 2 | Elandspark |
| | | MV 2 vs Ben Vorster | Away |
| | MV 1 vs CBC 1 | Away | |
| | Tennis | Play-offs: Boys Gr 8 | |

Kind regards

**MARTIE HEYSTEK
PRINCIPAL**

LEADER IN COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION