18 January 2019 Dear Parent / Guardian

CIRCULAR 1 (2019)

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 TEACHERS

At the start of this new year we have the privilege of welcoming new teachers at our school. They are Mesdames A. Dickenson, C. Berriman and Mr M. Rossouw

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

2. MATRICULANTS EXCELL!

We are very proud of the matrics of 2018. Our school achieved a 98% pass rate. 63,6% of our matrics matriculated with full exemption, 32,2% with a diploma and 4,1% with a higher certificate. 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 to the learners entrusted to them.

3.1. 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.

3.2. 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.

4. ABSENTEEISM

When a learner has been absent he/she is to hand in a letter, written personally by one of the parents, to the register teacher.

If a learner is absent during a test/exam/SBA, a doctor's certificate is to be handed in on the day of return. If it is not, a zero will be allocated.

If a learner is absent, it is his/her responsibility to catch up on all the work.

5. SCHOOL FEES 2019

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

The General Budget Meeting took place on 6 November 2018.

Mr Jaques de Villiers, the Chairperson of the Governing Body's financial committee, presented the budget for 2019 – on behalf of the Governing Body – to the parents.

The school fees for 2019 were accepted by the majority of the parents present.

The total amount of school fees for 2019 is R26 240.00 (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 2019 – either by cheque	, EFT, cash or credit card:
Total of school fees for 2019	R26 240
Minus first payment (payable before, or on, 30 November 2018)	R 2 000
Balance payable before or on 28 February 2019	R24 240
Minus rebate	R 2 320
TOTAL	R21 920

Option 2: Payment by means of AEDO debit order:

Total of school fees for 2019	R26 240
Minus first payment (payable before, or on, 30 November 2018)	R 2000
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Minus rebate	R 2 020
Fixed debit order over 11 months, thus Jan. to Nov. 2019	R 2 020
TOTAL	R22 220

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

A summary of the rebate:

- ➤ The amount of R21 920 is payable if you make a 100% payment either before, or on, 28 February 2019.
- ➤ You pay R2 020 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, on the date of your choice, from your account. **This must be done before or on 26 January 2019.** You will only qualify for the rebate if the first payment has been made.

Please note: if you used the AEDO system last year (2018) 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 R2 020.00 - 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 2019 R26 240

Minus first payment payable before, or on, 30 November 2018 R 2 000

R24 240

Amount payable over 12 months: $12 \times R2 \cdot 020 = R24 \cdot 240$

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

APPLICATION FOR SUBSIDY

Parents who qualify for either a discount, or exemption, of school fees must apply each year by completing a form available in room 1.

The applications will open on 9 January 2019 and will close on 28 February 2019.

Parents must please take note of the fact that payment of school fees is compulsory at our school because we function strictly according to a budget.

We want to assure you that the purpose of our budget is to ensure an effective education for your child and to provide facilities that each learner may use.

6. SCHOOL FEES 2018 AND FIRST PAYMENT 2019

A big, hearty thank you to the parents whose school fees were paid up at the end of 2018. 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 R2 ooo for 2019. 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 Rooms 30 and 31. The times are as follow:

Monday to Friday – from after school until 18:00

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

8. 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.

Please take note that the Seeger gate is closed from 07:30. If your child arrives at school after 07:30, he/she must enter the school grounds at the main gate.

9. 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 Muller, in Mr Müller's office, prior to the detention date. Failing to do so will result in 50 demerits being awarded for not attending detention.

10. 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!

11. D6-CONNECT

Only a few parents have already registered on this app. We encourage you to do so, as all teething problems have been solved. Please make sure to register on the D6-Connect app (black background) and not the D6-Communicator. Please refer to page 14 in the diary for the procedure to download it.

12. REFUSE BAGS

We have 30 micron refuse bags available in Room 1 at R60 for 40 bags. If you compare prices you will see that this is a huge bargain as these bags are usually only 20 micron and not 30, like ours. Ours are, therefore, much stronger, while cheaper, than those available in the shops. Please make use of this offer before stock runs out.

13. DIARY

Monday	Concert	Gr 8 Concert: 18:00	
21 January			
Tuesday	Tennis	Girls: League	
22 January	Concert	Gr 8 Concert: 18:00	
Wednesday	Concert	Gr 8 Concert: 18:00	
23 January			
Thursday	HPM	Grade 9: Afrikaans	
24 January	Concert	Gr 8 Concert: 17:30 Gala	
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Friday	Athletics	UJ: Compulsory for grade 8	
25 January	Tennis	Boys: League	

Kind regards

MARTIE HEYSTEK PRINCIPAL

LEADER IN COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION