



Hoërskool Marais Viljoen

Marais Viljoen High School



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Dear Parent / Guardian

CIRCULAR 1 (2020)

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. van der Merwe, Y. Dannhauser, V. Lioundris, S. van Rhyneveldt, M. Last and Messrs D. de Villiers, P. Janse van Vuuren, A. van der Merwe and M. Saaiman.

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 2019. 55.21% of our matrics matriculated with full exemption, 31,3% with a diploma and 13,47% with a higher certificate. After the remarking has taken place we will inform you of the number of distinctions that they have obtained. Currently the number is 178.

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 practice 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 2020

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 in November 2019.

Mr Jaques de Villiers, the Chairperson of the Governing Body's financial committee, presented the budget for 2020 – on behalf of the Governing Body – to the parents.

The school fees for 2020 were accepted by the majority of the parents present.

The total amount of school fees for 2020 is R28 800.00 (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 2020 – either by cheque, EFT, cash or credit card:

Total of school fees for 2020	R28 800
Minus first payment (payable before, or on, 30 November 2019)	<u>R 2 800</u>
Balance payable before or on 29 February 2020	R26 000
Minus rebate	<u>R 2 320</u>
TOTAL	R23 680

Option 2 : Payment by means of AEDO debit order:

Total of school fees for 2020	R28 800
Minus first payment (payable before, or on, 30 November 2019)	<u>R 2 800</u>
	R26 000
Minus rebate	R 2 130
Fixed debit order over 11 months, thus Jan. to Nov. 2020	<u>R 2 170</u>
TOTAL	R26 670

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

A summary of the rebate:

- The amount of R23 680 is payable if you make a 100% payment either before, or on, 29 February 2020.
- You pay R2 170 per month over 11 months if you make use of the AEDO system (that means 1 month's discount).

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. You will only qualify for the rebate if the first payment has been made.

Please note: if you used the AEDO system last year (2019) 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 170.00 - 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 2020	R28 800
Minus first payment payable before, or on, 30 November 2019	<u>R 2 800</u>
	R26 000
Amount payable over 12 months:	11 x R2 170 +
	1 x R2 130
	R26 000

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 close on 28 February 2020.

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 2019 AND FIRST PAYMENT 2020

A big, hearty thank you to the parents whose school fees were paid up at the end of 2019. 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 800 for 2020. 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

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. HOCKEY AND CRICKET BALLS

We request that learners do not play with hockey or cricket balls on the school grounds, unless it is during practice sessions where the coach is present or during games. Severe injuries can occur and we have already had two incidents in this respect.

13. CONSPIRITO ORATORS AND CREATIVE WRITING

Our cultural learners will have an extra opportunity this year to showcase their skills. We will be hosting Conspirito orators and creative writing (essays and poems) on 30 March at our school. Information will be available in Room 2 during breaks.

Kind regards

MARTIE HEYSTEK
PRINCIPAL

LEADER IN COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION