



# Hoërskool Marais Viljoen

## Marais Viljoen High School



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### CIRCULAR 2 (2022)

Dear Parent / Guardian

Welcome back! We trust that you and your child had a restful holiday. We are looking forward to a successful second term.

#### 1. LIFTING OF THE STATE OF EMERGENCY

In the light of the State president's announcement last night, we bring the following to your attention:

- Learners must wear their masks over their noses in the classrooms and when moving to the next classroom.
- Learners are only allowed to remove their masks during break and after school.
- Safety screening is discontinued at the gates.
- STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES as prescribed by the Department of Basic Education:

**STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND CONTAINMENT OF COVID-19 FOR SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL COMMUNITIES (PAGE 40)**

##### D. SCREENING

- a) Encourage parents to screen their children for symptoms prior to sending them to school. If a child is unwell or shows any of the symptoms associated with COVID-19, parents must keep the child at home and consult a health official if necessary.
- b) Screening of learners, educators, school support staff and visitors by completing the screening questionnaire and/or using infrared thermometers or thermal cameras must be discontinued.
- c) The discontinuation of these interventions is based on scientific evidence that shows that majority of individual infected with COVID-19 are asymptomatic (80% cases) and are unlikely to be detected through screening. Therefore, screening is an ineffective and unreliable mechanism to detect COVID-19.

- ❖ It is the parents' responsibility to not send a sick learner to school.
- ❖ Gate arrangements stay the same. Learners may use Seeger gate or the top gate in Bodmin Street from **6:45 to 7:25**.
- ❖ Learners who are late for school must be dropped off at the main gate. Their QR codes will be scanned for record keeping on the system.
- ❖ QR codes stay in use.

Learners must still wash hands regularly and sanitise their desks. We are all extremely happy that masks are no longer worn outside. However, it remains each individual's responsibility to stay safe.

#### 2. TERM 2 REPORTS

Reports may only be handed out once the Department has signed off on the schedules. We trust that it will be available this Friday or Monday. It will also be available on D6.

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### 3. LEARNERS' APPEARANCE

Your child's appearance must always be according to the code of conduct. Please see your child's diary if in doubt.

The weather is currently very uncertain. Please note that learners must either wear **full summer or full winter attire**. A combination of the two is not allowed. A long sleeve jersey without a blazer is never permitted. Track suit tops are only to be worn with supporter's wear. No other warm jackets/jerseys or beanies are allowed with the school uniform. Only the school scarf is allowed with winter uniform.

Thank you that we can rely on your support in this regard.

### 4. CONTACTING TEACHERS

We request that parents/guardians refrain from contacting teachers on their personal phone numbers. All queries should be sent via the following email addresses:

Principal:	<a href="mailto:martieh@maraisviljoen.co.za">martieh@maraisviljoen.co.za</a>
Academic:	<a href="mailto:johletk@maraisviljoen.co.za">johletk@maraisviljoen.co.za</a> ; <a href="mailto:inam@maraisviljoen.co.za">inam@maraisviljoen.co.za</a>
Discipline:	<a href="mailto:hmuller@maraisviljoen.co.za">hmuller@maraisviljoen.co.za</a>
Safety:	<a href="mailto:paule@maraisviljoen.co.za">paule@maraisviljoen.co.za</a>
Bully/Emotional reports:	<a href="mailto:elanzav@maraisviljoen.co.za">elanzav@maraisviljoen.co.za</a>
Sport:	<a href="mailto:ryno@maraisviljoen.co.za">ryno@maraisviljoen.co.za</a>
Finance:	<a href="mailto:adris@maraisviljoen.co.za">adris@maraisviljoen.co.za</a>
General:	<a href="mailto:info@maraisviljoen.co.za">info@maraisviljoen.co.za</a>

The relevant HOD or teacher will then contact the parent as soon as possible.

### 5. CELLPHONE POLICY

Learners' cell phones are not allowed to be used or to be visible in lesson time. Please see the school diary on page 21. Confiscated phones will not be returned before the three weeks period has expired. Please do not contact Mrs Heystek in this regard, as she will not break protocol.

### 6. SPORTS DAY SATURDAY 9 APRIL 2022

You are invited to support our sports teams this Saturday on our fields. Please see the complete programme against Potch Volkies on D6.

### 7. PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

April and May have a number of public holidays. We request that your child not stay at home on school days. Please take note that as usual we are writing tests on the day before a long weekend.

Thursday, 14 April all learners will write an Afrikaans paper.

Friday, 29 April all learners will write an English paper.

Kind regards

  
**MARTIE HEYSTEK**  
**PRINCIPAL**

**LEADER IN COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION**