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Dear Parents

When you look in a mirror you will meet the person responsible for your choices, grades, success, words, actions and thoughts.

When you walk into a school you will meet the people trying to help and support you to shape and discover the real you before you see yourself in the mirror.

These words must sink in for all of us to discover the vital role teachers play in our children's lives and the unmistakable influence you as parents have in this role as you will be holding the mirror.

Our children are the most valuable of all things entrusted to us as parents and at school. They do not belong to us and our role is temporary but everlasting. The Lord only lends them to us for a very short time as we prepare them for life.

Chatting to them in class about the challenges they face, it becomes clear that we need to allow them to overcome these themselves as they are far better equipped than we think. They were born to deal with them, we must just support them. What we need and want for them might not be what they need or want.

The number one priority which drives them to beat this pandemic is to be rid of masks and to be able to socialize. They want social interaction, they want to hug, to touch and they need it more than anything else.

Your worry about extra mural activities, playtime, outside breaks and who knows what is of far less importance than their need for social interaction. They understand the danger but doubt this as sometimes parents and teachers fail to set the example. They are willing to obey the regulations but question why when adults ignore them.

I realise that they need you as parents to provide the social interaction while they wait for this pandemic to pass. It is now the time to take back what others and social media have taken from us as parents. Play, eat, relax, work and just be together and claim back valuable time. Let me assure you that time flies "Tempest Fugit" is Latin. The expression comes from line 284 of book 3 of Virgil's Georgics, where it appears as fugit irreparabile tempus: "**it escapes, irretrievable time**".

Time lost with your child is irretrievable but then follow Memento Mori to get to "**Tempus Fugit, Memento Mori**" which means "Times fly, remember death". **This Latin wisdom is to remind you to enjoy every day and love life.**

The pandemic has afforded you the opportunity to enjoy more time with your children even though it has transgressed on our normal lives. We create our own normal and as we continue we have to accept 'normal' as dictated to us.

I challenge anyone to give a definition of normal which will suite everyone!

It is all in your hands, make your choice .....

Sunshine greetings  
M DE VRIES  
Principal



## Geagte Ouers

Wanneer 'n mens in die spieël kyk, sien jy wie verantwoordelik is vir jou keuses, punte, sukses, woorde, dade en gedagtes.

Wanneer 'n mens by 'n skool instap, ontmoet jy die mense wat jou probeer help en ondersteun sodat jy kan ontwikkel en ontdek wie jy werklik is voordat jy jouself in die spieël sien.

Hierdie woorde moet by ons ingeprent word sodat ons kan besef watter onmeetbare rol onderwysers in ons kinders se lewens speel en die onmiskenbare rol wat u as ouers speel, aangesien u die spieël vashou.

Ons kinders is ongetwyfeld die mees kosbare skat wat aan ons as ouers en skool toevertrou word. Hulle behoort nie aan ons nie en ons rol is van verbygaande aard, maar ewigdurend. Die Here leen hulle slegs vir 'n kort tydjie aan ons terwyl ons hulle vir die lewe voorberei.

Wanneer 'n mens met die kinders 'n gesprek voer oor die uitdagings wat hulle in die gesig staar, word dit duidelik dat ons hulle moet toelaat om hierdie struikelblokke te oorkom, want hulle is baie beter daarvoor toegerus as wat ons dink. Hulle is opgewasse daarvoor om die uitdagings te trotseer, ons moet hulle net ondersteun. Hulle stem dalk nie saam met wat ons dink hulle nodig het of wil hê nie.

Die prioriteit is om van die maskers ontslae te raak en die behoefté aan sosiale interaksie is die stukrag wat hulle aanspoor om hierdie pandemie die nekslag toe te dien. Hulle soek sosiale samesyn, hulle wil drukkies uitdeel en ander mense aanraak en dit is hul vernaamste behoefté.

U kwellings oor buitemuurse aktiwiteite, speeltyd, pouses buite en wie weet wat is vir hulle van veel minder belang as hulle behoefté aan sosiale samesyn. Hulle verstaan die gevaar, maar hulle is onseker, aangesien ouers, en soms onderwysers, versuim om die voorbeeld te stel. Die kinders is bereidwillig om maatreëls te eerbiedig, maar hulle het vrae oor volwassenes wat dit ignoreer.

Hulle het u as ouers nodig om sosiale interaksie te verskaf terwyl hulle wag tot die pandemie verby is. Nou is die tyd om dit terug te neem wat deur ander mense en die sosiale media van ons weggeneem is. Speel, eet, ontpas, werk en kuier net saam, geniet die kosbare samesyn. "Tempest Fugit", Latyn vir die tyd vlieg, is die reine waarheid.

Die uitdrukking kom voor in reël 284 van boek 3 van Virgil's Georgics, waar dit geskryf staan as fugit inrepabile tempus: **verlore tyd vlieg**, met ander woorde gemorste tyd kan nie ingehaal word nie.

Verlore tyd met 'n mens se kind kry jy nooit weer terug nie, maar dan volg Memento Mori om uit te kom by "**Tempus Fugit, Memento Mori**", wat "Tyd vlieg, dink aan die dood" beteken. Dit herinner ons om elke dag te geniet en die lewe lief te hê.

**Hierdie Latynse wysheid herinner ons daaraan om elke dag ten volle te geniet en lewensvreugde te ervaar.**

Danksy die pandemie het u nou die geleentheid om meer tyd met u kinders deur te bring, al maak dit inbreuk op ons normale lewe. Ons skep ons eie normaal en soos ons die pad vorentoe loop, word die reëls vir ons neergelê.

Ek daag enigeen uit om 'n definisie van normaal te gee waarmee almal sal saamstem!

Dit is in u hande, neem die besluit .....

Sonskyngroete  
M DE VRIES  
Skoolhoof



# 2020 ACADEMIC COLOURS

## Grade 4 – 85% or higher aggregate

1	Aukett	Jamie
2	Botha	Mia
3	Claassen	Luan
4	Clarke	Emily
5	Crouse	Heinrich
6	De Wet	Cailyn
7	Ehlers	Adriaan
8	Erasmus	Avaleigh
9	Ferreira	Emily
10	Greeff	Matthys
11	Hayward	Reece
12	Janse van Rensburg	Karlie
13	Janse van Rensburg	Milan
14	Labuschagne	Kaylin
15	Landman	Ryan
16	Landsberg	Simon
17	Latib	Taskin
18	Potgieter	Anja
19	Seyffert	Kyla-Linke
20	Swart	Leah
21	Van der Westhuizen	Liam
22	Van Heerden	Jani
23	Van Zyl	Minette
24	Vlok	Amélie

## Grade 6 – 80% or higher aggregate

1	Ansley	Kyle
2	Bagshaw	Blayne
3	Bessinger	Luka
4	Buhagiar	Amy
5	Conradie	Kirsten
6	Crouse	Robert
7	De Swardt	Kayla
8	Diedericks	Jaycee
9	Du Plessis	Jacques
10	Du Toit	Michael
11	Ehlers	Anine
12	Ferreira	Zia
13	Geissler	Mari
14	Gomes	Jared
15	Harris	Chelsea
16	Kapp	Shanté
17	Kruger	Jani
18	Labercensie	Leo
19	Liversage	Zanelia
20	Maritz	Carli
21	Myburgh	Karla
22	Olivier	Emma
23	Peens	Eben
24	Richardson	Hannah
25	Roothman	Durandt
26	Schutte	Cherize
27	Steyn	Lara
28	Van Heerden	Caitlin
29	Van Heerden	Paul
30	Van Jaarsveld	Taylor
31	Welman	Logan
32	Woods	Rachel

## Grade 5 – 85% or higher aggregate

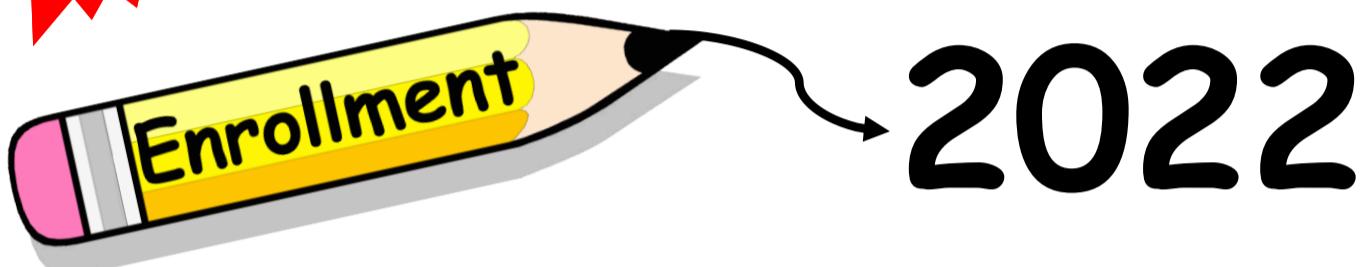
1	Engelbrecht	Waldo
2	Hartney	Mitchell
3	Hendricks	Rylee
4	Henwick	Jared
5	Horak	Joel
6	Jansen	Ankia
7	Mulder	Xander
8	Otto	Therese
9	Retief	Lize
10	Steenekamp	Megan

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- Complete the forms and attach all the relevant certified documentation
- Deliver the hard copy to school
- Applications with missing documentation will not be considered.

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE 31 MARCH 2021**

**ALL OTHER APPLICATIONS  
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