



Wednesday, 13 February 2019

Dear Parents/Guardians

The term is only four weeks old and already our learners have been busier than ever before. We have taken the bull by the horns this year and started our academic, co-curricular and spiritual programme in earnest.

On the academic front our Grade 11s attended Othello at the Hilton College Theatre. Our Gr 12s went to Wessa Umgeni Valley to conduct a mini SASS and human impact assessment studies. Mathematics students are preparing to write the Maths Olympiad. Our Grade 8s completed their English proficiency tests and will now begin with their LabOnline course to improve their reading for understanding. Our Business students will be visiting Manline next week to get a better understanding of the logistics industry. Our Drama students have been hard at work preparing for the school production and participated in a movement workshop to help improve their skills. We always encourage our teachers to make their subject relevant to the learners and excursions and productions are a great way to do this. All of these activities are on top of normal classes and we encourage parents to make sure that their children have the correct books and are regularly doing their homework.

On the co-curricular front we have numerous activities and sports on the go. Basketball, netball, and hockey are underway. The school hosted the Joel Mofokeng/Lowell Ndaweni Basketball Tournament on Saturday with St Nics finishing a respectable third against some tough competition. Our swimmers have been competing weekly in the interschool gala series with some pleasing results. Poetry Club, Funk Dance Company, Chess, Interact and Marimbas all continue to forge ahead in the first term.

Spiritually Father Thapelo continues to guide our learners. We had our annual Prefect Induction & Eucharist last Friday and are very pleased to see the number of learners willing to be trained as servers. Father Thapelo has also been taking our Grade 8s for RE (Religious Education) this term and will be moving on to the Grade 9s next term. We will continue to keep our focus firmly on our motto "God Leads".

Please note that the 8<sup>th</sup> of May has been set as Election Day and as such the school will be closed on this day.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Leon Grove". The signature is stylized and cursive.

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