

St Nicholas Diocesan School

A Co-Educational, Independent, Anglican, Day and Boarding School for pupils from Grade RR-12

Thursday, 09 January 2025

Dear St Nicholas Community

Compliments of the season to you all.



May 2025 be a year full of success and gratitude for all.

Whilst we have been on holiday, our school maintenance team has been extremely busy keeping our grounds beautiful, painting classrooms, doing maintenance work and assisting with the renovations taking place.

In addition, the new Girls Boarding Houses are nearing completion (holding thumbs for Tuesday) and we have converted the old boarding into five classrooms. It is hoped that within the next few weeks we should also have a new exit from our parking area into Burger Street.

The High School continues to grow and 2025 sees three classes in each grade for Grades 8 – 10 and the introduction of Tourism as a subject in Grade 10. Exciting times are ahead!

Here are a few important reminders to help ensure a smooth start:

1. Uniform Shop

Our uniform shop will be open on the following dates and times:

• Friday, 10 January: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Monday, 13 January: 7:15 am – 3:00 pm

Tuesday, 14 January: 7:15 am – 3:00 pm

Wednesday, 15 January: Normal trading hours









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2. Reopening of School:



School reopens on Wednesday, 15 January 2025, and we kindly remind parents that all children must be at school by 7:20 am. We request that all children adhere to the school's uniform and appearance guidelines from day one. Please ensure that your child has the correct summer uniform and that their hair complies with the school's policy: neat, no colour or beads, no lines on the hair or eyebrows etc.

3. Outstanding School Fees (from 2024):

We kindly appeal to parents to settle any outstanding school fees from 2024 before Wednesday, 15 January. The Finance Office is open to assist you:

• Dates: Friday, 10 January – Tuesday, 14 January (excluding weekends) • Hours: 8:00 am – 12:00 pm.

Parents with outstanding school fees have been contacted, and we appreciate your cooperation in settling these before the new school year begins. *Please note that children will not be allowed back on Wednesday should fees remain outstanding*.

4. High School Academic week:

Please note that the school day starts at 7:20 am each day with a compulsory register period and ends at 02:35 pm.

On Wednesday and Friday, the school day ends at 2:00 pm. (see attached letter)























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5. Cell phone / Device Policy:

Please refer to the attached letter in terms of the school's revised policy regarding the use of cell phones and devices. Children will not be allowed to have access to their devices during the school day.



6. <u>Drop-off and Pick-up Points:</u>

All children should be dropped off at the Aftercare gate on Jabu Ndlovu Street in the morning before 7:20 am. Afternoon pick up will now be from the gate in Burger Street for High School children.

7. Sport and Co-curricular Programme:



Our sport and co-curricular programme will commence on Thursday, 16 January.

The following documents will be distributed on Wednesday, 15 January, for your reference:

- Term 1 Calendar
- Sport and Co-curricular Programme
- School Code of Conduct (to be signed and returned)

We look forward to a successful and enjoyable year ahead for our girls, boys, parents, staff, and the broader St Nicholas community. May St Nicholas experience a flourishing year in 2025.

Yours in education



Principal















