

Our mission is to provide a happy, creative and stimulating schooling environment aimed at developing each child to his or her fullest potential both academically, physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually

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NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents

FROM THE DESK OF GERT MARITZ'S PRINCIPAL

The staff of Gert Maritz welcomes you back to Term 3. We are committed to continuously building on the successes of the first half of 2022. This is only possible with the support of all stakeholders of our beautiful school.

We are constantly working on improving the Gert Maritz campus, making positive changes to the benefit of all our learners. However, keeping up with the latest technologies and having the best facilities possible cost money. For this reason, we have some exciting fundraisers planned.

As our school is growing, we wish to welcome three new permanent staff members to our team:

- 1. Mr. Hofman Viljoen will be teaching in the Senior and Intermediate phases and brings along a wealth of expertise from the business world.
- 2. Ms Monique Grobbelaar, a highly qualified and experienced educator, all the way from the Northern Cape joined our Intermediate phase as an Afrikaans specialist.
- 3. Mrs Cheri-Leigh Robertson, an experienced addition who will be an asset to our Sports Department.

COLLECTION AFTER SCHOOL

For the safety of our children, we urge you to collect your child directly after school or sport. We have noticed that many of the discipline-related issues happen when pupils are not collected on time, especially when children are playing ball games while the sports fields are being used. For that reason, ball games after school have temporarily been banned.

Alternatively, Siembamba offers a private aftercare facility. Please phone 033342431 or send an email to info.smbpmb@gmail.com for more information.

MONDAY TO THURSDAY SCHOOL TIMES

Grade 1 and 2 7:30 - 12:30Grade 3 7:30 - 13:00

Grade 4 to 7 7:30 - 13:45

FRIDAY SCHOOL TIMES

Grade 1 to 3 7:30 – 12:30 Grade 4 to 7 7:30 – 13:00

It is important that all learners are collected by the latest 14:30. Learners who are taking part in extracurricular activities must be collected by 15:00 in the afternoons.

The school will be closing at 12:00 on Friday the 5th of August as Monday and Tuesday are school holidays. Schooling will start again on Wednesday the 10th of August.

ACADEMICS

Congratulations to our academic achievers for the second term. We are really proud of you. Keep up the good work.

Parents who are concerned about the academic progress of their child, please contact (033 3451501) the school for an appointment with the educators.

We have projects for this term. Please keep to the given dates.

All of the best for a remarkable term. Together we are a great team!

WINTER UNIFORM

It is compulsory for the learners to wear the correct uniform during winter. Takkies may not be worn with tracksuits. Girls wearing the new tracksuit must wear the campus golf shirt and not their P.E. shirt. Please remember that the old uniform and the new uniform cannot be worn together. Children must wear either the new or the old uniform.

SPORT

We've noticed that a number of learners are not participating in any extra mural activities after school. We would like to encourage all learners to participate in as many activities as possible and at least one sport per term.

We would also like to remind Parents that no Learners are allowed to participate in any extra mural activities without Medical aid or school insurance.

Please note that <u>all</u> sport-related queries <u>must</u> at all times be addressed to Mr. Pienaar and not to teachers. Contact details: 0826837710 or pienaar.g@gertmaritzpmb.co.za

Yours faithfully

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Principal