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## CIRCULAR 5 – 9 FEBRUARY 2015

Dear parents

### PERSONNEL:

Congratulations to the following educators who celebrates their birthdays this week. Mrs Stefani Matthee on Thursday, 12 February, and Mrs. Marianne Malan on Friday, 13 February.

### IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 1 OF 2015

12 February	<b>TESTS: MATHEMATICS</b> Athletics cluster (L/s DM)
13 February	<b>Grade 7 "Sokkie"</b> Chess Interhouse Learners wear something red, white or pink <b>SCHOOL COMES OUT A 13:00</b>
19 February	<b>TEST: AFRIKAANS</b>
20 February	<b>Athletics: District meeting (home)</b>
23 February	<b>Tennis league</b>
25 February	<b>Group photos and individual photos</b>
26 February	<b>TEST: NS/TECH GR. 4 – 6 EN NS GR. 7</b>
2 March	<b>Tennis league</b>
3 March	<b>TEST: GEOGRAPHY</b>
4 March	<b>Rugby Bulletin Midstream 18:00</b>
5 March	<b>TESTS: HISTORY</b> World reading day
10 March	<b>Rugby + Netball: JOHAN DUURSEMA EVENING SERIES</b>
11 March	<b>Rugby + Netball: JOHAN DUURSEMA EVENING SERIES</b>
12 March	<b>TESTS: EMS GRADE 7</b> Rugby: JOHAN DUURSEMA EVENING SERIES
16 March	<b>Tennis league</b>
19 March	<b>TESTS: TECHNOLOGY GRADE 7</b>
20 March	<b>Reports Gr R-3</b>
23 March	<b>Parents evening PF 17:30</b> Tennis league
25 March	<b>SCHOOL CLOSSES 11:00</b> <b>MARKET DAY GR 5</b> Rugby tour to Sundown Ranch (O/12 en O/13)

### REWARD – FRIDAY 13:00:

A deal was made with the learners that if the school grounds are neat and clean for one week, the school will close at 13:00 the next Friday. There must be no papers on the school grounds before, during or after school. **On Friday 13 February 2015, the school will close at 13:00 for the Gr. 1 – 7 learners, because the learners kept their side of the deal.** This week is the Grade 3's who must make sure the school grounds are clean. The rest of the learners must also help to keep the school

grounds clean. We will inform parents every Tuesday in the Circular if the school will close at 13:00 the next Friday. Our school grounds look cleaner already. This will also help learners to have respect for their environment. We ask parent to encourage their children at home to respect the environment. Please make the necessary arrangements for this coming Friday.

### ATHLETICS:

Congratulations to all the athletes with their outstanding performance at the Interhouse athletics meeting. We achieved 29 first places, 20 silver and 16 bronze. Our athletes also broke 7 records. 43 Athletes qualified for the Cluster in 63 items. The Cluster takes place on Thursday after school at our athletic field. We will send the program as soon as we receive it from the organizers. We wish our athletes all the best at the Cluster.

### WORLD READING DAY 5 MARCH 2015:

On Tuesday 5 March we celebrate reading day in our school. With our reading day our children from all ages are encouraged to make time to enjoy the simple pleasure of reading from their favourite books. We also run a "Buy a book" initiative where we encourage parents to buy books and donate it to the school! This will all take place on 5 March 2015. Please send a donated book to school on this day.

### SCHOOL COMMUNICATOR:

The D6 School communicator is available and can be downloaded from any computer or smart phone. All school information is then available on your phone, computer and tablet.

### GOVERNING BODY ELECTION:

The election of the new Governing Body of Danie Malan will take place on 11 March 2015. Nominations will open on 26 February. The success of the school depends on its parents, and the contribution that they make. The role of the Governing Body is to ensure high quality education and they must act in the interest of the community. Parents get the opportunity to get involved at school and the choice of who the management of the school is. Candidates must consist of specialist skills for instance: a lawyer, an accountant, IT- specialist, policy writer, site specialist, sport expert, academic on tertiary level or a security specialist.

### MY SCHOOL/MAKRO:

Please make sure that your Makro and My School cards are linked to Laerskool Danie Malan. Every time that you buy at Makro with your My school card you earn money for the school. From June to December 2014 we earned R30 000 for the school. Thank you to every parent who supported these projects. YOUR MAKRO CARD MUST BE LINKED EVERY YEAR.

### VALENTINE'S DAY

On Friday 13 February it is Valentine's Day. The learners may dress in red and white clothes and it is free of charge.

### WALL OF REMEMBRANCE:

We want to remind you that learners can pay R140 for their names to appear on the Wall of Remembrance. The gr.7 of 2015 Wall of Remembrance with their names will be revealed on their farewell in the fourth term. The closing date is end of August 2015.

### RECYCLING:

We recycle paper. If you have any paper or books you want to get rid of please bring it to the Mondri-drum in Koos de La Rey Street. Used paper without staples can be sent to the office. **We don't accept any other recyclable materials like plastic bottles any more.**

### CANVAS BAGS FOR THE LEARNERS' BOOKS AND TEXT BOOKS:

The learners received text books at the beginning of the year. We plan to use these books for another 5 years. In order to protect your child's text books and scripts, we have excellent quality canvas bags with zips available @ R160 for 6 or R30 for 1. The funds raised will go towards the school. Parents must make sure that the text books are in an excellent condition otherwise they will have to pay for the damage. If you are interested, please place an order at Mrs Erica van Wyk or phone her at 084 608 7099.

### NEEDY LEARNERS:

If your child wants to participate in sport and you cannot afford sport clothes, you must write a letter to the Governing body requesting them to buy sport clothes out of the Needy fund.



### TEAR OFF SLIP OF CIRCULAR 5/2015

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Correspondence must be addressed to the principal. We want to give all learners a chance to participate in sport.

### UNKNOWN DEPOSITS:

The reference of the following electronic payments which we received is unknown. If you made any of these payments please contact Annelise at the financial office to make the necessary correction.

Date	Reference	Amount
2015/01/01	Skoolfonds & ADM	R850.00
2015/01/08	2872	R770.00
2015/01/08	BothaA	R700.00
2015/01/13	3604	R740.00
2015/01/13	R0zMiane	R2010.00
2015/01/14	Mia Loots GR R	R2000.00
2015/01/15	Skoolfonds	R2000.00

### OWNERSHIP PROJECT:

We want to thank all the parents who took part in our Ownership projects. We appreciate you donations very much. We want to improve our gardens. If you would like to donate plants and pots for plants, please contact the principal at [hoof@daniemalan.co.za](mailto:hoof@daniemalan.co.za).

### CHESS:

Chess lessons are on Thursdays and are presented by Ms. Lelanie van der Westhuizen cell nr. 084 403 4319. Learners, who can play chess, must report in room 31 on Friday 13 February at 13:15, for the internal tournament which take place until 16:15 over 4 rounds.

### NETBALL U/13:

Important dates:

- Netball practice: 27 February from 15:00 – 17:00.
- 7 March: L/s Boerefot
- 13 – 15 March: Camp Emeritus
- 11 April 08:00 – 11:30 Netball practice.

### NETBALL U/7 – U/11:

All girls from 7-11 years, who wants to play netball, can join the practices from Tuesday 17 February. Letters will be sent out with the practice times as well as their coaches. All information is available on the School communicator.

### SECURITY OF LEARNERS IN THE MORNINGS:

We note that parents drop their children of at school very early in the mornings. Please take note of the following times and precautions:

- Night guard from 17:30 to 05:30.
- General Assistant at main gate in Jan van Riebeeck street from 06:00.
- Duty officers from 06:30 to 08:00 at the three crossings at the school.
- Five educators are daily on duty from 07:00 – 07:20 and at breaks at the Intersen phase until 08:00 at the Foundation Phase.

Please keep this in mind when you drop your child off at school in the morning. We do not take responsibility for learners who are dropped off at school to early in the morning. Learners who do Extracurricular activities are under the supervision of their coach. We note that there are many learners who stay after school without any supervision. These learners are usually very naughty. Parents of these learners will be responsible for any damages done by their children after hours. Primary school learners should be under supervision after school and there are aftercare schools near the school.

### THEFT:

Please bring theft under our attention. We have CCTV cameras on the school grounds, on the corridors and in the Intersen classes. There are lockers available for R150 per year for the big lockers and R130 for the small lockers, in which learners can put their valuables. Items like tablets and cell phones should not be brought to school and will not be searched for. It takes a lot of time to look for lost property, except if the date, time and place are known.

### HOMEWORK:

Please take note of the following arrangements for homework:

- Learners must write homework down in their homework book from the black board. The educators will give the learners time to write down homework.
- Learners who did not do their homework, left their homework book at home or homework not done completely, will receive homework inscriptions.
- Homework is work not completed in class, but can also be other work that must be done at home.

- The inscriptions for homework not done will be recorded on the computer on Thursdays and Mondays and the parents will be notified through a SMS.
- The purpose of the SMS is to notify parents of the homework not done by their children, so that you could act pro-actively.
- In the past parents receive a SMS after three inscriptions for homework not done, but from 2015 parents will receive a SMS after every violation.
- No debit is linked to homework not done.
- Learners, who received three homework inscriptions, must sit a Punishment class and you will receive a letter.
- Punishment class is on Wednesdays from 14:15 to 15:15.
- During the Punishment class learners has the opportunity to complete the outstanding homework.
- Learners know for what they received a homework inscription.
- The name of the person who gave the inscription for homework not done, will appear on the SMS. The educators can't contact parents for homework not done and they can't reply on every inquiry from parents. (The personnel have class until 14:00 and after school they have extracurricular activities or meetings.) Please ask your child which homework was not done. If your child continues not doing his/her homework, please make a appointment with the specific educator.
- Homework is very important for capturing the content.
- We don't place all the homework on the "School Communicator". Homework on the "School Communicator" is homework that is determined beforehand, and does not include homework that must be done at home, because it was not completed in class.
- Please do not contact personnel after hours in connection with homework. We do not give personal cell number of educators to parents.
- Thank you to every parent who assist their children with their homework and who act when their children did not do their homework.

### FOUNDATION PHASE SCHOOL BAGS:

We just want to remind parents that no learner of the Foundation



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Phase is allowed around the Media centre in the mornings. Learners are not allowed to walk between other classes. It is very disturbing for learners of the Intersen Phase who already started with class. In future the Grade 2-3 learners must put their school bags in a row according to their class at the losie in the mornings and the Grade 1's in front of their class.. Your co-operation in this regard would be much appreciated.

Kind regards

Hettie Smith  
Principal