

Good Shepherd Primary School

Good Shepherd Newsletter Term 2— 2021



GOOD SHEPHERD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Good Shepherd Primary School, Grahamstown is one of the oldest schools in the area, it was built in 1844. Although it is situated in the centre of the business area of Grahamstown, it is populated predominately by disadvantaged learners, they receive their teaching and learning through the medium of English. The School caters for girls and boys from grade 1 to 7 (ages 6 -13). We, Good Shepherd Primary School, shall be a community, nurturing quality education, in a safe disciplined environment for our learners, enabling them to become successful, responsible citizens in life. We shall enable our learners to develop to their full potential through a comprehensive and effective educational experience, with opportunities for achievement in knowledge skills and values.



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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

TOP ACHIEVERS

NEW FACULTY

Dear Parents/Guardians

C.S. Lewis once said: "We all want progress, but if you're on the wrong road, progress means doing an about-turn and walking back to the right road; in that case, the man who turns back soonest is the most progressive."

Above quote on growth is so substantial and something that we can share daily with each other. As parents/guardians you have to take your children by their hand and show them the path to success. You as parents/guardians must set the correct example by teaching your children the norms, values and standards to keep them growing positively. We therefore urge parents/guardians to communicate daily with your learners on their scholastic achievements, homework, neatness of school uniform, overall tidiness, etc. Please take the responsibility upon yourself to check their workbooks and not only to rely on what they tell you regarding homework. Due to Covid, learners are only at school for half the week – it is impossible for teachers alone to assist your children with their academic needs. Make sure that you are there to help them practise their Maths and reading daily, as well as checking on the work they do in their books during the day at school. On the days when learners are at home, they should be actively involved with schoolwork – revising their work, practising the things they've learnt and doing their daily reading. Together, teachers and parents, can bring about change and academic success for all our learners.

As the second term begins learners are reminded to conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the statement of commitment that says as a learner you are expected to:

- a) accept that the main reason for being in school is to learn and develop academically, socially and culturally;
- b) adhere to school rules;
- c) respect the legitimacy and authority of teachers;
- d) show respect to other learners and not to discriminate;
- e) avoid anti-social behaviour like theft, vandalism, assault, alcohol and drug abuse, bullying, as well as other activities that disrupt the learning process.

In your envelope you have received the **Privacy Policy** for Good Shepherd. You must study this

important document, complete the document and send back on/or before next Wednesday (12 May) to the class teacher. Class teachers will strictly control the return of the document.

TOP ACHIEVERS

Congratulations to the following Top 5 academic achievers. The Good Shepherd Family salutes you for your dedication and hard work – well done!

Grade 1	Esona Ngcangca	86%	Grade 2	Lilitha Marangxa	80%
	Casey Olkers	82%		Kayla Jack	76,%
	Zinathi Losi	80,6%		Reevah Groeners	72%
	Liwa Maxhaulana	80,4%		Maya Mohammed	70,6%
	Jaynikah-Dre Davids	80%		Alviro Roman	70%
				Azingce Nyendwana	70%
Grade 3	Cameron Peterson	85%	Grade 4	Shadee Sias	88%
	Rushayda Jacobs	82%		Imthandile Faku	85%
	Luncumo Lungile	82%		Claudette Morgan	84%
	Sfiaan Mahmood	82%		Lekeira September	83%
	Lubabalo Ngcambe	82%		Ndalwentle Duda	79%
Grade 5	Esam Klaas	77%	Grade 6	Curtley-Rose Daniels	83%
	Caitlin Bokbaard	77%		Shimeecha van Heerden	79%
	Beyante Marthinus	76%		Sisipho Maseti	78%
	Kiah Fourie	74%		Sibusisiwe Yapi	75%
	Abukwe Kwezi	73%		Tyler de Jongh	75%
Grade 7	Yentl Burgess	82%			
	Jayda van Niekerk	75%			
	Emihle Mbunge	73%			
	Nondze Amaza	73%			
	Chule Mfecane	72%			



Mr Thulani Wana

We welcome Mr. Thulani Wana from N.V. Cewu as the new Head of Department in our school.

This post became vacant with the passing of Mrs Christian in April 2020. As there are HOD's in excess, the Department of Basic Education placed Mr. Wana at our school.

He is a young, vibrant leader and we welcomed him yesterday with open arms to the Good Shepherd Family.

Sir, we wish you a pleasant stay at our school and we know you will bring your leadership skills and passion for teaching to our community.





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