
MULBARTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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“It is hard to be a woman. You must think like a man, Act like a lady, Look like a young girl, And work like a horse!” Unknown

From the Principal's Desk

Congratulations to Yashwariya Govender (who took 1st place) and Neemat Abdulsalaam (placed in the top 15) from Grade 6A who represented our school at the cluster level Spelling Bee competition last Wednesday. Both girls will proceed to the district level competition. Well done!

At the Inter-school Cross Country event held last Wednesday at Thaba Trails our athletes did very well. Well done to all the learners who participated! Special congratulations to the learners who have qualified for the next round.

Parents, please work *with* the school as far as discipline is concerned. We want to instill good morals, values and good work ethics in all our learners and we appeal to you as the parent for your co-operation.

Furthermore, there are far too many children who are waiting until late in the afternoon (on a daily basis) for their transport or parents to collect them. These children are disruptive and get into fights and are disrespectful to other learners, parents and visitors! These learners give our school a poor image to passing motorists, parents and visitors. We cannot afford to have children growing up with a sense of lawlessness, disrespect and no accountability! We are appealing to all our parents to please co-operate with the school in instilling good discipline and manners in all our children. Also, please ensure that your child is fetched immediately after school or extra murals. Those children not participating in any extra murals on Tuesday and Wednesday should go home immediately!

Many parents are not aware that their child/ren have been transgressing or breaking the school's code of conduct and this has become unacceptable! Please monitor your child's diaries – it is our means of communicating with you. Please check if your child has completed his/her homework, needs to bring information to school or if they will have break detention. It is extremely vital that you check and sign your child's diary every day. Also, please check your child's bag regularly – sometimes children bring undesired items to school!

We have found that the Friday afternoon detention is losing its desired effect on most learners. We are attempting to use break detentions on a trial basis as a means of teaching learners the consequences of their actions. Therefore, if a child has accumulated 5 demerits, s/he will be attending a week's break detention instead of a Friday afternoon. Each grade will be supervised by a teacher. Learners attending break detention will be allowed to have their lunch and will be given a bathroom break as well. However, please pack a lunch for your child as ***detention learners will not be allowed to go to the tuckshop***. Learners absenting themselves from school during their detention days will have to make up for the days lost.

Thank you for your support and co-operation.

L. Kistadoo
Principal

Reminders

- **School Shop (for uniform) is open Monday & Friday from 07h30 – 09h30**
- Please download the School Communicator onto your PC, laptop or mobile phone for school info and news www.school-communicator.com
- Our banking details are: **NEDBANK BOOYSENS 198005 A/C # 1980316023.**
- **No cell phones, tablets or any other electronic devices are allowed at school** – If you are caught with these items, it will be confiscated and a penalty fee of R200.00 will be charged to get it back.
- **Left behind** - We are appealing to parents not to deliver items that your child has left behind or the parent has gone early morning shopping to bring to the learner – food; money; projects; sports kit; clothes; house keys; etc. What is left behind stays behind! Parents, children will never learn responsibility if you keep running after them. Please instill in them the habit of packing their bags and getting ready for school the night before! This also disrupts classes and lessons when children are constantly called up to the office.
- **Lost and found** - Parents, please insert a clear label with your child's name, surname & grade on all your child's uniform items (this applies to all learners in Grade R–7). We have a large number of uniform items in the Lost & Found container ***without*** labels, and we find that learners (and sometimes even parents) claim uniform items that do not even belong to them. Please note that all lost uniform items without labels will be washed and sent to our uniform shop for resale.