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From the Principal's desk

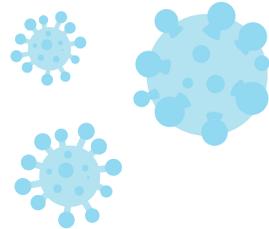
MASK-WEARING AND PHYSICAL DISTANCE AS LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOUR

As a school, we are obviously highly invested in the lives of teachers and children, and as such, our Covid-19 risk preventative measures are key priorities at this time. We also look carefully at the unique South African infection and fatality rates on the basis of age demographic to track the course of the pandemic and adjust our strategy from time to time.

To give an idea of the most recent age demographic breakdown, we can look at the recorded stats from South Africa's National Institute of Communicable Diseases (<https://www.nicd.ac.za/latest-confirmed-cases-of-covid-19-in-south-africa-1-july-2020/>). If we were to take all the confirmed cases of Covid-19 and divide them into 4 categories,

1. Active cases over 18 years of age
2. Active cases under 18 years of age
3. Covid related deaths over 18 years of age
4. Covid related deaths under 18 years of age

then we see that category (4) (school-aged children) comprises 0,00006 as a proportion of the total number of confirmed cases of Covid-19 in our country, or 6/100 000.



When we see, in comparison that the rate of fatality for **all** confirmed cases in our country is tracking at 1,5% or 15/1000 (Gauteng is 0,6% or 6/1000), it is clear that South Africa, like other nations in the world is demonstrating the fact that this particular virus behaves very differently in under 18's and over 18's. It provides compelling evidence of what has been previously reported that children under 18 have significantly fewer serious cases and lower transmissibility. This is exactly the opposite trend to other similar respiratory viruses where children are harder hit and are "super-spreaders".

What this means to us as a community is that we need to appeal to our students not to regard their lower risk profile as an excuse to become lax with our risk preventative measures, but to be extra diligent as a sign of their love and respect for their teachers (and their parents!). In this way they will ensure that they do not transmit the virus in the community.

Yes, students, your chances of getting seriously sick with this virus are indeed much lower, but remember that adults are more susceptible and can be infected by younger people. You can play a big role in **protecting** them from becoming infected.

Let's keep our disciplines of mask-wearing, physical distancing & hand-washing.

MR. KEN LANGLEY
Principal



Mid-term

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Please note that the school will be on a mid-term break from 7 to 10 August. Even though you probably won't be able to go away for this long weekend, we trust that this will be a time for great family bonding. 

Please Note: In case of absenteeism a doctor's note must be provided for all summative assessments (tests, orals, practical assessments etc) missed.



DEAR PARENTS

If you have chosen to send your child to school for contact classes, please may we appeal to you to let them attend consistently. Some of our High School grades showed puzzling fluctuations in attendance in this short time that we have been back at school. For example the Grade 10's attendance has dropped by two students each time that they have been at school, The Grade 11 attendance has dropped by 1 each time they have been at school, and the Grade 12's, who have been back every day since the beginning of term, have never had the same attendance number. Their attendance has fluctuated sharply from a low of 28 to a high of 48, with no particular pattern.

It seems that students are not coming to school on particular days, for reasons not of a virus, but because of the cold weather, or the inconvenience of getting up early or the comfort of working from bed.

Parents please help us to ensure regular good attendance, it is actually essential not only for good instruction, but also to form good life habits and work ethic in our students.

Take Note

WE START NEXT WEEK AGAIN WITH DAY 1. SCHEDULE IS EXACTLY THE SAME AS THE PAST TWO WEEKS.

Term 3 Contact Time Schedule

Gr RR – Gr 11 will have 5 contact sessions over a 2 week cycle.

Mon Day 1	Tue Day 2	Wed Day 3	Thurs Day 4	Fri Day 5	Mon Day 6	Tue Day 7	Wed Day 8	Thurs Day 9	Fri Day 10
Gr R	Gr RR	Gr R	Gr RR	Gr R	Gr RR	Gr R	Gr RR	Gr R	Gr RR
Gr 1	Gr 2	Gr 1	Gr 2	Gr 1	Gr 2	Gr 1	Gr 2	Gr 1	Gr 2
Gr 3	Gr 4	Gr 3	Gr 4	Gr 3	Gr 4	Gr 3	Gr 4	Gr 3	Gr 4
Gr 5	Gr 6	Gr 5	Gr 6	Gr 5	Gr 6	Gr 5	Gr 6	Gr 5	Gr 6
Gr 7	Gr 9	Gr 7	Gr 9	Gr 7	Gr 9	Gr 7	Gr 9	Gr 7	Gr 9
Gr 8	Gr 11	Gr 8	Gr 11	Gr 8	Gr 11	Gr 8	Gr 11	Gr 8	Gr 11
Gr 10	Gr 12	Gr 10	Gr 12	Gr 10	Gr 12	Gr 10		Gr 10	Gr 12
Gr 12				Gr 12		Gr 12		Gr 12	

THE SCHOOL WEAR SHOP

Please take note...

1. **UNTIL WE REACH LEVEL ONE APPOINTMENTS ONLY** to avoid queues and to adhere to the social distancing rules. I will only be assisting one parent (family) at a time.
2. Please contact Liza on 072 1083 670 or email ropacc@vodamail.co.za to set up an appointment.
3. Assistance available on Saturdays to accommodate working parents.
4. Wearing of masks is compulsory.
No mask – No entry.
5. Hand sanitiser will be available in the shop for Parents and Children on entry and exit of the shop.



SWOP SHOP

For second hand school items to buy or swop

The shop will be open on **Mondays & Thursdays** from **06:45 to 07:30**. Please keep in mind that all items that you want to swop or donate must be in a usable condition. We will not accept clothes that are torn

CONTACT:
Kim 082 339 0640 or
Antoinette 061 944 3898.

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Hygiene Guidelines



FOR SWOP SHOP/2nd HAND SHOP

Guidelines for the management of the swop shop/2nd hand uniform shop, based on the principles set out by the NCID in the control of Covid-19.

- Surfaces of the shop to be cleaned with household detergent, then disinfected applied to surfaces before the shop opens.
- All surfaces, including floors to be disinfected at the end of each day that the shop is open.
- Gloves to be used when cleaning the surfaces and handling soiled clothing items. Proper personal hygiene to be followed before and after the use of gloves. Correct disposal of gloves to be followed.
- Parents accessing the school grounds will be required to follow the access rules as set out by the school.
- Alcohol-based hand sanitiser to be used on entry to the shop.
- No mask No entry policy to be enforced.
- Maximum of 2 people to be allowed into the shop at any given time.
- Minimum social contact and a safe distance of 1,5m between customers.
- Parents advised to please bring their own bags or packets.
- Parents are requested to please wash any items brought in for exchanging.



Please contact

Kim 066 521-8777 or Antoinette 061 944-3898

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