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Dear Parents/Guardians

NEWSLETTER

We are thankful for the good news regarding level 1 lockdown, and that we can commence with some of our extra mural activities. Our first event will be a Meet-a-Teacher evening on Tuesday, **30 March at 18:00**. This is an opportunity for new parents to meet the teachers and discuss their children's progress. Reports will be handed out on the same day before school closes.

ANNUAL PICNIC

We are hoping to have our **annual picnic** on **31 March**, the last day of school this term, but will notify you once the date has been confirmed. The learners will be transported by bus to Wiesenhof and will return by 14:00.

CLOSING 1ST TERM

You are reminded that Helderberg High School will close for this term on **Wednesday, 31 March** and not on Friday, 23 April due to us starting with remote teaching on 21 January, and face-to-face teaching on 1 February; earlier than most schools. Our school calendar has been well balanced to best facilitate learning during this year, you can find the year planner on our website. Kindly ensure all school accounts are up to date before 31 March as this is a requirement before reports are issued.

2nd TERM

School starts on **Monday, 12 April** at 07h30. For the boys, please ensure that their hair is in line with school policy before school starts. We will have another short mid-term break from **23 April until 3 May**. The second term ends on **Friday, 2 July**. Please be reminded that a *Late Arrival fee* of R250 will be charged for learners not arriving back at school on 12 April.

WINTER UNIFORM

We will announce the date for the changeover to winter uniform shortly.

SWIMATHON

We are aiming to have our Swimathon on Thursday, 18 March from 18:00-20:00. This will be our fundraiser for the term. We want to thank all our parents in advance for supporting our learners and our school at this fun event.

OUTENIQUA HIKE

Mr Mason and Ms Christian will be accompanying the learners on the Outeniqua Hike from **19 - 26 March**. We wish them travelling mercies and a wonderful experience together.

LATE ARRIVALS

From Monday **8 March**, learners arriving at school after 07:30 will be put on break detention. Please ensure your child/ren are at school on time to avoid this.

FINANCE OFFICE

Please note that Mrs Sterley is available to assist you with financial issues from 09:30 to 14:00 each day. Or, you can send her an email (finance@helderberghs.co.za)

CONTACT DETAILS

Please keep your contact details updated with us.

OUTREACH 2021



At Helderberg High School, outreach is very important to us. One of our projects this year (driven by Mrs Anina Grobler (0833049148), is to crochet “Bedmats” from plastic bags for the homeless. Ideally, we would like to hand these over before winter starts.

We would love for you to be involved. Please have a look at the Youtube clip below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5JNe-hce0sY>

Any donations of plastic bags and crochet needles will be very welcome (sizes 12 mm & 15mm)

JUNE EXAMS

Helderberg High School proactively decided to continue with our June exams, as in the past. Timetables will be handed to the learners before the exams and will be posted on our website.

As the learners are busy with their formal assessments, and the first term draws to an end, we trust that the short holiday will be a time of relaxation for both learners and parents. If you are travelling, please do so safely and have an enjoyable break. Once again, thank you for your support and prayers for Helderberg High School.

Regards

Mr A R Basson

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