

Walvis Bay Private High School

NEWSLETTER 10 — 20 MAY 2020



UPDATE ON THE STATE OF EMERGENCY—COVID 19 LOCKDOWN

Dear Parents

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At the consultative meeting held on 12 May 2020 with Ms Anna Nghipondoka, the Deputy Minister of Education, Mrs Sanet Steenkamp, the Executive Director of Education, and Mrs Eda Bohn, the Deputy Executive Director of Education, it was clearly stated that we seek better understanding and finding common ground of the situation at hand.

The following was resolved as per letter forwarded by Mrs Steenkamp on 19 May 2020.

The Ministry of Education, Arts and Culture in consultation with its stakeholders and as per the Cabinet endorsement announced the re-opening of schools and subsequent resumption of face-to-face teaching and learning of learners in all school for the remainder of the 2020 academic year.

Learners are phased in as follows:

Phase 1: resumption of face-to-face schooling for Grade 11 and 12 learners on Wednesday, 3rd June 2020 to Friday 18th December 2020. **(In our case Grade 11, Grade 12 and the AS learners).**

Phase 2: resumption of face to face school for the grades, Pre-Primary to Grade 3 on Monday 22nd of June 2020 to Friday, 18th December 2020. **(In our case the Junior Primary Phase).**

Phase 3: resumption of face-to-face schooling for grades 7 and 9 on Monday, 6th July 2020 to Friday, 18th December 2020.

Phase 4: resumption of face-to-face schooling for grades 4, 5, 6, 8 and 10 on Monday 20th July 2020 to Friday, 18th December 2020.

Please note that a mid-term break for teachers and learners is scheduled from the 22nd — 29th of May 2020 with returning to school on the 1st of June 2020.

As Private School we have made the necessary arrangements to adhere to the guidelines as set out by the World Health Organisation. Should it be possible to resume face to face school earlier than indicated above, you will be advised accordingly. In the meantime e-learning continues.

We further advise you to continue to adhere to the health measures which include social distancing, immune boosters, flu vaccines, etc. are especially important measures that should be used. Anyone with symptoms of a dry cough, high fever and shortness of breath should stay at home and consult a health practitioner or community health worker.

Stay safe, healthy and positive.

God Bless

Mrs Estelle Eigelaar
PRINCIPAL
20 May 2020

A facemask, made out of material, will be handed to the learners as they enter the school for the first time. Sanitizers will be available at the entrance, in each classroom and in the ablution facilities. If you prefer to make use of a facemask of your own choice, you are welcome to do so.

In Him was life and the life was the light of men, and the light shined in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.

John 1:4-5

GRADE 11 AS LANE—GRADE 12 JUNE 2020 EXAMINATION

WALVIS BAY PRIVATE HIGH SCHOOL GRADES 11 AS LANE AND GRADE 12: JUNE 2020 EXAMINATION

1st Session 7:20-10:00			Break: 10:00-10:20		
DATE	DAY	TIME	GRADE 12	GRADE 11 AS LANE	
03.06.20	Wednesday	07:20	Design & Technology P1 H/O (2H)	Chemistry P2 (1H30)	
		10:20	Design & Technology P2 H/O (1H45)	Chemistry P3 (1H15)	
04.06.20	Thursday	07:20	ESL P3 H (2H45)	Chemistry P1 (45 min)	
05.06.20	Friday	07:20	Mathematics H P2 (3H)Core P1(1H15) Extended P4 (2H30)	AFL/ASL P1 (2H30)	
		10:20	Mathematics Core P3 (1H45) Extended P2 (1H30)	AFL P2 (1H30)	
		14:00	Mathematics H P1 (2H)		
08.06.20	Monday	07:20	Entrepreneurship P1 OL (2H)	Geography P2 AS (1H45)	
		10:20		Geography P1 (2H15)	
09.06.20	Tuesday	07:20	EFL P1 H & ESL P1 H/OE (2H30)	Economics P1 AS (2H30)	
		10:20	EFL P2 H(1H) ESLH P2 (2H45)	Economics P2 AS (2H)	
10.06.20	Wednesday	07:20	Biology P2 H (2H15)O(2H)	Physics P2 AS (1H30)	
		10:20	Biology P1 H(1H30) O (1H)	Physics P1 AS (45 min)	
11.06.20	Thursday	07:20	Biology P3 H(1H30)O(2H)	Physics P3 AS (1H15)	
12.06.20	Friday	07:20	Business Studies P2 H(2H30)O (2H)	Design & Technology AS P1 (2H)	
			Business Studies P1 H/O (2H)	Design & Technology P2 AS (1H45)	
15.06.20	Monday	07:20	Accounting P1 H (2H30) O (2H)	Accounting P1 AS (2H30) Entrepreneurship P1 (2H)	
		10:20	Accounting P1 H (2H30) O (1H45)	Accounting P2 AS (2H30)	
17.06.20	Wednesday	07:20	Physical Science P2 H/O (2H)	Biology P2 AS (1H30)	
		10:20	Physical Science P1 H (1H30) O (1H)	Biology P1 AS (45 min)	
18.06.20	Thursday	07:20	Physical Science P3 H (2H) O (1H30)	Biology P3 AS (1H15)	
19.06.20	Friday	07:20	Office Admin P1&2 (3H40) Economics P1 H/O (2H30) Geography P2 H (2H45) O (1H45)	Business Studies P1 AS (2H)	
		10:20	Economics P2 H/O (2H) Geography P1 H (2H15) O (2H)	Business Studies P2 AS (2H)	
22.06.20	Monday	07:20	Geography P3 H (1H45) O (2H) Office Admin P3 (1H30)	Mathematics AS P2 (2H)	
		10:20		Mathematics AS P1 (2H)	

STAFF MATTERS—CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Mrs Verity-Grace Bachmann and her husband Uwe on the birth of their baby boy Josua Sebastian Bachmann on the 14th of April 2020. Our heartiest congratulations and we wish them much joy and happiness. A special word of thanks to Mrs Louise du Plessis for substituting in this post while Mrs Bachmann is on maternity leave. We always appreciate her being willing to step in and fill the void whenever we call on her.



Congratulations to Mrs Elzabe Koen and her husband Dawie on the birth of their baby boy Reinhardt Wilhelm Koen on the 22nd of March 2020.



Our heartiest congratulations and we wish them much joy and happiness.

Congratulations to Mrs Tanja van Schalkwyk and her husband Hendrik on the birth of their baby boy Schalk on the 18 of May 2020. Our heartiest congratulations and we wish them much joy and happiness. A special word of thanks to Mrs Anel Maritz for helping us with the e-learning during the lock-down period while Mrs van Schalkwyk is on maternity leave.



Congratulations to Ms Sharné Davids on her marriage to Mr Benjamin Amibambi during the lock down period. They had a small wedding of 10 people to honour their original date. We wish her and her husband much joy and happiness.



GRADE 11 CAMP—GOANIKONTES OASIS



On the 3rd of March, the 11th Grade had the privilege of escaping the city life and indulge in a bit of farm style living at Goanikontes Oasis, amid the Namib Naukluft and Dorob National Parks.

Upon arrival, we were greeted with warm smiles and the learners' faces were filled with eagerness to start the day. The day kicked off with a rewarding personality workshop.

This workshop was a beautiful way to give the learners authenticity and a high self-concept. The learners could relate their behaviour, reasoning and decision making to their personality traits. It was a very satisfying and fruitful exercise.

The learners brought out their competitive yet helpful and caring nature during the obstacle courses. It was a beautiful sight to see as they helped each other overcome the obstacles to thrive and flourish.



The learners finally had time to breathe and unwind by swimming in a lake, as well as fishing and hiking.

All these activities that took place over two days recognised the following skills: interpersonal skills, problem-solving, global citizenship, communication skills, leadership skills as well as self-knowledge.



These skills are important to our learners, especially in their young adult lives, to have a deep rooted and grounded group of Grade 12 learners in 2021.



We thank each and every one that played a part in the success of the grade 11 camp. A special word of thanks to Ms De Wet, Mr Kemp and Mr van Niekerk for presenting and aiding with the camp.

We also thank Mr C Swart for his valuable contribution towards our grade 11 camp.

Ms Sylvia Shivoro



WALVIS BAY PRIVATE HIGH SCHOOL—SMOKING POLICY

Smoking is a health hazard. It is further prohibited in all indoor public places and indoor workplaces, and on all means of public transportation. Smoking is also prohibited in outdoor areas used for learner activities.

We have considered the Tobacco Products Control Act 1 of 2010, brought into force on 1 April 2014 by GN 34/2014 (GG 5430), and what it actually entails/prohibits/prescribes.

After consulting different parties and finding clarity with regards to above-mentioned on our school premises, the signs for “Smoking of tobacco products prohibited” have been placed at both the Main entrance of the school, and the entrance at the Primary Phase of the school.

Designated areas have been identified and allocated, one in the garden outside the staff room, and one in front of the Old Scholars Association Club House as designated smoking areas.

Parents, teachers, visitors must please refrain from smoking in other areas.

We will appreciate your cooperation in this regard.

DATES FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR

SECOND TRIMESTER 2020

- June 01 Application forms 2021 / teachers at School
- June 03 School opens for Grade 11, Grade 12 & AS level
- June 09 **BOD meeting**
- June 16 Day of the African Child
- June 23 AGM
- June 30 Applications for 2021 close
- July 14 **BOD meeting**
- Aug 01 Internal Exam
- Aug 3 Schools' 59th birthday
- Aug 11 **BOD meeting**
- Aug 21 School closes for learners
- Aug 24 School closes for teachers

THIRD TRIMESTER 2020

- Aug 31 School opens for teachers
- Sept 01 First School day learners
- Sept 22 **BOD meeting**
- Sept 28 Day of the Namibian Child
- Oct 5 World Teachers Day
- Oct 13 **BOD meeting**
- Nov 9 External Exams begin
- Nov 30 Internal Exams
- Nov 17 **BOD meeting**
- Dec 18 External Exam ends
- Dec 18 Last school day for learners
- Dec 23 Last school day for teachers



God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
Psalms 46:1