

DINWIDDIE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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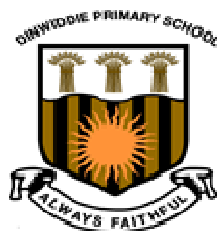
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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Dinwiddie Primary School is to provide a primary educational institution that strives towards academic excellence within the bounds of a safe and secure environment.

We aim to provide development for each pupil to attain his or her own potential and so encourage competent, freethinking, well-adjusted citizens in an ever-changing society. This will be achieved through quality teaching supported by all stakeholders.

VISION STATEMENT

Dinwiddie Primary School will endeavour to equip all learners with a solid foundation of knowledge and life skills to enable them to realise their goals in becoming successful citizens of the future.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

JANUARY	
22	Grade 2 & 3 Information Evening
24	Grade 4 -6 Information Evening

OFFICE HOURS:

MON. - THURS. 07:30 – 15:00
FRIDAYS 07:30 – 14:00

Dear Parents

SCHOOL HOURS

This is a reminder for parents/guardians to please take note that school commences at **07:48** in the mornings. If your child makes use of public transport, please ensure that the driver is aware of this time. Latecomers disrupt classes and learners that arrive late for school on a regular basis will receive a detention.

SCHOOL HOURS FOR GRADE ONE

Grade 1 parents, this is a reminder of the times until the end of the month.

- School will end at 13:00 for all grade one learners until Friday the 25th of January 2019.
- As from Monday the 28th of January 2019 onwards school will end at 14:00.

SCHOOL BAGS

Grade 1, 2 and 3 learners

A large firm plastic "box style" suitcase is acceptable. No stickers or graffiti are allowed on school bags.

Grade 4 to Grade 7 learners

It is compulsory for our senior learners to use the Dinwiddie Primary School suitcase which is available from Ebsons in Germiston and Simply School at the New Market mall in Alberton. Please ensure that your child's name is clearly visible on the front of the suitcase, where space is provided to write your child's name.

BIRTHDAYS

At Dinwiddie Primary School, we recognise that a birthday is a special occasion for a child. We therefore allow the learners to wear civvies on their birthday, subject to the **following rules:**



No civvies may be worn on a **Monday**.



Should their birthday fall on a Monday, Saturday or Sunday, they may wear their civvies on the **Friday BEFORE** their birthday.



If their birthday falls on a **public holiday**, they may wear civvies on the **following day** as long as it is **not a Monday**.



Should a learner's birthday fall during the **school holidays**, civvies may be worn on the **first Friday** of the new term.



If you are sending birthday treats for your child, we prefer for parents to send cupcakes (or cake that has been pre-sliced) to cater for the learners in the class.



If you are sending in cold drinks, please supply individually packed drinks, eg. small Liquifruit juices. No glass or 2 litre cold drink bottles please as the teachers do not keep cold drink cups in the classrooms.



Please make sure all birthday treats are clearly marked with the learners name and class. Treats are to be placed in the office foyer for the learners to collect later on in the day.



We wish to remind parents that the usual requirements for civvies day dress must be adhered to. If you are unsure, kindly contact the office for more information.



SCHOOL FEES 2019



Thank you to the many parents who have kept to their commitment. In order to offer and maintain a high standard of education, we need to ensure that our finances stay healthy.

We urge all parents to make use of the 8% discount that will apply if fees for 2019 are paid **in full** by 31 January 2019.

ATHLETICS AND PE UNIFORM

If your child has been selected as an athlete, please ensure that he/she attends all practice sessions.

Should you require additional house sports shirts, they are sold at the school office for R120 each. Plain black shorts (rugby shorts) can be purchased from most clothing stores, and must be worn with the Dinwiddie Primary School House T-shirt.

EDUDOME: "WONDERS OF SPACE"

EduDome will visit our school to present the "*Wonders of Space*" to Grade 3-6 learners. The presentation will be an array of colours and sound, to visualize and bring to life what was learned in the class. The content is presented on the full rounding of the dome.

Details are as follow:

Date: Friday 01st of February 2019

When: During school time

Cost: R30-00 per child (Grade 3-6 learners)

Please send the money to your child's class educator as soon as possible.

We refer parents to the letter sent out regarding programmes presented at school.

ATTENDANCE AT THIS PROGRAMME IS COMPULSORY

Kind regards,

MRS. G. DU PREEZ
PRINCIPAL

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"Success depends upon previous preparation and without such preparation there is sure to be failure."

- Confucius